

# EDUCATION. EVERYONE.



HOWARD COUNTY  
LIBRARY SYSTEM

2014 Annual Report

# HCLS:

"A 21st-century model worthy of study and consideration by every library in America, if not the world."

*Library Journal*





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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD CHAIR

*We hope you enjoy reading this Annual Report and take pride that Howard County Library System (HCLS) continues as a premier library system in the region, state, and nation.*

### What sets HCLS apart?

- Our distinctive purpose: high-quality public education for all.
- An extraordinary team of innovative educators and support staff that delivers an award-winning curriculum (Self-Directed Education, Research Assistance & Instruction, and Instructive & Enlightening Experiences) with exceptional customer service.
- Unmatched support from you, our dynamic community.

Highlights include A+ Partners in Education, with features like Battle of the Books (one third of Howard County's fifth graders!), Summer Reading, and Rube Goldberg Challenge—all geared to ensure academic success and close student achievement gaps. We strengthened Well & Wise and the Enchanted Garden, elevating health education, science, and sustainability; and Choose Civility, now 125 Alliance Partners strong. HCLS Project Literacy, our adult basic education initiative, continues to thrive, and we expanded HiTech, our STEM education initiative for teens, incorporating science, technology, engineering, and math.

Students of all ages visited our six branches 3 million times last year. They borrowed 7 million items—the highest per capita in the state—and benefited from 2 million research assistance interactions with HCLS instructors. Over a quarter of a million people attended our classes and events. These astounding statistics and our commitment to



Dr. Anne R. Markus, HCLS Board Chair



Valerie J. Gross, President and CEO

excellence have again earned HCLS a 5-star rating, attained by fewer than one percent of America’s libraries, and no other system in Maryland.

More important than ever in today’s knowledge-based, innovation economy, education is a never ending process. HCLS is privileged to be a critical part of the education enterprise. Not surprising then, we desire continuously to improve! We’re always interested in feedback, so please let us know what you like and what you would like.

Thank you for the many ways you support HCLS. We are honored to advance education for all, reinforcing Howard County’s brand as a world-class community.

Sincerely,

Dr. Anne R. Markus  
Chair (2014)  
HCLS Board of Trustees

Valerie J. Gross  
President & CEO



HCLS Staff

**LIBRARIES = EDUCATION**

<p>SELF-DIRECTED EDUCATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Books, etc.</li> <li>» E-resources</li> </ul>	<p>RESEARCH ASSISTANCE &amp; INSTRUCTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Individual</li> <li>» Group</li> </ul>	<p>INSTRUCTIVE &amp; ENLIGHTENING EXPERIENCES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Community/Culture</li> <li>» Signature Initiatives</li> <li>» Partnerships</li> </ul>
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HiTech Middle School  
Robotics Challenge

# AMERICA'S STAR LIBRARIES

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OF PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE

# 2014

## Mission

We deliver high-quality public education for all ages.

## Vision

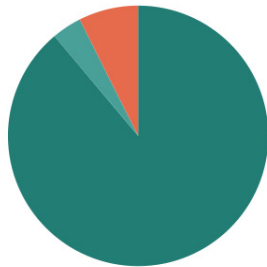
A major component of Howard County's strong education system, we advance the economy, enhancing quality of life.

## We're a "Star!"

For the third year running, Howard County Library System is designated a national "Star" library system by *Library Journal* for delivering excellence in public education for all. We again earned the highest five-star ranking attained by fewer than one percent of libraries in the U.S. (and the only library system in Maryland to do so).

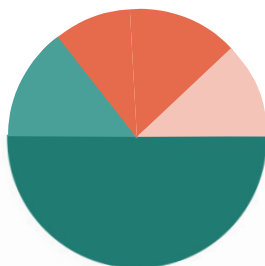
State Senate Majority Leader Jim Robey wrote, "*On behalf of the Howard County Delegation, I am pleased and proud to congratulate you and your staff for this well-deserved recognition as one of America's "Star" Libraries. Thank you for making Howard County one of the best places to live, work, play, and read. Best wishes for continued success.*"

Operating budget \$19,850,835



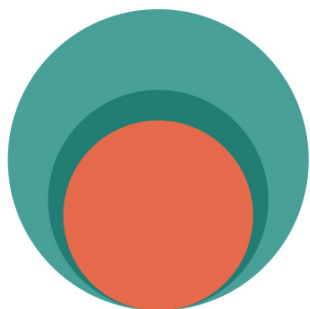
Howard County (89%) MD Dept. of Education (4%)  
HCLS/Grants/Gifts (7%)

