Reaching Excellence Together

For over 20 years, Long Reach High School (LRHS) has served an economically and culturally diverse population from a wide variety of highly supportive and involved communities, including the planned community of Columbia.

We provide a comprehensive high school program that includes a variety of core courses and electives that prepare students for college, the business world, and a wide selection of technological fields. In addition, LRHS offers special programs that include, but are not limited to, Advanced Placement courses, Project Lead the Way, and the Reach (freshman) Academy.

The Long Reach High School slogan is ‘REACH’...Respect–Excellence–Achievement–Character–Honor, which the Long Reach High School learning community of students, teachers and parents strive for in continuous improvement. The school’s staff is known for its dedication, caring attitude, effectiveness, and collaborative nature. We welcome and encourage our community members to become involved in our school programs and activities, of which we are truly proud.

Long Reach uses a 7-credit, year-long semester scheduling model in which classes are approximately 50 minutes long. Period 4 is 110 minutes long and alternates between A and B day, allowing students to earn 7 credits in a 6-period day.

Fast Facts

- **Facility opened:** 1996
- **School Capacity:** 1,488
  
  *(This does not include additional capacity provided by 7 portable classrooms.)*
- **Total Enrollment:** 1,714
  
  *(Official count 9/30/22)*
- **Ethnicity FY23**
  - American Indian/Alaskan  ≤5.0%
  - Asian 12.1%
  - Black/African American 31.7%
  - Hawaiian/Pacific Islander  ≤5.0%
  - Hispanic/Latino 27.1%
  - White 23.6%
  - Two or more races 5.1%
- **Students Receiving Special Services FY22**
  - Free/Reduced Meals 38.6%
  - English Learners 12.1%
  - Special Education 11.2%
- **2021 Graduation Rate:** 87.9%*
  
  *4-year adjusted cohort
- **Administrators:**
  - Adam Eldridge, Principal
  - Malcolm Anderson, Assistant Principal
  - Michael Cometa, Assistant Principal
  - Kevin Dorsey, Assistant Principal
  - Jennifer Whidden, Assistant Principal
  - Arnetta Young, Assistant Principal
- **Educational Partnerships**
  - Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter; Celebration Church;
  - Christopher's Barber Studio; Columbia (MD) Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.; Head Start, Elicott City Center; Horizon Foundation;
  - Howard County Education Federal Credit Union; Howard County Library, Elkridge Branch; Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division;
  - The Council of Elders of the Black Community of Howard County; UMBC Department of Mechanical Engineering

*Updated December 2022*
**Achievement Data**

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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>46.9%</td>
<td>51.3%</td>
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<td>Percent Proficient English Language Arts</td>
<td>51.8%</td>
<td>57.6%</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 state setting process.

**SAT Scores and Participation†**

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<th>Long Reach HS Mean Scores</th>
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<td>Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (ERW)</td>
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<td>2021–22</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>35.3%</td>
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<td>2020–21</td>
<td>126</td>
<td>36.4%</td>
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<td>2019–20</td>
<td>254</td>
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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>
<th>% of Exams with Score of 3</th>
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<tr>
<td>2021–22</td>
<td>392</td>
<td>14.4%</td>
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<td>253</td>
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<td>2019–20</td>
<td>501</td>
<td>14.6%</td>
<td>30.9%</td>
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State accountability information can be accessed at http://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov/

**Special Programs**

- Academic Life Skills
- Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars Program
- Alpha Achievers
- Alternative Education Program
- Black Student Achievement Program
- BSU Student and Staff Fashion Show
- Career Academy
- Credit Recovery
- Coffee House – student and staff performance
- Scholars Leadership Program
- English for Speakers of Other Languages - ESOL
- Gifted and Talented Resource Program
- Junior Interview Day
- Annual Participant in the Howard Co. Conservancy Watershed Program
- MESA (Math Engineering and Science Achievement)
- Model UN
- National Honor Society & 11 other NHS organizations
- One Long Reach Initiative – Building Belonging and Togetherness
- OutREACH Tutoring Program
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports
- POMS Dance Team
- Reach (Freshman) Academy
- Reading Acceleration Program
- HCEA Restorative Justice Cohort
- SWENEXT Participant
- Site-based dual credit through HCC – Advanced Culinary Science, Principles of Business and Management, and/or Teaching as a Profession
- Theatre Arts Performances – Fall, Winter, and Spring

**Accomplishments**

- Literary Magazine – Award of Excellence
- 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021 C-Span Student Cam National Video Documentary Competition Winners
- 2018 Regional Champion – Varsity Football
- 2018 Howard County Champion, Regional Champion, and State Finalist – Girls Varsity Basketball
- 2019 Howard County Champion, Regional Champion, and State Semi-Finalist – Girls Varsity Basketball
- 2019 Howard County Girls Varsity Basketball Player of the Year
- 2019 Delegate, State of Maryland – United States Senate Youth Program
- 2019 Student Page – Maryland General Assembly
- 2019 National Honorable Mention - Award for Aspirations in Computing by the National Center for Women & Information Technology
- 2020 Naval Academy Appointee
- Senior MD All State Orchestra – 3 students selected
- Senior MD All State Mixed Chorus – 9 students selected
- Senior selected for NafME All Eastern Choir
- County GT Band – 2 students selected
- First Alternate for Jr. MD All State Band – Student selected
- County High School GT Orchestra – 12 students selected
- 2018, 2019, 2020 Carson Scholar Award Recipient
- 2020 National Merit Scholar Finalists