Running Brook Elementary School’s motto is “We Are Running Brook.” Every member of our school community plays a vital role in the success of Running Brook. Our staff of committed, caring teachers and support personnel strives to meet each child’s individual needs and unique abilities. We feel that our vision, mission and motto align perfectly with the school system’s Strategic Call to Action. The staff of Running Brook Elementary is fully invested in Learning and Leading with Equity. Some of our innovative academic components that focus on the whole child and prepare our children for college and careers include:

- Expanded Pre-Kindergarten: full-day preschool prepares all eligible children with social and academic skills they need for kindergarten and later in life.
- The Bridges Over Wilde Lake: academic and enrichment programs offered to students one hour before the school day begins and two hours after the school day.

Running Brook receives technical and material support to improve the academic skills of our students and continue to explore science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Our reading and math support teacher help classroom teachers develop instructional strategies based upon student needs. Additional teachers allow small group instruction in reading and math, and we offer a technology curriculum designed to infuse content knowledge with computer skills and enhance our students’ college and career readiness.

RBES staff and students are committed to educational excellence and life-long learning in a positive school environment where quality teaching and successful learning are prized and supported. Our staff takes pride in knowing each student as a learner and instilling in all children a love of learning. Our diversity is one of our biggest strengths and we continually work to provide a culturally inclusive environment for all. There is truly a “Running Brook Way” that is distinct from that of other schools, and we are proud to have a school community who believes in the motto “We Are Running Brook”!

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**Fast Facts**

**Facility opened:** 1970

**Additions/Renovations**
1984 (A), 2004 (R), 2006 (R), 2014 (A)

**School Capacity:** 515
(This does not include additional capacity provided by 3 portable classrooms.)

**Total Enrollment (PreK–5):** 500
Official count 9/30/18

**Ethnicity FY19**
- American Indian/Alaskan ≤5.0%
- Asian ≤5.0%
- Black/African American 57.0%
- Hawaiian/Pacific Islander ≤5.0%
- Hispanic/Latino 12.6%
- White 18.0%
- Two or more races 7.4%

**Students Receiving Special Services FY18**
- Free/Reduced Lunch 54.0%
- Ltd. English Proficient 6.7%
- Special Education 15.7%
- Title I 100.0%

**PTA members:** 190

**Administrators:**
Anthony Esposito, Principal
Jayme Brewrink, Assistant Principal

*Updated January 2019*
### Academic Achievement

#### RBES Performance on State Tests – FY18

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*State accountability information for RBES can be accessed at [https://hcpssne.ws/rbes-reportcd](https://hcpssne.ws/rbes-reportcd)*

### Accomplishments

- Recipient of funding for before- and after-school programs through the Bridges Over Wilde Lake grant
- PBIS Gold School, 2011–16
- Participant in HCL/HCPSS Spelling and Bumble Bee Competitions, 2008–17
- Bright Minds® Grants, 2017

### Educational Partnerships

- A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc.
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Iota Lambda Omega Chapter
- Coppin State University
- Howard Community College
- Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services
- Howard County General Hospital, A Member of Johns Hopkins Medicine
- Howard County Library, Central Branch
- Howard County Police Department
- Kittamaqundi Community Church
- Magellan Health Services, Inc.
- Rotary Club of Columbia Town Center
- Vantage House
- Volunteer, Vivian Bailey
- Wilde Lake Community Center
- Columbia Association
- Columbia Bank
- Columbia Presbyterian Church

### Special Programs

- After School Enrichment Programs, Summer School
- Alternative Education Program, full-time guidance counselor, full-time psychologist, reading support teacher, and math support teacher
- BSAP mentor, ESOL family liaison, BSAP family liaison
- Family Math and Reading Nights
- Full day Pre-kindergarten
- Math Tutoring Program
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports schoolwide behavior program
- Reading Recovery (Grade 1), Fast Math
- Regional Early Childhood Center
- Schoolwide Character Education Program
- Student support from WLHS National Honor Society
- Volunteers from Senior Citizens’ Group, Columbia Volunteer Corp, PTA, and A-OK Mentors
- World Language (Spanish)
- Blessings in a Backpack

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