Computer Science Lab School

CSLS's mission is to empower underrepresented middle school students through transformative opportunities and experiences. With an innovative focus on computer science principles, we cultivate curiosity and cultural awareness, empowering students to actively shape their educational journey.

Our vision is to equip middle school students with a pioneering program of study that will prepare them to excel in high school coursework and confidently navigate the technology talent pipeline.





Instructional Approach and Innovations



Computer Science Integration



Design Thinking & Problem-based Learning



Enhanced Electives



Collaborative Learning Spaces



Educator Preparation



Community Partnerships



Capstone Experiences



Integrated Research





Support & Industry Partners

- Tidewater Chapter of the American Society of Naval Engineers (ASNG-TW)
- City of Chesapeake City Manager's Office
- Amazon
- TMI Technical Solutions
- Hampton Roads Executive Roundtable
- Department of Development, City of Chesapeake
- Hampton Roads Workforce Council
- Hampton Roads Chamber
- Virginia Ship Repair Association





Budget Summary & Sustainability

\$ in 000's	Yr 0	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5
Lab School Operating Costs						
Personnel	602	855	1,000	1,023	1,042	757
Non-personnel Expenses	145	300	260	260	260	101
Staff development	24	55	65	65	65	24
Equip/Tech/Furniture	180	190	175	152	133	12
Admin Fee	50	-				
Total Lab School Operating Costs	1,000	1,400	1,500	1,500	1,500	894
Annual Enrollment (# of pupils)		200	300	300	300	300
Cost per pupil (\$)		\$7,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$2,980

Braided sustainability approach leveraging our CS & STEM Regional Ecosystem

- Grants
- Development
- Fundraising
- Partnership position base funding
- Institutional commitment





Outcomes

- CSLS students will work towards achieving the following measurable goals:
 - o 95% SOL test participation
 - o meet or exceed all state testing requirements
 - o acceptance into a specialized program or academy at the high school level
- CSLS students will be prepared for the technology talent pipeline.
- CSLS students will participate in experiential learning opportunities, complete an e-Portfolio, and a culminating project to demonstrate their learning experiences.
- Develop a robust teacher educator pipeline.
- Generate research that will focus on areas such as inter-organizational collaboration, effectiveness of lab schools, teacher and professional learning for lab school success, student learning and engagement, and college and career readiness.





Response to Considerations

- The budget/financials have been updated to reflect the sustainability plans, including adding additional local contribution and institutional contribution.
- A letter of institutional support has been provided.



