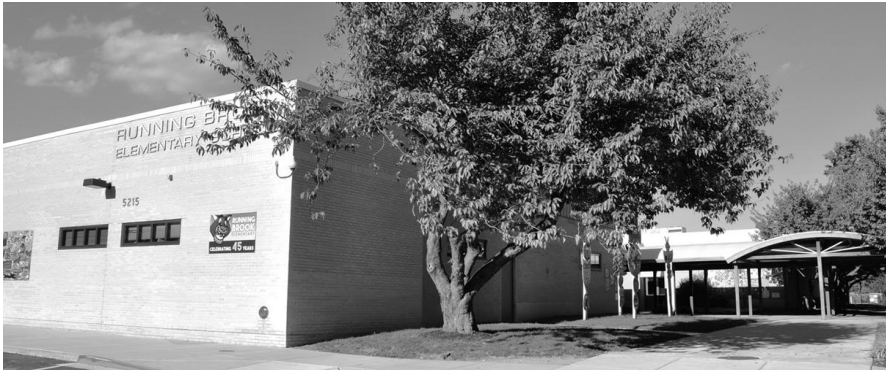


Running Brook Elementary School

PROFILE

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Running Brook Elementary School's motto is "We Are Running Brook." Every member of the school community plays a vital role in the success of Running Brook. The staff of committed, caring teachers and support personnel strives to meet each child's individual needs and unique abilities. We feel that our vision, mission and motto align perfectly with the school system's Strategic Call to Action. The staff of Running Brook Elementary is fully invested in Learning and Leading with Equity. Some of our innovative academic components that focus on the whole child and prepare our children for college and careers include:

- Expanded Pre-Kindergarten: full-day preschool prepares all eligible children with social and academic skills they need for kindergarten and later in life.
- The Bridges Over Wilde Lake: academic and enrichment programs offered to students after school from October through May.

Running Brook receives technical and material support to improve the academic skills of our students and continue to explore science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Our reading and math support teachers help classroom teachers develop instructional strategies based upon student needs. Additional teachers provide small group instruction in reading and math, and we offer a technology curriculum designed to infuse content knowledge with computer skills and enhance our students' college and career readiness.

RBES staff and students are committed to educational excellence and life-long learning in a positive school environment where quality teaching and successful learning are prized and supported. Our staff takes pride in knowing each student as a learner and instilling in all children a love of learning. Our diversity is one of our biggest strengths and we continually work to provide a culturally inclusive environment for all. There is truly a "Running Brook Way" that is distinct from that of other schools, and we are proud to have a school community that believes in the motto, "We Are Running Brook"!

Fast Facts

Facility opened: 1970

Additions/Renovations

1984 (A), 2004 (R), 2006 (R), 2014 (A)

School Capacity: 449

(This does not include additional capacity provided by 2 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment (PreK–5): 389

Official count 9/30/23

Ethnicity FY24

| | |
|---------------------------|-------|
| American Indian/Alaskan | ≤5.0% |
| Asian | 8.2% |
| Black/African American | 48.3% |
| Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | ≤5.0% |
| Hispanic/Latino | 13.4% |
| White | 19.5% |
| Two or more races | 9.5% |

Students Receiving Special Services FY23

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|--------------------|-------|
| Free/Reduced Meals | 57.3% |
| English Learners | ≤5.0% |
| Special Education | 20.5% |

Title I School

Administrators:

Gillian Spivey, Principal

Kelly Grenzer, Assistant Principal

Updated December 2023

Academic Achievement

RBES Performance on State Tests*

| Measure | 2022 Results | 2023 Results |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Percent Proficient English Language Arts | 32.4% | 33.7% |
| Percent Proficient Mathematics | 20.6% | 25.4% |
| Percent Proficient Science | 14.0% | 24.6% |

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

Special Programs

- After School Enrichment Programs, Summer School
- Alternative Education Program, full-time guidance counselor, full-time psychologist, reading support teacher, and math support teacher
- Blessings in a Backpack
- BSAP family liaison and family liaison
- Character Education Program
- Family Math and Reading Nights
- Full day Pre-kindergarten
- Math Tutoring Program
- Family Involvement Team
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) schoolwide behavior program
- Regional Early Childhood Center
- Student support from WLHS National Honor Society
- Volunteers from Senior Citizens' Group, Columbia Volunteer Corp, PTA, and A-OK Mentors

Accomplishments

- Received funding for before- and after-school programs through the Bridges Over Wilde Lake grant

Educational Partnerships

- A-OK Mentoring–Tutoring
- Always Reading
- Bethany United Methodist Church
- Blessings in a Backpack
- Bridgeway Community Church
- Coach Luby Foundation
- Columbia Association
- Columbia Presbyterian Church
- Dorsey's Search Community Association
- DreamBuilders, St. Mark's Episcopal Church
- Free Bikes 4 Kidz Maryland
- Hickory Ridge Community Association
- Howard Community College
- Howard County Health Department
- Howard County Library, Central Branch
- Howard County Office of the State's Attorney
- Howard County Police Department, Youth Division
- Kittamaquindi Community Church
- Long & Foster Cattail Creek
- Open Doors Food Pantry, Mt. Zion United Methodist Church
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help
- Prepare for Success, Community Action Council of Howard County
- Residences at Vantage Point
- Rotary Club of Columbia Town Center
- Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Howard County Chapter
- St John Baptist Church
- TasteWise Kids
- The Birthday Books Project
- The Howard Hughes Corporation
- The Kindness Pantry
- Town Center Community Association
- Toys for Tots, Howard County
- University of Maryland, Extension, Howard County
- Wilde Lake Community Association

