Hammond Middle School has exemplified excellence in education for over 40 years. HMS was recognized by the Maryland State Department of Education as a Maryland Blue Ribbon School of Excellence in 2008 for accelerating student achievement and improved student performance on the Maryland State Assessments. HMS was also selected as a 2009 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the U.S. Department of Education.

Established in 1971, the school is an 86,000 square foot facility on 35 acres located in north Laurel. The community is very stable and well established. The school and community share the same positive characteristics and are united in a very effective partnership that is reflected in the mission statement.

Hammond Middle School consistently looks for approaches to serve the student population and address areas of equity and student voice. To address areas of equity, HMS has implemented mentoring groups through partnering with community organizations. To address student voice, the implementation of Viking Voice (SGA) provides students with the opportunity to have an impact on decision-making.

Although Hammond Middle serves its students and community well, we are not content to maintain the status quo. To prepare students to participate in a diverse and challenging world, we continue to provide equally diverse and challenging instructional programs.

**Fast Facts**

- **Facility opened:** 1971
- **Additions/Renovations:** 1989 (R/A), 1997 (A), 2007 (R), 2011 (R/A)
- **School Capacity:** 604
  (This does not include additional capacity provided by 3 portable classrooms.)
- **Total Enrollment:** 572
  Official count 9/30/18
- **Ethnicity FY19**
  - American Indian/Alaskan: <5.0%
  - Asian: 12.1%
  - Black/African American: 26.4%
  - Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: <5.0%
  - Hispanic/Latino: 7.9%
  - White: 44.6%
  - Two or more races: 8.6%
- **Students Receiving Special Services FY18**
  - Free/Reduced Lunch: 17.3%
  - Ltd. English Proficient: <5.0%
  - Special Education: 7.7%
- **PTA members:** 221
- **Administrators:**
  - Aaron Dale, Ph.D., Principal
  - Lindsay Galbreath, Assistant Principal
- **Educational Partnerships:**
  - A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc.
  - Chesapeake Bay Foundation
  - Chick-fil-A, Johns Hopkins Road
  - Howard Community College, Center for Service Learning
  - Howard County Library, Savage Branch & STEM Education Center
  - Robinson Nature Center, Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks

*Updated January 2019*
Achievement Data

HMS Performance on State Tests – FY18

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State accountability information for HMS can be accessed at [https://hcpssne.ws/hms-reported](https://hcpssne.ws/hms-reported)

Accomplishments

- Received a Kellogg’s donation through their Back-to-School Multicultural 2017 Sweepstakes.
- Silver PBIS School, 2017; Gold PBIS School, 2015, 2016
- Participants in “Hour of Code” movement, 2017, 2018
- The Council of Elders Proficient/Advanced MSA recognition, 2016, 2017, 2018
- Howard County Library System’s 2017 Summer Reading Club Participants
- Howard County Library System’s 2016 Summer Reading Club Champions
- Healthy Kids Cook-Off Winner, 2016
- Ben Shipley received the HCPSS New Middle School Art Teacher of the Year award, 2015
- Stacie Boughn was chosen to attend the Honeywell Space Camp for Educators, 2015
- Gold Healthy Howard School, 2015
- Howard County Library System Summer Reading Club finalist, 2015
- HMS recognized as Howard County’s first Sustaining Maryland Green School, 2014

Special Programs

- Alpha Achievers
- Book Club
- Athletic Intramurals
- Academic Intramurals
- Beyond School Hours
- Book Club
- Boys on the Run
- Citizen of the Month
- Enrichment Fair
- Girls on the Run
- Green School Initiative
- Homework Club
- Dance for Heart
- LEGO Robotics
- Math Counts
- Memory Book
- National Geography Bee
- National Spelling Bee
- Poetry Slam
- PBIS
- PRIDE Days
- PTA Reflections
- SGA (Viking Voice)
- STEM
- Student Art Exhibits
- Student Service Learning Program
- TV studio and broadcast – HMS-TV25

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