

**Sparks Elementary School
Community School Progress Summary 2023-2024
Principal: Magan Chyko-Leigh**

BCPS Vision: Baltimore County Public Schools will be among the highest performing school systems in the nation as a result of raising the bar, closing gaps, and preparing every student for the future.

School Mission: The Sparks Elementary School community, which includes the cooperation and collaboration of parents, teachers, students, and community members, believes in promoting student growth in all areas – intellectual, social, emotional, cognitive, and physical. This will enable students to be prepared for tomorrow’s challenges as responsible and caring citizens.

CORE BELIEFS

Mathematics

Teachers will identify and implement appropriate scaffolds for instruction to promote student independence and to ensure students receiving special education services can access grade level content.

Culture

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Goal: Increase the percentage of students achieving at or above the 61st percentile on MAP assessments.

Literacy

Teachers will identify and implement appropriate scaffolds for instruction to promote student independence and to ensure students receiving special education services can access grade level content.

Culture

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Safe and Secure Environment

Teachers will create and sustain a safe, welcoming, and supportive classroom environment which values inclusivity and diversity.

Culture

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Goal: Decrease the incidence of chronically absent students.