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Virginia Department of Education
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DATE: September 9, 2022
TO: Division Superintendents
FROM: Jillian Balow, Superintendent of Public Instruction
SUBJECT: **2022 Virginia School Plant Management Association Annual Conference**

The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE), at the request of the Virginia School Plant Managers Association (VSPMA), is sharing information about the VSPMA 14th Annual Conference. The conference will be held on October 9-12, 2022, in Midlothian, Virginia, at the Doubletree by Hilton. The theme this year is "Adapting: Facilities First." School facilities personnel are relied upon more than ever to keep our schools operating efficiently and to navigate the many maintenance challenges in meeting the needs of today's learners and educators. This year's event will feature professional learning sessions on security, efficiency, sustainability, predictive maintenance, financial alternatives, cooperative purchasing agreements, and asset management.

VSPMA invites you and your division's facility personnel to attend this affordable and educational event. Conference attendance includes school division membership in VSPMA. Students from member school divisions are eligible to apply for VSPMA scholarships to further their education beyond high school. The full conference schedule and online registration forms are available on [VSPMA's website](#).

For more information

If you have any questions concerning the association or conference, you may contact Vernon Jackson, VSPMA President and Operations Supervisor, Suffolk Public Schools, at vernonjackson@spsk12.net, Dr. John Bailey, VSPMA Executive Conference Planner and Director of School Plants, Chesapeake Public Schools, at John.Bailey@cpschools.com, or Hunter Barnes, VDOE Architectural Consultant, at Hunter.Barnes@doe.virginia.gov.

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