



VIRTUAL LEARNING *Academy*

DECEMBER



2023

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

I sincerely hope everyone enjoyed Thanksgiving Break and you are anticipating a great 2-week Winter Break next week. We are halfway through the 2nd 9 weeks and when we return from Winter Break, students will only have 3 weeks of class and then we will start Semester Exams.

Please remember that students must adhere to the timeline of the unit assessment and all assignments must be completed and turned in before the unit assessment. Our teachers continue to amaze me on our Student Support Days with great remediation, hands-on learning, and assistance with student success. We recognized our 1st 9 weeks of Honor Roll students last week and look forward to celebrating more students at the end of this semester. We have a limited number of Student Support Days in January and students must utilize this great opportunity. Our VLA teachers are here to assist and inspire our students.

Congratulations to our VLA Students of the Month: Gaige Gaddis, Joseph Hoggard, Myanna Cook, Stanley Vanburen, Tamirra Snead, and Danica Vickers. Thank you for your continued support at the best school in the Commonwealth...the VLA.

COUNSELING CORNER



Middle School

Happy Holidays! Course selection begins in January and runs through February! Mrs. Horrigan will meet with all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students during their P.E. class zooms in January. We will communicate an exact date when we return after winter break. After students select courses for the following year, guardians will be able to view their selections on ParentVue and make any adjustments or schedule a conversation with Mrs. Horrigan for any follow-up questions! Please be on the lookout for more information to come!

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

ON THE CALENDAR



- Dec. 18-Jan. 1: Winter Break; No school
- Jan. 2: Teacher Workday; students do not report
- Jan. 3: Students return to school
- Jan. 15: Martin Luther King Day; No school
- Jan. 24: End of MP2
- Jan. 25: Teacher Workday; students do not report
- Jan. 26: Teacher PD Day; students do not report

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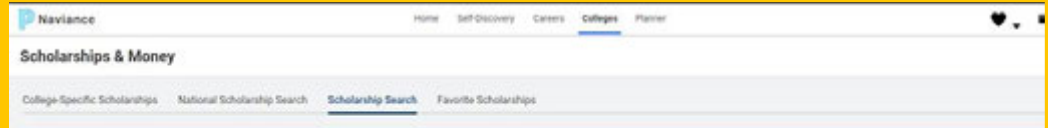




Seniors!

- If you have not already, order your cap and gown from Jostens. Use the link or QR code below. Type in your school. The cap and gown is the only requirement for participating in the graduation ceremony.
- Ms. Potter, our GRASP financial aid expert, is here on Mondays at 7:30 to meet with Seniors who would like scholarship help or help completing the FSA ID in preparation for the FASFA applications. FASFA is opening in late December. Please have your FSA ID ready!!

Scholarship information is continuously uploaded in Naviance by the college and career specialists. Continue to check for updates.



Schedule planning for the 24-25 school year begins in January. Use the link below to schedule a Zoom to discuss course options and graduation requirements. The link will also be sent out in January through the student support canvas page. tinyurl.com/speascourse2425

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



SENIOR CHECKLIST

Please email Mrs. Speas or come in to the counseling office if you have questions!

- ✓ Do you have an application due over break?
 - Make sure you submit on time!
- ✓ Do you need letters of recommendation?
 - School emails may not be checked by students or staff until January 2nd.
- ✓ Is your cap and gown ordered?
 - Go to Jostens.com and enter the school you completed on your diploma order form.
- ✓ Do you need more scholarship information?
 - Mrs. Potter will be here on Monday mornings in January to work with you. Be here at 7:30 AM.
- ✓ Is your FSA ID complete?
 - The FAFSA opens over break.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Gaige Gaddis
7th grade, VLA MS

Myanna Cook
12th grade, VLA HS

Tamirra Snead
10th grade, PO HS

Joseph Hoggard
6th grade, VLA MS

Stanley Vanburen
10th grade, VLA HS

Danica Vickers
12th grade, PO HS

Middle School MARKING PERIOD 1 HONOR ROLL

All A's

Laaibah Almamun
Labeebah Almamun
Ryah Anderson
Madison Bailey
Alexis Collins
Rubyanna Dalton
Gaige Gaddis
Jelani Herbert
Elaam James
Nasii James
A'Siah Knightnor
Wesson Nelson
Aliyah Nimi
Nizavier Palmer
Logan Petefish
Noah Shenk
Ania Shope
Michael VanDyke
Jakira White

