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 positive 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.
Achievement Data

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*State tests were not administered in FY20 due to the pandemic.

State accountability information can be accessed at https://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov/

Accomplishments

- HCPSS Choir Assessment: Superior ratings (qualified for MMEA State Assessment)
- HCPSS Band Assessment: Superior and Excellent Ratings (qualified for MMEA State Assessment)
- HCPSS Orchestra Assessment: Superior Ratings (qualified for MMEA State Assessment)
- Healthy Howard MS Innovation Award
- Howard County History Day Winner
- Maryland State History Day Winner
- MMEA Band Assessment: Excellent/Superior Ratings
- MMEA Orchestra Assessment: Excellent Ratings
- MMEA Solo and Ensemble: Superior Rating for Violin Solo
- Music in the Parks Band 1st Place Winner, Excellent Rating, Best Overall Band
- Music in the Parks Chorus 1st Place Winner, Excellent Rating, Best Overall Chorus
- Music in the Parks Orchestra 1st Place Winner, Superior rating
- County Debate Participant
- Howard County Middle School Film Festival Participant
- Regional Robotics Qualifier Participant
- Young Authors Winners
- Our Voice magazine Photography and Writing Publications

Special Programs

- 7th Grade Math Review
- 8th Period After School Program, Academic Enrichment
- African American History Seminar
- Algebra Review
- Archery Club
- Be the Change Club
- Bear Tracks
- Best Buddies
- Book Club
- BSAP (Black Student Achievement Program)
- BSAP Parent Empowerment Academy
- Creative Writing Club
- Computer Coding Club
- D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students)
- Debate Team
- Documentary Film
- Dungeons and Dragons
- Flag Football
- GT Seminars
- Gaming Club
- Hispanic Student Achievement Program and Liaison
- Hispanic College & Career Workshop
- Homework Organization Clubs
- Honor Roll Principal's, Gold, and Silver Recognition
- International Society
- Jazz Band
- Latin Dance
- Marketplace
- Morning News Television Production
- National History Day Competition
- National Junior Honor Society
- Orchestra Ensemble
- Our Voice Magazine creative writing submissions
- Outdoor Education Experience
- College and Career Fair
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), PVMS Bulldog B.A.R.K. Incentive Program, including BARK BUCKS
- Robotics
- Running Club
- Spelling Bee
- Step Dance
- Students of Success (Student Leadership Group)
- Student Council
- Student Service Learning
- Yearbook Club
- Young Authors Contest