

# 2025-2026 School Profile

CEEB Code # **471471** 

# ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

#### **OUR MISSION**

The mission of Virginia Connections Academy (VACA) is to help each student maximize their potential and meet the highest performance standards through a uniquely individualized learning program.

#### **OUR PROGRAM**

Virginia Connections Academy will include a three-year comprehensive high school program with an enrollment of more than 750 students in grades 6-11. Here are some important facts about our program: Connections Academy schools are supported by Connections Education LLC, dba Pearson Virtual Schools, which is accredited by Cognia.

- School is in session 180 days between the months of August and May.
- High school students can earn up to 7 credits during the school year.
- Virginia Connections Academy adheres to all state testing requirements and additionally encourages students to take the appropriate college entrance and preparatory exams necessary for reaching their personal and academic goals.
- We have over 46 courses that are NCAA Certified.

### STUDENT POPULATION

Virginia Connections Academy is a tuition free virtual public school serving students in grades 6-11 from across the state of Virginia. Our students come from urban, suburban, and rural communities. The school was founded in 2022.

# ADVANCED COURSE OPTIONS

Virginia Connections Academy's core curriculum is geared toward preparing students for college and beyond. Students have access to Honors and Standard courses.

**Honors course offerings include** Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Biology, Earth Science, Physical Science, English 9, English 10, English 11, American Government, U.S. History, and World History I, World History II.

**Advanced course offerings include** AP Biology, AP Macroeconomics, AP Psychology, AP US Government and Politics, AP US History, AP Computer Science Principles.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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#### SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

PRINCIPAL: Tracey McGee-Moreira

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL:** 

Dr. Denita Bottoms

**MANAGER OF** 

**COUNSELING:** Dr. Brandy Wicker

MANAGER OF SPECIAL EDUCATION: Tyler Fortune

# SCHOOL AND FACULTY ACCOLADES

The school has 29 licensed professional staff. Of these, 2 have earned advanced degrees and all are highly qualified.

#### **ACCREDITATIONS**

Connections Academy schools are supported by Connections Education LLC, which is accredited by AdvanceD.



# **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

## **Standard Diploma**

22 units of credit are required for a Standard Diploma. Specific requirements include:

Area/Subjects	#Units for Graduation	Verified Credits
English	4	2
Mathematics	3	1
Laboratory Science	3	1
History and Social Sciences	3	1
Health and PE	2	0
World Language, Fine Arts, or CTE	2	0
Economics and Personal	1	0
Finance		
Electives	4	0
Student Selected Test	0	0
Total	22	5

# **Advanced Diploma**

26 units of credit are required for the Advanced Diploma. Specific requirements include:

Area/Subjects	#Units for Graduation	Verified Credits	
English	4	2	
Mathematics	4	1	
Laboratory Science	4	1	
History and Social	4	1	
Sciences			
Health and PE	2	0	
World Language	3	0	
Fine Arts or C.T.E.	1	0	
Economics and	1	0	
Personal Finance			
Electives	3	0	
Total	26	5	

# **GRADE SCALE**

The numerical grading scale is as follows:

Grade	Numerical Percentage	Passing?	Non- Weighted	Weighted (Honors/AP)
Α	90-100 %	Yes	4.00	5.0
В	80-89%	Yes	3.00	4.0
С	70-79%	Yes	2.0	3.0
D	60-69%	Yes	1.0	2.0
F	0-59%	No	0.0	0.0