Patuxent Valley Middle School, Home of the Bulldogs, has as its mission to develop an environment where students, staff, and parents work together to enhance student achievement and develop a thriving educational center within the community. PVMS’s conviction is that all students will be successful and will meet or exceed local, state and national standards; but more importantly, students will be high-school ready by the end of eighth grade.

The middle school years are a time of very active learning about oneself, relationships with others, and the larger world. PVMS staff want to ensure that students have the right tools, knowledge, and guidance to have a healthy and joyful experience. They are committed to providing a place where teaching and learning are exciting and students are guided to handle increased responsibilities.

The staff at Patuxent Valley Middle School is proud to serve the unique academic, physical, social and emotional needs of students. PVMS offers students wonderful opportunities to learn and grow in challenging and supportive environments as they transition from childhood to adolescence. They celebrate that each student will change and develop significantly over the course of these three years.

In addition, Patuxent Valley is a participant in the Professional Development Schools Programs partnered with Towson University. Patuxent Valley serves as an institution where the latest research and instructional strategies are used to ensure exemplary teaching for student learning.

PVMS’s recent renovation includes new administration, health, and guidance suites. New student lockers, bathrooms, and classrooms will bring about changes to allow teachers and students to engage in 21st century teaching and learning.

Fast Facts

Facility opened: 1989
Additions/Renovations 2017 (R)
School Capacity: 760
Total Enrollment: 686
Official count 9/30/18

Ethnicity FY19
- American Indian/Alaskan: <5.0%
- Asian: 16.8%
- Black/African American: 38.9%
- Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: <5.0%
- Hispanic/Latino: 17.9%
- White: 20.6%
- Two or more races: 5.7%

Students Receiving Special Services FY18
- Free/Reduced Lunch: 36.5%
- Ltd. English Proficient: 5.3%
- Special Education: 7.7%

PTA members: 175

Administrators:
- Rick Robb, Principal
- Kim Mahle, Assistant Principal

Educational Partnerships
- Continental Societies, Inc., Southeastern Howard/Laurel Chapter
- Giant Food – Distribution Operations
- Howard County Library, Savage Branch & STEM Education Center
- Howard County Multi-Service Center
- Mathnasium

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### Achievement Data

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State accountability information for PVMS can be accessed at [https://hopssne.ws/pvms-reported](https://hopssne.ws/pvms-reported)

### Special Programs
- 8th Period After School Program, Academic Enrichment
- African American History Seminar
- Bear Tracks
- Book Club
- BSAP (Black Student Achievement Program)
- BSAP Parent Empowerment Academy
- Creative Writing Club
- Computer Coding Club
- D.O.G.S.
- Debate Team
- Documentary Film
- Dungeons and Dragons
- GT Seminars
- Hispanic Student Achievement Program and Liaison
- Hispanic College & Career Workshop
- Honor Roll Principal's, Gold, and Silver Recognition Ceremonies
- International Society
- Jazz Band
- Latin Dance
- Marketplace
- Morning News Television Production

### Accomplishments
- Healthy Howard MS Innovation Award
- String Orchestra First Place Division Winners 2018
- Symphonic Band First Place Division Winners 2018
- Chorus First Place Division Winner 2018
- Howard County History Day Winner
- Maryland State History Day Winner
- County Debate Participant
- Howard County Middle School Film Festival Participant
- Regional Robotics Qualifier Participant
- Young Authors Winners
- Our Voice magazine Photography and Writing Publications