Long Reach High School

PROFILE

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Reaching Excellence Together

For over 20 years, Long Reach High School (LRHS) has served an economically and culturally diverse population from a wide variety of highly supportive and involved communities, including the planned community of Columbia.

We provide a comprehensive high school program that includes a variety of core courses and electives that prepare students for college, the business world, and a wide selection of technological fields. In addition, LRHS offers special programs that include, but are not limited to, Advanced Placement courses, Project Lead the Way, and the Reach (freshman) Academy.

The Long Reach High School slogan is 'REACH'...Respect— Excellence—Achievement—Character—Honor, which the Long Reach High School learning community of students, teachers and parents strive for in continuous improvement. The school's staff is known for its dedication, caring attitude, effectiveness, and collaborative nature. We welcome and encourage our community members to become involved in our school programs and activities, of which we are truly proud.

Long Reach uses a 7-credit, year-long semester scheduling model in which classes are approximately 50 minutes long. Period 4 is 110 minutes long and alternates between A and B day, allowing students to earn 7 credits in a 6-period day.

Fast Facts

Facility opened: 1996

School Capacity: 1,488

(This does not include additional capacity provided by 3 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment: 1,448 *Official count 9/30/23*

Ethnicity FY24

American Indian/Alaskan	<u><</u> 5.0%
Asian	12.1%
Black/African American	28.9%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	<u><</u> 5.0%
Hispanic/Latino	29.1%
White	24.2%
Two or more races	5.3%

Students Receiving Special Services FY23

Free/Reduced Meals	45.3%
English Learners	12.0%
Special Education	10.2%

2023 Graduation Rate: 81.2%* *4-year adjusted cohort

Administrators:

Adam Eldridge, Principal
Malcolm Anderson, Assistant Principal
Michael Cometa, Assistant Principal
Tiffani James, Assistant Principal
Daniel Sageman, Assistant Principal

Educational Partnerships

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter • Celebration Church • Columbia (MD) Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. • Columbia Association • Grace Community Church • Horizon Foundation • Howard County Education Federal Credit Union • Howard County Library, Elkridge Branch • Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory • Maryland MESA • Prepare for Success, Community Action Council of Howard County • Sundays At Three • The Council of Elders of the Black Community of Howard County • The Kindness Pantry • UMBC College of Engineering and Information Technology • United Service Organization

Achievement Data

LRHS Performance on State Tests*				
Measure	2022 Results	2023 Results		
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	47.3%	48.1%		
Percent Proficient English Mathematics	25.0%	28.5%		

SAT Scores and Participation [†]					
			Long Reach HS Mean Scores		
School Year	Number	Percent Participating	Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (ERW)	Mathematics	Composite
2022–23	133	41.3%	553	535	1088
2021–22	120	35.3%	549	534	1083
2020–21	126	35.4%	574	561	1135

[†]Senior class only

Advanced Placement Test Results					
School Year	Number of Exams Taken	% Students Taking an AP Exam	% of Exams with Score of 3	% of Exams with Score of 4	% of Exams with Score of 5
2022–23	465	15.8%	28.4%	21.5%	15.7%
2021–22	392	14.4%	29.3%	20.7%	15.3%
2020–21	253	9.0%	25.3%	19.8%	15.0%

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

Special Programs

- Academic Life Skills
- Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars Program
- Alpha Achievers
- Alternative Education Prog.
- Black Student Achievement Program
- BSU Student and Staff Fashion Show
- Career Academy
- Credit Recovery
- Coffee House student and staff performance
- Scholars Leadership Prog.
- English for Speakers of Other Languages - ESOL
- Gifted and Talented Resource Program
- Junior Interview Day
- Annual Participant in the Howard Co. Conservancy Watershed Program
- MESA (Math Engineering and Science Achievement)

- Model UN
- National Honor Society & 11 other NHS organizations
- One Long Reach Initiative Building Belonging and Togetherness
- OutREACH Tutoring Prog.
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports
- POMS Dance Team
- Reach (Freshman) Academy
- Reading Acceleration Prog.
- HCEA Restorative Justice Cohort
- SWENEXT Participant
- Site-based dual credit through HCC – Advanced Culinary Science, Principles of Business and Management, and/ or Teaching as a Profession
- Theatre Arts Performances Fall, Winter, and Spring

Accomplishments

- Literary Magazine Award of Excellence
- 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021 C-Span Student Cam National Video Documentary Competition Winners
- 2018 Regional Champion Varsity Football
- Senior MD All State Orchestra 5 students selected
- 2023 Howard County Champion Women's Field Hockey
- 2022 Mock Trial Howard County Champions
- 2022 Only School in Maryland selected to perform the Broadway version of *Frozen*
- County GT Band 5 students selected
- Junior All-State Band 1 student selected
- Senior High GT Chorus 2 students selected
- Junior High GT Chorus 4 students selected
- Solo & Ensemble 6 students participated
- Senior High All State Mixed and Treble Choirs – 4 students selected
- Junior High All State Choir 1 student selected
- 2022 National Merit Scholar Finalists

