VANCE COUNTY SCHOOLS NEWS

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Vance County Schools Faculty & Staff

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A Ripple of Encouragement: Building Each Other Up



Smiles: The Spark of Inspiration

Imagine the profound impact we can have by simply sharing our smiles! In the hustle and bustle of our daily lives, amidst the challenges and uncertainties, our smiles serve as beacons of hope and sources of light. They possess the extraordinary power to uplift spirits, bridge divides, and forge deep connections.

A smile is not just a gesture; it's a language of kindness that knows no bounds. It speaks volumes without uttering a word, conveying warmth, empathy, and reassurance to those who need it most. In a world often overshadowed by negativity, our smiles become rays of sunshine, reminding others of the beauty and joy that still exist.

So, let us embrace the transformative power of our smiles and unleash them upon the world with unwavering generosity. Let us cultivate a culture of kindness and positivity, inspiring and uplifting those around us. Together, let us create a ripple effect of joy that knows no limits.

Looking Ahead...

A Quick Glance at What's Ahead...

May 1 District Top Ten Celebration 6-8:30 PM
May 1 Carver Elementary Volunteer Luncheon 12-1:00 PM
May 1 EO Young Elementary Beta Club Induction 5:30 PM
May 1 VCHS Senior Signing Day
May 1 Pinkston Noah's Art After-School Experience 3-5:00 PM
May 2 Dabney Spring Fling 5:30 - 7:30 PM
May 3 Clarke Volunteer Luncheon 12-1PM
May 7 District-Wide AIG Parent Session 5:30 PM
May 7 V3A Parent Support Night 6:00 PM
May 8 EM Rollins, Clarke, and Zeb Vance AIG CFI After-School Experience 3:30 - 5 PM
May 8 Clarke Curriculum Night Clarke's Test Prep Quest 5-7 PM
May 9 Aycock, Carver, and EOY AIG CFI After-School Experience 3:30 - 5PM
May 9 Zeb Vance Spring Fling 5:00-7:00
May 10 New Hope Beta Club Induction 1:30
May 10 Yancey Career Day Expo 9-11 AM
May 10 EO young Elementary Field Day 8am - 2pm
May 10 VCHS Rise Awards 2:15pm

Information & Reminders



RoboVance Results

The district RoboVance competition had an amazing turn out! We are incredibly proud of our students and staff for all they have put into making this program a



Fiscal Reminders

In May, pay day will be May 24. Please be reminded that May 24 is the last pay check for 10-month employees.



News & Event Information

Stay up to date with district events & information: https://www.vcs.k12.nc.us/upcoming-events

success. Congratulations to the following schools, who will travel to the state BrickEd competition on May 18 in Salisbury, NC.

Elementary:
1st Place. Carver Eagles
2nd Place. EMR Bear Cub Power
3rd Place. Clarke Tech Titans

Middle:Both middle school teams automatically qualify
1st Place. VCMS Top Bots
2nd Place. STEM Byte Club

Coding Competition winners:
Elementary: Aycock Robo Coders
Middle: STEM Byte Club

Stay up to date with community events & information: https://www.vcs.k12.nc.us/community/community-events-resources

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2024-2025 PreK & K Enrollment

For your convenience, the PreK and Kindergarten enrollment forms can be accessed on the VCS website in the upper right-hand corner. If you have specific enrollment questions, you can contact Stephanie Alston (salston@vcs.k12.nc.us).

Stay in the Know

If you are not receiving phone calls from the district, you need to login to Timekeeper and update your personal information. You must have a phone number in both the home and cell fields (it can be the same number).

Website Updates

We are working to update the website directory this summer, creating a more comprehensive view for our stakeholders. If you have not already done so, please complete the information in the following link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSemS9SCaYAxlABlJwpYE7Dg0SnCVzWp7-kODok3w31rAp9wSg/viewform

Questions? Contact Aarika Sandlin or Marsha Abbott

Infinite Campus is Coming Soon

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction has opted to go into a new student information system contract. Previously, the state utilized PowerSchool. We will be transitioning to Infinite Campus for 2024-2025. Stay tuned for more information on this new platform!



George Watkins Citizen of the Year

Congratulations to Dr. Cindy Bennett for being awarded the George Watkins Citizen of the Year, sponsored by the Occoneechee Council! This award is presented to extraordinary community leaders for their outstanding contributions to the quality of life and who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law.



Lucy the Robotic Dog

Lucy, along with two other litter mates, have been welcomed into Vance County Schools. Lucy's home is at the Center for Innovation. She is a robotic dog that will provide experiences and opportunities for students around coding. She, along with the other two, were purchased through a grant specifically designed to support the work around robotics. If you see her around, I am sure she will be happy to dance, shake your hand, or show you one of her tricks!

2024-2025 School Calendars

Want to sign up for RAVE? Details below!



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