

Jeffers Hill Elementary School

PROFILE

2017-18

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Jeffers Hill is located in the heart of Columbia in the Village of Oakland Mills and has been in existence over 40 years. It is our mission to prepare our students through dynamic opportunities in an effort allow all students to succeed in an ever-changing world.

Jeffers Hill students are eager to enter the building each morning and former students and staff proudly return to visit. As our school population grows and changes, we renew our commitment to making Jeffers Hill a place where significant relationships are formed and everyone feels part of an "intimate and collaborative learning community." The warm and welcoming atmosphere greets visitors and encourages parent/community participation in all aspects of the school.

Our teaching staff is committed to providing exemplary instruction and supports for all students through the implementation of Maryland State Common Core Standards. Student success is measured in many ways. One of the best indicators is to walk through JHES classrooms, where students are engaged, are active participants in rigorous instruction, AND enjoy the process. Staff members regularly engage in collaborative planning and data analysis in order to develop high quality instruction. Staff participate in professional learning that is student-centered and designed to meet the needs of the 21st century learner.

Our PTA works tirelessly to support the success of our students and the efforts of our staff. Our community responds generously with their time, talents and treasures to energetically support school initiatives and efforts. The PTA also supports and enhances the school's learning environment by sponsoring many activities, such as the Cultural Arts and After School Enrichment programs. Staff and community volunteer their time after school to support many events including STEM Events, Parent Workshops, Girls On the Run, MESA and Family Engagement Activities/Events. We also celebrate our partnership with the Howard County Chapter of the Links, Inc through their support of the Can You Imagine Me? Program and MESA. We treasure all of our partnerships!

Maisha Strong, Principal
Brian Vanisko, Assistant Principal

Fast Facts

Facility opened - 1974

Additions/Renovations
1999 (R)

School Capacity: 421
(This does not include additional capacity provided by 2 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment (K-5): 428

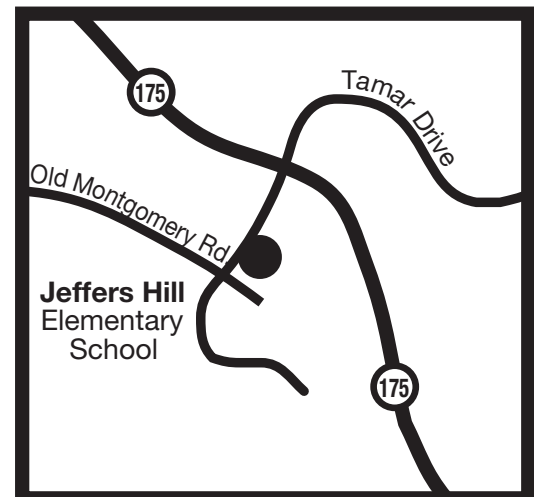
Ethnicity

American Indian/Alaskan	0.2%
Asian	13.8%
Black/African American	38.1%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0%
Hispanic/Latino	16.6%
White	22.0%
Two or more races	9.4%

Students Receiving Special Services 2016-17

Free/Reduced Lunch	33.3%
Ltd. English Proficient	10.4%
Special Education	8.2%
Title I	0 or <10 students

PTA members: 153



Achievement Data

PARCC Assessment Performance Results – CLES

Performance Level	Mathematics			English Language Arts		
	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015
Level 5: Exceeded expectations	7.6%	7.1%	7.8%	<=5	<=5	6.1%
Level 4: Met expectations	30.7%	33.3%	32.3%	35.1%	28.8%	36.5%
Level 3: Approached expectations	28.4%	22.9%	25.0%	28.0%	25.4%	27.8%
Level 2: Partially met expectations	24.4%	22.9%	22.4%	20.0%	21.7%	17.0%
Level 1: Did not meet expectations	8.9%	13.8%	12.5%	13.8%	21.3%	12.6%

State accountability information can be accessed at www.mdreportcard.org.

Special Programs

- MESA Program
- Can You Imagine Me?
- Classroom Focused Improvement Process (CFIP)
- Family Fitness Nights
- PTA Restaurant Nights
- Reading and Math Support Teachers
- Reading Recovery Program – Grade 1
- Green School Initiative
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Restorative Justice through Community Circles
- Safety Patrol
- GT Art Club

Educational Partnerships

- A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc.
- Blessings in a Backpack
- Camp Attaway
- Gales' Violin Shop, Inc.
- Howard County Library, East Columbia Branch
- PNC Bank, Elkridge Branch
- Schoolhouse Theater Arts, Inc.
- Smoothie King, Columbia
- Towson University – Professional Development School (PDS)

Accomplishments

2017

- MESA Days State Competition
- PBIS Gold Maryland Banner Award
- MESA Days State Competition
- Battle of the Books Award
- Young Authors County Award and State Finalists
- JHES Participant in HCPSS County Spelling Bee
- Jump Rope for Heart – Raised over \$11,000

2016

- MESA Days State Competition
- Math Olympiad Winner
- PBIS Maryland Banner Award
- Battle of the Books Awards – 2nd Place Best Costume and 1st Place Best Team Spirit
- GT Orchestra Participant

2015

- PBIS Maryland Banner Award – Gold (7th Year in a row)
- Ben Carson Scholarship Recipient
- Healthy Howard Gold Award Winner
- Battle of the Books Civility Winner