



VIRTUAL LEARNING *Academy*



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

We have just concluded the 1st 9 weeks of the school year. It is hard to believe that 25% of the school year has been completed. The month of October was a great month as we took a STAND against bullying and we shared motivational school spirit activities throughout the month.

As we move into the 2nd quarter of the school year, please remember that the VLA offers two Student Support Days to assist your child with academic success. We want to make sure that all of our students are successful and that they are enjoying their experience at the VLA. I encourage all of our students to visit the Innovation Institute complex to experience engaging lessons and hands-on learning with their VLA teachers face-to-face.

Moving into Quarter 2, students must complete all coursework before the end of their Unit Test, Benchmark, or Common Assessment. Teachers will no longer accept tardy work outside of this timeline. This is a necessary change to assist students with content knowledge prior to assessments.

Our school community continues to thrive, and we are grateful for your support. This month is promotional November so spread the word about all of the wonderful and successful experiences at the VLA.

Thank you for your continued support at the best school in the Commonwealth...the VLA.

COUNSELING CORNER



High School

NNPS has partnered with **GRASP** to support your financial aid needs again this year! Please come to Point Option on Monday morning at 7:30 to meet Mrs. Potter, our new GRASP advisor. FAFSA ID setup and scholarships will be the focus! (You will need to know your social security number.) Mrs. Potter will be here every Monday.

The **NNPS 2023 MEGA On-Site Event** will take place on **November 15th from 5-7:30 PM** and will be located at **Menchville High School**. This event offers:

- **On-site acceptances:** Colleges and Universities will meet with students who have requested appointments to receive on-site acceptance.
- **On-site college & university support** for recruiting and help with the college application process. The focus will be on those students who have not applied to college yet and need help deciding which college and programs may work for them.
- **On-site financial aid support:** The focus will be on those students who are having problems understanding the FAFSA process and how it can help them fund their education.
- **On-site career exploration:** The focus of this group will be to provide options for students who want to enter the workforce after high school.

If you have questions, please email Mrs. Speas (Melissa.Speas@nn.k12.va.us) or visit her in the counseling office.

COUNSELING CORNER



Middle School

This November, we're focusing on fostering empathy and promoting understanding towards others. By appreciating diversity and learning to understand different perspectives, our students will develop a deeper sense of compassion and connection with their peers. Engaging in activities that celebrate cultural awareness and foster gratitude will help our children build a strong foundation for positive social relationships and a sense of global citizenship.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the Elementary and Middle School Counselor, Mrs. Horrigan at leah.horrigan@nn.k12.va.us. Happy November!

REMINDERS

- All VLA students should have an NNPS-issued Chromebook. For in-person and district testing, it is **REQUIRED**.
- Moving into Quarter 2, make sure you are adhering to due dates and module LOCK dates. It is important that our students have the knowledge needed to be successful on end of unit assessments, district benchmarks, etc., so these lock dates will ensure you stay on pace with units in your classes and have the knowledge you need to move into the next unit! You will see the lock date with a lock icon on the header of each module starting on Wednesday, November 8th for Quarter 2. Example: **Unit 4: Congruent Triangles** 🔒12/1🔒

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Rubyanna Dalton
7th Grade, VLA MS

Vontasia Sears
12th Grade, VLA HS

Carrie Langhorne
9th Grade, PO HS

Chloe Opie
6th Grade, VLA MS

Mason Shope
9th Grade, VLA HS

Naomie Noel
11th Grade, PO HS

TESTING & STUDENT SUPPORT



As we approach the season of SOLs, our commitment to every student's success is stronger than ever. We understand that these assessments can be challenging, and we are here to support you. Our SOL remediation program is designed to provide targeted support to students who need that extra bit of preparation to excel in their upcoming assessments. Here's what you can expect from the program:

- Personalized attention: Small group sessions led by our dedicated faculty
- Resource-rich sessions: Students will have access to a wealth of practice materials and interactive tools that make learning engaging and effective.
- Confidence boosting: A positive environment that encourages students to ask questions, clear doubts, and build the confidence needed to approach the SOL tests with a can-do attitude.

The journey to excellence is a collaborative one, and together, we can help our students not just meet but exceed their goals.

For more information on the remediation schedule, test dates/times, and any other questions, please reach out to Jennifer Frazier (Jennifer.frazier@nn.k12.va.us)

ON THE CALENDAR



- Nov. 6: End of first quarter
- Nov. 6: Family Paint Night @ VLA
- Nov. 7: Teacher workday; No school
- Nov. 15: Report cards in ParentVue
- Nov. 15: MEGA On-Site Event (see pgs. 2&3)
- Nov. 22-26: Fall Break; No school
- Nov. 30: All Pro Dads Breakfast for MS & HS
- Dec. 18-Jan. 1: Winter Break; No school

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2023 MEGA ON-SITE COLLEGE & CAREER Night

Wednesday, November 15
5 - 7:30 p.m.
Menchville High School
275 Menchville Rd.

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Open to all NNPS High School Students

Questions?
Contact your school counselor.

ON-SITE ACCEPTANCES	ON-SITE COLLEGE EXPLORATION	ON-SITE FINANCIAL AID SUPPORT	ON-SITE CAREER EXPLORATION
<p>Asher Institute of Hampton</p> <p>Chowan University</p> <p>Christopher Newport University</p> <p>Johnson & Wales University</p> <p>Liberty University</p> <p>Mary Baldwin University</p> <p>Radford University</p> <p>Randolph College</p> <p>Riverside College of Health Careers</p> <p>Virginia Wesleyan University</p>	<p>Advanced Technology Institute</p> <p>Asher Institute of Hampton</p> <p>Culinary Institute of Virginia – ECPI University</p> <p>Longwood University</p> <p>New Horizons Center for Apprenticeship & Adult Training</p> <p>Norfolk State University</p> <p>Regent University</p> <p>School of Urban Missions (SUM) Bible College and Theological Seminary</p> <p>Sentara College of Health Sciences</p> <p>South University</p> <p>The Apprentice School</p> <p>United States Naval Academy</p> <p>Virginia Peninsula Community College</p>	<p>Christopher Newport University</p> <p>GRASP</p> <p>Riverside College of Health Careers</p> <p>Virginia Peninsula Community College</p>	<p>Casey Auto Group</p> <p>Continental Pools</p> <p>Hampton Roads Workforce Council</p> <p>Hampton University School of Pharmacy</p> <p>High Sierra Pools, Inc.</p> <p>MasterCorp</p> <p>N2U Nutrition and Wellness</p> <p>SANAIR Indoor Air Quality</p> <p>TE Connectivity</p> <p>Tidewater Community College (T-TEN Program)</p> <p>United Empowered Care, Inc.</p> <p>United States Army</p> <p>US-A</p> <p>Virginia Air National Guard</p> <p>Virginia Army National Guard</p>