

Welcome to

Phelps Luck *Elementary*

Back to School Night
2024-2025



2024-2025 SCHOOL HOURS

For Students

8:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Doors open at 8:30 a.m.

Arrival ends at 8:43 a.m.

Students are expected in their classes at 8:45 a.m..

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Introductions

Ed Cosentino,
Principal

Kelly Grenzer,
Assistant Principal

Sandra McGraw,
Assistant Principal

Ana Garcia-Hedges,
Hispanic Achievement Liaison

Meet Related Arts Teachers

Mr. Deppen, PE

Mr. Nunn, PE

Ms. Cromwell, PE

Mrs. Blossom ,
Music

Mrs. Yi,
Music

Mrs. Bryant
Band/Strings



Dr. Stevens, Tech

Ms. Fong, Media
& Tech

Ms. Anderson,
Media

Ms. Hart, Media
paraeducator

Ms. Schappelle, Art
Ms. Swann, Art

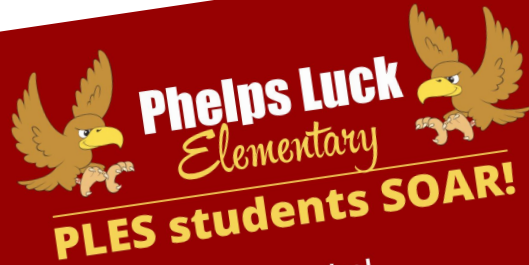
HCPSS Student Code of Conduct

We view the code of conduct as a team effort. There are responsibilities for staff, students, families, and our community. Let's all do our part to make this year safe and successful for all!



New

PBIS Positive Behavior interventions and Support



Self-Control

I will be respectful by managing my emotions and behaviors in different situations, making positive choices, and act with responsibly.

Organized

I will keep my space and materials tidy, plan ahead, and manage my time effectively to help achieve my goals.

Accountable

I will take responsibility for my actions and their consequences, follow through on commitments, and be reliable.

Resilient

I will bounce back from challenges or setbacks, stay positive, and persist in the face of difficulties.



SOAR- Self Control*Organization*Accountability*Resilience



Receiving Emails and Texts



Utilizing contact information submitted through the Family File, parents and guardians automatically receive emails from HCPSS and our school.

To comply with FCC & wireless carrier requirements, parents/guardians must opt in one time to receiving text message alerts. To confirm that you have opted in, text the word "YES" to 67587 from the cell phone number on file in HCPSS Connect Family File.

Unsubscribing to either an HCPSS or school email, will remove you from receiving all email messaging - including emergency notifications!

Please call the front office if you believe you are not receiving emails and/or text messages.

Communication

Weekly Newsletter - through smore.com

- every Friday morning at 7:00 a.m.
- archived on the PLES website

Class Dojo

Teacher email

Social Media



smore



ClassDojo

PLES & HCPSS Social Media

Phelps Luck ES X Twitter: [@hcpss_ples](https://twitter.com/hcpss_ples)

Phelps Luck ES Facebook:

facebook.com/PhelpsLuckElementary

HCPSS X Twitter: www.Twitter.com/HCPSS

HCPSS Instagram: instagram.com/hocoschools



Standards-Based Instruction and Reporting

Starting this school year HCPSS will report student academic progress in grades **all grade levels using standards-based reporting.**

Standards-based reporting will include:

- New grading codes (M, P, L)
- Revised report cards
- Clearer alignment to standards
- Updated Canvas gradebook information
- Rubric-based grading
- Parent support resources

PLES is a Title I School



What does that mean?

- Schoolwide enhanced programs, services and enrichment
- Available to all students in our school
- Family involvement for all families

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMS)

How does filling out your FARMS form impact the school's Title I eligibility?

- Complete the form by **October 31**
- Determines Title I status

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

Qualifying families can receive free or reduced-cost:



HCPSS - FAMILY FILE (EMERGENCY FORM)

MAIN NAVIGATION

- Students
- Parents/Guardians
- Emergency Contacts
- Medical
- Arrival/Departure
- Media
- Data Confidentiality
- Student Creative Work
- PTA Directory / School Directory
- Submit

Thank you. You have successfully submitted the family file information.



Click the below link to download the printed emergency procedure card:

[Download]

Free and Discounted Benefits

The FARMs program provides families with significant benefits to help you save money. Eligibility is based on family size and income, and enrollment is confidential.

Log out

- School meals
- Health insurance
- HCC tuition
- SAT, ACT and AP exam fees
- Camps, sports, child care
- Many other benefits

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

Step 1: Visit www.hcpss.org/farms/

Step 2: Click “Apply Online” to begin the online application process

How to Apply

Please submit only one application per household. Families that need computer or language assistance to apply online, please contact your child’s school.

View the [federal income eligibility guidelines](#).

