Waterloo Elementary has been recognized as a Maryland Blue Ribbon School by the Maryland Department of Education and was designated a National Blue Ribbon School Waterloo by the U.S. Department of Education.

Waterloo has proudly served our community for more than 58 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 of Results.

Collaborative team planning is instrumental in providing differentiated instruction for our students. Our Literacy and Math Coaches assist teachers with accessing the latest instructional strategies and implementing lessons that are aligned with curriculum standards and differentiated to individual student learning needs.

We are committed to fostering an environment conducive to teaching, learning and being. 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, interpersonal, academic 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.
### Academic Achievement

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*State tests were not administered in FY20 or FY21 due to the pandemic. 2022 state assessment results have delayed reporting due to the standard setting process.*

State accountability information can be accessed at [https://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov/](https://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov/)

### Accomplishments

- National Blue Ribbon School
- Maryland State Blue Ribbon School
- Honor Roll Distinction for Intermediate Level Students
- Green School Recognition and Designation
- PBIS Gold School
- Participant and Award Winners in Baltimore Museum of Industry STEM Competitions:
  - Rube Goldberg Engineering Challenge
  - Safe Racer Challenge
  - Paper Airplane Challenge,
- Representation on GT and Honors Band/Orchestra/Chorus Programs
- Battle of The Books Annual Participant
- Council of Elders Celebration of Academic Achievement
- Professional Development School - Towson University

### Special Programs

- After School Programming – Howard County Recreation and Parks
- After School Programming - PTA Sponsored Programs
- BSAP Evening of Excellence
- Concert Chorus (4th & 5th)
- Girls on the Run Program
- Gifted and Talented Programming: Interest-Based and Criteria-Based Extension Opportunities
- Howard County Library Programs: Spelling Bee, Battle of the Books, Rube Goldberg competitions
- Howard County Reading Council Young Authors Contest
- Instrumental Music: Band (4th & 5th) and Strings (3rd, 4th, & 5th)
- Jump Rope for Heart
- My Inspired Journey - Writing Competition
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
- Professional Development School – Partnerships with University of Maryland, Loyola College, and Towson University
- Regional Early Childhood Center
- Regional Program for Students with Emotional/Social Disabilities
- Safety Patrol Program - 5th Grade Student Volunteers
- Simulated Congressional Hearing – 5th Grade
- STEAM Fair
- Week (Hour) of Code Programs

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