### Revenue



50% 17% 19% 14%  
Instruction Curriculum Customer Serv. Other

### Expenditures



Total Visits: 2,900,213 Miller Branch: 861,866  
Central Branch: 849,202

### HCLS Physical Visits



Volunteer hours  
18,000

Friends of HCLS members

1,075



90%  
of  
Howard County  
residents are  
cardholders





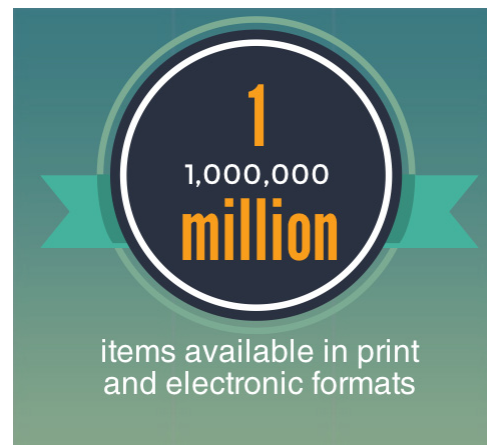
“I don’t always have people around who can help me with my homework and this has made all the difference! Just to have someone work through a math problem with me is incredible.”

- Online Homework Assistance Student

## Self-Directed Education

Self-Directed Education includes our collection of one million items, available in print and electronic formats. Special collections, such as World Languages, Health Education Center, and Foundation Center, fall under this pillar. HCLS Now! features streaming and downloadable content in five areas:

1. eBooks for kids;
2. eBooks, downloadable audiobooks, and digital magazines that can be read online or downloaded for offline use;
3. Online classes via Gale Courses and Mango Languages;
4. Research tools including research materials and practice tests; and
5. Streaming including music, audio and video via hoopla and Freegal.



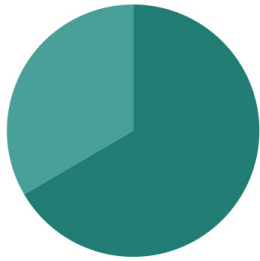
### HCLS online community

Facebook: 4,405

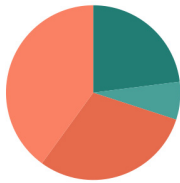
Twitter: 2,892

HCLS e-news: 12,857

Virtual visits: 4,047,320



Collection: Demographic



Collection

Most frequently searched specialized online research tool:

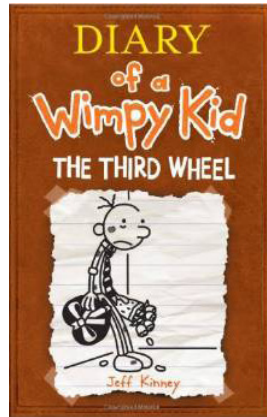
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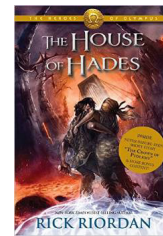
7+ million items borrowed

300+ GALE COURSES  
45 languages **mango**  
taught

most borrowed...



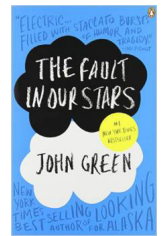
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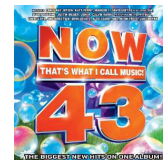
teen book



adult book



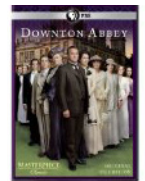
e-book



CD



DVD



TV series

6,712 Online Homework Assistance kindergarten through college students improved their grades by connecting with live tutors—free of charge—for assistance with math, science, social studies, and English assignments seven days a week through [hclibrary.org](http://hclibrary.org).

Howard County Library System is just **awesome!** We have utilized so much over the years—the children’s classes from birth through high school; the **author events**; workshops; hanging out and reading magazines; checking out books and borrowing movies; **summer reading...** I could go on, but I think you get my point.

— HCLS CUSTOMER

Bubble Science class at Bookapalooza, children’s author festival.







Throughout HCLS,  
I have found people  
who seem to love  
their jobs and look  
forward to being  
of assistance.  
Terrific people.  
No wonder your  
system won the  
Library of the  
Year award.  
I applaud you!

