

VIRTUAL LEARNING PROFESSIONAL LEARNING SERIES

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VIRTUAL LEARNING IN VIRGINIA

To provide school divisions, schools, staff, and stakeholders with information related to virtual learning in Virginia with emphasis on policies, procedures, professional development, and implementation of virtual programs.

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COMPUTER SCIENCE

- **Review and Revision of the 2017 *Computer Science Standards of Learning*.**
- **First Review: February 2024**
- **Final Adoption: April 2024**

COMPUTER SCIENCE

National Computer Science Education Week

Launch at VSTE (Computer Science focused sessions)

Nominations for Computer Science Educator of the Year

2022- 2023 School Year Awardees:

Computer Science Educator of the Year: Caren Daniels

K-2 Computer Science Champion: Cori Sowers

3-5 Computer Science Champion: Rebecca Otaizo

6-8 Computer Science Champion: Caren Daniel

9-12 Computer Science Champion: Brian Thomas

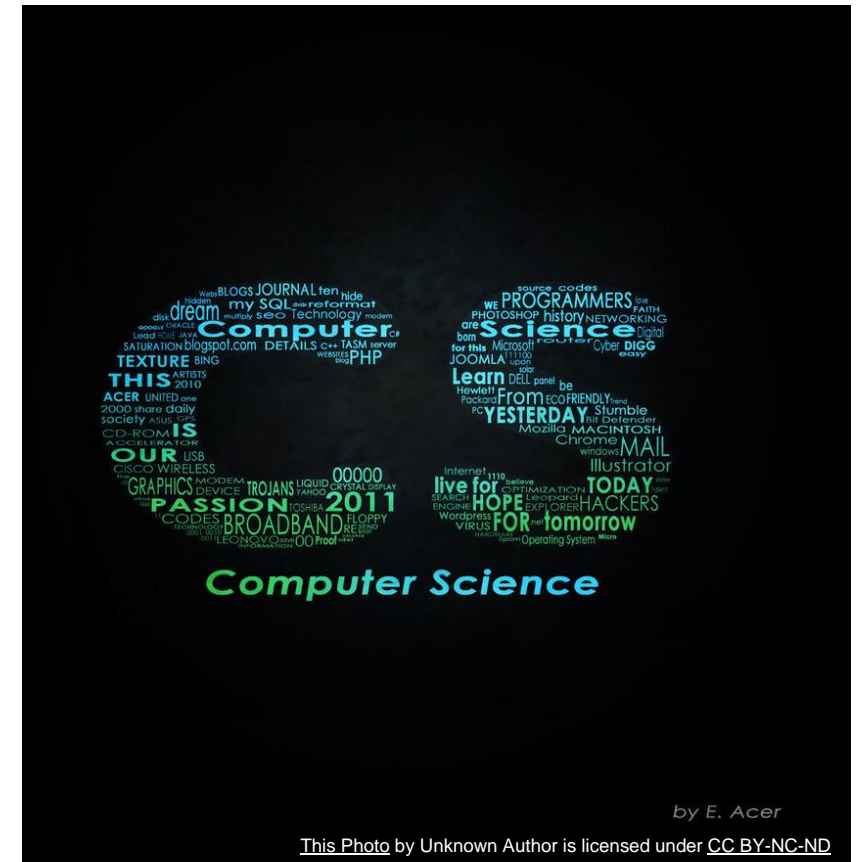
Administrators/Counselors Computer Science Champion: Adrienne Sawyer

STE(A)M Coaches/ITRTs Computer Science Champion: Pam Hoyle

COMPUTER SCIENCE

NEW Release of Computer Science Instructional Resources

- Learning with *Techné*
- Computer Science Careers in the Commonwealth
- Making Meaningful Connections: Computer Science Integration Course



LEARNING INFRASTRUCTURE COORDINATOR DR. SUSAN CLAIR



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BROADBAND UPDATES

[Commonwealth Connect Five-Year Plan](#) - Department of Housing and Community Development, Office of Broadband.

