

# 2012 Summer Residential Governor's Schools

(open to Junior & Sophomores)

The Governor's School programs were established in 1973 by Governor Linwood Holton for 400 gifted students from across Virginia. The programs have expanded to serving more than 7500 gifted students from all parts of the Commonwealth.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

- Students focus on one special area of intellectual or artistic strength and study in a way that best suits the gifted learner's needs.
- Each program stresses non-traditional teaching and learning techniques. Students are involved in classroom and laboratory work, field studies, research, individual and group projects and performances, and seminars with noted scholars, visiting artists, and other professionals.
- Students live on a college campus up to 5 weeks during the summer. They have the opportunity to live, study and get to know other students with similar abilities and interests from across Virginia.
- Recreation activities and free time are provided.
- Tuition is paid for by the Virginia Department of Education and FCPS; only incidental fees (including transportation to and from the program) and spending money would be needed by attendees.

Program/Areas of Study	Dates	Location	Capacity (State Wide)
Agriculture (and Life Sciences)	June 24 - July 21, 2012	Virginia Tech	100
Humanities	June 26 - July 23, 2011	Radford University	200
Mathematics, Science and Technology	July 1 - July 28, 2012	Lynchburg College	160
Visual and Performing Arts *	June 24 - July 21, 2012	Radford University	200
Life Sciences and Medicine **	July 1 - July 27, 2012	Virginia Commonwealth U.	26
Mentorship in Engineering **	June 24 - July 21, 2012	Christopher Newport U.	12
Mentorship in Marine Science **	June 24 - July 21, 2012	Christopher Newport U.	6

### **Chantilly High School may submit:**

- Agriculture (and Life Sciences) - 4 Applications
- Visual and Performing Arts - 11 for Adjudication and 9 Final Applications
- Academic/Mentorship Programs (MST, HUM and 3 Mentorships - 6 Applications)

\* *Visual and Performing Arts* students participate in a statewide adjudication where they audition or present portfolios for review before a pair of professionals in the specific arts field. These scores will determine which students will ultimately submit a final application. (Students will not receive their adjudication scores.) *This year's adjudication will take place at George Mason University on Saturday, January 21.*

\*\* *Mentorship* students are selected to work side by side with research scientists, physicians and a variety of other professionals. Applicants to these programs must be juniors. The most competitive applicants demonstrate previous research experiences, beyond the typical requirements of high school courses.

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### Frequently Asked Questions for Parents

[http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/governors\\_school\\_programs/summer\\_residential/guide\\_students\\_parents.pdf](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/governors_school_programs/summer_residential/guide_students_parents.pdf)

## HOW ARE STUDENTS SELECTED?

Chantilly High School will complete a preliminary review of all interested junior and sophomore students and identify those students who will proceed with the full application process. A faculty committee will review each application to select the final applicants to represent Chantilly High School at the Fairfax County level. Fairfax County will then select the final applicants to move on to final consideration by the state.

*Submission of an interest form or completed application does not guarantee selection by Chantilly High School, Fairfax County or the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any student submitting an interest form must be serious in their commitment to attend and participate in the program in its entirety.*

Consideration is given to the following:

- Academic Records (grades and strength of curriculum)
- Test Scores
- Extra-Curricular Activities
- Honors and Awards
- Creativity
- Original Essays
- Teacher Recommendations
- Strong Desire to Learn & Commitment
- Clean Discipline Record

## Application Timeline for Chantilly High School

Monday, October 31 by 2:20pm	INTEREST APPLICATIONS ARE DUE to Mrs. Robertson in the Career Center or Mr. Broadbent/Mrs. Truncala in SubSchool 2 no later than 2:20pm. <b>**LATE/INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**</b>
No Later Than Wednesday, November 9	<b>ALL INTERESTED STUDENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THEIR STATUS</b> ✓ 11 VPA Students will be selected for Audition/Application ✓ About 12 Academic/Mentorship Students will be selected to complete a full application.
Monday, November 14 AFTER SCHOOL	ACADEMIC/MENTORSHIP APPLICANTS will take the Naglieri Exam in Room 231 (if necessary). The results will be used towards your final application.
Monday, December 5 by 2:20pm	COMPLETED ACADEMIC/MENTORSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE
Monday, December 19 by 2:20pm	COMPLETED VPA APPLICATIONS DUE
No Later Than Wednesday, January 5, 2011	ACADEMIC/MENTORSHIP APPLICANTS The final 6 applicants will be determined and notified. Some final work may still need to be done on the applications.
January 21, 2012	VPA APPLICANTS ADJUDICATION - George Mason University <b>**Students receive an assigned time in mid-December.</b>
Late January 2012	ADJUDICATION SCORES WILL BE RECEIVED Students will <u>not</u> receive their scores.
Mid-February 2012	FCPS SELECTS VPA & ACADEMIC/MENTORSHIP APPLICANTS Students will be notified in school of their status and whether they move on from the county-level.
Mid-April 2012	VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DIRECTLY NOTIFIES STUDENTS OF STATUS

Applications and other materials are at the following website:

[http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/governors\\_school\\_programs/summer\\_residential/index.shtml](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/governors_school_programs/summer_residential/index.shtml)

# Governor's School Interest Applications

**Due: Monday, October 31 by 2:20pm**

to Ms. Broadbent/Mrs. Truncale in SubSchool 2  
or Mrs. Robertson in the Career Center

In order to be reviewed for Initial Eligibility to Apply to a Governor's School program, you must submit the following information from the Virginia Department of Education website:

[http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/governors\\_school\\_programs/summer\\_residential/index.shtml](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/governors_school_programs/summer_residential/index.shtml)

**EVERYTHING MUST BE TYPED!**

**You do not need to submit any completed essays or recommendations at this time. Only those students that are invited to apply will complete those sections.**

**1) Select ONE of the following applications linked towards the bottom of the webpage.**

*(You may only apply to ONE program.)*

- 2012 Academic Programs Application for Agriculture; Humanities; Mathematics, Science & Technology
- 2012 Visual and Performing Arts Application
- 2012 Mentorship Application for Engineering; Life Sciences and Medicine; and Marine Science

**2) Submit Page 1 with your Personal Information, Program Choice, and High School Information**

*Division Name = "Fairfax County Public Schools"*

*School Division DOE Code = "29-131".*

*High School Contact Name & Email = Maureen Truncale ([MRTruncale@fcps.edu](mailto:MRTruncale@fcps.edu))*

***You must sign and date this page.***

**NOTE:** VPA Applicants for Vocal Music and Instrumental Music must indicate the Voice/Instrument.

**3) Submit Page 2 in its entirety.** If you would like to include additional information – please attach a sheet and use the **same** format. (Do not be modest – including anything that might fit from the past three years.)

**4) Submit the Signatures Form (page 3 for VPA/page 4 for AG, HUM, and MST/page 8 for Mentorship) with your Parent/Guardian signature and initials, as well as your own initials.** This indicates that you understand the commitment that you make to this process and to ultimately attend Governor's School if you are selected.

**5) Consider who you will ask for Recommendations and Submit the Names/E-Mail Addresses for those who you would ask, should you move forward in the process.** (*You do not need to submit letters at this time!*) Submit this information on a separate sheet of paper, with your full name and intended Governor's School program.

*Teacher Recommendation A – From a Teacher in Your Area of Interest*

*Teacher Recommendation B – Current Teacher/Instructor/Advisor/Adult (Outside Your Family)*

*Look at the Recommendation Forms and Directions. Who are the best people to write on your behalf?*

**Look over the ENTIRE Governor's School Application, including the Essays and Scoring Sheets, so you can understand the process.**