

# Phelps Luck Elementary School

## PROFILE

2009-10

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Phelps Luck Elementary, located in the heart of Columbia, Maryland, has been a focal point in the community for the past 37 years. At Phelps Luck we take great pride in our student body and exemplary staff. With our priority on students and their academic success, an emphasis is placed on academic rigor, high expectations for all students, and establishing strong, positive relationships with our parents and school community.

At Phelps Luck, we are committed to continuous improvement, and thus quarterly and annual improvement goals are established in the areas of reading, math and school climate. To reach these ambitious goals, school data and individual student progress is continually monitored. Phelps Luck offers a variety of services and supports to meet the unique learning needs of each child. Some of these services include: Gifted and Talented Education, Reading and Math support services, special education, and Title I support.

At Phelps Luck, we are committed to providing a positive, safe, and nurturing learning environment. Our school behavior plan focuses on celebrating students' accomplishments and teaching children to respect themselves, others and property.

Phelps Luck is proud of our strong and active PTA. Parents are encouraged to regularly volunteer and actively participate in their child's education. The PTA sponsors many family/community events throughout the year. Some highlights include: International Day and Night, Family Reading and Math Night, Bingo Night, and our winter and spring concerts.

The commitment of our award winning staff, dedicated parents and supportive community makes Phelps Luck an exemplary school.

Pamela Akers, Principal  
Michelle Leader, Assistant Principal  
Nancy Ottey, Leadership Intern

### Fast Facts

**Facility opened** - 1972

**Additions/Renovations**  
1989, 1999 (A), 2007

**School Capacity:** 540  
*(This does not include additional capacity provided by 8 portable classrooms.)*

**Total Enrollment (PreK-5):** 651

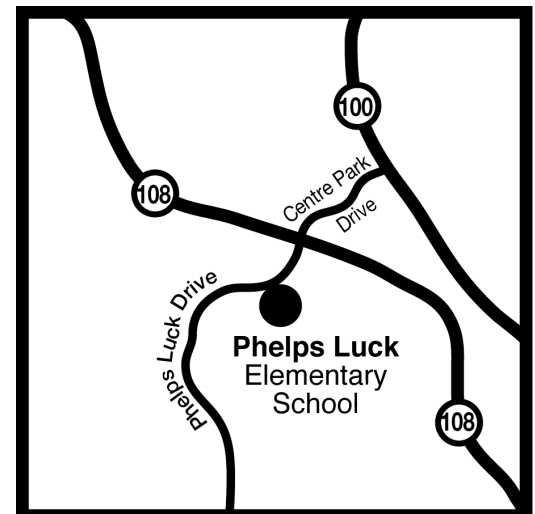
#### Ethnicity

White	27.2%
African American	42.0%
Asian	9.2%
Hispanic	14.9%
Native American	0.6%
Not Reported	6.0%

#### Students Receiving Special Services 2008-09

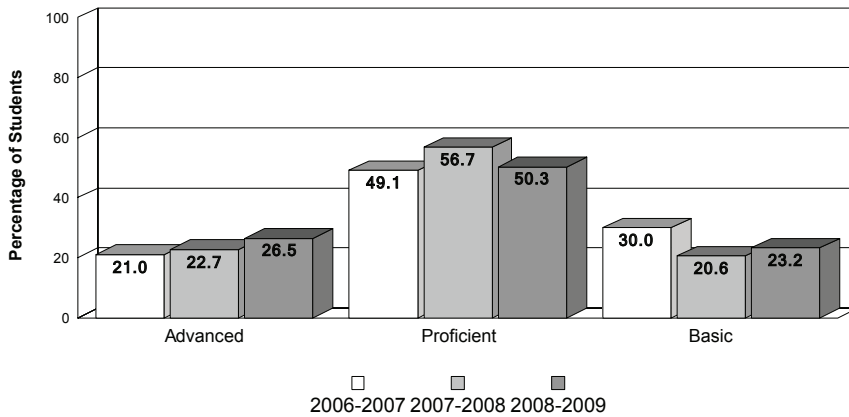
Title I	23.0%
Ltd. English Proficient	14.9%
Free/Reduced Lunch	37.4%
Special Education	6.0%

**PTA members:** 325

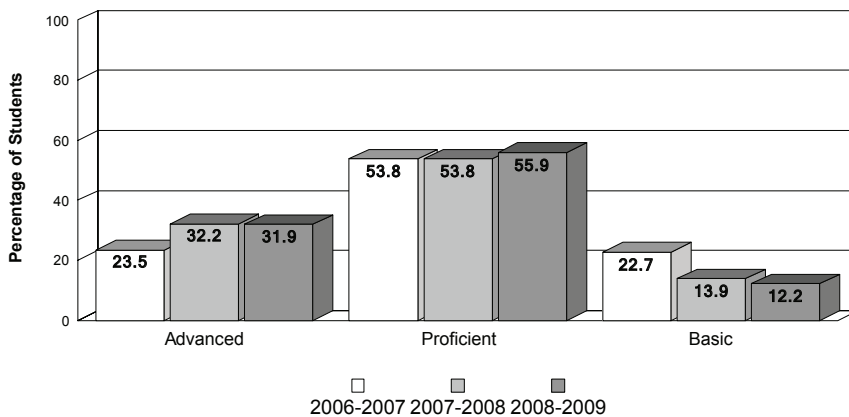


## Achievement Data

### Phelps Luck Elementary School MSA - Mathematics



### MSA - Reading



### MSA Standards - Percent Advanced/Proficient

School Year	MSDE AYP Standards		Howard Cty Standard	Phelps Luck ES	
	Reading	Mathematics		Reading	Mathematics
2006-2007	67.2	63.9	70.0	<b>77.30</b>	<b>70.00</b>
2007-2008	71.8	69.1	70.0	<b>86.10</b>	<b>79.40</b>
2008-2009	76.5	74.2	70.0	<b>87.80</b>	<b>76.80</b>

## Accomplishments

### 2009

- Recognized by the Maryland State Board of Education for student performance on the Maryland School Assessment
- Awarded the *Healthy Howard Award* for promoting health and wellness
- Met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for all student groups on MSA
- Student participants in HCPSS Honors Band and Chorus
- Maryland PBIS Silver Recognition School

### 2008

- Met adequate yearly progress (AYP) for all student groups on MSA
- Awarded 21st century Bridges Grant for After School Program
- Certificate of Excellence Awarded by NAACP
- Honorary Resolution from Howard County Council honoring Athletes for Achievement Program
- MAESP Assistant Principal of the Year, Michelle Leader
- Howard County Teacher of the Year, Patricia Phillips

### 2007

- Howard County Custodian of the Year, Russell Wise
- Awarded 21st Century Bridges Grant for after school program
- Exemplary program recognition for Simulated Congressional Hearing implementation
- Participates in HCPSS Honors Band

## Special Programs

- After-School Acceleration Program
- Alternative Education Program
- Athletes for Achievement Program, a student-to-student mentoring partnership with Howard High School
- Band and Strings
- Monthly Cultural Arts Performances
- Educational Partnerships: 7
- Gifted and Talented Program
- Kindergarten Readiness Summer Program
- Learning Together Program, a mentoring program for 5th graders and 2nd graders within PLES's after-school program
- Math and reading tutoring
- Parent and Child Cultural Connection Program Peer mentors
- Pre-kindergarten
- Reading Recovery® - one-on-one reading intervention for first-graders
- Ready at Five Partnership
- Recreation and Parks After School Program
- Saturday School
- Summer Academic Enrichment
- Technology Integration
- Title I Resources