



# Dramatic Increases in Levels of Need

As part of the Student Support Network's efforts to advocate for the well-being of BCPS students, we closely follow levels of need, both district-wide and in our partner schools, to help determine where we may need to provide extra support. Over the past 15 years, the percentage of BCPS students in low-income families\* has **increased by 60%**, from 33% in 2006-07 to 53% in 2020-21. (\*Students in low-income families are defined as those that qualify for free or reduced-price school meals, F/R).



All schools within the Network experienced increases, including the following schools that experienced **about a doubling, or more, of the rate of students in need:**

- Cockeysville Middle
- Loch Raven High
- Owings Mills High
- Parkville High
- Pine Grove Elementary
- Pine Grove Middle



Many schools have long experienced **high levels of students in low-income families**, including these schools with current rates above the 53% district average:

- Baltimore Highlands Elementary
- Battle Monument School
- Halstead Academy
- Loch Raven Tech Academy
- Mars Estates Elementary
- Owings Mills Elementary
- Stemmers Run Middle