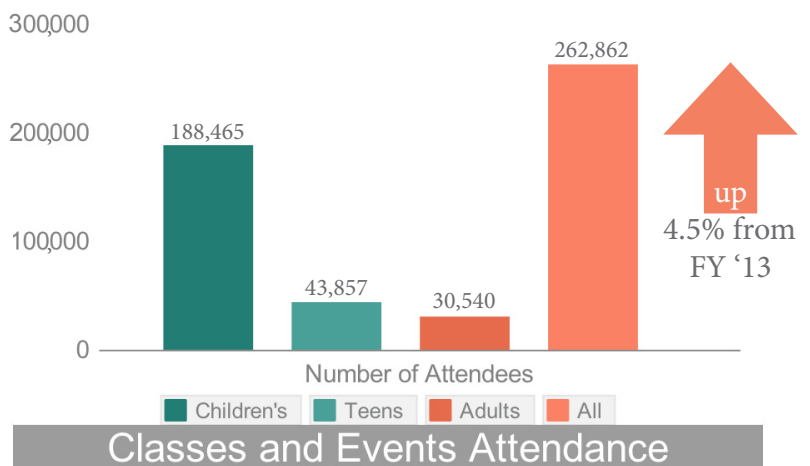
— HCLS CUSTOMER

## Research Assistance & Instruction

Research Assistance & Instruction for individuals and groups includes:

- Personalized research assistance in person at our six branches, as well as by telephone and online, and
- Classes taught by HCLS Instructors, such as Wee Science and Introduction to Baby Signing for toddlers and preschoolers; Fairy Tale Engineering and Discovering Great Artists: Leonard da Vinci for K-5; Teen Investor and Ecosystem Science for tweens and teens; Great Jobs—Launching Your Encore Career (in partnership with AARP) and Appy Hour for adults.

Research Interactions 1,922,862





### Kindergarten Here We Come!

- 1,500 participants
- 22 classes systemwide
- “I’m glad that a real bus driver gave the kids a chance to practice getting on and off the bus and to go over the rules for safety!” — HCLS CUSTOMER

### HiTech

This STEM initiative for teens delivers cutting-edge science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education via project-based classes that include computer programming, 3D animation, nanotechnology, music/video, e-books, game apps, cybersecurity, and robotics.

- 1,236 downloads of Cyborg Glitch, the second mobile game developed by HiTech students
- \$267,500 National Leadership Grant from IMLS to expand HiTech’s curriculum
- Classes include Bungee Exploration, DNA Exploration, Epidemic: Infectious Diseases, Hovercraft, Quadrotor Flight Controller, Robotics Challenge, and Weather Balloon Race





## Instructive & Enlightening Experiences

The third pillar of HCLS' curriculum, Instructive & Enlightening Experiences, includes cultural and community center concepts, signature events, and partnerships—such as A+ Partners in Education, Choose Civility, and Well & Wise.

### A+ Partners in Education

A comprehensive partnership between and among HCLS, Howard County Public School System and Howard Community College, A+ Partners in Education improves student academic success.

- A+ interactions in 2014 between HCLS instructors and HCPSS and HCC students, faculty, or parents: 116,543
- A+ Library Cards generated: 1,962 (48,843 since 2002)
- A+ Educator Cards generated: 157 (4,036 since 2005)
- Materials borrowed with A+ Educator Cards: 397,638 (since 2002)

### Battle of the Books

This academic competition improves reading and writing, and builds vocabularies.

- 5 simultaneous venues
- 16 books
- 240 teams
- 1,200 fifth graders (one-third of all Howard County fifth grade students)
- 5,000 spectators
- all elementary schools, 3 private schools, and 1 homeschool association



one-third

of all Howard County fifth grade students participated in Battle of the Books



### Rube Goldberg Challenge: Put toothpaste on a toothbrush

This academic competition, named after the Pulitzer Prize winning cartoonist and inventor, engages the minds of students challenging them to apply STEM principles while transforming everyday materials into wacky, innovative machines that accomplish a simple task in a convoluted fashion.

- 44 teams
- 220 fourth and fifth grade students
- 15 participating schools





## HCLS Spelling Bee

- 62 students (grades 4 to 8) from 55 public schools, 7 private schools, and 2 home school associations
- Megan Rabe, 8th grader from Clarksville MS, advanced to the National Spelling Bee by correctly spelling “quadrifid.”
- A crowd of 800 spectators
- 37 BumbleBees, comprised of 1st through 3rd graders from 16 schools. The BumbleBee inspires students to improve their spelling and vocabularies.

