

# Pointers Run Elementary School

## PROFILE

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The mission of Pointers Run Elementary School: The PRES community collaborates to develop responsible lifelong learners in a climate of empathy and respect. Our vision is that every student strives to reach academic, social and personal excellence.

The Pointers Run community includes children enrolled in the Regional Early Childhood Program (ages 3–5), and students in kindergarten through fifth grade. We value our diverse students who come to us from many cultures and with many talents. Therefore, we strive to meet the needs of our students by acknowledging multiple intelligences, respect for self and others through Developmental Assets, inclusion of students with special needs, and acceleration through the Gifted and Talented program, as well as differentiated classroom instruction.

At Pointers Run, we welcome and encourage our community to become involved in their student's education. The PTA actively participates in our educational program, helping to create the best possible learning experiences for our children. Volunteers play a key role in supporting our instructional program and are encouraged to participate in school activities on a regular basis. We also encourage local businesses to develop partnerships with our school to strengthen our program.

Involved parents, motivated students, and a dynamic staff have facilitated our schools' accomplishments. The staff is committed to developing knowledge and skills in our students so that they will form the foundation of their education in order for them to be college and career ready. It is essential that the education being provided at PRES be rigorous at every level to meet the needs of our students and prepare them for a bright future.

### Fast Facts

**Facility opened:** 1991

**Additions/Renovations**  
2002 (A), 2006 (A), 2008 (A)

**School Capacity:** 744  
*(This does not include additional capacity provided by 9 portable classrooms.)*

**Total Enrollment (PreK–5):** 924  
*Official count 9/30/18*

#### Ethnicity FY19

American Indian/Alaskan	≤5.0%
Asian	31.6%
Black/African American	11.2%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	≤5.0%
Hispanic/Latino	≤5.0%
White	47.4%
Two or more races	5.7%

#### Students Receiving Special Services FY18

Free/Reduced Lunch	5.2%
Ltd. English Proficient	≤5.0%
Special Education	12.3%
Title I	0.0%

**PTA members:** 536

#### Administrators:

Julie Schrufer, Principal  
Leslie Brickner, Assistant Principal

#### Educational Partnerships

- Clarksville Chick fil-A
- Howard County Government, Department of Public Works
- Howard County Library, Central Branch
- New Vision Martial Arts
- Popeyes
- Sandy Spring Bank, Clarksville Branch
- Uno Chicago Grill

*Updated January 2019*

## Academic Achievement

### PRES Performance on State Tests – FY18

Measure	Results
Percent Proficient Mathematics	78.8%
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	69.3%

State accountability information for PRES can be accessed at <https://hcpssne.ws/pres-reportcd>

## Special Programs

- AAA Safety Patrol
- Academic Intervention Program
- Academic Life Skills Classes
- Asset All Stars Program – Development Assets Program
- Art Extravaganza Day in collaboration with area high schools
- Battle of the Books – 23 PRES teams, involving more than 123 students and 20 parents/staff.
- Elementary Primary Learner Program
- Family Reading Night
- Family Math Night
- Black Student Achievement Program Liaison
- BSAP Evening of Excellence
- Chorus
- Concert Band
- Concert Orchestra
- Food Composting Program
- Food on the 15th – monthly food donations to senior citizens
- Girls and Boys Night Out
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Math Olympiad
- PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) School
- Peer Mentor Program – Budding Mathematicians
- Professional Development School: the Peabody Institute, UMBC, University of Maryland – interns and teachers
- PTA: Cultural Arts Program, International Night, Reflections Program, Restaurant Nights
- Raising Horseshoe Crabs in the Classroom – A program sponsored by the DNR that allows PRES students to raise horseshoe crabs from eggs. Highlighted on MPT: <http://video.mpt.tv/video/2365129034>
- Read Across America Day
- Regional Early Childhood Center (RECC)
- School Safeties Program
- Schoolwide Food Composting Program
- Schoolwide Green School Program
- Schoolwide Trex Recycling Program
- Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) Program
- Simulated Congressional Hearing
- STEAM Day – introduces students to science, technology, and engineering careers
- 5th grade Student Government Association
- Stock Market Game
- Terrapins in the Classroom Program – sponsored by The National Aquarium, involves students in the care and data collection of hatchling terrapins in the classroom before end-of-year release.
- Turkey Trot
- Student run TV studio and broadcast

## Accomplishments

- 1st and 2nd Place honors in Battle of the Books competition by teams of 5th graders, 2016
- Recognized as 4th best school in Maryland by Niche.com
- Maryland Green School Re-certification (2015) awarded after two years of implementing improvements in habitat restoration, energy conservation, waste management and water conservation, and pollution prevention on school grounds and in the community
- Developmental Asset school of the year award, 2017
- Howard County Enrichment Band participants
- Howard County Children's Chorus participants
- Student artwork selected for exhibit in Maryland State office buildings as well as used as bookmarks for Howard County Public Libraries
- Young Authors Contest award winners
- Mathematical Olympiads High Achievement Award
- Regional winners of Stock Market Game
- 1st and 6th national winners in Investwrite Essay Contest
- Participation in Howard County Spelling Bee

### More Special Programs

- WatchDOGS (Dads of Great Students)
- Wellness Initiative
- Students from Atholton High School work at PRES to help them determine if education is a career they might consider.