River Hill High School is recognized nationally and internationally. Named as one of America’s Best High Schools 2015, as indicated by U.S. News & World Report and Newsweek, student participation in the advanced placement program and National Merit recognition also place our school among the top high schools in the nation. The student population is culturally diverse with a majority of the students enrolled in college preparatory and technology courses. Ninety-nine percent of the students graduate with plans to attend post-secondary institutions.

School improvement is an ongoing commitment to the HCPSS Vision 2018 with rigorous instruction and engagement at the center of continuous improvement.

Several honor society chapters co-exist as part of the RHHS community as well as service networks and leadership organizations. RHHS SGA sponsors an annual student leadership conference to identify focus areas with student voice and student action. Athletics and activities support vibrant and spirited student life. For some, the extracurricular experience is an extension of the classroom, as students apply their learning in real-world endeavors. For others, it is a chance to explore interests that might not be addressed in their studies. For all, balanced participation in academics, athletics, and activities makes for an outstanding high school experience.

Kathryn S. McKinley, Principal
### Achievement Data

#### HSA Pass rate for Graduating Class of 2015

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<tr>
<th>Subject</th>
<th>Takers</th>
<th>Passed</th>
<th>Bridge Plan Accepted</th>
<th>Met Requirement</th>
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<tr>
<td>Algebra</td>
<td>330</td>
<td>330</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>Biology</td>
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<td>English</td>
<td>330</td>
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<td>Government</td>
<td>319</td>
<td>295</td>
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<td>Met with Combined Score</td>
<td>1.8% (6/330)</td>
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#### SAT Scores and Participation

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<th>School Year</th>
<th>N</th>
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<th>Critical Reading</th>
<th>Mathematics</th>
<th>Writing</th>
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<tr>
<td>2014-2015</td>
<td>317</td>
<td>96.1</td>
<td>588</td>
<td>614</td>
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<td>2013-2014</td>
<td>288</td>
<td>91.4</td>
<td>591</td>
<td>613</td>
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<td>2012-2013</td>
<td>333</td>
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#### Advanced Placement Test Results

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<th>School Year</th>
<th>Number of Exams Taken</th>
<th>Percent of Students taking an AP Exam</th>
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<td>1326</td>
<td>41.6%</td>
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<td>2013-2014</td>
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<td>41.4%</td>
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<td>2012-2013</td>
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<td>42.5%</td>
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<td>2011-2012</td>
<td>1339</td>
<td>39.7%</td>
<td>25.0%</td>
<td>30.1%</td>
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### Educators

**Staff Recognized as Outstanding Educators:** County 16, State 8, National 3

**Special Programs:**
- Regional ESOL and HCPSS Newcomer Program
- Music Technology
- MST Research

### Other Facts

**Educational Partners:**
- Anthony Corrao/Long & Foster Realtor, Bank of America (Ten Oaks Road Branch), Charm City Run, Chipotle (Columbia Mall), Clarksville Car Wash, Dunkin' Doughnuts (Clarksville), Eggspetation, Giant Food (Clarksville), Howard County General Hospital, Howard County Library, Ledo Pizza, McDonald's (Clarksville), Ourisman Car Dealership, Rita's (Harper's Choice), River Hill Garden Center, River Hill Sports Grille, , Salon Tusey, Subway (Clarksville), Columbia Bank, Twist and Turn

### Accomplishments

- 39 Advanced Placement National Scholars, 2014
- 12 National Merit Finalists; 13 National Merit Semi-Finalists, 2014
- Student Government Association:
  - Felix Simon Award (MASC) 2012–13
  - National Gold Council of Excellence 2011–14
- International Chemistry Olympiad Finalist Intel Talent Search Finalist and Semi-Finalists, 9 years (Multiple Siemens-Westinghouse Semi-Finalists)
- Zero Robotics International Space Station Finals 4th Place, 2014
- High School Java Programming 1st Place, Community College of Baltimore, 2013
- Advanced Data Structures (NASA & MIT, 2015), 6th nationally, 17th internationally
- National Technological Challenge (UMCP), 1st place, 2014
- Future Business Leaders of America, 2012–14; regional and state championships
- Top 25 Engineering Source School recognized by A. James Clark School of Engineering (UMCP), 2013
- Mentorship for Sweepstakes Winner in the Baltimore STEM Fair, 2013
- Intel Semifinalist 2013–15
- National Council for English Award in Writing 2013–14
- Princeton Book Award 2012–14

**Honor Societies:** National Honor Society, MD Technology Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, National Chinese, French, Spanish and German Honor Societies, National Science Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society

**Arts and Athletics:**
- People Tree Cup Winner 2015, 10th consecutive year, 15-time winner
- 2014–15: 12 students in All-State Band/Orchestra, 1 student in All-State Jazz Band, 1 student in All-East Orchestra, 1 student in Honor Band of America, 2 students in All-National Honor Band, 1 student in US Army All-American Marching Band, 1 student in HS Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall
- 33 High School All-Americans, 16 Collegiate All-Americans
- Exemplary Athletic Program recognized by the NIAAA
- National Athletic Trainers’ Association recognition as Safe Sports School - 1st Team
- 41 state titles, 97 regional titles and 116 county championships since 1996.