



**COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education**

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: Announcing the Virginia CyberCamp 2016 Program

The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) is pleased to announce the Virginia CyberCamp 2016 Program, an extended school initiative for [high schools in challenged school divisions](#), consisting of 32 CyberCamps. These camps are being offered in collaboration with 38 school divisions across the eight Superintendents' Regions. State funding in the amount of \$62,500 is provided to each camp for implementation. The primary purpose of the CyberCamp program is to increase awareness of careers in cybersecurity and inform students about the vast opportunities in the workplace. The 32 CyberCamps will serve as models for building the pipeline for K-12 education to meet Virginia's cybersecurity work force demands.

The Cyber Innovation Center, a division of the National Integrated Cyber Education Research Center and supported by U.S. Department of Homeland Security, in partnership with VDOE, will provide professional training and planning workshops for each of the eight Superintendents' Regions. The professional development, train-the-trainer model, will be targeted for the camps' core implementation team, focusing on cyber literacy and how to engage students in problem-driven projects related to cybersecurity. For more details refer to the Virginia CyberCamp 2016 guidance document in [Attachment A](#).

Coming soon, there will be a Web page designated for cybersecurity that will include career and industry information, research publications, instructional resources, and best practices. You are encouraged to connect with the 32 model CyberCamps.

The 32 CyberCamps by regions are as follows:

CyberCamp 2016	
Region 1	Region 5
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hopewell *(Dinwiddie)• Petersburg• Richmond City (2 Camps) Camp 1 – Franklin Military Academy Camp 2 – Thomas Jefferson High School	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nelson• Charlottesville• Harrisonburg• Waynesboro
Region 2	Region 6

- Newport News
- Portsmouth
- Franklin City

- Danville
- Henry
- Martinsville
- Pittsylvania

Region 3

- Richmond Co. – Northern Neck
Technical Center
(2 Camps)
Camp 1 –*(Essex, Lancaster, Richmond
Co.)
Camp 2 –*(Westmoreland,
Northumberland, Colonial Beach)
- Fredericksburg

Region 7

- Bristol
- Carroll *(Grayson and Galax)
- Pulaski
- Tazewell

Region 4

- Alexandria
- Manassas City
- Manassas Park City
- Page
- Winchester

Region 8

- Brunswick
- Cumberland
- Halifax
- Lunenburg
- Mecklenburg

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Career and Technical Education staff, at cte@doe.virginia.gov or by telephone at (804) 225-2052.

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Attachment:

- A. [Virginia CyberCamp 2016 Guidance Document](#) (PDF)