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A YEAR IN REVIEW

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The North Carolina Virtual Public School (NCVPS) has successfully been in operation since 2007, serving 821,507 student enrollments since that first year. Below is a snapshot of accomplishments, facts, and recognitions that made the 2023-2024 school year unique.

Celebrated 16 years of serving students across the state, maintaining a focus towards growth, equitable access, and continued excellence for teaching and learning while serving as one of the nation's largest state-led virtual schools.

Instructed over 53,600 student enrollments from approximately 32,239 students.

Veteran NCVPS Instructor, Patricia Lipsey was afforded the opportunity to mentor future teachers attending Valdosta University in Georgia through a joint program between NCVPS and the University.

Graduated 20 teachers from the Teacher-N-Training (TNT) Program which prepares educators to teach virtually for NCVPS.

Welcomed six new critical language coaches to work with students in our growing World Languages curriculum areas.

Canvas New Quizzes is a tool feature in the Canvas LMS that provides interactive question types to expand assessments for students. All NCVPS courses implemented the expanded assessment option.

For 23-24, six NCVPS students competed in the annual statewide virtual NC Science and Engineering Fair. NCVPS Instructional Director, Dr. Thomas Cooper has served as the Region 9 Director for the past three years.

In April 2024, the NCVPS Japanese Department held its annual Japanese National Honor Society (JNHS) virtual induction ceremony. Sixty-six new members were inducted at the ceremony. The NCVPS chapter tied with a school in Hawaii for the most inductees in the United States in 2023.

Welcomed a Southern Methodist University graduate student as the NCVPS Operations Organizational Leadership intern through the NCDPI Summer Internship Program.

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SCORECARD

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→ Super Students

FILTER BY:		Top Enrolling Districts	Top Enrolling Courses
District		District	Course title1
All		Charter Schools6,567	Spanish I1,621
Course title1		Charlotte-Mecklenburg6,137	Blended Founding Principles of the ..1,562
All		Wake County Schools4,139	BLENDED Intro to Math1,540
		Guilford2,754	BLENDED Applied Science1,494
		Cumberland County2,532	BLENDED English II1,478
		Cabarrus2,329	BLENDED English I1,420

Course by Grade Level		Grade Level							
Course title1	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Accounting 1			1		5	34	33	16	
Accounting 1 Honors					2	40	18	39	
Advanced Math 6	1	4							
Advanced Math 7		2	3						
African-American Studi..					16	20	35	46	
American History			1		11	36	64	40	
American History Hono..				3	10	93	123	58	
American Sign Languag..			1		10	86	120	54	
American Sign Languag..			2		10	52	144	105	
Anatomy and Physiolo..					11	59	111	144	
Animal Science				1	23	47	70	60	
AP Art History					1	19	18	22	

Courses by Level	
Level	
Advanced Placement	2,191
Blended	18,416
Credit Recovery	287
General	23,470
Honors	9,328

2023-2024 Numbers to Know:

Pass Rate:

82.9%

Course Enrollments

53,692

Unique Enrollments

32,239

NCVPS remained one of the
nation's largest virtual schools!

SUPER STUDENTS

State Board Goal I:
Eliminate Opportunity Gaps by 2027



The Super Student Award is for students who have gone above and beyond the course requirements and as a result have enriched the content, class dynamic, their own learning, their classmates' learning, and even their teacher's learning.

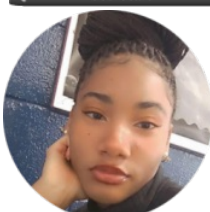
Meet our Super Students by clicking on each one to read more about them.



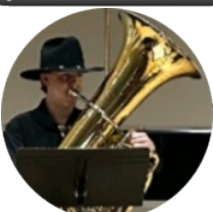
Audrey A.



Zaye M.



Anastacia B.



Ivan P.



Jagruthi H.



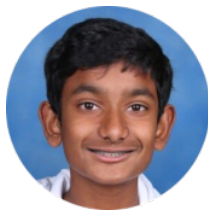
Anika D.



Kalani M.



Ariel L.



Anael G.



Jordyn A.



Owaiz K.



Gabo T.

