

# River Hill High School

## PROFILE

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River Hill High School is recognized nationally and internationally. Niche.com has named River Hill High School #1 Best Public High School in Baltimore Area 2018. Also, River Hill High School received a 5-star rating from the Maryland Report Card. Student participation in the advanced placement program and National Merit recognition also place our school among the top high schools in the nation. The student population is culturally diverse with a majority of the students enrolled in college preparatory, STEM, world language, and fine arts courses. RHHS is home to the Jump Start partnership between HCPSS and HCC, which offers students the opportunity to earn credits for graduation as well as college credits in English, mathematics, history, business, world language, and education.

School improvement is an ongoing commitment to the Strategic Call to Action and the overarching commitments (value, achieve, connect, and empower) are at the core of school improvement. RHHS focuses our core values on Hawk PRIDE: Persistence & Passion, Respect & Responsibility, Innovation and Integrity, Determination & Dedication, and Excellence & Empathy for Everyone.

Several honor society chapters co-exist as part of the RHHS community as well as service networks and leadership organizations. RHHS SGA sponsors an annual student voice conference to identify focus areas with student voice and student action. Athletics and activities support vibrant and spirited student life. For some, the extracurricular experience is an extension of the classroom, as students apply their learning in real-world endeavors. For others, it is a chance to explore interests that might not be addressed in their studies. For all, balanced participation in academics, athletics, and activities makes for an outstanding high school experience.

### Fast Facts

**Facility opened: 1994**  
*(RHHS opened in 1996, after the building housed another school while their facility was being rebuilt.)*

**School Capacity: 1,488**

**Total Enrollment: 1,382**  
*Official count 9/30/18*

**Ethnicity FY19**

American Indian/Alaskan	≤5.0%
Asian	31.4%
Black/African American	10.8%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	≤5.0%
Hispanic/Latino	6.4%
White	44.8%
Two or more races	6.6%

**Students Receiving Special Services FY18**

Free/Reduced Lunch	≤5.0%
Ltd. English Proficient	≤5.0%
Special Education	6.5%

**2017 Graduation Rate: 93.9%\***  
*\*4-year adjusted cohort*

**PTSA members: 746**

**Administrators:**  
 Kathryn S. McKinley, Principal  
 Kedré Fairley, Assistant Principal  
 Kelly Hearn, Assistant Principal  
 Patrick Scible, Assistant Principal

*Updated January 2019*

## Achievement Data

### RHHS Performance on State Tests – FY18

Measure	Results
Percent Proficient Mathematics	87.5%
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	82.6%

### SAT Scores and Participation

School Year	Number	Percent Participating	River Hill HS Mean Scores		
			Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (ERW)	Mathematics	Composite
2017–18	267	88.7%	645	665	1309
2016–17	237	87.1%	636	646	1279

\*Senior class only

### Advanced Placement Test Results

School Year	Number of Exams Taken	% Students Taking an AP Exam	% of Exams with Score of 3	% of Exams with Score of 4	% of Exams with Score of 5
2017–18	1395	47.6%	22.3%	30.52%	30.8%
2016–17	1431	50.0%	25.3%	28.1%	28.1%
2015–16	1446	46.4%	24.8%	29.5%	27.5%

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

## Accomplishments

### Academics:

- 141 Advanced Placement National Scholars, 2017 (80 Medallion, 46 Gold & White, 9 Gold, 6 White)
- 14 National Merit Finalists; 15 National Merit Semi-Finalists, 2017
- National Gold Council of Excellence 2011–17
- Maryland Mathematics League Regional Championship, 2016–17
- International Chemistry Olympiad Finalist
- Regeneron and Intel Science Talent Search Finalists and Semifinalists, 2005–17
- Gifted & Talented Research: 16 GT Research Articles published in national peer reviewed journals; 6 research poster presentations at national professional conferences; Siemens Semi Finalist
- National Honor Society and 7 other National Honor Society groups.

### Arts:

- 2018 (11) Students in All-State Choir, 2017 (7) Students in All-State Choir
- 2017 Student All-National Choir
- 2016 Best Soloists Myrtle Beach Festival Competition
- 2016 First Place Mixed Choir, First Place Pop Choir – Myrtle Beach Festival
- Junior All-State Ensembles: 2nd in 2015, 5th in 2016, 4th in 2017, & 1st in 2018
- Senior All-State Ensembles: 5th in 2016, 4th in 2017, 8th in 2018
- All-National Ensembles: 5th in 2015, 1st in 2016, & 1st in 2017

### Staff:

- 2017 Music Educator of the Year Award semifinalist
- Women's Basketball Coaches Association, Scholastic Director
- Maryland Art Education Association, Howard County Exemplary Career High School Visual Arts Teacher of 2017

## Special Programs

- 4 Diamonds Club
- Alpha Achievers
- Angel's Network
- B.L.U.
- Best Buddies
- Chemathon
- Cultural Awareness
- Delta Scholars
- Future Business Leaders of America & DECA
- Gifted and Talented Research
- Hawks Rising (Mentor and Tutor program)
- It's Academic Team
- Man in the Mirror
- Math Team
- Music Technology
- National Honor Societies: Art, Music, Dance, English, Science, Social Studies, Math, World Language, Future Educators & Technical
- Ninth Grade Team
- Peer Tutoring
- Science Olympiad
- Student Voice

### More Accomplishments

- Outstanding educator recognitions: county 16, state 8, national 3; Counselor of the Year, Music Educator of the Year.
- Ravens High School Football Coach of the Week, 2017
- United Soccer Coaches State Coach of the Year, 2018 – Boys Soccer

### Athletics:

- 36 High School All-Americans, 17 Collegiate All-Americans
- Named an Exemplary Athletic Program by the NIAAA
- Recognized as a Safe Sports School – 1st Team by National Athletic Trainers' Assn.
- Girls Soccer team received Steve Malone Tournament Sportsmanship Award at MPSSAA State Championships, 2017
- People Tree Cup Winner 2018, (16th time)
- 47 State titles, 111 Regional titles and 135 County titles since 1996.
- Recent State Championships: 2016 – Boys Cross Country, Girls Soccer; 2017 – Girls Soccer
- Recent State Runner Up: 2015 – Boys Lacrosse, Girls Cross Country; 2017 – Girls Cross Country, Boys Soccer; 2018 – Golf, Boys Cross Country, Boys Soccer
- Recent Regional Championships: 2016 – Girls Outdoor Track, Girls Cross Country, Boys Cross Country, Girls Soccer; 2017 – Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Girls Cross Country, Tennis, 2018 – Girls Indoor Track, Boys Basketball, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer
- Recent County Championships: 2016 – Baseball, Boys Lacrosse, Boys Tennis, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country; 2017 – Boys Basketball, Winter Cheer, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Girls Cross Country, Football, Field Hockey; 2018 – Girls Indoor Track, Boys Basketball, Allied Softball, Girls Soccer, Boys Soccer