

# Press Release

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## **William Monroe High School Receives Prestigious State Board of Education's VIP Excellence Award**

On January 10, 2008 the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) announced that nineteen school divisions and 475 schools met all state and federal accountability benchmarks for at least two consecutive years and made significant progress toward Governor Kaine's goals for increased student achievement and expanded educational opportunity. Greene County's William Monroe High School was one of only 51 high schools statewide to earn the award. WMHS principal Mike Jamerson could not contain his pride: "We are obviously very excited and immensely proud of the effort of our teachers and student. We ask a lot of our staff and student body and they always deliver."

William Monroe High School, according the VDOE's school report card, attained scores of 96% in math, 93% in English, 90% in science, and 94% in social studies with all sub-groups achieving state and federal benchmark requirements. Last year WMHS had an Advanced Placement course enrollment of 325 and a dual enrollment (college credit) enrollment of 77. "We intend to keep pushing the envelope in regard to offering more AP and dual enrollment opportunities for kids. Our goal is for all WMHS students to take and complete at least one AP or dual enrollment course before they graduate" stated Assistant Superintendent David Jeck.

"This is exciting news for William Monroe High School and for the Greene County community" exclaimed GCPS Superintendent Ray Dingledine. "We are moving in the right direction and will continue to do so."

### **Schools Receiving VIP Excellence Award:**

- Accomack County — Accawmacke Elementary, Chincoteague Elementary, Pungoteague Elementary and Tangier Combined

- Albemarle County — Albemarle High, Baker-Butler Elementary, Broadus Wood Elementary, Crozet Elementary, Hollymead Elementary, Meriwether Lewis Elementary, Murray High, Paul H. Cale Elementary, Red Hill Elementary, Scottsville Elementary, Stone Robinson Elementary, Stony Point Elementary and Woodbrook Elementary
- Alexandria — George Mason Elementary, James K. Polk Elementary and Lyles-Crouch Elementary
- Alleghany County — Callaghan Elementary and Falling Spring Elementary
- Amelia County — Amelia County Elementary
- Amherst County — Temperance Elementary
- Arlington County — Arlington Science Focus School, Ashlawn Elementary, Henry Elementary, Long Branch Elementary, Taylor Elementary, Tuckahoe Elementary and Yorktown High
- Augusta County — Buffalo Gap High, Cassell Elementary, Edward G. Clymore Elementary, Fort Defiance High, Riverheads Elementary and Wilson Elementary
- Bedford County — Boonsboro Elementary, Forest Elementary, Goodview Elementary, New London Academy Elementary and Otter River Elementary
- Botetourt County — Breckinridge Elementary, Buchanan Elementary, Cloverdale Elementary, Greenfield Elementary and Troutville Elementary
- Bristol — Joseph Van Pelt Elementary
- Buchanan County — Grundy High
- Buckingham County — Buckingham Primary and Gold Hill Elementary
- Campbell County — Altavista Elementary
- Carroll County — Fancy Gap Elementary, Hillsville Elementary and Oakland Elementary
- Charlotte County — Eureka Elementary
- Charlottesville — Burnley-Moran Elementary and Venable Elementary
- Chesapeake — Butts Road Intermediate, Camelot Elementary, Cedar Road Elementary, Deep Creek Central Elementary, Deep Creek Elementary, Edwin W. Chittum Elementary, G.A. Treakle Elementary, Georgetown Primary, Grassfield Elementary, Great Bridge High, Great Bridge Intermediate, Great Bridge Middle, Greenbrier Intermediate, Hickory Elementary, Hickory High, Hickory Middle, Norfolk Highlands Primary, Southeastern Elementary and Western Branch High
- Chesterfield County — Alberta Smith Elementary, Bensley Elementary, Bettie Weaver Elementary, Bon Air Elementary, C.C. Wells Elementary, Clover Hill Elementary, Clover Hill High, Crestwood Elementary, Ecoff Elementary, Enon Elementary, Evergreen Elementary, Greenfield Elementary, J.B. Watkins Elementary, Jacobs Road Elementary, James River High, Marguerite F. Christian Elementary, Midlothian High, Providence Elementary, Reams Road Elementary, Robious Elementary, Salem Church Elementary, Spring Run Elementary, Swift Creek Middle, Thelma Crenshaw Elementary and Woolridge Elementary
- Clarke County — Boyce Elementary
- Colonial Heights — Lakeview Elementary and Tussing Elementary
- Covington — Edgemont Primary
- Danville — Galileo Magnet High

