

Waterloo Elementary School

PROFILE

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Waterloo Elementary was one of six schools statewide to earn the 2018 Blue Ribbon School designation and award from the Maryland State Department of Education! Waterloo was also recognized as a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education. Waterloo has proudly served our community for 54 years. The students, staff, and families of Waterloo are proud of our rich tradition of excellence, dedication, creativity, and compassion. In our dedicated efforts to provide meaningful and targeted instruction that meets the individual needs of each child, our teachers and school improvement efforts adhere to the following cyclical philosophy: Continuous Reflection – Intentional Implementations – Analytical Results.

Collaborative team planning is instrumental in providing differentiated instruction for our students. Our Literacy and Math Coaches assist teachers with accessing latest instructional strategies and implementing lessons that are aligned with Common Core standards.

We are committed to fostering an environment conducive to teaching and learning. Waterloo students are engaged learners who strive daily to represent themselves, intellectually, behaviorally, and socially, in a positive manner. Student efforts are recognized and celebrated by staff members and explicit lessons are taught throughout the year that introduce and reinforce those leadership and perseverance skills so instrumental for success.

Waterloo Elementary is also proud of our strong and active partnership with our dedicated PTA. Family involvement is encouraged through volunteerism, PTA participation, or attending school/PTA sponsored functions. The commitment demonstrated by our staff, students, and supportive community enhances the school experience for all.

Fast Facts

Facility opened: 1964

Additions/Renovations: 1987 (R/A), 1998 (A), 2007 (A), 2010 (R)

School Capacity: 663
(This does not include additional capacity provided by 4 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment (PreK–5): 620
Official count 9/30/18

Ethnicity FY19

American Indian/Alaskan	≤5.0%
Asian	22.3%
Black/African American	31.0%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	≤5.0%
Hispanic/Latino	6.1%
White	33.4%
Two or more races	6.6%

Students Receiving Special Services FY18

Free/Reduced Lunch	26.4%
Ltd. English Proficient	9.5%
Special Education	20.4%
Title I	0.0%

PTA members: 280

Administrators:

Sean Martin, Principal
Janet Yarn, Assistant Principal

Educational Partnerships

- Eggspectations
- Chick-fil-A, Executive Park Drive
- The First Tee of Howard County
- Giant Food – Distribution Operations
- greeNEWit
- Howard County Library, Miller Branch
- Victory Martial Arts

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Academic Achievement

WatES Performance on State Tests – FY18

Measure	Results
Percent Proficient Mathematics	59.5%
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	61.7%

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

Special Programs

- Recipient of the IBM Volunteerism Grant – Technology Focus
- Recipient of the Northrop Grumman STEM Grant
- Let Me Run Boys Program
- Girls on the Run Program
- Parks and Recreation After School Programming
- Professional Development School – Partnerships with University of Maryland and Towson University
- Simulated Congressional Hearing Participant – 5th Grade
- Regional Early Childhood Center
- Regional Program for Students with Emotional/Social Disabilities

Accomplishments

- 2018 National Blue Ribbon School
- 2017–18 Maryland State Blue Ribbon School
- Honor Roll Distinction for Intermediate Level Students
- Green School Recognition and Designation – 2016, 2017, 2018
- PBIS Gold School – 2011, 2012, 2013, 2016, 2017; PBIS Silver School – 2014, 2015,
- Participant and Award Winners in Baltimore Museum of Industry STEM Competitions – Rube Goldberg Engineering Challenge, 2016, 2017, and 2018; Safe Racer Challenge, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018; Paper Airplane Challenge, 2015, 2016, 2017
- Representation on GT and Honors Band/Orchestra Programs – 2016, 2017, 2018