Virginia Beach City Public Schools (VBCPS) has nearly 67K students and more than 10,000 staff members. The school division is the largest in Hampton Roads and 50th largest in the country.

For the second consecutive year, 100 percent of schools tested in VBCPS earned full state accreditation from the state of Virginia.

According to the College Board, more VBCPS students – from more diverse backgrounds – enrolled in Advanced Placement (AP) courses, took a record number of AP Exams and performed better than ever before.

Last year, across the city, approximately 35,000 volunteers and partners in education donated more than 400,000 hours of service to VBCPS to support the work and mission of the division.

VBCPS has reached an all-time high graduation rate (93.3 percent) and its lowest ever dropout rate (3.8 percent). These are not only division records, they also beat the state performance of 91.6 percent and 5.5 percent, respectively.

The VBCPS Class of 2018 was offered more than $104 million in scholarships. They went on to accept more than $63 million. Both numbers are all-time records for the division.

Student achievement continues to rise in Virginia Beach City Public Schools. Standards are higher than ever and VBCPS students continue to outperform their peers in a number of critical areas: graduation rates, SAT scores, and SOL performance, just to name a few.

What Our Community Says:
Parents, students and staff are issued climate and input surveys to give their feedback on their school and the division as a whole. These are some of the most recent results:

• An overwhelming majority of both students (85 percent) and parents (92 percent) reported that VBCPS schools are safe and orderly places to learn.
• More than 90 percent of families said they were satisfied with division events, programs and resources supporting students.
• More than 80 percent of students reported that academic and career planning helped them make informed decisions about college, employment or military service.
• Parents and students both agreed – more than 92 percent and 82 percent respectively – that school is a welcoming place to learn.
• More than 88 percent of VBCPS staff reported they are proud to work for the school division.

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• All VBCPS testing schools earned full accreditation for the second consecutive year—no other school division in Southside Hampton Roads has done so.

• The Center for Digital Education named VBCPS one of the nation’s best digital school districts, awarding the division a top-ten ranking in its annual Digital School Districts Survey.

• The School Superintendents Association named VBCPS one of the top 25 school divisions in the nation for its innovative practices.

• VBCPS is a 1:1 school division, with a Chromebook or laptop available for every student in the city to help extend their learning.

• VBCPS students earned 13,634 industry credentials during the 2017-18 school year, an all-time record for the division.

• Governor Ralph Northam and the state Board of Education (BOE) named VBCPS and 22 of its schools 2018 Virginia Index of Performance (VIP) award winners. The annual awards recognize school divisions and individual schools that exceed state and federal accountability standards and achieve excellence goals.

• VBCPS outscores the nation in the overall SAT mean score and mean section scores.

• VBCPS was awarded a $4 million Department of Defense grant to implement the National Math and Science Initiative (NMSI) College Readiness Program in five VBCPS high schools (Cox, Kempsville, Landstown, Ocean Lakes and Princess Anne) to increase the number of students taking and excelling in college-level math, science and English classes.

• The American Heart Association named VBCPS the top school division in the state for its ongoing efforts in promoting health awareness.

• All 11 VBCPS comprehensive high schools earned the 2017 National Council of Excellence Award from the National Association of Student Councils (NASC). Only 18 schools in Virginia received this honor which recognizes student councils for their records of leadership and service.

• VBCPS was among the 10 school districts and one school honored with the 2017 Learning Counsel Digital Curriculum Strategy Award. According to the Learning Counsel, recipients “were recognized for their work to not only transform the way they teach but for their management-level restructuring for digital delivery.”