- Dickenson County — Clintwood Elementary
- Dinwiddie County — Midway Elementary, Southside Elementary and Sunnyside Elementary
- Fairfax County — Aldrin Elementary, Belvedere Elementary, Bonnie Brae Elementary, Canterbury Woods Elementary, Centreville High, Chantilly High, Cherry Run Elementary, Clifton Elementary, Columbia Elementary, Crossfield Elementary, Fairfax High, Fairfax Villa Elementary, Fairhill Elementary, Fairview Elementary, Flint Hill Elementary, Floris Elementary, Forestville Elementary, Fox Mill Elementary, Graham Road Elementary, Greenbriar West Elementary, Herndon High, Irving Middle, Island Creek Elementary, Keene Mill Elementary, Kent Gardens Elementary, Key Center, Langley High, Laurel Ridge Elementary, Mantua Elementary, Marshall High, Marshall Road Elementary, McLean High, Mosby Woods Elementary, Navy Elementary, Oak View Elementary, Olde Creek Elementary, Ravensworth Elementary, Robinson Secondary, Rolling Valley Elementary, Sangster Elementary, Sherman Elementary, Spring Hill Elementary, Stenwood Elementary, Sunrise Valley Elementary, Thomas Jefferson High, Union Mill Elementary, Vienna Elementary, Virginia Run Elementary, Wakefield Forest Elementary, Waples Mill Elementary, Waynewood Elementary, West Springfield High, Westbriar Elementary, White Oaks Elementary, Willow Springs Elementary and Wolftrap Elementary
- Falls Church — George Mason High
- Fauquier County — C. Hunter Ritchie Elementary, C.M. Bradley Elementary, P.B. Smith Elementary and W.G. Coleman Elementary
- Franklin County — Burnt Chimney Elementary, Callaway Elementary, Dudley Elementary, Ferrum Elementary, Henry Elementary, Lee M. Waid Elementary and Snow Creek Elementary
- Galax City — Galax Elementary
- Gloucester County — Botetourt Elementary and Thomas C. Walker Elementary
- Goochland County — Byrd Elementary, Goochland Elementary, Goochland High, Goochland Middle and Randolph Elementary
- Greene County — William Monroe High
- Halifax County — South of Dan Elementary, Wilson Memorial Elementary and Old Cluster Springs Elementary
- Hampton — Armstrong Elementary, Booker Elementary, Francis Asbury Elementary, Samuel P. Langley Elementary and Tucker-Capps Elementary
- Hanover County — Atlee High, Beaverdam Elementary, Chickahominy Middle, Cold Harbor Elementary, Cool Spring Elementary, Hanover High, John M. Gandy Elementary, Pearson's Corner Elementary, Pole Green Elementary, Rural Point Elementary, South Anna Elementary and Washington Henry Elementary
- Henrico County — Carver Elementary, Chamberlayne Elementary, Crestview Elementary, Davis Elementary, Deep Run High, Dumbarton Elementary, Echo Lake Elementary, Freeman High, Gayton Elementary, Glen Lea Elementary, Godwin High, Greenwood Elementary, Longan Elementary, Longdale Elementary, Maybeury Elementary, Pinchbeck Elementary, Pocahontas Middle, Ridge Elementary, Short Pump Middle, Skipwith Elementary, Three Chopt Elementary and Tuckahoe Elementary
- Henry County — Rich Acres Elementary and Sanville Elementary
- Hopewell City — Harry E. James Elementary
- Isle of Wight County — Carrollton Elementary, Carrsville Elementary, Hardy Elementary and Windsor Elementary
- King William County — Acquinton Elementary

- Lee County — Elk Knob Elementary, Elydale Elementary, Jonesville Middle and Keokee Elementary
- Lexington — Harrington Waddell Elementary
- Loudoun County — Aldie Elementary, Algonkian Elementary, Ashburn Elementary, Ball's Bluff Elementary, Banneker Elementary, Belmont Station Elementary, Briar Woods High, Cedar Lane Elementary, Dominion High, Dominion Trail Elementary, Emerick Elementary, Evergreen Mill Elementary, Frances Hazel Reid Elementary, Hamilton Elementary, Harmony Intermediate, Hillside Elementary, Horizon Elementary, Hutchison Farm Elementary, Leesburg Elementary, Legacy Elementary, Little River Elementary, Lowes Island Elementary, Lucketts Elementary, Meadowland Elementary, Middleburg Elementary, Mill Run Elementary, Mountain View Elementary, Newton-Lee Elementary, Pinebrook Elementary, Potomac Falls High, Potowmack Elementary, Round Hill Elementary, Sanders Corner Elementary and Seldens Landing Elementary
- Lynchburg — Paul Munro Elementary, Robert S. Payne Elementary and Sandusky Elementary
- Manassas — George Carr Round Elementary
- Manassas Park — Manassas Park High
- Mecklenburg County — Bluestone Middle, Boydton Elementary, Buckhorn Elementary, Chase City Elementary, Clarksville Elementary, LaCrosse Elementary and South Hill Elementary
- Middlesex County — St. Clare Walker Middle
- Montgomery County — Auburn Elementary, Gilbert Linkous Elementary, Harding Avenue Elementary and Margaret Beeks Elementary
- Nelson County — Rockfish River Elementary
- Newport News — B.C. Charles Elementary, Deer Park Elementary, General Stanford Elementary, George J. McIntosh Elementary, Joseph H. Saunders Elementary, Kiln Creek Elementary, R.O. Nelson Elementary, Richneck Elementary and Riverside Elementary
- Norfolk — Crossroads Elementary, Ghent Elementary, Ingleside Elementary, Larchmont Elementary, Larrimore Elementary, Mary Calcott Elementary, Oakwood Elementary, Ocean View Elementary, Suburban Park Elementary, Tarralton Elementary, W.H. Taylor Elementary and Willoughby Elementary
- Page County — Stanley Elementary
- Patrick County — Patrick Springs Elementary
- Pittsylvania County — Brosville Elementary, Chatham Elementary, Mount Airy Elementary, Tunstall Senior High and Twin Springs Elementary
- Poquoson — Poquoson Elementary and Poquoson High
- Powhatan County — Pocahontas Elementary, Powhatan Elementary, Powhatan High and Powhatan Junior High
- Prince George County — L.L. Beazley Elementary, Prince George High and South Elementary
- Prince William County — Antietam Elementary, Ashland Elementary, Battlefield High, Bennett Elementary, Brentsville District High, Bristow Run Elementary, Cedar Point Elementary, George G. Tyler Elementary, Glenkirk Elementary, J.W. Alvey Elementary, Lake Ridge Elementary, Mary G. Porter Traditional, Nokesville Elementary, Old Bridge Elementary, Pennington School, Springwoods Elementary and Thurgood Marshall Elementary
- Pulaski County — Newbern Elementary

