Wilde Lake High School (WLHS), in the heart of Howard County, is recognized each year as one of the top high schools in the state of Maryland. Wilde Lake is guided by the Wildecat Way, including a focus on family and community ('Ohana), Equitable Learning Communities, and helping every student to Find Your Purpose and Create Your Path after graduation. More than 72 countries are represented by the student body, and the students bring with them a rich mixture of cultures and talents that create a global school community.

WLHS students engage with rigorous curriculum at all levels, including a wide variety of Advanced Placement and Gifted and Talented courses, Career Academies, Dual Enrollment classes in partnership with Howard Community College, English Language and Special Education programs. Wilde Lake High School’s educational programs are grounded in equity and inclusion in order to eliminate opportunity and achievement gaps. Staff members collaborate to use culturally relevant teaching practices that require students to think, read, and write critically across all content areas.

WLHS is built on restorative philosophies and practices, inside and outside the classroom. Wilde Lake is a member of the Restorative Justice Cohort in partnership with HCPSS and the Howard County Education Association. WLHS has received Gold recognition for multiple years from the Maryland State Department of Education for our character education program. The Ninth Grade Interdisciplinary Team implements transitional activities for incoming ninth grade students to support academic and social-emotional success. Students engage in community-building activities in each of their classes and Advisory which ensure they are prepared for intellectually engaging learning experiences.

Wilde Lake’s excellent academic achievements are complemented by its internationally-recognized performing and visual arts programs that have sent numerous graduates to university programs and professional careers in the arts. Our outstanding coaches and student-athletes have won more than 150 county and regional championships and 23 state championships in 28 sports.

**Fast Facts**

- **Facility opened**
  - Original building: 1971
  - Replacement building: 1996

- **School Capacity:** 1,424

- **Total Enrollment:** 1,341
  - Official count 9/30/22

- **Ethnicity FY23**
  - American Indian/Alaskan ≤5.0%
  - Asian 7.1%
  - Black/African American 44.1%
  - Hawaiian/Pacific Islander ≤5.0%
  - Hispanic/Latino 16.9%
  - White 23.9%
  - Two or more races 7.3%

- **Students Receiving Special Services FY22**
  - Free/Reduced Meals 38.4%
  - English Learners 5.8%
  - Special Education 10.8%

- **2021 Graduation Rate:** 91.3%*
  - *4-year adjusted cohort

- **Administrators:**
  - Marcy Leonard, Principal
  - Yvonne Jackson, Assistant Principal
  - Brett Molin, Assistant Principal
  - Choya Riley, Assistant Principal
  - Matthew Sillers, Assistant Principal
  - Brandon Lauer, Athletics and Activities

- **Educational Partnerships**
  - Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter; Anthony Corrao Team of Long and Foster Real Estate, Inc.;
  - A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc.;
  - Bagel Bin, Wilde Lake; Celebration Church; Columbia (MD) Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.;
  - Howard Community College; Howard Community College, Center for Service Learning; Howard County Library, Central Branch; The Howard Hughes Corporation; NAACP, Howard County Branch; Safeway, Harpers Farm Road; St. John Baptist Church; The Mall in Columbia; Vantage House; Waring Mitchell Law Society; Wilde Lake Interfaith Center

*Updated December 2022*
### Achievement Data

**WLHS 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>
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<td>Percent Proficient English Language</td>
<td>49.4%</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.

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**SAT Scores and Participation†**

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<th>School Year</th>
<th>Number</th>
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<td>584</td>
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† Senior class only

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**Advanced Placement Test Results**

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<th>Number of Exams Taken</th>
<th>% Students Taking an AP Exam</th>
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State accountability information can be accessed at [http://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov/](http://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov/)

### Accomplishments

**Academics**
- Millions of dollars in college scholarships awarded each year, including Questbridge and Cooke College Scholars awardees
- National Merit Scholarship Finalists, Semi-Finalists, and Commended Scholars
- Advanced Placement Distinguished Scholars, Scholars with Honors, and Scholars

**Performing/Visual Arts**
- State-of-the-art Jim Rouse Theatre for the Performing Arts
- Over 300 Students involved in outstanding Musical/Drama Performances annually
- WLHS Marching Band received Howard County Council recognition for their State Championship participation
- WLHS Choirs and Guitar students participate in yearly service projects through music
- Award winning Music Technology program
- Annual WLHS Orchestra String Fling

**Athletics**
- Boys Soccer Region Champions
- Softball Region Champions
- Cheerleading State Finalists
- Football Region Semi-Finalists
- All-State and All-County First Team, Second Team and Honorable Mention recognition

**Additional Achievements**
- US News & World Report Best Schools in America
- Howard County Human Rights Commission Awardees: Students for Social Justice and Teen Parenting Coordinator
- Niche.com Top Ten Most Diverse Public High Schools in Maryland
- Speech/Debate regional medalists
- Top School with International Exchange Program AFS-USA
- Baltimore Business Journal Top 20 Best Public Schools

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**Special Programs**

- Academic Life Skills
- Active Minds
- Acts of Kindness
- Advisory Program
- Alpha Achievers
- Alternative Education
- Black Student Achievement Program
- Credit Recovery
- Extended School Day
- Gifted and Talented Research
- HCPSS Teen Parenting Program
- Hispanic Achievement
- Leadership Scholars
- National Honor Society
- National Art Honor Society
- National Math Honor Society
- National Social Studies Honor Society
- National Technical Honor Society
- Ninth Grade Team
- Peace Room and Peace Circle Students
- Project Lead the Way
- Rise Up Mentoring
- Robotics
- Sociedad Honoria Hispanica
- Student Government Association
- Students for Social Justice
- Student Member on the Board of Education
- Convention Hosts
- Tri-M Music Honor Society

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