



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education

DATE: November 30, 2018
TO: Division Superintendents
FROM: James F. Lane, Ed.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction
SUBJECT: **Announcing the Virginia Summit for College and Career Readiness**

The [Virginia Advanced Study Strategies](#), [Virginia Association of Secondary School Principals](#), [Virginia Foundation for Educational Leadership](#) and [AdvancED](#) in collaboration with the Virginia Department of Education are sponsoring the Virginia Summit on College and Career Readiness for grades PK-12 principals, administrators, and other innovative program leaders. The Summit will be held at the Sadler Center at The College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia, February 11, 2019.

The organizations have collaborated to bring together principals and other leaders highlight the importance of innovation and innovative schools in meeting the Virginia Profile of a Graduate and the College and Career Readiness Indicators. The Summit will provide exemplars of elementary, middle and high school practices from across the Commonwealth. In addition, keynote speakers will include Dr. Glade T. Montgomery, Senior Vice President and Chief of Staff for [Project the Lead the Way Inc.](#), Dr. James Lane, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Dr. Mark Elgart, President and Chief Executive Officer of Advanced Education, Inc. Mrs. Diane Atkinson, Vice-Chair of the Virginia Board of Education, Dr. Donna Price Henry, Chancellor at University of Virginia Wise, Dr. Gregory Mullins, Superintendent of Wise County Public Schools, and other state and national leaders with demonstrated experience in implementing innovative programs will be featured in a panel discussion. In addition to elementary and middle school exemplars, break-out session presenters will include representatives from [CodeRVA Regional High School](#), Prince William County Public Schools' *Project Lead the Way Program*, Wise County Public Schools' *Thin Satellite Program*, and [Hampton City Public Schools](#) (recipient of the VDOE Innovation grant).

By exemplifying the continuous improvement processes that must be in place if we intend to increase graduation outcomes, the Summit will generate successful improvement strategies and actions to improve College and Career readiness indicators for all Virginia students.

You may register for the Summit [here](#) (through a CVENT link provided by AdvancED). The full agenda will also be available at the registration link. The Summit registration fee is \$175 (or \$145 if you register by January 8, 2019). If you have any questions regarding the Summit, please contact the Dr. Kathleen Smith, Regional Director, AdvancED at (804) 892-2509 or by email at ksmith@advanc-ed.org.

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