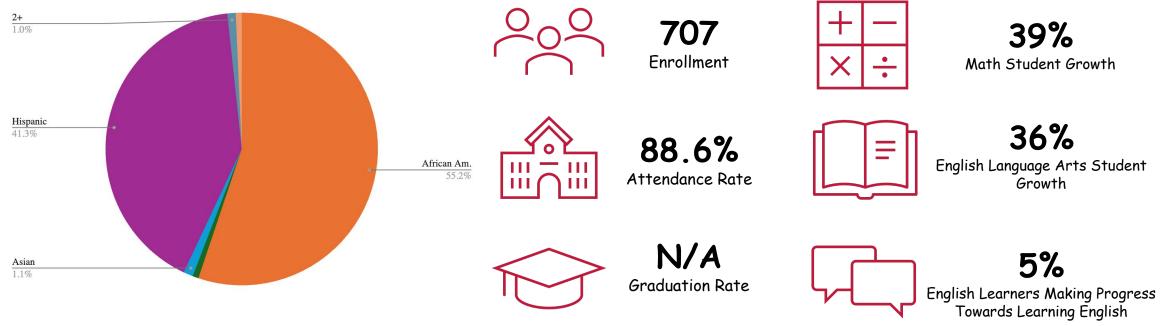
Thurgood Marshall MS Community School





Students by the Numbers		Current partners engaged with the community
n/a	ADA 504	10 Partners and Growing
457	FARMs/Economically Disadvantaged	
182	Multilingual Learners	 St Stephen's Baptist Church New Chapel Baptist Church Unity Way of the National Capital Area Delta Sigma Sorority Kappa Foundation of Ft Washington
49	Students with Disabilities	
n/a	Military Connected	



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Who participated in our Assets and Needs Assessment?







parent organization existed.



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Families

Community Members



What did we learn?



Many students are unaware of available mental health, academic, and wellness services—over 40% said they "don't know" if services exister-school clubs, as well as field trips.

Only **15.1%** of students felt instruction is connected to real-life experiences, indicating a need for more relevant, engaging learning.

Students expressed limited participation in decision-making—only **19.1%** said they "always" help make decisions.

Students appreciated field trips and after-school programs, but not all were aware of or involved in them.

Just **29.8%** of students said they can "always" talk honestly with adults, suggesting trust and communication gaps.



Staff overwhelmingly reported academic support needs: 77.1% said students "always" need help with math; 72.9% for reading/writing.

Only **20.3%** of staff felt students "always" see their culture reflected in instruction—highlighting a gap in inclusivity.

Mental health services are underutilized and inconsistently implemented (only 37.3% use individual support programs).

Staff report an inclusive and welcoming school culture (83.3%) but acknowledge gaps in student-adult trust and engagement.

Communication and outreach efforts are recognized as effective but could be strengthened through expanded partnerships.

Families reported feeling welcomed by the school (84.8%) but noted low awareness of leadership roles—47% didn't know if a

Many families lacked knowledge about available health and behavioral services—over 43% said they were unsure about access to care.

Preferred communication methods (phone, email, in-person) were aligned with what the school uses, which is a strength.

Only 18.8% of families "always" attend school events, and barriers such as timing, translation, and child care remain.

Families reported needs in areas such as **English instruction**, **food security**, and access to **housing and legal services**.



Participation is limited—few partners are engaged in **expanded learning** or **student academic support** beyond resource donations.

Most partner contributions are logistical (e.g., uniforms, food, hygiene kits), not instructional or programmatic.

There is interest in **health and wellness support**—e.g., family dental cleanings, food drives—but broader services are needed.

One partner helped with school safety by volunteering on the first day, showing a model for direct involvement.

Partners have not yet been engaged in co-planning curriculum-related or after-school enrichment opportunities.

Priorities and Opportunities

Rigorous, Community-Connected Classroom Instruction and Expanded, Enriched Learning Opportunities



Thurgood Marshall will increase real-world learning connections. Expand STEM, after-school, and summer learning programs. Make offerings more visible to families.

Collaborative Leadership, Shared Power, and Voice

Promote and better publicize parent leadership groups. Expand student voice initiatives and student council involvement in school decisions.

Integrated Systems of Support



Thurgood Marshall Middle School will improve visibility of mental/behavioral supports. Use multilingual outreach and ensure all families know how to access services. Expand small-group interventions..

Culture of Belonging, Safety, and Care



Continue fostering inclusive school culture. Prioritize student-teacher trust-building. Ensure all staff receive cultural responsiveness training.

Powerful Student and Family Engagement

Thurgood Marshall Middle School recognizes the importance of student and family engagement. TMMS will increase outreach using preferred methods (phone/email). Reduce barriers like timing, childcare, translation needs. Co-plan events with families to increase turnout.