

## **COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS**

Maggie L. Walker Governor's School provides a range of educational and academic experiences related to college and career readiness in and outside the classroom, including an emphasis on experiences that will motivate disadvantaged and minority students to prepare for a career or postsecondary education.

Maggie L. Walker Governor's School support includes providing information concerning the exploration of course information and planning for college preparation programs, opportunities for educational and academic experiences in and outside the classroom, including internships and work-based learning, and the multiple pathways to college and career readiness.

Maggie L. Walker Governor's School will continue the development of a personal Academic and Career Planning (ACP) with each student. The components of the ACP include the student's program of study for high school graduation and a postsecondary career pathway based on the student's academic and career interests. If a career-related learning experience is chosen by the student, it is documented in the ACP.

The Regional School Board may require such courses in career investigation at the high school level as it deems appropriate, subject to approval by the Board of Education.

Each qualified high school student is provided access to courses that are sufficient to complete the Passport Program and the Uniform Certificate of General Studies Program at a public institution of higher education at no cost to such student pursuant to the College and Career Ready Virginia Program established by Va. Code § 22.1-237.1, et seq.

The ACP is developed in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Education and signed by the student, the student's parent or guardian, and school official or officials designated by the director. The ACP is included in the student's record and is reviewed and updated annually. Lists, as compiled annually by the Department of Education and provided to the School Board, of 1) the top 100 professions in Virginia by median pay and the education, training, and skills required for each such profession and 2) the top 10 degree programs at institutions of higher education in Virginia by median pay of program graduates are included as part of each student's ACP.

Information that assists high school students in making informed decisions about their futures after graduating from high school and ensures that such students are aware of the costs and benefits of different educational and certificate programs, as collected and compiled by the Virginia Department of Education in consultation with the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, is readily available to each high school student. The information is distributed to each high school student who expresses an interest in attending an institution of higher education or completing a training program.

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Pol 3011	School Counseling Program
Pol 4045	Student Records
Pol 3016	Advanced Placement Classes and Special Programs
Pol 3001	Instructional Goals and Objectives