STUDENT CELEBRATIONS

← Super Students
→ Our Courses



Student Data



72% of students reported being satisfied with their NCVPS course experience, and over 61% would recommend their course to a friend.
~ Student Survey Spring 2024



The Arabic Honor Society recognizes excellence in the study of Arabic and its commitment to its language and culture. To be eligible for induction, students must have completed at least one year of Arabic at the high school level, maintaining a final average of 90% or higher in Arabic I, and must be enrolled in a level II or III course during their junior year.

NCVPS sent 17 Arabic Honor Society cords to students, acknowledging their achievements. Congratulations to these students for this outstanding achievement!



New Arabic Club Launched Spring 2024

The new Arabic club is led by NCVPS Arabic 2 and Arabic 3 Honors teacher Dr. Farida Badr. Club meetings include interactive learning sessions that explore the language, cuisine, traditional holidays, clothing, Arab Folklore dance, and rich cultural facets of the Arab world. In addition, essential scholarships in the Arabic language for high school students are explored. Learn more about our student club opportunities on our [NCVPS Student Life page](#).



On April 23, 2024, the Japanese Department held its annual Japanese National Honor Society (JNHS) virtual induction ceremony. The NCVPS Chapter inducted 66 new members at this ceremony. In order to be eligible for this honor, students must have completed Japanese I and II by March with a grade of 85% or higher and their overall GPA must be at least 3.0.

JNHS inductions at NCVPS began in 2019 and to date we have been able to honor 372 students with this award. Congratulations to all of these students!

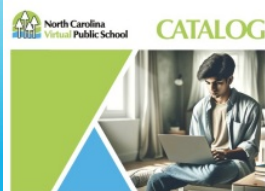
OUR COURSES

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NCVPS has a diverse course catalog that includes all courses for a student to graduate with an NC high school diploma. Click the image above to see 2023-2024 courses by category, and the image below to view the interactive catalog.



Course Highlights

Now Offering 7th Grade ELA, Science, and Social Studies



Middle School students can now meet core requirements for ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies for grades 7-8 through NCVPS. Additionally, NCVPS continues to offer a range of Middle School electives including Middle School Success 101, Middle School Creative Coding, Middle School Creative Writing, Middle School Discovering Photography, and Middle School Creative Writing.

Additionally, all required Science courses for grades 6-12 have been updated to meet the new state standards for Science Education and to provide a fresh, user-friendly design for le..

2023-2024 Quality Matters™ Accomplishments

NCVPS partners with Quality Matters™, a nationally recognized quality assurance organization, to ensure our courses are aligned with research-based high-quality standards by certified and trained reviewers for the Quality Matters™ Program.

- ✓ NCVPS is still the **National leader** with **86**, K-12 QM™ certified courses.
- ✓ Recipient of the **2022 QM™ "Making a Difference for Students" award**. Awardees demonstrate a commitment to ensuring high course quality and using different but valuable approaches to improving learner outcomes.
- ✓ **23** out of **27** NCVPS full-time staff members are QM™ trained.
- ✓ **3** full-time staff members have achieved K-12 Master Reviewer Certification.



OUR TEACHERS

State Board Goal 3:

Increase educator preparedness to meet the needs of every student by 2027

In 2023-2024, NCVPS contracted with **666** teachers and conversation coaches. NCVPS hires temporary, part-time teachers based on enrollment needs. Teacher salaries from the payroll for 2023-2024 total **\$19,199,843.57**.

Virtual Teacher Salaries
(per student amounts)

Academic Year	Summer	Block	Yearlong
2009-2010	\$225	\$450	\$450
2010-2011	\$200	\$350	\$400
2011-2024	\$200	\$306	\$390



Congratulations to Ann Spencer Our 2024 Teacher of the Year

Ann Spencer is proud to be the 2024 NCVPS Teacher of the Year. She has spent over 10 years teaching Blended Applied Science and working as an Instructional Leader for the course.

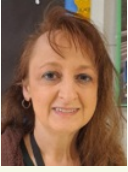
Ann grew up in Rocky Mount, North Carolina and attended North Carolina State University. While at NCSU she worked with the Sci-Link Teacher Education project and graduated with a degree in Secondary Science Education focused on the Earth and Environmental Sciences. After graduation she taught science for 12 years at Athens Drive High School in Raleigh, NC.

When she is not working, she enjoys running, supporting collegiate sports (Go Wolfpack!), kayaking, spending time listening to live music with her husband, and camping with her three children. Please join us in congratulating Ann!