Online

APPLY ONLINE

(ADDITIONAL LANGUAGES AVAILABLE)

- After the online application has been submitted and reviewed, eligibility notifications will be sent via email/mail.

HCPSS WEBSITE

The screenshot shows the 'MY SCHOOL Apps' website for Howard County Public School System. The page has a teal header with the school system name. Below the header is a navigation menu with tabs: 'Getting Started' (selected), 'Household Information', 'Students', 'Children (Non-Student)', and 'Signer's Information'. The main content area is titled 'Getting Started' and contains a section 'What you will need to provide during the application process:' followed by a bulleted list of requirements. At the bottom, there is a teal button labeled 'BEGIN ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS'.

MY SCHOOL Apps

Howard County Public School System

Getting Started Household Information Students Children (Non-Student) Signer's Information

Getting Started

What you will need to provide during the application process:

- The name and **current** income of every member of your household
- The school and grade of every student in your household
- Your electronic signature
- (Optional) A valid email address or phone number for district communication about the status of the application.

If you are ready to get started, click the button below to begin the online application process.

BEGIN ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS

APPLICATION

2024-2025 Student Meals

Daily Meal Prices at PLES

Student Breakfast

Free Breakfast for all students

Student Lunch

Elementary School Lunch – \$2.80 OR

Free/Reduced Lunch – no charge

Milk (1/2 pint) – \$0.50

School Based Wellness Center



HOWARD COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

SCHOOL BASED WELLNESS CENTER

Health care during school at **NO COST!**

ENROLL TODAY!



**SCAN THE QR CODE FOR
MORE OR TO ENROLL**



TO ENROLL:
Talk to the nurse in the Health Office,
scan the QR Code or go to:
bit.ly/SchoolBasedWellnessCenters

CONTACT INFO:
HowardSBWC@howardcountymd.gov



HOWARD COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

CENTRO DE BIENESTAR ESCOLAR

Atención médica durante la escuela
¡SIN COSTO!

¡INSCRÍBASE HOY!



**ESCANEE EL CÓDIGO QR
PARA OBTENER MÁS
INFORMACIÓN O
INSCRIBIRSE**



PARA INSCRIBIRSE:
Hable con la enfermera de la Oficina
de Salud, escanee el código QR o
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ATTENDANCE IS CRITICAL

Attendance



Attendance Rate by Grade

Pre-Kindergarten: 92.2% Second grade: 95.1%
Kindergarten: 93.8% Third grade: 94.5%
First grade: 94.4% Fourth grade: 94%
Fifth grade: 95%

Chronic Absentee Rate 12.6%

85 Students were **Chronically Absent** during the 23-24 school year.

There was a 25% reduction in chronic absenteeism compared to SY 22-23

During the 22-23 school year, 118 students (16.9%) were considered chronically absent.

The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) defines chronic absenteeism as a student's absence for 10% of the school year or 18 days or more.

Months with the **BEST** Attendance

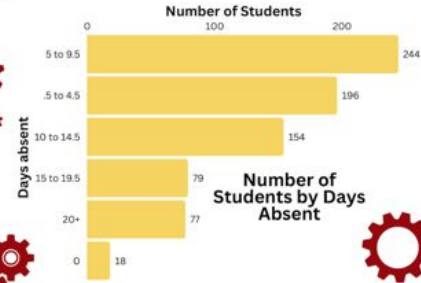
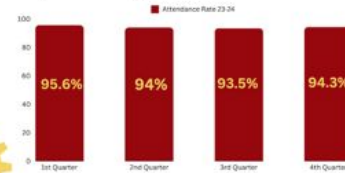
September 95.5%
October 95.5%

ATTENDANCE by MONTH

Months with the **WORST** Attendance

June 90.7%
March 92.6%

Quarterly Attendance Rate



18 students with perfect attendance!

Reasons for Absences

The most frequent reason for absence is **illness** accounting for 2,975.5 days absent.

3,933.5 absences were recorded as **unexcused** because no note followed the absence.

Absence Frequency by Days of the Week

Monday 6.5%
Friday 6.0%
Tuesday 5.8%
Wednesday 5.2%
Thursday 4.9%

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cada niño. una voz.[®]

Community
involvement



SOCIAL
ACTIVITIES
FUN FOR EVERYONE



2024 – 2025 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Patricia Parra Zillmer
President



Cara Martin
Treasurer



Danielle Gold
Secretary



Kimberly Hampton
PTACHC Delegate



Valerie Logan
DEI Chair

You?

*VP1
Membership*



Sandra Jones
*VP2
Fundraising*



Allison Cotilla
*VP3
Teacher Liaison*



Alisa Holbert
PTACHC Delegate

MEMBERSHIP

Membership
\$10 per year
(Staff are FREE)

Members
Vote on PTA
Matters



Volunteering is
Open to Everyone
(not just members)

Volunteer
On Your
Schedule

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