

The Pathways Schools 2024-2025

INSPIRATION REPORT

Empracing the Journey: Growth for a Brighter Future

The Pathways School
Anne Arundel
Community-based
For grades 5-12
Annapolis, MD

The Pathways School
Catonsville
Community-based
For grades 6-12
Catonsville, MD

The Pathways School
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School & Communitybased for grades 6-12
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Serving students with emotional and multiple disabilities since 1982



MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DR. TANIA DUBEAU

As we reflect on the 2024–2025 school year, I am filled with deep gratitude and pride in the journey we have taken together. Our theme this year—*Embracing the Journey: Growth for a Brighter Future* was more than just a guiding phrase; it became a lived experience preparing our students for the days beyond their journey with Pathways.

This year, our students have grown in remarkable ways—academically, emotionally, and socially—through a rich continuum of programming across both our school-based and community-based schools. Each step of the journey has been intentional, rooted in our belief that our students can learn, be successful, trust themselves and others, change and take charge of their lives.

One of the most powerful expressions of this growth was seen in our therapeutic horseback riding program, where students built confidence, trust, and emotional resilience through their connection with animals. This unique experience offered healing and joy, reminding us that growth often happens in the most unexpected places.

Our collaborative art project, which became the centerpiece of this year's Art Show, brought together every student and staff member in a shared creative endeavor. The result was not only a stunning visual display, but a testament to the power of unity, expression, and collective vision.

Service learning remained a cornerstone of our programming. Students planted trees at community sites, donated clothing to residents of a local nursing home, and provided food for those in need. These acts of kindness and civic engagement helped our students understand their role in shaping a brighter future—not just for themselves, but for their communities.

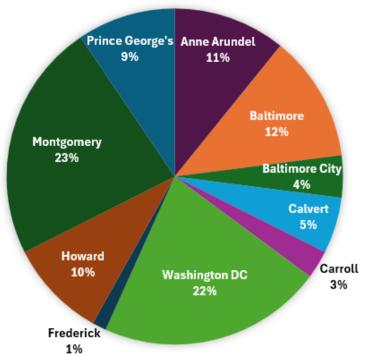
At Pathways, we know that the journey extends beyond graduation. Every experience we offer is designed to prepare our students for the day they transition into the wider world. Whether they are pursuing further education, employment, or independent living, our goal is to equip them with the skills, confidence, and resilience they need to succeed. The journey through Pathways is one of transformation—where students discover their strengths, overcome challenges, and begin to envision a future filled with possibility.

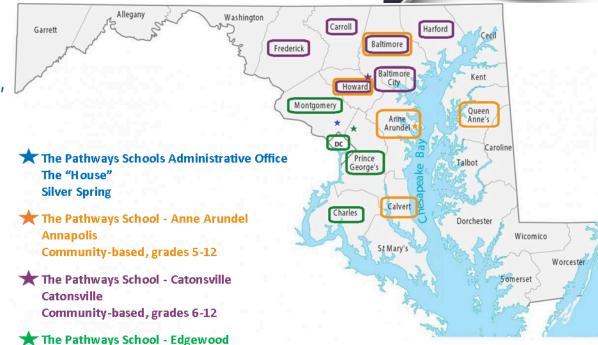
As we look ahead, we remain committed to nurturing growth in all its forms. We are grateful to our dedicated staff, supportive families, Board, generous donors, and community partners who walk this journey with us. Together, we are not only embracing the journey—we are shaping a future that is brighter for all.

COMMUNITY REACH

In 2024-2025, Pathways Schools served 70 students grades 6-12 from nine Maryland counties, Baltimore City, and the District of Columbia in our school-based and community-based programs. Each school serves students from multiple jurisdictions.

Allocation of Tuition & Related Services Revenue by Local School System (LSS) for year ending June 30, 2025





• Total tuition revenue: \$5,330,287

Community-based & School-based, grades 6-12

Beltsville

- Over 95% of the operational revenue comes from the per pupil tuition funded by the state and local school systems.
- Over 80% of the FY25 operating expenses were for program purposes.

HOW WE EMBRACED THE JOURNEY

At Pathways we have three areas of focus: academic learning, preparing for life after Pathways, and personal growth through therapeutic programs and the arts. Our outstanding staff consistently brought fresh ideas and caring support to our students.



ACADEMIC GROWTH

Individualized instruction geared to each student's unique needs is a hallmark of the Pathways Schools. We celebrated our student's achievements every day and at our annual Pep Rally. We provided opportunities for concurrent community college enrollment and SAT administration. Community experiences enhanced the curriculum. We are thrilled that eight students graduated this year.



TRANSITION

Students are inspired and motivated when given opportunities to envision their futures both educatioally and vocationally. In addition to our classroom based career exploration, we held career days and community experiences to explore job possibilities. Students had opportunities to give back through student service learning. We heard from our graduates often, and delighted in their sharing of what they are achieving.

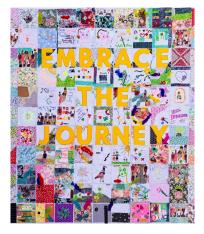


PERSONAL GROWTH

We seek to provide experiences that will help our students grow socially and emotionally to reach their fullest potential. Our therapeutic program included group and individual therapy, positive behavioral supports, arts programming with resident artists, and therapeutic horseback riding.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE JOURNEY



At our annual Art Show, students and staff each made a quilt square to represent their personal journey. Together they made a work of art!



Our annual Pep Rally provided a time to celebrate student achievements with honor roll and attendance awards.



On Career Day, students were inspired to consider various professions by speaking with community members



Graduation ceremonies were held for each of the three schools, a time of joy and anticipation



Students explored cartooning, photography, and textile arts with Resident Artists



When students volunteered in the community they gained career skills and a sense of pride



Interacting with professionals in work settings provided a real-life glimpse into career possibilities



Therapeutic
horseback riding built
confidence and
appreciation of our
equine friends



Offering SAT preparation & modified administration space provided our students opportunities to access higher education



Extra Shout Out to Our Community Partners of the Year!

Blue Ribbon Project First Watch of Westminster Texas Roadhouse

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Greenbelt Access Television (GATE)

Greenbelt Association of Visual Arts

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