Crissie Ricketts

Co-authored "Fast Track to a 5: AP Precalculus," to be published this fall by Cengage/National Geographic Learning. NCVPS Math and AP instructor.



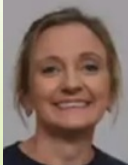
Dr. Carrie Jones

Board of Directors - NSTA (National Science Teachers Association) - Middle Level Division Director. NCVPS Science and Honors instructor.



Ashton Allgood-Batten

Onslow County Schools' STEM Teacher of the Year. NCVPS Science instructor.



Lisa Ragland

North Carolina Cyber Academy (NCCA) District Teacher of the Year. NCVPS Electives instructor.

Academic Results

End-of-Course Test Results 2023-2024

Test	Calculations				State Scores
	Total NCVPS Enrollments	Total Scores Reported	Percent Reported	Percent Proficient	2023-24 State Averages
Biology	195	166	85.1%	42.8%	53.4%
English II	214	181	84.6%	60.2%	59.5%
Math I	621	562	90.5%	64.0%	37.0%
Math III	638	562	88.1%	53.0%	57.6%

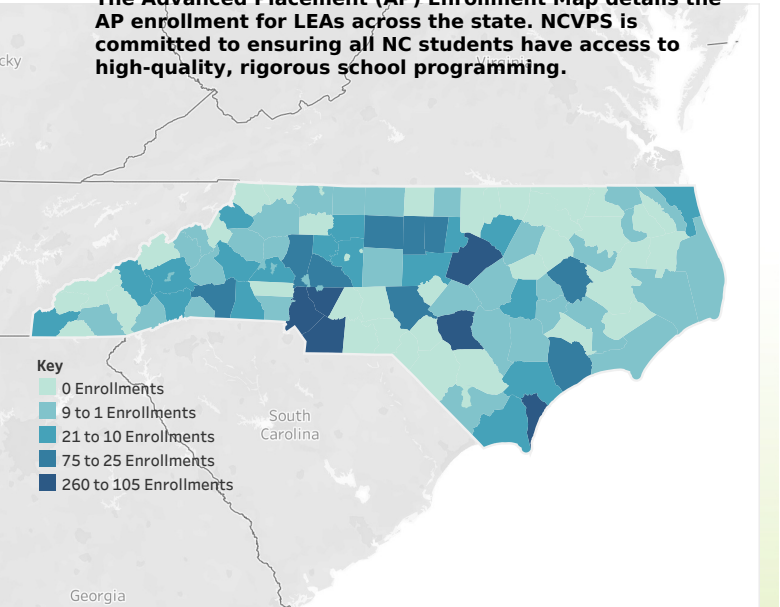
Co-Teaching

Test	Calculations				State Scores
	Total NCVPS Enrollments	Total Scores Reported	Percent Reported	Percent Proficient	2023-24 State Averages
Biology	101	98	97.0%	31.0%	53.4%
English II	28	24	85.7%	12.5%	59.5%
Math I	49	31	63.3%	3.2%	37.0%
Math III	5	4	80.0%	0.0%	57.6%

Occupational Course of Study

Test	Calculations				State Scores
	Total NCVPS Enrollments	Total Scores Reported	Percent Reported	Percent Proficient	2023-24 State Averages
Biology	1684	1554	92.3%	0.5%	53.4%
English II	1748	1580	90.4%	1.7%	59.5%
Math 1	1514	1370	90.5%	0.4%	37.0%

Advanced Placement Enrollment Map
The Advanced Placement (AP) Enrollment Map details the AP enrollment for LEAs across the state. NCVPS is committed to ensuring all NC students have access to high-quality, rigorous school programming.



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the needs of every student by 2027

ESSER III Provided Summer School Courses

5,009

ESSER III funded summer school course enrollments were provided to students across North Carolina during the summer of 2023. PSUs were allotted a set number of enrollments based on 6-12 ADM.

District Support: Middle School IRT Synchronous Program Launches



The NCVPS In-Real-Time (IRT) program was designed to support instruction by providing a certified NCVPS teacher to work alongside a substitute or beginning teacher to provide quality instruction for students. The program model is a whole-class, middle school course, with required synchronous sessions with a NCVPS teacher.

The IRT synchronous learning program was piloted for 8th-grade core instruction in the fall of 2023 with selected schools. Course offerings were in 8th Grade English Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, and Science. A total of 121 students were enrolled and participated in three synchronous sessions per week. Parent Orientation webinars were held, and training was developed for both teachers and facilitators. For more information about the program..