- Access, Affordability, and Adoption
- Universal Broadband by 2024 (Broadband Equity Access and Deployment) Funding , 1.4 Billion in Virginia

[Blueprint Virginia 2023: A Business Plan for the Commonwealth](#) (p.9) :

- K-12 Education: “Expand the use of effective virtual learning strategies as a way to offer improved access to specialized curriculum and flexible instruction options to all students regardless of geography or school division.”



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Explore. Create. Collaborate.

- In 2022, 120,000 unique users with 382,000 visits to access our 22,894 resources.
- This spring we updated to 2.5 to increase information security.
- SAML/SOS with Google and Clever
- Virtual Learning Integration with Canvas, Schoology, and Google Classroom

• [Instructional Playbook](#): includes all the resources needed to create your own instructional playbook

• VPM

- [Climate Focused Careers](#)
- [Exploring Climate Change](#)
- [Watershed Investigations](#)
- [Climate vs Weather](#)
- [Swimming with the Fishes](#): Interactive Game
- [Learning with Teche](#): Computer Science video series for elementary students
- [Computer Science Careers Across Virginia](#): Learn more about different computer science careers in different regions of Virginia

• WHRO

- [What is Data Science?](#)
- [Data Science Resource Collection](#)
- [Math Learning Resources for students](#)
- [Math Learning Resource for teachers](#)
- [Middle School Career Investigations](#)

• Blue Ridge PBS

- ["What Parents Need to Know" Series includes resources for parents related to opioids, vaping, and problem gambling](#)
- [Vaping Interactive](#)

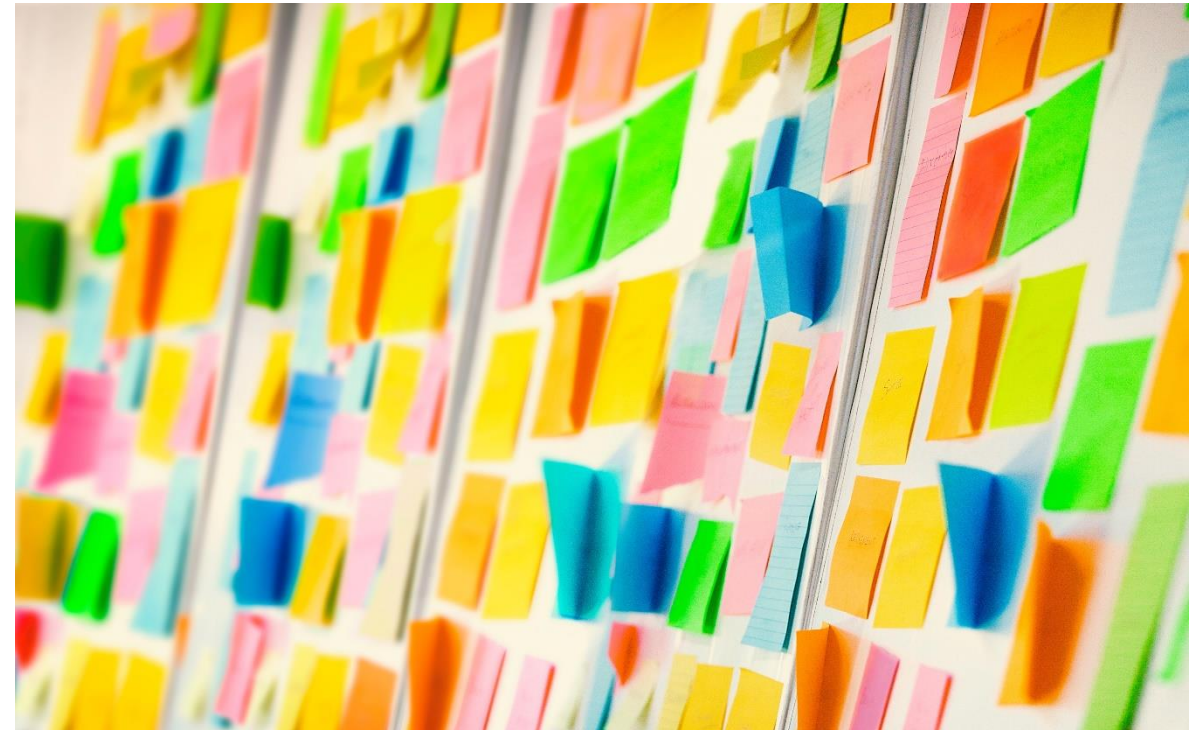
• [The Poe Museum](#)

