

Bushy Park Elementary School

PROFILE

2008-09

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Bushy Park Elementary is located off Route 97 in western Howard County. This is the second school year in our beautiful new, state-of-the-art facility. The spacious hallways, colorful common areas and expansive windows make it a most welcoming place to learn! Our school is also very proud of its high academic achievement, parent and community involvement, and dedicated staff. Our school staff, PTA, community members, and business partners work together to provide a strong support system in which to educate our students.

Bushy Park's programming is organized around the county's two Bridge to Excellence Goals, our School Improvement Plan, and the HCPSS Essential Curriculum. Our school is results-oriented and data-driven. We are committed to continuous improvement. Bushy Park ranked eighth out of 395 Baltimore area elementaries analyzed in a December 2003 *Baltimore Sun* survey. *The Sun* compiled a list of best and worst-performing schools using an average of Maryland School Assessment scores and years of teacher experience. BPES's pass rate for the MSA was over 90%. The percentage of teachers having "advanced certification" was the fourth highest among the reviewed schools. Bushy Park's pass rate for the spring 2008 MSA was over 97% for both reading and math.

Bushy Park's mission is two-fold: to prepare all students to be life-long learners and responsible citizens and to create a positive school climate where students and staff are motivated to do their best. We believe that students need to be involved in their instruction and be responsible for their learning. We are committed to working together as a learning community to make this a reality. We welcome visitors to Bushy Park, and we encourage our parents to become actively involved in all of our school's programs.

Rebecca Straw, Principal
Terri Via, Assistant Principal

Fast Facts

Facility opened: BPES originally opened in 1976. A replacement building opened in 2007.

School Capacity: 788

Total Enrollment (PreK-5): 698

Student Mobility 2007-08

1.5% Entrants

1.7% Withdrawals

Ethnicity

White 82.2%

African American 6.0%

Asian 7.9%

Hispanic 1.3%

Native American 0.3%

Unidentified 2.3%

Students Receiving Special Services 2007-08

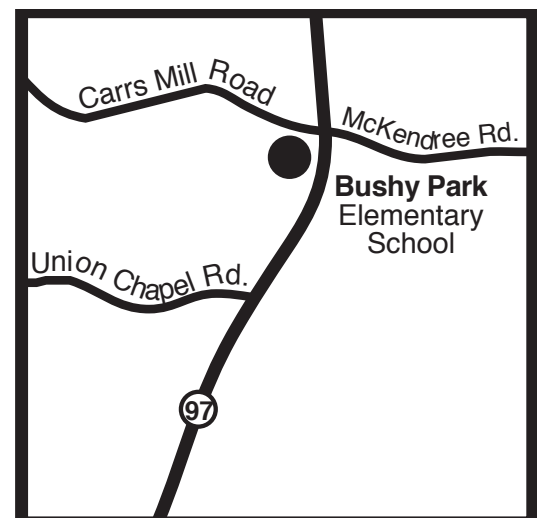
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Ltd. English Proficient 0.9%

Free/Reduced Lunch 1.2%

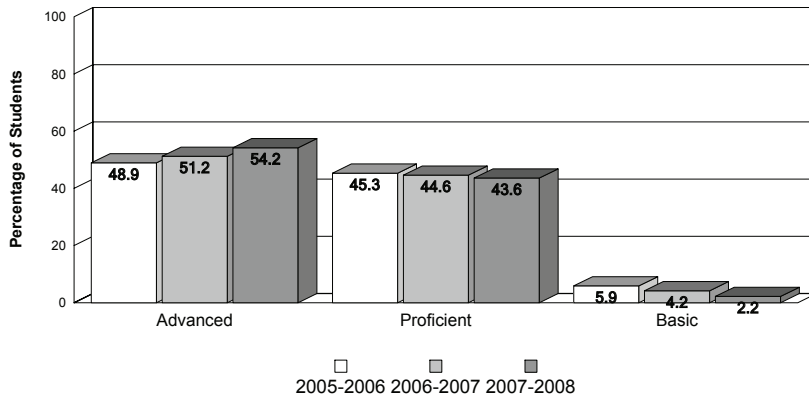
Special Education 11.1%

PTA members: 640

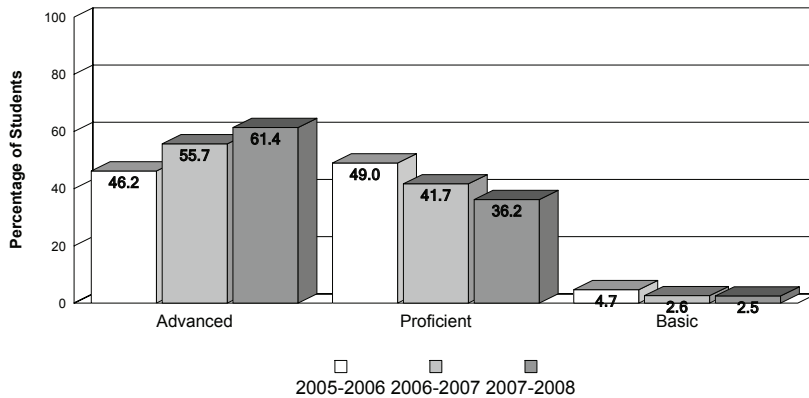


Achievement Data

Bushy Park Elementary School MSA - Mathematics



MSA - Reading



MSA Standards - Percent Advanced/Proficient

School Year	MSDE AYP Standards		Howard Cty Standard	Bushy Park ES	
	Reading	Mathematics		Reading	Mathematics
2005-2006	62.5	58.8	70.0	95.30	94.10
2006-2007	67.2	63.9	70.0	97.40	95.80
2007-2008	71.8	69.1	70.0	97.50	97.80

Accomplishments

2007-08, 2006-07, 2005-06

- Maryland State Arts Council Residency Artist Grants
- Designing Quality Inclusive Education Grant

2007-08, 2006-07, 2005-06, 2004-05

- Maryland State Department of Education recognition for Outstanding Performance on the Maryland School Assessments

2007-08, 2006-07, 2005-06

- One of the 20 highest performing schools in the top 100 Washington area schools with the highest percentage of students scoring advanced on the Maryland School Assessment for 2008, 2007 and 2006. *Washington Post* (July 2008, July 2007, July 2006)

2007-08, 2006-07, 2005-06

- NAACP recognition for the achievement of minority students

2007-08

- Maryland State Department of Education recognition for the achievement of special education students on the Maryland School Assessments

Special Programs

- Educational Partnerships: 8
- Regional Early Childhood Center
- Student Government Association
- Leo Club for Students (sponsored by Lions Club)
- School Safeties