Edvantage Tutoring

CURRICULUMS TUTORED:

7th & 8th Grade ELA, Math & Science
8th Grade Math I
High School Math I & Math III
High School Biology
High School Chemistry
Asynchronous Writing Lab

by Curriculum:
Math 83.7%
Science 9.9%
ELA 6.4%

PARTICIPATION:

45 partnering schools representing 6 districts
2 partnering charter schools




NCVPS
EDVANTAGE TUTORING
Offering NC Students A Virtual Tutoring Advantage

83.1% of students tutored reported that their understanding of the subject matter increased

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Engage, Learn, Grow
 A Newsletter for NCVPS Teachers • Issue 1, Summer 2024

Welcome

We are thrilled to launch "Engage, Learn, Grow," a newsletter dedicated to your ongoing development and success. We will publish one issue a semester, including summer.

What to expect:

- Action-packed content: Dive deep into articles covering instructional design, student engagement, and even wellness tips to keep you feeling energized.
- Professional development: Stay informed about upcoming workshops, tips, and opportunities to level up your skills.

New for Teachers in 2024!

NCVPS' new teacher newsletter entitled, "Engage, Learn, Grow," is now available! It includes updates on instructional design, student engagement tips, and professional development opportunities. Stay informed and enhance your teaching practices with the insights provided.

Teacher and School Support:

NCVPS Staff Attended DLAC and Hosted 2nd NC Meetup

NCVPS is the North Carolina state affiliate for the Digital Learning Collaborative. This year, NCVPS staff presented several conference sessions and hosted our 2nd North Carolina Educators' Meetup at the Digital Learning Annual Conference (DLAC). The meetup was well attended by educators across North Carolina.



238

teachers completed our Teacher Online Training I and II (ToT, ToTII)



10,006

educators served in our Professional Development courses.



1,415

CEU certificates issued in our Digital Transition Webinar Series.

OUTREACH & SUPPORT

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New This Year! Our Parent & Student Newsletter
A monthly newsletter with important dates, NCVPS support options, student celebration, teacher spotlights, and live session dates!

Parent and Student Support:



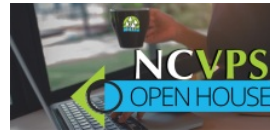
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Culture Cafe sessions on foreign culture and Student Research Alliance sessions for **students** offered.



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hours of **support** provided during our LIVE, daily sessions. Click and save the link!



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parent and student registrants for information and Q&A in our live Open House sessions.



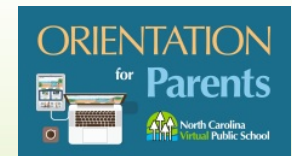
4,145

peer tutoring session hours available to **students** during the 23-24 academic year.



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IworkNCVPS sessions for **students** featuring career paths and jobs hosted ..



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parent registrants for information and Q&A in our live Parent Orientation sessions.

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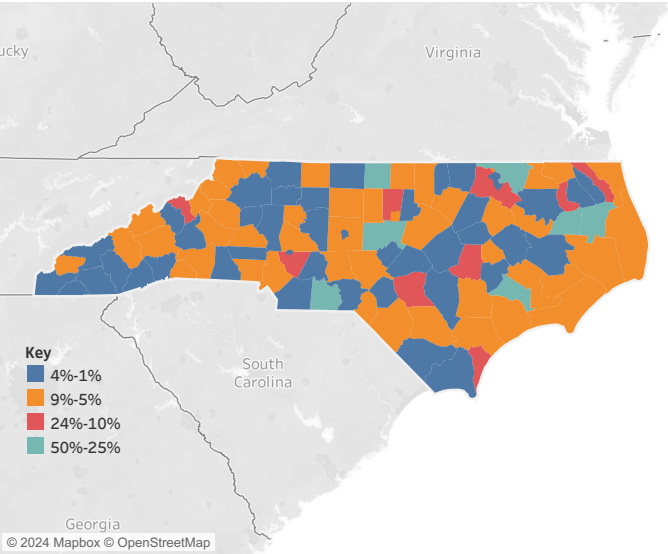
DISTRICT IMPACT