## Summer Reading

Increases student academic achievement over the summer, creating an educational bridge between the end of one school year and the beginning of the next. Sustained reading over the summer builds vocabularies, broadens horizons, and strengthens reading comprehension.

- 5,000 people at the Summer Reading Kickoff featuring Cool Science and The Slime Show with Eric Energy, and Chemistry in the Library: Bubble Science
- 32,000 children, teens, and adults enrolled
- 60 percent of Elkridge ES students enrolled
- 93 percent of Lake Elkhorn MS students enrolled





Youth Empowerment Summit



### Choose Civility

Led by HCLS, this community-wide initiative invites everyone who lives and works in Howard County to choose respect, empathy, and consideration at every opportunity.

- 220 middle school students at Youth Empowerment Summit
- 330 people at Choose Civility Symposium, OMG to AARP: Bridging the Multigenerational Divide, moderated by NPR's Korva Coleman.
- 477 watched livestream of symposium
- Six Chapters of Civility nationwide





Evening in the Stacks:  
Vintage Vegas

HCLS' annual fundraising gala featured live music, casino tables, and New York Times bestselling author Chris Bojalian in conversation with *The Washington Post's* Ron Charles.

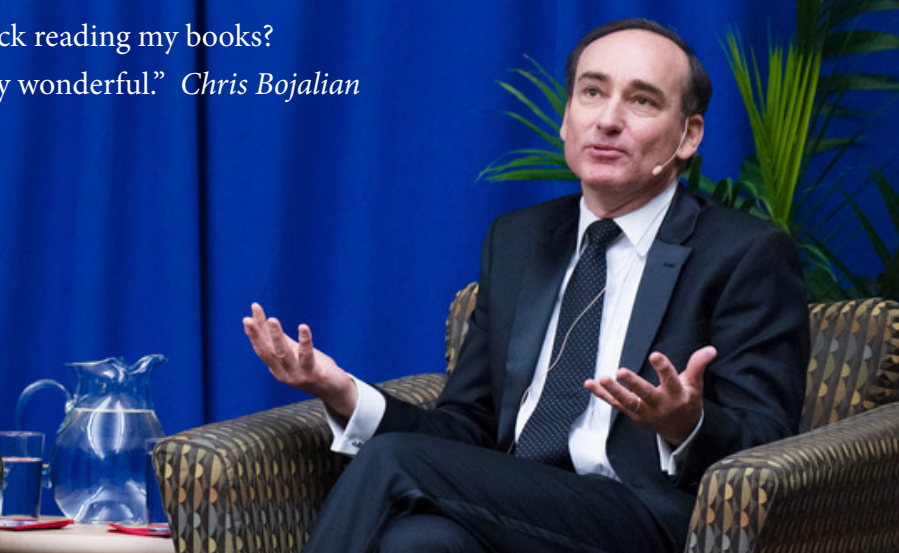
- 650 guests
- \$91,000 raised



"I visit a lot of libraries, but clearly yours is very, very special. And the theme for the night? Awesome.

The images of the Rat Pack reading my books?

The best. Seriously wonderful." *Chris Bojalian*





A health education partnership led by the Howard County Library System and Howard County General Hospital: A Member of Johns Hopkins Medicine

## Well & Wise

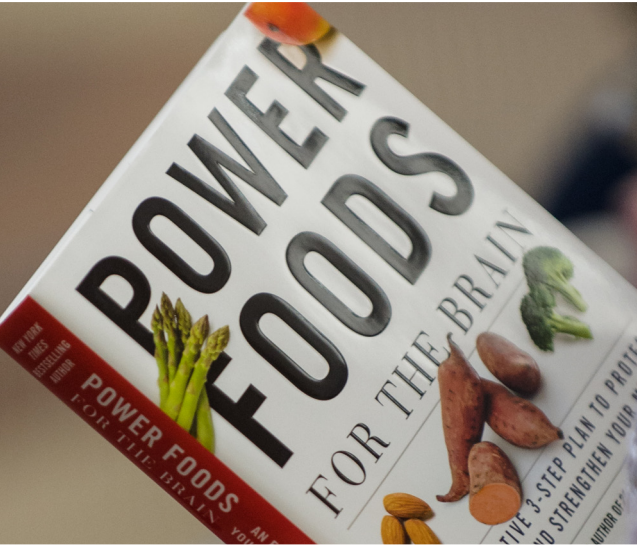
A health education partnership led by HCLS and Howard County General Hospital: A Member of Johns Hopkins Medicine, Well & Wise advances, and elevates health education in Howard County. Well & Wise components include a blog, classes and events, health screenings, health initiatives, speakers on health-related topics, and cross promotion and distribution of materials. [Hocowellandwise.org](http://Hocowellandwise.org)

