

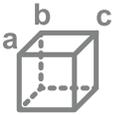
Virginia Beach City Public Schools

has more than 68K students and 10,000 staff members.



100%

For the **third consecutive year, 100% of schools tested** in Virginia Beach City Public Schools (VBCPS) earned full state accreditation from the Commonwealth.



According to the College Board, **more VBCPS students – from more diverse backgrounds – enrolled in Advanced Placement (AP) courses**, took a record number of AP Exams and performed better than ever before.



Last year, across the city, approximately **35,500 volunteers and partners in education donated more than 400,000 hours of service** to VBCPS to support the work and mission of the division.



VBCPS has **reached an all-time high graduation rate (93.9%)** and its lowest ever dropout rate (3%). These are not only division records, they also beat the state performance of 91.5% and 5.6%, respectively.



The VBCPS **class of 2019 was offered more than \$103 million in scholarships**. They went on to accept more than \$61 million.

“ What Our Community Says:

Parents, students and staff provided feedback on their school and VBCPS as a whole. These are some of those comments:

- “I’m a product of VBCPS and loved going to school! After living in another part of Virginia and in another state, we truly have one of the best school systems around.”
- “My kids are always cared for and have learned so much! Teachers are well educated and make learning fun!”
- “I have two kids in the division and only have wonderful things to say about our school and district. The superintendent is wonderful and really listens to parents and teachers. The administration at our school is fabulous and both of my children are doing so well in their classes and love going to school. I highly recommend VB schools!”
- “VBCPS does an excellent job of keeping parents informed!”



Student achievement continues to rise in Virginia Beach City Public Schools.

Standards are higher than ever and VBCPS students continue to outperform their peers in a number of critical areas: graduation rates, SAT scores, and SOL performance, just to name a few.



More Successes Under Compass to 2020



- All VBCPS testing schools earned full accreditation for the third consecutive year - no other school division in Southside Hampton Roads has done so.



- VBCPS has increased recess time, providing elementary school students with an average of 65 minutes per day of active movement or 325 minutes per week. This is twice the active movement time recommended by the state of Virginia.



- VBCPS is a 1:1 school division, with a Chromebook or laptop available for every student in the city to help extend their learning.



- Since 2002, the division has offered students the opportunity to sit for state-endorsed, industry-sponsored examinations that test technical skills. During the 2018-2019 school year, VBCPS issued its 100,000th credential.



- The state Board of Education recognizes schools in the Commonwealth for exceeding state accreditation standards, narrowing achievement gaps and improving outcomes for students. VBCPS received 15 Exemplar Performance School Awards in 2018-2019, more than any other city in Hampton Roads.



- For demonstrating a major commitment to supporting students and families connected to our nation's military, 57 Virginia Beach schools and centers have been awarded the Virginia Purple Star designation as of 2019.

- VBCPS is the only school division statewide named a 2019 Virginia Environmental Excellence Program Sustainability Partner. This distinction is presented by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality to private or public organizations that make sustainability part of their culture through leadership, innovation and continual improvement.

- For the 10th consecutive year, VBCPS has been named one of the Best Communities for Music Education by the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation for outstanding commitment to music education.

- VBCPS hosted its inaugural career signing ceremony in 2019 as well as its first on-site college admission event.

- The division has partnered with the Virginia Beach Public Library (VBPL) to allow student ID numbers to double as VBPL account numbers, providing immediate, anytime access to powerful online research tools, e-books, digital magazines and more.

- For the 19th consecutive year, the Association of School Business Officials International has awarded VBCPS its Meritorious Budget Award for excellence in preparing the division's 2018-2019 budget document.