POQUOSON CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

POQUOSON SCHOOLS SUPPORTING EDUCATORS

How Do You Want to Grow?

Check out these upcoming opportunities!

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Vector Solutions - IMPORTANT!

We have some changes this year! We now offer a system to help track your professional development points. This will be crucial for you when renewing your license. Here are some things you should know:

- If you attend a division PD event, the School Board Office will record the credits for you and they will appear within Vector Solutions. -- *Your SPARK 2.0 hours are currently being recorded!*
- If you attend a school-wide PD event, the presenter/organizer will record the credits for you and they will appear within Vector Solutions.
- If you attend an independent PD event, such as a conference, higher education class, etc. you will need to input those records into Vector Solutions. Here are step-by-step instructions to help you.

See a conference you would like to attend? Or a workshop to help you refine a skill? Our **Professional Leave Request Form** is now digital! Move through the process of approval seamlessly (funding must be approved before you register!). Please see how our directions on how to request leave.

- Professional Leave Request Form Directions
- More details or need reimbursement? Check out our PD Website for directions and forms.

HAVE OTHER IDEAS OR NEED ASSISTANCE?

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Continuing Education

Positive Learning Environments Using Effective Behavior Management

September 28 - Charlottesville. In this workshop participants will learn about trauma informed practices and why/how trauma can drive behaviors. They will be challenged to look at their own behavior and beliefs while learning strategies to create and shape environments to allow struggling students to achieve success and thrive in the public-school settings. More information is available from the VaSCL website.

Amazon Web Services Programs

AWS GetIT is a fully funded education program and friendly competition designed to inspire 12-14 year old students, especially girls, to gain digital skills, learn more about technology, and feel empowered to explore STEM. The VDOE is looking for teachers or ITRT's that want to innovate and pioneer this new technology and explore opportunities! Contact Dr. Susan Clair for more information.

Virtual Performance Assessment Dev Workshop

This virtual workshop is for teachers, coaches, content specialists and explores the fundamentals of balanced assessments with a focus on performance assessment development. Participants will learn how to:
1) Unpack standards to craft high- quality learning goals;
2) Develop tasks that measure understanding, transfer of learning, and reflect learning goals; and
3) Develop scoring rubrics that provide instructional feedback.

Kelley Aitken and Annie Evans, VaSCL assessment work group coordinators, will offer two sessions on Sept. 20:
Building Better Academic Performance Through Balanced Assessments Webinar at 9 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.
or
Building Better Academic Performance Through Balanced Assessments Webinar 12:30 p.m. – 3 p.m. Register for the Zoom link.

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Paid Opportunities

CHOICE CoP Facilitator

Virginia Ed Strategies is currently seeking energetic, driven individuals to serve as CHOICE Community of Practice Facilitators. To be considered, candidates must have considerable knowledge and experience teaching HS math, science, computer science, or CTE courses in Virginia, supporting the growth of high school teachers, and effectively using both learning management systems and virtual meeting technologies.

- Want more info? Visit the CHOICE program overview page!
- Want to apply? Fill out this application form!

Aviation Teacher Grant

Virginia Department of Aviation Teachers Grant is open to all Virginia teachers in grades K-12. One teacher per school can receive up to $500 for teaching an aviation-themed lesson that enhances their students' learning experiences. Past grants have been used for model planes and rockets, drones, field trips, and art supplies. Find out more information today!

Virginia College & University Programs

M. Ed. in K-12 Special Education General Curriculum

Regent University's M.Ed. K-12 Special Education General Curriculum Licensure Program is designed for those seeking a K-12 Special Education teaching license. This online, 30-credit state-approved licensure program offers courses in 8-week sessions each semester. Find out more information or contact rachcop@regent.edu.

University of Lynchburg

The University of Lynchburg is offering VDOE approved asynchronous online programs in:
-SpEd General Curriculum
-SpEd Adapted Curriculum
-Early Childhood Special Education

Interested? Reach out to Andrew Bruce, department chair of Special Education bruce.aa@lynchburg.edu

Advanced Literacy Learning Opportunities

Interested in strengthening your literacy teaching or becoming a reading specialist? Already a literacy leader and want to advance your skills in coaching? The Literacy Program at George Mason University offers hybrid and fully online master's and graduate certificate options.

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