# 2023 VASS-VASBO WINTER CONFERENCE

# JANUARY 9-10, 2023 RICHMOND MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN





# **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

## Sunday, January 8, 2023

8:30 - 1:30pm VIRGINIA TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Shenandoah Room

5:00 - 6:30pm VASS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Shenandoah Room

5:00 - 6:30pm VASBO EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING
Dominion/Commonwealth Room

7:00 - 8:30pm VASS BOARD OF DIRECTORS DINNER
Lillie Pearl Restaurant
Sponsored by: VASS Associate Partner Better Lesson and Lifetouch
7:00 - 8:30pm VASBO EXECUTIVE TEAM DINNER

Dominion/Commonwealth Room

## Monday, January 9, 2023

#### 7:00 - 8:30am BREAKFAST & VENDOR VISITS

Grand Ballroom

Sponsored by: VASS Associate Partners Education Elements, NWEA: MAP Growth, and Participate Learning

7:00 - 8:30am CONFERENCE CHECK-IN

Prefunction Foyer

#### 7:15 - 8:15am VASS PROFESSIONAL LEARNING PLANNING COMMITTEE BREAKFAST MEETING

Designated Tables in Grand Ballroom

#### 8:30 - 8:45am WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Grand Ballroom

Michael Gill, VASS President and Division Superintendent, Hanover County Mandy Hall, VASBO President and Chief Financial Officer, Salem City Schools

#### 8:45 - 9:15am THE VIRGINIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BLUEPRINT

Grand Ballroom

Barry DuVal, President and CEO, Virginia Chamber of Commerce

Sponsored by: VASS Senior Partner and VASBO Diamond Partner **Frontline** Education, VASS Senior Associate Partner and VASBO Platinum Partner **Pierce** Insurance, and VASS Senior Partners Just Right Reader, K12 Insight and Curriculum Associates

#### 9:15 - 10:00am PANEL DISCUSSION: BUSINESS AND EDUCATION LEADER RESPONSE TO THE BLUEPRINT

#### Grand Ballroom

Jeffery Smith, Division Superintendent, Hampton City Mary Bunting, City Manager, Hampton City Amy Cashwell, Division Superintendent, Henrico County Kume Goranson, Executive Director, CodeRVA Regional High School Ben Nelson, Consultant and Technical Lead, SingleStone Paul Nichols, Division Superintendent, Mecklenburg County Ryland Clark, Community Relations and Engagement Manager, Hitachi Energy

Sponsored by: VASBO Diamond Partner Virginia Ready Mixed Concrete Association, VASS Senior Partners Apptegy and Imagine Learning, VASS Partners Moseley Architects and Right at School, and VASS Associate Partner DLR Group

#### 10:00 - 10:30am PANEL DISCUSSION: EDUCATION INITIATIVES OF THE YOUNGKIN ADMINISTRATION INCLUDING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

#### Grand Ballroom

Jillian Balow, Virginia State Superintendent of Public Instruction Michael Gill, VASS President and Division Superintendent, Hanover County Mandy Hall, VASBO President and Chief Financial Officer, Salem City Schools

Sponsored by: VASS Partner and VASBO Platinum Partner **Horace Mann** and VASS Senior Associate Partners **Benchmark Education**, **Carrier Enterprise**, and **Grand Canyon University**, and VASS Associate Partners **Catapult Learning-SESI** and **Veritiv** 

#### 10:30 - 11:00am TABLE DISCUSSIONS: WHAT LOCAL SCHOOL DIVISIONS ARE DOING OR COULD DO TO ADDRESS THE BLUEPRINT

Grand Ballroom

#### 11:00 - 11:15am BREAK - VENDOR VISITS

Grand Ballroom

#### 11:15 - 12:00pm BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Sponsored by: VASS Associate Partner and VASBO Platinum Partner **Mark III** Employee Benefits and VASS Associate Partners **Air Mechanical Solutions**, Audio Enhancement, Better Lesson, and VMDO

#### **GO VIRGINIA- CREATING TALENT PATHWAYS**

Salon 1-3

**Bryan David**, Go Virginia Region 3 Executive Director **Julie Brown**, Institute of Advanced Learning and Research **Sara J Dunnigan**, Deputy Director, GO Virginia and Economic Development Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)

#### LEGAL HOT TOPICS

Salon 4-5

Micah Schwartz, VASS Legal Counsel

#### UNIQUE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT STRATEGIES TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN STAFF

Salon 6-8

Nancy Grasso, Regional Vice President, OneDigital Sarah Struckmann, Business Development Executive, OneDigital

#### 12:00 - 1:00pm LUNCH AND LUNCHEON SPEAKER

Grand Ballroom

Bob Holsworth, Managing Principal, Get Smart

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#### 1:00 – 1:15pm BREAK - VENDOR VISITS

Grand Ballroom

#### 1:15 - 1:45pm FEDERAL UPDATE

Grand Ballroom

**Noelle Ellerson Ng**, Associate Executive Director of Advocacy and Governance, AASA

Sponsored by: VASS Associate Partners **Care Solace**, **College Board**, **Crabtree Rohrbaugh and Associates**, **Discovery Education**, and **Dreambox Learning** 

#### 1:45 - 2:15pm PANEL DISCUSSION: LIFE AFTER ESSER

Grand Ballroom

Kathleen Jackson, Chief Financial Officer, Roanoke City Public Schools Verletta White, Division Superintendent, Roanoke City Public Schools Chip Jones, Division Superintendent, Cumberland County Public Schools Debbie White, Chief Financial Officer, Goochland County Public Schools

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# 2:15 - 2:45pm TABLE DISCUSSION: HOW IS YOUR DIVISION PLANNING FOR LIFE AFTER ESSER?