A/B

Elijah Allah
Darnell Allen
Sarah Allen
Ariah Armstrong
David Barnes
Kaleigh Brooks
Edgardo Cortez
Kendall Crook-Adkinson
Nazir Dubose
Lilly-Ann Durocher
Jubilee Eldridge
Lauren Gatling
Journee Gilliam
Jordan Hayes
Khloe Huff
Avyona Jefferson
Trinity Kelly
Wesley Langlo
Malina Liverman
Julliana Lopez
Pamela Martinez-Cruz
Zoe Mason
Chloe Opie
Sophia Price
Ethan Richardson
Maurice Richardson
Akiva Sawyer-Pedraza
Leila Simpson
Samuel Stewart
Shaniya Wright

B Average

Lilianna Ames
Aiden Beecher
Zyon Brooks
Khalil Brown
Samuel Cabell
Asim Dubose
James Fulkman
Joseph Hoggard
Kamryn Padgett
Lawren Robinson
Camden Smith
Kyrie Sullivan
Brody Thomas
Gianna Valentino
Dquanree Ward-Traynham
Kimberly Williams
Ashlee Wilson
Corinth Wilson



All A's

Vanessa Allsbrook
Jeremiah Burger
Alyssa Carter
Jasmine Coleman
Jayden Cundiff
Amore Curtis
Zachary Davis
Jack Englert
Jamari Evans
Adam Gardner
Jaelyn Jackson
Myca Kelly
Alyssa Klein
Alberto Moraes-Souza
Amya Morrison
Jada Owens
Kaylee Padgett
Aaliyah Pedraza
Vontasia Sears
Mason Shope
Emma Smith
Cameron Stevens
Lena Strickland-Nunez
Ianna Torres-Velez
Isaiah Westbrook
Joseph Wetzler
Leah White

A/B

Addison Bailey
Lucas Bailey
Shaniyah Banks
Arianna Barnes
Sanyaa Biggs
Ania Braycewski
Marcus Brown
Evan Burke
Jeremiah Bush
Tamea Byrd-Mckinnon
Cathryn Carlton
Amariquan Carmouche
Myanna Cook
Trinity Cook Bull
Aiden Crawford
Alona Edmonds
Iyanna Freeman
Cameron Gaddis
Kenese Gayle
Danna Hernandez
Kamya Hubbard
Alyssa Jackson
Julianna Karavias
Amanda Ketchum
Gabriel Kleinhenz
Eljunita maye Baza
Dazia O'Neal-Brooks
Carleton Outlaw
Diogenae Owens
William Ramos
Devani Reyes
Janiya Saunders
Kendra Scheitle
Aaliyah Scott
Mykyle Scott
Nazir Shabazz
Brayden Smith
Olivia Smith
Tamirra Snead
Rileigh Stappert
Collin Striggles
Stanley Vanburen
Danica Vickers
Destiny Wall
Samantha Ware
Kasheya Willingham

B Average

Jada Bethea
Joel Bethea
A'Nyah Campbell
Kameron Cooper
Cortez Crowder
Jaedyn Diggs
Eric Everett
Zuri Ford
Dailan Gayle
Riley Good
Artance Hall
Brook Hurd
Hudson Kraxberger
Keyanna Mayo
Naomie Noel
Roxanna Perez-Santos
Xyona Pritchett
Derek Rowe
Isaiah Seawright
Destyne Snead
Sophie Spurlin
Jasmine Swinton
Samuel Wells
Raven Whitlock
Isom Wilhite
Lily Zimmerman





THE GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL
for
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



GSST Virtual Parent Information Sessions

The Virtual Parent Information Sessions will provide an overview of The Governor's School and its application process. Families of any 8th, 9th, and 10th graders who are interested in learning more about the program are welcome and encouraged to attend.

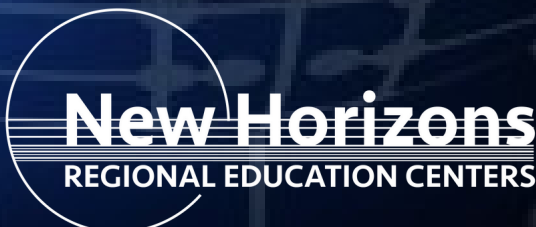
Use the link or QR code to attend your district's session. If the time is not convenient, join another district's session.

Jan. 8, 6:00 IWCS & PCPS

Jan. 9, 6:00 WJCC

Jan. 10, 6:00 HCS

Jan. 11, 6:30 NNPS & YCSD



Zoom Link

http://bit.ly/GSST_ZoomLink