

Write a description of the cultural and socio-economic community served by the school and describe the implications of your findings for your teaching.

Total Enrollment: 2,000
American Indian/Alaskan 0.1%
Asian 14.9%
Black/African American 22.0%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 0%
Hispanic/Latino 6.5%
White 50.0%
Two or more races 6.7%

Students Receiving Special Services
Free/Reduced Lunch 11.6% Ltd.
English Proficient 95%*
*4-year adjusted cohort Class of 2016
Documented Decisions Attend a 4-
year college 65.7% Attend a 2-year
college 26.4% Specialized
school/training

“The population is both culturally and economically diverse with over three quarters of our graduates enrolling in post-secondary institutions.” – Principal Novak

Figure 1: Columbia, MD At least High School Education Figure 2: Columbia, MD Bachelors Degree or Better Education

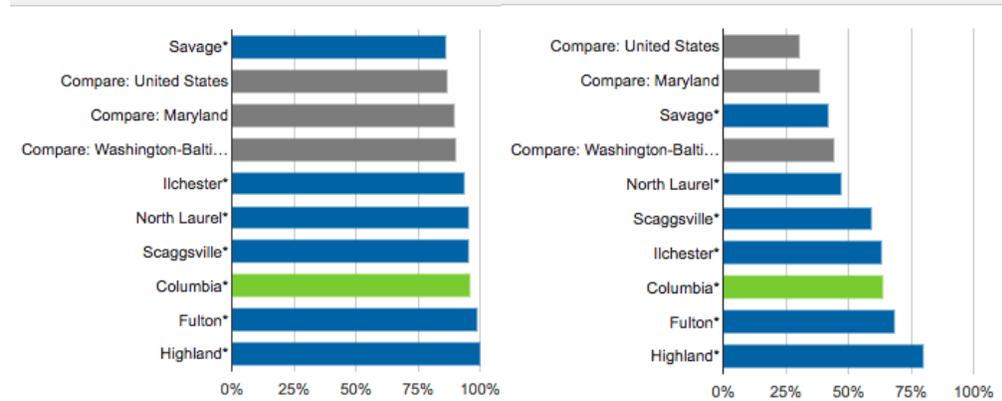
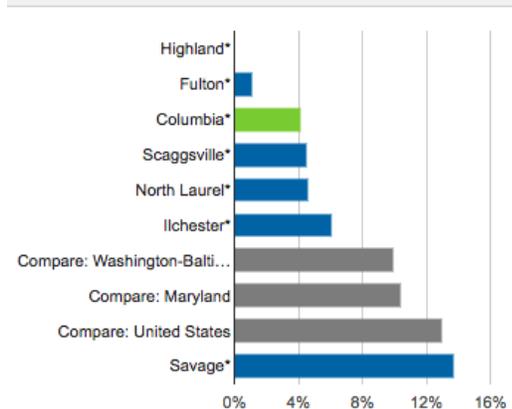


Figure 4: Columbia, MD School Dropout Rate



What You Need To Earn To Be In The Middle Class

STATE	MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME	MIDDLE CLASS LOWER BOUND	MIDDLE CLASS UPPER BOUND
Maryland	\$72,483	\$48,322	\$144,966



The classroom management and behavioral response to the students at Howard High School is much more relaxed. My first day at Howard I didn't have to refocus ONCE during my time at the podium. My mentor had to give 3-5 reminders throughout the morning, and actually apologized at the state of the behavior from the choirs. I was very shocked to hear this as I was very impressed with the level of respect. In terms of singing, they were almost angels. This is Mrs. Wacyk's second year at HHS and she has had to introduce solfege into the daily language of the choristers, quite successfully I might add. The students were sight reading beautifully.

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There is a whole counseling service center with 15 guidance counselors to accommodate for the over enrollment. (Coincidentally, there are also 15 portables)
There are 4 Assistant Principals, all of whom love the arts and were very happy to meet me.

I was unknowingly watched by the Principal, Mr. Novak, as I had my first few moments in front of the choir today. When I met him later he shared this information with me. -no pressure-