

# Deep Run Elementary School

## PROFILE

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Deep Run Elementary School is a diverse, inclusive, and nurturing learning community that ensures every student develops the skills, knowledge, and confidence to positively influence the larger community, while preparing for college and career. Every day, the students and staff commit to being engaged, kind, and responsible members of their learning community.

Deep Run is a Community School. Community schools serve as hubs that promote positive, equitable outcomes by connecting students, families, and school communities with local support and resources to help them thrive. Community schools address the whole child and leverage partnerships that promote student achievement, positive learning conditions and student well-being through additional services like academic and language supports, nutrition supports, as well as behavioral and general health care that go beyond traditional classroom education.

Deep Run Elementary is proud to serve at the beginning of their students' educational journey toward college and career readiness and they have much to offer their students and families. They are able to offer rigorous instructional opportunities through many programs such as the Regional Early Childhood Center with Multiple Intensive Needs classes for early intervention, Title I services in Grades K–5, Academic Intervention Summer School, Gifted and Talented programs and outstanding fine arts classes. In addition to academics, they emphasize the importance of a positive learning culture through their Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) model. The PBIS program teaches children to be engaged, kind and responsible.

Inclusion, belonging, and dignity are at the heart of every decision made at Deep Run. The learning community strives to provide an engaging learning environment that promotes relevant, experiential, and personalized learning for all students. The staff works diligently to develop each of their student's unique talents and strengths while collaborating to remove barriers to their success and growth. Deep Run ensures academic success and social-emotional well being for each student by celebrating diversity, setting high expectations, and ensuring equitable access and opportunities for all learners.

The PTA is a collaborative partner that supports the school's mission and goals. There are many opportunities for parents to join school committees, volunteer, and participate in family-focused activities. You will feel welcomed at this warm and caring school! We are ONE at Deep Run!

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### Fast Facts

**Facility opened:** 1990

#### Additions/Renovations

1998 (A), 2009 (R/A), 2016 (R/A)

#### School Capacity: 719

*(This does not include additional capacity provided by a portable classroom.)*

#### Total Enrollment (PreK–5): 677

*Official count 9/30/23*

#### Ethnicity FY24

American Indian/Alaskan	≤5.0%
Asian	10.2%
Black/African American	17.7%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	≤5.0%
Hispanic/Latino	49.5%
White	18.0%
Two or more races	≤5.0%

#### Students Receiving Special Services FY23

Free/Reduced Meals	64.5%
English Learners	27.8%
Special Education	15.3%

Title I School

#### Administrators:

Nigel La Roche, Principal  
Jerome Pickens, Assistant Principal  
Ashleigh Townsend, Assistant Principal

#### Educational Partnerships

A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring • Community Action Council of HC • Defense Information System Agency Fort Meade • EC Soccer Club • Frank's Produce and Greenhouse • Free Bikes4Kidz Md. • Grace Community Church • Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center • HC Dept. of Fire and Rescue Services • HC Health Dept. • HC Library, Elkridge Branch • HC Local Children's Board • HC MultiService Center • HC Office of Children and Families • HC Police Dept. • Johns Hopkins University APL • JustLiving Advocacy • Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education, Green Schools Program • Maryland MESA • Mike's Music • On the Border • Our Lady of Perpetual Help • Paragon at Columbia Overlook • Prepare for Success • Silver Diner • Skinsational Scents • The Catholic Community of Ascension and St. Augustine • The Hill • The Kindness Pantry • Trader Joe's • Trinity Episcopal Church • Victory Martial Arts • Weis Markets, Waterloo Rd. • Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church • WKD Karate 4 Girls

## Academic Achievement

### DRES Performance on State Tests\*

Measure	2022 Results	2023 Results
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	33.9%	36.7%
Percent Proficient Mathematics	26.4%	34.1%
Percent Proficient Science	23.4%	25.5%

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

## Special Programs

- AAA Safety Patrol
- Academic Intervention Summer School Program
- Academic Life Skills Classes for Grades 1–5
- Access and Achievement
- After-School Programs: art, science, chess, sports, academics
- Alternative Education Program
- Book Mobile
- After School Tutoring Program
- Comprehensive PTA Cultural Arts Program
- Family Involvement Contact
- Get on the Bus After School Soccer Program
- Hispanic Achievement Liaison
- Hour of Code Participants, K–5
- Howard County Library programs: Battle of the Books, Rube Goldberg Challenge, Spelling Bee, Bumble Bee
- Howard County Recreation and Parks Before/After School Program
- Instructional Intervention Team
- Latino Leaders for Latino students in Grades 3–5
- Maryland Native Plant Garden
- MESA–Math, Engineering, Science Achievement
- After School Musical Theater Program
- Partner with HCC Community Connections
- Parent programs focused on reading, math and social emotional supports, provided in English and Spanish
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Program with a focus on Restorative Justice
- Professional Development School Partnership with University of Maryland
- Reading and Math Literacy Coaches provide ongoing professional learning for staff
- Recycling Team
- Regional Early Childhood Center
- Schoolwide Title I Program
- Simulated Congressional Hearings – Fifth Grade
- Student Government Association
- Student managed school store
- Wellness Center with Telehealth Services
- Title I Resource Teachers and Differentiated Staff Focus on Reading and Math Instruction
- Umoja Leaders for Black Students in Grades 3– 5
- Unheard Perspectives

## Accomplishments

- Ranked as one of the best public elementary schools in Maryland, and received an overall grade of B+ and an A+ for Diversity, by Niche.com, an education and community analysis firm, 2014–present
- 2021 HCPSS Principal of the Year
- 2021 Washington Post Principal of the Year
- Student recognition for academic success by the Council of Elders of the Black Community of Howard County, 2013–present
- PBIS Gold Exemplar School, 2009–present
- Title II Professional Development Grant, 2013–present
- Maryland Sustainable Green School Certification, 2021
- Girls on The Run, 2013–present
- HCPSS Unheard Perspectives 2016–Present
- Four Nationally Board Certified Teachers
- 60+ Students participating in Countywide Art Shows and The Walters Art Museum, 2014–present
- Howard County Reading Council Young Authors Contest Participant, 2014–present
- Howard County GT and Honor Band Participation, 2015–present
- Monarch Butterfly Waystation 2018

