



VARINA HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PROFILE

Varina High School is one of nine high schools in Henrico County with opportunities available at two Advanced Career Education Centers. The Varina High School zone covers the eastern corridor of the county and also houses one of the county's ten specialty centers. Varina High School has a population of approximately 1500 students in grades 9-12. The faculty consists of approximately 120 teachers, 6 school counselors and 6 administrators. Varina houses the Center for Communications consisting of approximately 130 students and 6 faculty members.

ACADEMIC CHARACTERISTICS

The school year is divided into two semesters. A semester is 18 weeks with two nine-week reporting periods. Seven classes meet every Monday for 45 minutes and for 90 minutes on alternating days. In addition to the seven classes, there is a shorter study/activity period. The curriculum offers a variety of college-prep, Advanced Placement and honors courses as well as a variety of electives in Business, Marketing, Family and Consumer Sciences, Technology Education, Fine Arts and the general academic areas.

AP Curriculum

English Language	English Literature	Statistics	Calculus AB	Biology
Human Geography	U.S. History	U.S. Government	Psychology	Environmental Science

Honors Curriculum

English 9, 10, 11, 12	World History & Geography I, II	VA & U.S. History	U.S. Government	Geometry
Algebra II	Math Analysis/Trigonometry	Biology	Chemistry	Teachers for Tomorrow
Spanish IV	Engineering Explorations	Chorus	Band	Marching Band
Photojournalism	Specialty Center Courses			

Specialty Center: Center for Communications

The Center for Communications offers a comprehensive and rigorous college-preparatory program of studies with specialized learning in writing and communication skills. Courses provide opportunity for students to become critical thinkers and problem solvers in academic study while enhancing skills in the fields of television, multimedia, photography, computer information systems, graphic design, mass media, advertising, journalism and public relations.

GPA and CLASS RANKING

Class rank and grade point average are determined by the levels of courses taken and the grades earned in those courses. Grades earned in courses completed in middle school that were awarded a high school credit will not be computed as part of the high school cumulative GPA. High school courses completed during the summer before entering ninth grade will be included in the GPA. Students are ranked numerically in ascending order, according to GPA, at the end of the junior year and at the end of first semester of the senior year. Students who are earning either a Standard or an Advanced Studies diploma are included in class rank. Beginning with the class of 2017, total grade points include an additional 0.5 quality point for any honors and a 1.0 quality point for any AP/dual-enrollment class taken.

Grading Scale (effective Sept. 2, 2014)

Letter Grade	Percent Grade	4.0 Scale
A+	97-100	4.0
A	93-96	4.0
A-	90-92	3.7
B+	87-89	3.3
B	83-86	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	77-79	2.3
C	73-76	2.0
C-	70-72	1.7
D+	67-69	1.3
D	65-66	1.0
F	Below 65	0.0

$$\text{Cumulative GPA} = \frac{\text{Total Grade Points}}{\text{Total Credits Attempted}}$$

Grade Distribution 2017 (351 students ranked)

Upper Quintile	4.4745 - 3.2509
Second Quintile	3.2435 - 2.8125
Third Quintile	2.8063 - 2.451
Fourth Quintile	2.45 - 2.1041
Fifth Quintile	2.0936 - 1.0312

TESTING RESULTS

ACT 2017 (57 students participated)

	Varina	Virginia	National
English	16.2	23.5	20.3
Math	16.7	23.3	20.7
Reading	18.3	24.6	21.4
Science	19.1	23.5	21.0
Composite	17.8	23.8	21.0

SAT 2017 (168 students participated)

	Varina	Virginia	National
ERW	483	560	538
Math	446	541	533
Total Score	928	1102	1070

Advanced Placement Exam

155 students participated in 304 exams - 25% scored a 3 or higher

5	=	4
4	=	5
3	=	30

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

STANDARD DIPLOMA

	CREDIT	VERIFIED
English	4	2
Math	3	1
Lab Science	3	1
Social Studies	3	1
Health & P.E.	2	
Fine Arts, CTE, or World Language	2	
Econ & Personal Finance	1	
Electives	4	
Choice		1
Total*	22	6

*see planning guide for additional requirements

ADVANCED STUDIES DIPLOMA

	CREDIT	VERIFIED
English	4	2
Math	4	2
Lab Science	4	2
Social Studies	4	2
Health & P.E.	2	
Fine Arts or CTE	1	
Econ & Personal Finance	1	
World Languages	3	
Electives	3	
Choice		1
Total	26	9

APPLIED STUDIES DIPLOMA

This diploma is available to students with disabilities who complete the requirements of their Individualized Education Program (IEP) and who do not meet the requirements for other diplomas.

CLASS OF 2017 GRADUATE INTENTIONS

4-Yr College=33.2 percent
 2-Yr College=32.6 percent
 Work/Military/Other= 34.3 percent
 *Results from VHS Class of 2017 Senior Survey