- Radford — Radford High
- Richmond — Broad Rock Elementary, Clark Springs Elementary, Ginter Park Elementary, J.E.B. Stuart Elementary, John B. Cary Elementary, Linwood Holton Elementary, Open High, Overby-Sheppard Elementary, Richmond Community High, Southampton Elementary and William Fox Elementary
- Roanoke — Crystal Spring Elementary, Fishburn Park Elementary, Highland Park Magnet Elementary, Raleigh Court Elementary and Virginia Heights Elementary
- Roanoke County — Bent Mountain Elementary, Bonsack Elementary, Cave Spring Elementary, Cave Spring High, Fort Lewis Elementary, Glen Cove Elementary, Glenvar High, Green Valley Elementary, Mount Pleasant Elementary, Northside High, Oak Grove Elementary and Penn Forest Elementary
- Rockbridge County — Mountain View Elementary
- Rockingham County — Elkton Elementary, Montevideo Middle, Ottobine Elementary, Peak View Elementary, Plains Elementary, South River Elementary, Spotswood High and Turner Ashby High
- Russell County — Belfast Elk Garden Elementary, Cleveland Elementary, Lebanon High and Lebanon Primary
- Salem — East Salem Elementary, G.W. Carver Elementary, South Salem Elementary and West Salem Elementary
- Scott County — Fort Blackmore Elementary, Gate City High, Twin Springs High and Yuma Elementary
- Smyth County — Rich Valley Elementary
- Southampton County — Capron Elementary
- Spotsylvania County — Chancellor Elementary
- Stafford County — Colonial Forge High, Garrisonville Elementary and Winding Creek Elementary
- Staunton — Thomas C. McSwain Elementary
- Suffolk — Northern Shores Elementary, Oakland Elementary and Southwestern Elementary
- Tazewell County — Cedar Bluff Elementary, Graham Intermediate, North Tazewell Elementary, Springville Elementary and Tazewell Elementary
- Virginia Beach — Brookwood Elementary, Centerville Elementary, Christopher Farms Elementary, Fairfield Elementary, Floyd Kellam High, Frank W. Cox High, Glenwood Elementary, Great Neck Middle, Green Run Elementary, Hermitage Elementary, Indian Lakes Elementary, John B. Dey Elementary, Kempsville Elementary, Kingston Elementary, Landstown Elementary, Linkhorn Park Elementary, Malibu Elementary, New Castle Elementary, North Landing Elementary, Ocean Lakes High, Pembroke Elementary, Pembroke Meadows Elementary, Plaza Elementary, Princess Anne Elementary, Providence Elementary, Red Mill Elementary, Rosemont Elementary, Salem Elementary, Strawbridge Elementary, Thoroughgood Elementary, Three Oaks Elementary, Trantwood Elementary, W.T. Cooke Elementary, Windsor Oaks Elementary and Windsor Woods Elementary
- Warren County — A.S. Rhodes Elementary and Leslie Fox Keyser Elementary
- Washington County — Greendale Elementary, High Point Elementary and Rhea Valley Elementary
- Waynesboro — Berkeley Glenn Elementary
- West Point — West Point Elementary and West Point High

- Williamsburg-James City County — Norge Elementary and Stonehouse Elementary
- Winchester — John Kerr Elementary
- Wise County — Pound High, Powell Valley Primary and St. Paul High
- York County — Bethel Manor Elementary, Coventry Elementary, Dare Elementary, Grafton Bethel Elementary, Grafton High, Magruder Elementary, Mount Vernon Elementary, Tabb Elementary, Tabb High, Waller Mill Elementary and Yorktown Elementary