#### Making Progress, But Much Work Remains

COVID Learning Loss demonstrated 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> graders suffered significantly from lowered expectations and extended school closures.



- 2022 NAEP results showed Virginia 4<sup>th</sup> Graders with the nation's largest learning loss in reading and math.
- SOL scores confirmed over 60% of 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8th graders failing or near-failing in reading and math.
- The lowered 2020-21 SOL proficiency cut scores masked the dramatic drops in post-pandemic student performance.
- Certain student reporting groups, including English Learners and students with disabilities saw even greater learning loss.



Chronic absenteeism also increased significantly and meaningfully impacted student performance.



ALL In Virginia, a \$418M multi-year effort, launched in the fall of 2023 to provide multi-year intensive tutoring, lessen chronic absenteeism, and accelerate Virginia Literacy Act roll-out.

- While all school divisions embraced ALL In, some were slower getting started and used different tools.
- 70% of school divisions showed improvement in reading, 75% in math.



Overall, Grade 3-8 reading and math scores improved albeit at different rates. Chronic absenteeism was reduced 16%. ALL In is working, but school divisions must continue with the multi-year effort to address the on-going impacts of COVID learning loss.

# ALL In Launch: September 2023 – June 2024

September 2023

October-December 2023

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School Divisions submitted
Version One ALL In plans
between October - contra

December 2023.

Statewide tutoring platforms were contracted between November and December, and school divisions began training and utilizing resources January-April 2024.

January-April 2024.
School divisions
continue to use these
resources now.

School divisions implemented high-dosage tutoring that began between October 2023 and April 2024.

ALL In Announcement that added \$418 million state dollars to allow schools to create **3-year** localized ALL In plans.



## 2023-2024 ALL In Learning Supports for Students

#### School divisions focused on four areas with ALL In learning support.

- 1. **High-Intensity Tutoring:** School divisions **hired additional tutors**, paid teachers stipends, and added more evidence-based tutoring during the school day.
- 2. Extended Time: School divisions added hours before and after school hours as well as added time on Saturdays to provide students additional time outside of the school day for tutoring.
- 3. Summer Programs: Schools also focused on summer school hours and attendees, and some schools added days to the beginning and end of the school year. Many schools added additional at-risk students and expanded hours of programming to support learning recovery.
- 4. Resources: Several schools focused on using the state's free personalized supplemental math and reading resources. 119 school divisions have signed up to use one or more of these state's free personalized resources in 2024-2025.

<sup>\*</sup> See Appendix for details on state resources.

#### 2023-2024 Virginia Literacy Act Supports

- Beginning this school year, the Virginia Literacy Act is being implemented in Grades K-3.
- 100% of school divisions have submitted K-3 Division Literacy Plans to VDOE aligned to the VLA.
- 10,803 K-3 teachers have been trained in the new literacy screener to support earlier identification of struggling students.
- 1,731 principals and assistant principals attended training on implementing VLA this summer.
- Teachers, reading specialists, and educators have already dedicated 142,205 hours to learning effective instructional strategies grounded in evidence-based reading research.

# 2023-2024 ALL In Chronic Absenteeism Supports

- Key component of ALL In plans
- Established statewide Chronic Absenteeism Task Force
- Developed a Chronic Absenteeism Action Kit for Divisions and Schools
- Held a Chronic Absenteeism Symposium to apply resources from Action Kit to localized context with over 200 practitioners in attendance
- VDOE #AttendanceMattersVA Campaign with resources to replicate support local campaigns
- A cohort of 200 principals who met virtually and in person to establish attendance teams, track barriers, and implement strategies for successful attendance

# 2023-2024 Key Findings



Responding to 2022-2023 data showing persistent learning loss in Grades 3-8, Governor Youngkin called for **ALL In VA** to help Virginia students recover from extended pandemic school closures.



Chronic absenteeism **fell 16**% statewide with 40,974 more students now attending school regularly.



Grades 3-8 reading and math show **slow improvement**, and educators must continue to focus on strong instruction and evidence-based, high-intensity tutoring.



English Learners, Students with Disabilities, Black Students, and Economically Disadvantaged Students are showing faster growth than their peers in Grades 3-8.



School divisions who implemented strong **ALL In** plans and maximized evidence-based resources have seen the most growth in attendance, math, and reading.

## **Bath County Grades 3-8 Reading Case Study**

- Created a community-wide focus on literacy and improving the quality of literacy instruction in every classroom.
- Purchased High-Quality Instructional Materials (HQIM) in Fall of 2022 in advance of VLA implementation to create urgency around literacy instruction.
- Adopted significant supplemental interventions for tiered reading support.
- Connected teachers with other regional teachers to develop collaborative teaching literacy network facilitated by the Superintendent.
- Used ALL In funds to pay for tutoring and expanded tutoring capacity for students who needed support. The division used every staff member in tutoring.

Division	2022-2023 Gr 3-8 Pass Rate	2023-2024 Gr 3-8 Pass Rate	Percent Change in Pass Rate
Bath County	66.0%	78.5%	19.0%

## **Brunswick County Grade 3-8 Math Case Study**

- Hired instructional coaches to provide additional training in math concepts and capacity-building for staff.
- Monitored student performance and made data-driven instructional decisions based on identified student needs.
- Implemented data-focused tutoring to support math gaps and ensure tutoring progressed at personalized rates.
- Added more tutors to increase tutor-to-student ratios by using ALL In funding.

Division	2022-2023 Gr 3-8 Pass Rate	2023-2024 Gr 3-8 Pass Rate	Percent Change in Pass Rate
Brunswick County	53.1%	64.4%	21.3%

# Norton City Schools K-12 Attendance Case Study

- Hired two attendance interventionists with Communities in Schools funding (focused on home visits and removal of barriers).
- Enhanced Breakfast after the Bell and afterschool programs.
- Conducted home visits to engage families to better understand their challenges and to offer solutions.
- Increased incentives for positive or improved attendance.
- Expanded parent engagement events, including a community open house to make families feel welcome with a "How can we help you" theme.
- Increased teacher engagement to make positive calls and communications with parents/families.
- Developed creative transportation solutions to be used this school year.

Division	2022-2023	2023-2024	Percent Change in
	K-12 Chronic	K-12 Chronic	Chronic
	Absenteeism Rate	Absenteeism Rate	Absenteeism Rate
Norton City	25.9%	8.9%	-67%

# Dupont Elementary in Hopewell City Gap Closure Case Study

- Focused on student success and removal of barriers.
- Dual Language specialists to engage families and empower families to support student success.
- Focused reading support and literacy programming including "One School, One Book" to emphasize the importance of literacy.
- Student-based attendance team focusing on awareness, monthly, incentives and support removing individualized attendance barriers.

	2022-2023	2023-2024	Percent Change in
	K-12 Chronic Absenteeism Rate	K-12 Chronic Absenteeism Rate	Chronic Absenteeism Rate
Dupont Elementary (Hopewell City Schools)	39.4%	27.9%	-29%
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	Reading Pass Rate	Reading Pass Rate	Percent Change in Reading
	49.6%	55.5%	12%
	Math Pass Rate	Math Pass Rate	Percent Change in Math
	46.8%	60.2%	28.6% 10