Grand Ballroom

#### 2:45 - 3:15pm PANEL DISCUSSION: JLARC STUDIES ADDRESSING DUAL ENROLLMENT, EFFECTS OF THE PANDEMIC, AND SOQ

Grand Ballroom

Justin Brown, Associate Director, JLARC Lauren Axselle, Principal Analyst and Project Leader, JLARC Brittany Utz, Senior Analyst, JLARC

Sponsored by: VASBO Platinum Partner **Equitable**, and VASS Associate Partners **Kloud12**, Lexia Learning, Littera Education, and Newsela

#### 5:00 - 6:30pm RECEPTION IN HONOR OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEMBERS AND KEY EDUCATION POLICYMAKERS

Salons 1-4

#### 7:00pm DINNER FOR VASS BOARD MEMBERS AND VASBO EXECUTIVE TEAM

Fall Line Restaurant

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## Tuesday, January 10, 2023

5:30 - 6:15am	FUN "RUN-WALK" NETWORKING ACTIVITY
	Meet in Hotel Lobby
7:00 - 9:00am	CONFERENCE CHECK-IN
	Prefunction Foyer
7:30 - 8:45am	BREAKFAST & VENDOR VISITS
	Grand Ballroom
	Sponsored by: VASS Associate Partners <b>PowerSchool</b> , <b>Sun Tribe Solar</b> , and <b>rethinkED</b>
7:30 - 8:30am	VASS PARTNER ADVISORY COMMITTEE BREAKFAST MEETING
	Shenandoah Room
7:30 - 8:30am	VASBO MANAGEMENT TEAM BREAKFAST MEETING
	Dominion/Commonwealth Room

#### 7:30 - 8:30am CATAPULT-SESI FOCUS GROUP BREAKFAST MEETING

Madison Room

#### 8:45 - 9:00am WELCOME AND DOOR PRIZES

Grand Ballroom

Kristy Somerville-Midgette, VASS President-Elect and Division Superintendent, Brunswick County

#### 9:00 - 9:30am ANALYZING THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET

Grand Ballroom

Jim Regimbal, Co-Founder, Fiscal Analytics, Ltd.

Sponsored by: VASS Partner **Pierce Group Benefits** and VASS Senior Associate Partners **Rivermont New Story Schools**, **RRMM Architects**, **ST Math-Mind Research**, and **Stantec** 

#### 9:30 - 10:00am VRS UPDATE, INCLUDING RETURN TO WORK

Grand Ballroom

Patricia Bishop, Director, Virginia Retirement System

Sponsored by: VASS Associate Partner and VASBO Platinum Partner **Paymerang**, and VASS Associate Partners **Open Up Resources**, **Paper**, **Renaissance**, and **VRSA** 

#### 10:00 - 10:30am CURRENT AND FUTURE GAMING REVENUES FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION

Grand Ballroom

Kelly Gee, Executive Director, Virginia Lottery

Sponsored by: VASBO Diamond Partner **Allovue**, and VASS Associate Partners **S. B. Ballard**, **School of Innovations and Achievement**, **Sibme**, **Teach Upbeat**, and **The Nutrition Group** 

# 10:30 - 11:00am REGIONAL DISCUSSIONS: REACTIONS TO THE CONFERENCE SESSIONS

Grand Ballroom

#### 11:00 - 11:45am VASBO MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS MEETING AND RECOGNITIONS

Grand Ballroom

#### 11:45 - 12:45pm VASBO PAST PRESIDENTS' NOMINATIONS MEETING AND LUNCH

Dominion/Commonwealth Room

# **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

#### GO VIRGINIA- CREATING TALENT PATHWAYS- SALON 1-3

**Bryan David**, Go Virginia Region 3 Executive Director **Julie Brown**, Institute of Advanced Learning and Research **Sara J Dunnigan**, Deputy Director, GO Virginia and Economic Development Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)

This experienced team will provide information about GO Virginia and current K12 initiatives funded through GO Virginia. The team will share the process in which school divisions can apply for GO Virginia funding.

#### LEGAL HOT TOPICS- SALON 4-5

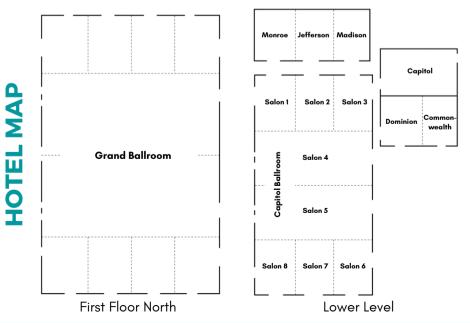
#### Micah Schwartz, VASS Legal Counsel

VASS Legal Consultant Micah Schwartz will provide an update on the VA DOE's model policies regarding transgender students and sexually-explicit material and also explain other legal and legislative developments in the past year that impact senior school administrators.

# UNIQUE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT STRATEGIES TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN STAFF- SALON 6-8

Nancy Grasso, Regional Vice President, OneDigital Sarah Struckmann, Business Development Executive, OneDigital

Many things we thought we knew about people and their relationship with work changed dramatically during the past few years. The challenges we face today with finding valuable people, being able to recruit them, and then ultimately trying to keep them are immense. The presenters will discuss how and why the workforce is changing, how different generations require different things, and how education leaders can adapt to attract higher quality employees and retain them.





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