

Veterans Elementary School

PROFILE

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Veterans Elementary School (VES) opened in August, 2007. The school mascot is the eagle and the school colors are red, white and blue. Our school mascot's name is Spirit. At Veterans, we work collaboratively with families and community partners to ensure the academic success and social-emotional well-being of our students in an inclusive and nurturing environment.

The staff at Veterans Elementary is committed to providing many learning opportunities for children. We continuously partner with students and families to enhance our learning environments where all students are challenged to reach their fullest potential and are encouraged to be kind to each-other and themselves. VES has one of the largest elementary band and orchestra programs in the county. We are also proud of the extensive extracurricular programs offered to students by our wide range of community partners.

Veterans Elementary is fortunate to have an active PTA that plans cultural arts assemblies, back to school celebrations, summer engagement for Kindergarten families, and family fun nights. Parent volunteers assist staff in a number of different ways to help ensure success for every student.

Veterans Elementary School is a vibrant community that provides an inclusive educational environment where all students can learn and be successful.

Fast Facts

Facility opened: 2007

School Capacity: 799

(This does not include additional capacity provided by 5 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment (PreK–5): 897

Official count 9/30/23

Ethnicity FY24

American Indian/Alaskan	≤5.0%
Asian	42.6%
Black/African American	19.0%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	≤5.0%
Hispanic/Latino	8.1%
White	22.4%
Two or more races	6.9%

Students Receiving Special Services FY23

Free/Reduced Meals	29.7%
English Learners	11.5%
Special Education	14.2%

Administrators:

Alexcia Redd, Principal

Keri Golibart, Assistant Principal

Brian Holcomb McMahan, Admin. Intern

Accomplishments

- PBIS Gold Award Recognition, 2010–2019
- National Network of Partnership Schools – Johns Hopkins University
- Professional Development School, Early Childhood – Towson University
- Battle of the Books – 1st Place: 2021, 2019, 2018 – First Place

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Academic Achievement

VES Performance on State Tests*

Measure	2022 Results	2023 Results
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	53.0%	55.6%
Percent Proficient Mathematics	50.5%	54.4%
Percent Proficient Science	51.4%	52.9%

State accountability information can be accessed at <https://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov/>

Special Programs

- AAA Safety Patrol
- Academic Life Skills Classes
- After School Program – HC Recreation and Parks
- After School PTA-Sponsored Programs: Art Club, Chess, Drama, Karate, LEGOS, Science
- Community Circles
- Concert Band
- Concert Orchestra
- Daily 5 Reading Program (K–2)
- Enrichment Fair
- ESOL
- Family Fit Night
- Family Math and Reading Nights
- Field Day
- Gifted and Talented (G/T) Program
- Girls on the Run Program
- Girls Who Code
- Green School Initiative
- Hour of Code
- Howard County Children’s Chorus
- Howard County Elementary GT Band
- Howard County Elementary GT Orchestra
- Howard County Library Battle of the Books, Bumble Bee
- Instructional Intervention Team
- International Community Liaison
- International Night
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Math Intervention Teachers
- MD/DC Stock Market Game
- Peer Helpers
- Peer Mediation
- Peer Mentors
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Program
- Professional Development School
- PTA Cultural Arts Program
- PTA Reflections Program
- PTA Restaurant Nights
- Reading Recovery
- Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) Fair
- Simulated Congressional Hearing
- Veterans Academy Scholars Program
- Yearbook

Educational Partnerships

- Bethel Baptist Church
- Brunswick Zone Normandy
- First Evangelical Lutheran Church
- Howard County Library, Miller Branch
- Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education, Green Schools Program
- Mission19
- Okinawan Karate Dojo
- Omega Eta Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
- Prepare for Success, Community Action Council of Howard County
- St. Peter's Episcopal Church
- Trout Unlimited, Trout in the Classroom
- Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, Yingling-Ridgely Post 7472
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