

Bellows Spring Elementary School

PROFILE

2008-09

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The mission of Bellows Spring Elementary School, developed by the staff, is as follows:

The Bellows Spring community has high expectations for every student. We are committed to accelerating and supporting all children to ensure that they are performing to their maximum capabilities. We will foster a safe, nurturing, and academically stimulating environment.

Our staff, in partnership with the community, is committed to excellence in teaching and learning for every child. We strive to prepare our students with the skills needed to succeed and excel as they face all of life's challenges.

We are proud of our test scores, which indicate that our students are performing well on all measures. Of equal importance to us is the fact that our students feel safe, secure and nurtured at Bellows Spring. To enhance our safe school initiatives, we are very excited to be the first school in Maryland to start the Watch D.O.G.S. (dads of great students) program. The Watch D.O.G.S. program is a national safe schools program that focuses on bringing positive male role models into our school. This has been a huge success!

Through our implementation of character education, as well as our school-wide focus on anti-bullying, we strive to provide our students with the many skills they need to succeed in our ever-changing world. We are proud of our staff's dedication to excellence in teaching and learning and foster the active involvement and partnership of our parents.

Jackie Klamerus, Principal
Edward Cosentino, Assistant Principal
Nancy Richardson, Leadership Intern

Fast Facts

Facility opened - 2003

School Capacity: 596
This does not include additional capacity from 6 portable classrooms.

Total Enrollment (PreK-5): 766

Student Mobility 2007-08

7.3% Entrants
10.0% Withdrawals

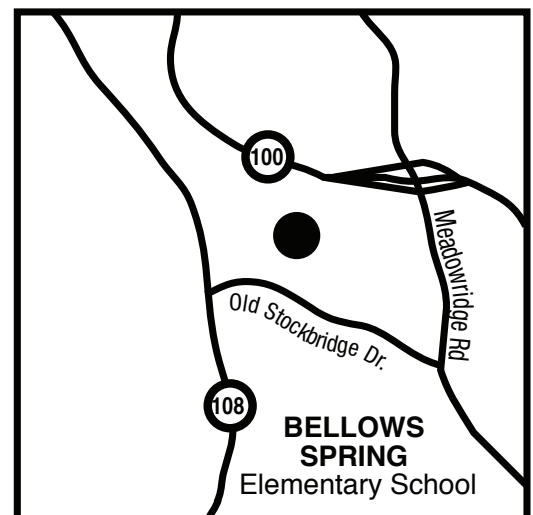
Ethnicity

White	48.4%
African American	19.0%
Asian	21.2%
Hispanic	4.8%
Native American	0%
Unidentified	6.7%

Students Receiving Special Services 2007-08

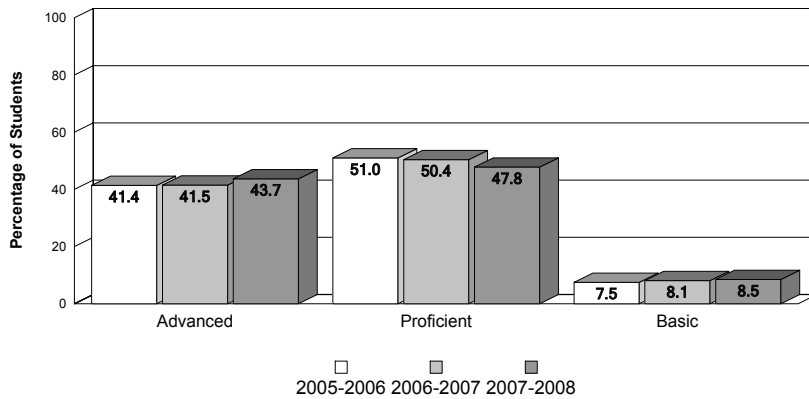
Title I	0%
Ltd. English Proficient	8.6%
Free/Reduced Lunch	10.8%
Special Education	11.4%

PTA members: 350

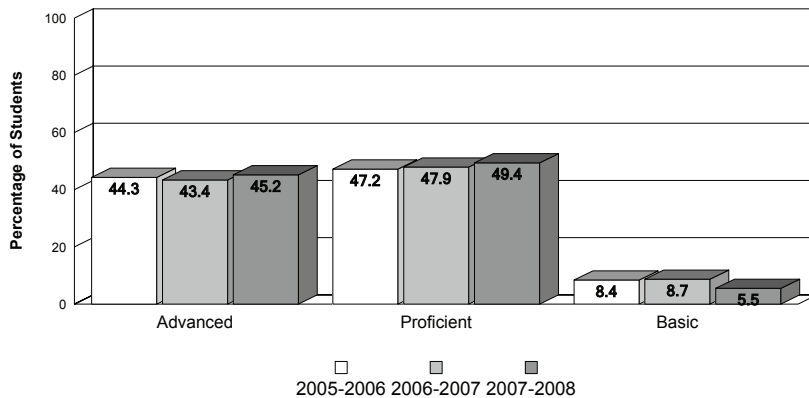


Achievement Data

Bellows Spring Elementary School MSA - Mathematics



MSA - Reading



MSA Standards - Percent Advanced/Proficient

School Year	MSDE AYP Standards		Howard Cty Standard	Bellows Spring ES	
	Reading	Mathematics		Reading	Mathematics
2005-2006	62.5	58.8	70.0	91.60	92.50
2006-2007	67.2	63.9	70.0	91.30	91.90
2007-2008	71.8	69.1	70.0	94.50	91.50

Accomplishments

School Honors

- One of the Washington Post's Top 100 Elementary Schools
- NAACP Rating of Excellent
- Regional First Place Winner in the MD/DC Stock Market Game

Student Honors

- Ben Carson Scholarship Recipient
- Young Author's Contest - Winner for the State of MD
- Participants in HCPSS Honors Choir
- Participants in HCPSS Honors Band

Business Partners

- On Trak Transportation
- Domino's Pizza, Snowden River
- Eggspectation
- Red Robin, Columbia Crossing
- McDonalds, Snowden River