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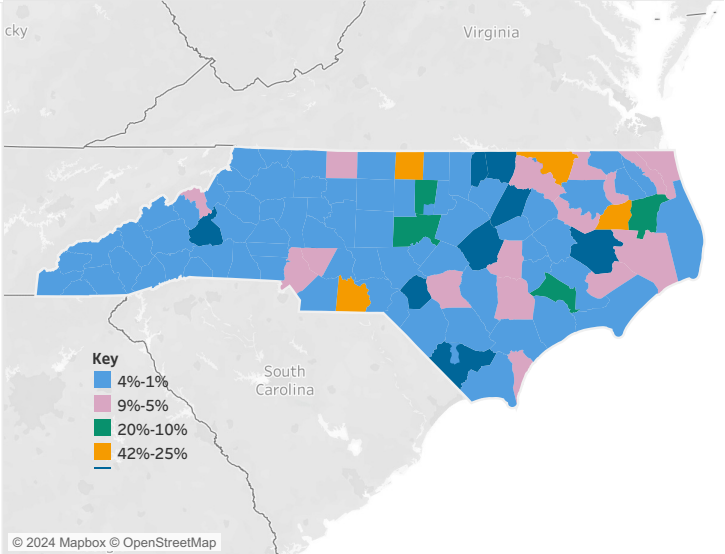
[→ Future Programs Spotlight](#)



PERCENTAGE OF ALL ENROLLMENTS FOR DISTRICT ADM, GRADES 6-12



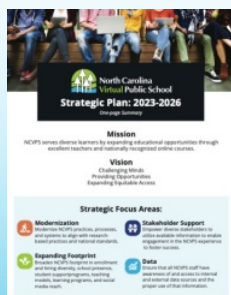
PERCENTAGE OF UNIQUE ENROLLMENTS FOR DISTRICT ADM, GRADES 6-12



LEAs							LEA	
LEA	Actual Costs	Projection	Difference	Percent of Projection Used	Adjustments for Enrollments to 100%		All	
Alamance-Burlington	202,291	233,024	30,733	87%	-27,523			Percent of Projection Used
Alexander County	32,546	45,644	13,098	71%	0			0% to 2417%
Alleghany County	14,925	14,761	-164	101%	-3,690			
Anson County	266,090	34,127	-231,963	780%	-8,532			
Ashe County	45,370	40,409	-4,961	112%	-10,102			
Asheboro City	24,868	55,447	30,579	45%	0			
Asheville City	38,308	43,988	5,680	87%	-5,317			
Charters							Charter	
Charter	Actual Costs	Projection	Difference	Percent of Projection Used	Adjustments for Enrollments to 100%		All	
American Leadership Academy Cha..	12,688	6,709	-5,979	0%	-1,677			Percent of Projection Used
Apprentice Academy High School o..	20,947	61,376	40,429	34%	0			0% to 4355%
Arapahoe Charter School	4,975	5,445	470	0%	-891			
ArtSpace Charter	1,314	0	-1,314	0%	0			
Ascend Leadership Academy Charter	6,631	7,375	744	0%	-1,100			

FUTURE SPOTLIGHT

State Board Goal I:
*Eliminate Opportunity Gaps
by 2025*



New 2023-2026 Strategic Plan

In 2023, NCVPS redefined its mission and vision statements and developed a strategic plan with four primary goals. Click the image for the PDF version of the Plan.



NCVPS Middle School Catalog to Offer Full Secondary Course of Study

We have expanded our 7th and 8th grade course catalog. All courses are teacher led and standards-based. They include interactive and engaging content, as well as personalized and detailed feedback. Progress reports are available bi-weekly for schools.

School support includes: Teacher professional development, middle school specific webinars and orientations, Virtual Support Center for technical issues, ..

Artificial Intelligence, Accessibility, and NCVPS

NCVPS is expanding its exploration and integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) into teaching, learning, and overall operations to drive innovation and efficiency. The goal is to personalize instruction using adaptive learning platforms to ensure we are continuously improving and meeting student needs. We will utilize AI to make teaching more responsive, learning more individualized, and operations more efficient, ensuring that NCVPS remains at the forefront of digital education.

NCVPS is constantly improving our efforts to make digital education accessible to all students. Our Digital Accessibility Plan is a dynamic document that demonstrates our commitment to meeting WCAG 2.1 standards. We ensure accessible course materials, captioned videos, and alternative text for images. Continuous training is provided to educators to enable them to deliver personalized, accessible learning experiences. As technology ad..