• [Military Women's Memorial](#)

• [VCU Watersheds Education and Training Program](#)

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY PLAN FOR VIRGINIA 2024-2029

- **The current plan, which is housed in the comprehensive plan, expires this year.**
- **Reflection, Request, and Research Phase**
- **Final document will be recommended to the Board of Education in November**
- **Goals will include virtual learning access, use, and design.**



INTERNET SAFETY ADVISORY COUNCIL



The Office of Educational Technology and Classroom Innovation has created an Internet Safety Advisory Council in response to the new legislation (§ 22.1-24.1.) created from House Bill 1575, which is focused on the safe use of media and technology by students and teachers in public elementary and secondary schools in the Commonwealth.

We are charged specifically with curating: successful instructional practices, curricula, and other teacher resources used in school divisions within and outside of the Commonwealth for:

- the safe use of media and technology by students and teachers;
- safe and responsible use of social networking websites;
- the risks of transmitting personal information on the Internet and the importance of privacy protection;
- copyright laws on materials posted or shared online;
- the importance of establishing open communication with responsible; and
- how to recognize, avoid, and report suspicious, potentially dangerous, or illegal online communications or activities.

COMING SOON!



The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) has partnered with Project Tomorrow to administer surveys in the areas of educational technology.

The Virginia Speak Up surveys are a semi-customized set of questions for students, educators, administrators, and parents. Schools and districts will be able to access their own data for planning purposes.

Surveys are available!



A new podcast is coming in December! The goals of the podcast are:

- To activate professional learning by elevating classroom teachers through interviews.
- To connect teachers with common practices and success highlights. To encourage self-care for educators.
- To amplify the small spaces in instructional technology.

Using a jovial but informative tone, our host, Tom Landon, will be interviewing educators - who will be telling stories of using best practices to inspire student engagement and enhance student achievement. This podcast is a collaboration with Blue Ridge PBS, the Virginia Department of Education, and Virginia Society of Technology Education.

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QUESTIONS



UPCOMING FOR MOP

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Teaching, Learning & Assessment

Programs & Services

Data, Policy & Funding

About VDOE



Multidivision Online Provider Program (MOP)

VDOE offers a program for Multidivision Online Providers (MOP). The *Code of Virginia* at [§ 22.1-212.23 et seq](#), allows school divisions to offer online instruction to students using a private organization, educational institution or nonprofit virtual school organization that meets Board of Education approval criteria to operate as a MOP.



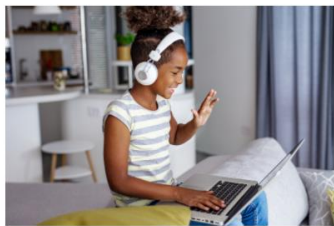
MOPs supply virtual teachers coupled with online content to K-12 students. Providers may offer one course or a full array of courses as an online course or program provider contracted with a local school division. The [online query tool](#) provides a list of approved MOP and a list of the approved courses.

- ❑ **Multidivision Online Provider Program will open on January 1, 2024.**
- ❑ **School divisions, businesses, and agencies may apply during this 30-day window until February 1st.**
- ❑ **An application may be submitted, along with new or revised Core, CTE, or Elective courses.**

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!

Additional information may be found at Virtual Learning Professional Learning website.

Virtual Teaching & Learning Hub



Supporting Virtual Learning



Planning for Virtual Teaching & Learning



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