Howard High School, in its 68th year, serves families from Ellicott City, Elkridge, Hanover and Columbia. The population is both culturally and economically diverse with over three quarters of our graduates enrolling in post-secondary institutions.

Like all other Howard County high schools, Howard High has a yearlong schedule that provides students with the opportunity to earn seven credits. Our daily schedule is composed of five 50-minute periods and one pair of alternating classes of 100 minutes each. Howard High School encourages all of our students to complete their four-year high school program in creative ways including concurrent enrollment, new programs offered at the Applications and Research Lab, and mentorships. We encourage the acquisition of knowledge that will offer multiple options for college or career upon graduation.

The school improvement process drives the instructional programs offered at Howard High School in close alignment with the Howard County Public School System goals and the initiatives of the Maryland State Department of Education. The School Improvement Team and the Leadership Team focus on data-driven decision-making that will identify, develop, and implement strategies and programs that will benefit and enhance the achievement of all students in all student groups. The continuous professional development of our staff in alignment with these goals and strategies is a top priority in order to better serve the needs of all our students. The Howard High School staff prides themselves in working to create an educational environment that will improve the community and the world at large.

**Fast Facts**

Facility opened: 1952

Additions/Renovations:

School Capacity: 1,400
(This does not include additional capacity provided by 15 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment: 1,741
Official count 9/30/22

Ethnicity FY23
- American Indian/Alaskan \( \leq 5.0\% \)
- Asian 21.0%
- Black/African American 25.9%
- Hawaiian/Pacific Islander \( \leq 5.0\% \)
- Hispanic/Latino 7.8%
- White 38.4%
- Two or more races 6.6%

Students Receiving Special Services FY22
- Free/Reduced Meals 15.4%
- English Learners \( \leq 5.0\% \)
- Special Education 9.7%

2021 Graduation Rate: \( \geq 95\% \)
*4-year adjusted cohort

Administrators:
- Nick Novak, Principal
- Samantha Armstead, Asst. Principal
- Jennifer Patterson, Assistant Principal
- Napoleon Saunders, Assistant Principal
- Meghan Senisi, Assistant Principal
- David Klotz, Leadership Intern
- Beth DeFrances, Athletics & Activities Manager

*Updated December 2022*
Achievement Data

Howard HS Performance on State Tests*  

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<th>Measure</th>
<th>FY18 Results</th>
<th>FY19 Results</th>
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<td>Percent Proficient Mathematics</td>
<td>73.3%</td>
<td>77.4%</td>
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<td>Percent Proficient English Language</td>
<td>44.1%</td>
<td>74.8%</td>
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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.

SAT Scores and Participation†

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<th>Number</th>
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<td>2021–22</td>
<td>330</td>
<td>74.5%</td>
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<td>2020–21</td>
<td>233</td>
<td>49.3%</td>
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<td>2019–20</td>
<td>397</td>
<td>83.2%</td>
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Howard HS Mean Scores

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†Senior class only

Advanced Placement Test Results

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<th>School Year</th>
<th>Number of Exams Taken</th>
<th>% Students Taking an AP Exam</th>
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<td>691</td>
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<td>2019–20</td>
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Special Programs

- Academic Letters
- Academic Life Skills Classes
- Alpha Achievers
- Alternative Education Program
- Best Buddies Program
- Business Management Academy
- Career and Research Development Academy
- Character Education Program
- Computer Programming Academy
- Culinary Academy
- ESOL
- Extended Day Program
- Howard Mentors
- Howard’s Scholars
- JROTC (Army)
- Lion Leaders
- Lion’s Time
- Ninth Grade Transition
- Peer Tutoring
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports
- Principal’s Advisory
- Project Lead The Way Engineering Academy
- Reading Acceleration Program
- Student of the Month
- Teacher Academy of MD
- Educational Partnerships
  - Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter; Columbia (MD) Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.;
  - Genesis Arts; Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center, Inc.; Green Valley Marketplace; Horizon Foundation; Howard County Library, Elkridge Branch;
  - Living Wellness Chiropractic of Columbia; The Council of Elders of the Black Community of Howard County; Tino’s Italian Bistro & Wine Bar; U.S. Army
  - National Merit Commended Students 2021: 8
  - National Merit Finalist 2021: 1
  - Maryland Merit Scholars 2021: 25
  - It’s Academic Playoff Semi-Finalist, 2016, Quarter-finalist 2018
  - Baseball – 2018 4A Region and State Champions
  - Boys Outdoor Track County Champions, 2016, 2018
  - Boys Indoor Track Region Championships 2nd Place, 2016, County Champions 2018, 2019
  - Boys Cross Country – 2017, 2018 County Champions
  - Women’s Basketball – County Champions, 2016, 2018, 2019
  - Softball – County Champions, 2014, 2016, Region Champions 2018
  - Volleyball – 2016 County Champions
  - National Honor Society Inductees: 310
  - Howard Scholars Class of 2021: 45
  - MSDE School Accountability 5 Star Rating for 2017–18
  - Celebration of Excellence 2021 – 73

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

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