- 220 blog posts
- most popular post: “10 Tips to Boost Your Metabolism” with 39,015 page views

## Culture Fest: North Africa and the Middle East

In partnership with the Columbia Association and HCPSS, this event featured exhibitors, food, and performers representing 18 countries.

- 2,000 attendees







Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie



Siobahn Fallon



Alice Hoffman

### Notable author event highlights:

- Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
- Dr. Neal Barnard
- Siobahn Fallon (Howard County Book Connection Author Event)
- Alice Hoffman
- Joan Trumpauer Mulholland
- Dr. Pamela Peeke
- Vaddey Ratner

### Children's Discovery Fair: Build. Invent. Experiment.

This annual fair for children ages 3-5 featured interactive games, crafts, and stories that teach the foundations of reading and other critical components of childhood education.

- 760 people
- 30 hands-on activity stations that focused on mathematical and scientific thinking



Howard County Library System —  
There are few places in this world I'd  
rather be! — HCLS CUSTOMER

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## TRIBUTES

*In memory of* Rosemarie Bauernschub: Milltown Quilters  
*In memory of* Ronald D. Brown: Carolyn J. Brown and Leonard F. Adams  
*In memory of* Carole Jeanne Chase: Henry and Nancy Yee  
*In memory of* Dr. Wayne Cole: Tom Cole and West Friendship Elementary School students  
*In tribute to* Samantha Evans: Keith and Fran Trout  
*In memory of* Nancy Daniel: Patricia Baron, Michele Buckley, Susan and Charles Devillier, Robert and Shayna O'Neill, Catherine D. Roberts, Breda Saucedo, Emily Schiffmacher, Deborah Seate, Lind and Kenneth Tribble  
*In loving memory and recognition of* Aileen McCaffrey: Charles H. and Carol L. Clark  
*In memory of* Lisa McCloskey Georgules: Cheryl Arney, Stephen Buchner and Susan Siegel, Karen DeGraziano, Christine and Richard Farrell, Tony and Wyn Fitzpatrick, Matt and Tara Francis Forgues, Beth and Scott Grzenda and family, Jennifer Harris, Stanley and Patricia Knotts, Heather and John Leslie, William and Joanna Lowther, Gabrielle and Donald Norgren, Natasha Norgren, Erik Pakula, Judy Phibbs, Suzanne and David Posner, Carol Jo and Joe Roeder, Patricia Rucki, Christopher and Jennifer Lowther and family, Marjorie K. Hunt, Christopher and Monica Schmitt, Bill Walker, Cathy Walker, David Walker, Jane and Ralph Walker, Neta Warren, Xiangtao Zhao and Xuwei Li  
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*In memory of* Vernon McCay: Christopher M. and Katherine F. Duck  
*In honor of* Bryna Weiss' birthday: Keith and Fran Trout

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 Terrapin Adventures  
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 Wegmans  
 The Wine Bin

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 National Aquarium in Baltimore  
 Marilyn O'Loughlin  
 Office Depot  
 Pazzani  
 Susan Pearce  
 The Pearl Modern Spa and Boutique  
 Pizza Hut of Maryland, Inc.  
 Potomac Riverboat Company  
 Rams Head Tavern  
 Ranazul  
 TagParty RECON  
 River Hill Garden Center  
 Roots Market  
 Round House Theatre Bethesda  
 Royal Taj  
 Salon Tusey  
 Sharps at Waterford Farm  
 Sheraton Hotel Town Center/Columbia  
 Skin Care Institute  
 Darcy Smith  
 Smokin Hot  
 Southwest Airlines  
 Monica and Andy Suchocki  
 Sugarloaf Mountain Vineyards  
 Tapas Teatro  
 Thirty One Gifts  
 Timbers of Troy Golf Course  
 Toby's Dinner Theatre  
 Twisted Teahouse  
 Under Armour, Inc.  
 Walt Disney World  
 Whitetail Resort  
 Wine and Canvas Baltimore  
 The Wine Bin  
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