

VIRGINIA LAB SCHOOLS AND INNOVATION NETWORK

College Partnership Lab School
Standing Committee

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VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OVERVIEW OF INNOVATIVE NETWORK

The department is launching upcoming implementation support of approved and pending lab schools to include:

1. **Day One Kit and Overview:** Overview and walk through of school opening action step kit for Fall 2024 operational lab schools to ensure “Day One Ready” for all lab schools
2. **Themed Networks:** Tiered thematic networks and resource supports for all lab schools including those opening Fall 2024 and those opening Fall 2025
3. **Monthly Calls:** Regular call to provide ongoing support, problem solving and networking for operational lab schools beyond start of operations as well as preparation calls for Fall 2025 schools as they plan to open

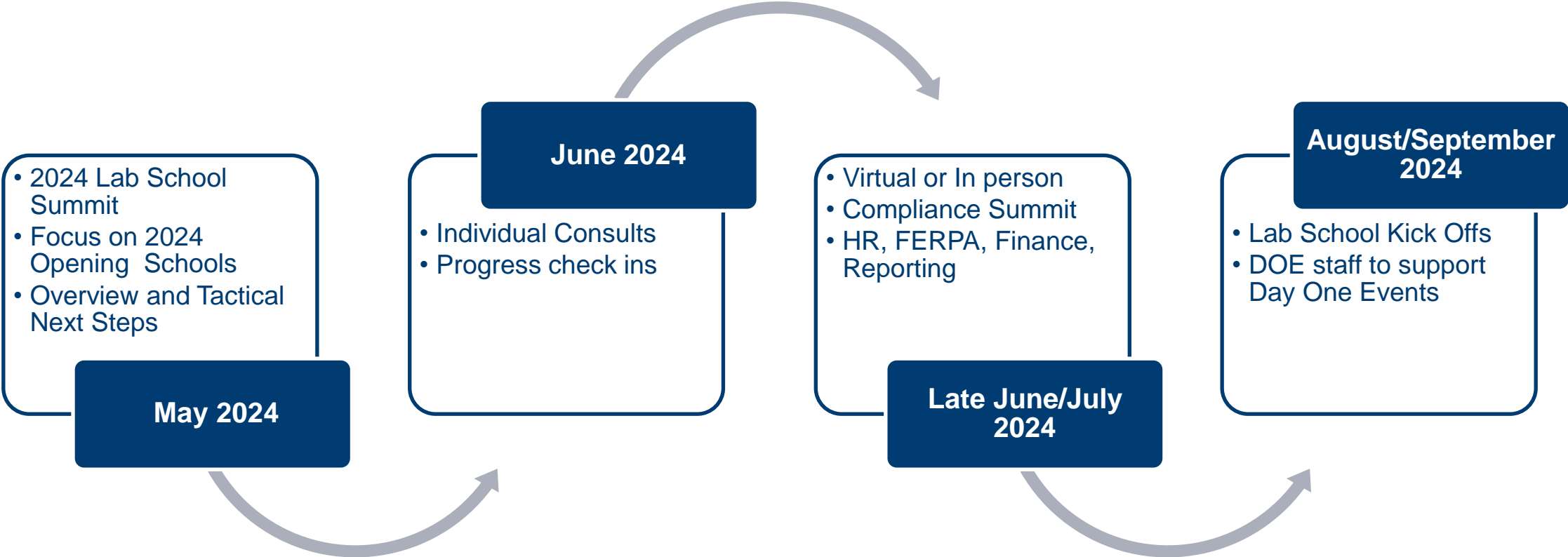
CURRENT 2024 LAB SCHOOLS

Approved and pending lab schools slated to begin operations in 2024 include:

- **VCUxCodeRVA (currently operational)**
- **Germana FEA**
- **UMW ATI**
- **JMU**
- **MG-TEC**
- **UVA Innovation Hub**
- **Explore @RC**
- **SWVA-HEALS**

To ensure a quality start to operations, VDOE, with the support of the associated higher education and K-12 lab school partners and outside resources as necessary, provide resources, establish networks, and continue engagement with Lab Schools during the critical months leading up to and following Day One and beyond.

CONVENINGS FOR 2024 LAB SCHOOLS



PHASES OF NETWORK FOCUS

Phase I Focal Areas: (April to June 2024)

- Hiring
- Licensure
- Facilities and Safety
- Governing Board Selection & Training
- Curriculum
- Scheduling



Phase II Focal Areas: (June to August 2024)

- Finance
- Compliance (FERPA, SPED, HR, etc.)
- Transportation & Food Service
- Community, Student, & Parent Outreach
- DOE Reporting



Phase III Focal Areas (August to October 2024)

- Media Engagement
- Start of School Requirements
- Attendance
- Performance Evaluations
- Operational Fidelity

NEXT STEPS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

1. Finalize Day One Kit
2. Organize lab schools into thematic sub-networks and provide facilitators for each network
3. Establish weekly launch check-ins for all Fall 2024 lab schools
4. Plan for large scale convenings (in-person or virtual) for 24 and 25 lab schools
5. Continue to support sustainability through activation of business and industry partner networks
6. Establish full program evaluation tools
7. Support 2025 lab schools during start-up year (facilities, hiring, curriculum, scheduling, recruitment and enrollment, etc.)
8. Continue to develop and mobilize as-needed resources for all lab schools