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Howard High School Profile 2022-2023

OVERVIEW [\(https://www.hcpss.org/\)](https://www.hcpss.org/)

Howard County, Maryland is a suburban community of more than 330,000 situated midway along the Baltimore-Washington corridor. It is a county of contrasts — a blend of old and new, urban and rural, historical and progressive. The county’s borders encompass Ellicott City, one of the country’s oldest towns, and Columbia, a planned community conceived and designed 55 years ago by The Rouse Company.

A great community deserves great schools, and the Howard County Public School System (HCPSS) is a recognized source of local pride. The school system consistently ranks among Maryland’s top school districts based on student performance on state assessments. Howard County students score above the national averages on standardized tests.

The system includes 12 comprehensive high schools, 20 middle schools, and 42 elementary schools, and 3 education centers serving over 57,000 students.

2022-2023 STUDENT BODY

Enrollment

Total Enrollment: 1742
Senior Class (Class of 2023): 444

Class of 2022 Decisions

4 year college: 72%
2 year college: 15%

Class of 2022 Statistics

Average SAT: 1186
Average ACT: 24

National Merit Finalists: 6
National Merit Semi-finalists: 6
National Merit Commended Students: 0

Ethnicity

White: 41.4%
Black/African American: 24.1%
Asian: 20.1%
Hispanic: 7.4%
American Indian/Alaskan: .1%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: .1%
Two or More Races: 6.5%

Students Receiving Special Services 2022-2023

Limited English Proficient 0.1%
Free/Reduced Lunch 15.8%
Special Education 9.7

CURRICULUM AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

SCHEDULE

HCPSS high schools operate on a full year schedule allowing students to earn up to 7 credits per year.

GRADING SYSTEM: <i>HCPSS is a non-ranking school system.</i>				
A 90-100	B 80-89	C 70-79	D 60-69	E 59 & below
CC = College Credit				
N = Greater than 5% absence – no credit awarded				
Z = Exam not taken – no credit awarded				
W = Withdrawn from course				
X = Late enrollment in class; no credit awarded				

The Howard County Public School System computes both a weighted and unweighted GPA for each senior. Both are determined at the beginning of the senior year and include all courses completed through junior year. The un-weighted GPA is computed by counting all courses equally on a 4.0 scale. The weighted GPA is computed by weighting Advanced Placement (AP), Gifted and Talented (GT), and Honors courses in which a student earns an A, B or C. In AP and GT courses, students will earn the weighted designation of 1.0 additional quality points. In Honors courses, students will earn the weighted designation of .5 quality points.

HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

4 credits – English

3 credits – Mathematics
 * All students must participate in 4 years of math in high school

3 credits – Science
 * The HCPSS high school science program is fully aligned to the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and Maryland’s rigorous graduation requirements in science. The program supports all students in the development of scientific literacy and prepares all students for further study in science at the collegiate level. In high school, students complete three core science courses that are laboratory based and that offer students significant opportunities to engage in scientific inquiry in the pursuit of relevant and timely scientific questions within the earth and space sciences, the life sciences, and the physical sciences (physics and chemistry). HCPSS offers the full complement of Advanced Placement (AP) courses in science.

3 credits – Social Studies

1 credit – Fine Arts

1/2 credit – Physical Education
 1/2 credit — Health Education

1 credit – Technology Education

2-3 credits – Program Choice:
 * Two credits in World Language or
 * Two credits in an approved Advanced Technology Program or
 * 3 or more credits in a State-approved Career Academy Program

1-3 credits – Electives
Total: 21

Students must also:
 Complete a Career Preparation Requirement known as World of Works (WOW).

Complete 75 hours of Student Service Learning (SSL).

Pass Maryland state required assessments including: High School Assessment (HSA), Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA), and either Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) or Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP).

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES (26):

- * English Language
- * English Literature
- * World History
- * Government
- * European History
- * Studio Art
- * Calculus AB
- * Calculus BC
- * Statistics
- * Psychology
- * Human Geography
- * Biology
- * Chemistry
- * Environmental Science
- * Physics C Mechanics
- * Physics C E&M
- * Microeconomics / Macroeconomics
- * Computer Science Principles
- * Computer Science A
- * Chinese Language
- * French Language
- * German Language
- * Spanish Language
- * Art
- * Photography
- * Music Theory

SPECIAL PROGRAMS OFFERED BY HCPSS:

- * **PLTW (GT):**
<https://www.hcpss.org/academy/engineering/>
- * **JROTC:**
<https://www.hcpss.org/academy/jrotc/>
- * **Independent Research and Intern Mentor:**
<https://www.hcpss.org/academics/gifted-and-talented/research/>
- * **Career Academies:**
<https://www.hcpss.org/academics/career-technical-education/>
- * **Dual Enrollment:**
 HCPSS partners with Howard Community College to offer expanded dual enrollment opportunities for all HCPSS students to increase opportunities for students to earn college credits.

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ADMINISTRATION:

Principal
 Nicholas M. Novak

Assistant Principals

Samantha Armstead	9th
Jennifer E. Patterson	10th
Meghan B. Senisi	11th
Napoleon A. Saunders, II	12th

Athletics & Activities Manager
 Elizabeth DeFrances

STUDENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT:

School Counselors

Tanipa Thomas	(9th) A-K
Shannon R. Grieve	(9th) L-Z
David Glenn	(10th-12th) A-De
Melody Green-Lewis	(10th-12th) Dh-Ji
Sonya Sutter	(10th-12th) Jo-M
Alexis Pappadeas	(10th-12th) N-SL
*Jillian Haines	(10th-12th) Sm-Z

**Instructional Team Leader*

Registrars

Jennifer Johnson	A-K
Heather McCann	L-Z

Data Clerk
 Isabel DeLaRosa

School Counseling Secretary
 Terry Cleveland

It is the policy of the Howard County Public School System not to disclose a student’s discipline record. This statement should not be construed to imply that this applicant has any disciplinary record.