# **Stafford Schools**

Expanding Opportunities for ALL Students

Leadership, Education, and Public Service Center

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Virtual Information Session

Stafford County Public Schools

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Stafford County
Public Schools

# #ElevateStafford Goals



Meaningful Post-Secondary Outcomes and Choices for All Students



High Expectations
& Academic
Excellence for
All Students



Safe, Engaging & Welcoming Environment for All



Support & Investment in All Staff







Pathway I: Civic Leadership

- Pathway II: Civic Leadership with International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (min criteria Algebra I)
- Pathway III: Teachers for Tomorrow

Pathway IV: Law and Criminal Justice



# **Pathway I: Civic Leadership**

	LAUNCH	LEARN		LEAD
	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
English	Center English 9	Center English 10	Center English 11	Center English 12
History and Social Sciences	Center World History	Center World History	Center Virginia and United States History	Center Virginia and United States Government
Pathway Requirement	Communication for Leadership and Public Service	Policy, Advocacy, and Ethics	Community Organization and Advocacy with Service Capstone Proposal	Leadership and Public Service Seminar with Capstone Presentation



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## Pathway II: Civic Leadership with IB

	LAUNCH	LEARN		LEAD
	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
English (Group 1 Language A)	Center English 9	Center English 10	IB Language and Literature	IB Language and Literature
World Language* (Group 2 Language B)	World Language Level I World Language Level II (semester courses) World Language Level II	World Language Level III	IB World Language Acquisition I	IB World Language Acquisition II
Pathway Requirement	Communication for Leadership and Public Service	Policy, Advocacy, and Ethics	Community advocacy and service requirements of the specialty center included in required IB Diploma Programme coursework	



#### International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

- Pre-IB courses are honors courses in 9th and 10th grade
- IB courses are challenging, rigorous, college-level courses in
   11th and 12th grade
- An IB Diploma Candidate attempts to earn two diplomas: one from MVHS and one from International Baccalaureate
- Students take 5 two-year core courses (English, History, Science, Math, and World Language) and 1 one-year elective, plus The Core of ToK, CAS, and EE to earn the IB diploma



#### International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

- The Core
  - ToK (Theory of Knowledge) trains critical thinking and the process of knowledge acquisition, development, and evaluation; <u>critical</u> reflection
  - CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service) 18 consecutive months of experiences; <u>affective</u> reflection
  - EE (Extended Essay) 4,000 word research-based essay on topic of student's choice; <u>process</u> reflection



#### International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

- Benefits include
  - excellent preparation for higher education
  - focus on critical thinking, global competence, and whole-learner development
  - college-level research experience before leaving high school
  - weighted GPA
  - possible college credit



# **Pathway III: Teachers for Tomorrow**

	LAUNCH	LEARN		LEAD
	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
English	Center English 9	Center English 10	Center English 11	DE English 12
History and Social Sciences	Center World History I	Center World History	Center Virginia and United States History	Center Virginia and United States Government
Program Requirement	Communication for Leadership and Public Service	Psychology	DE Virginia Teachers for Tomorrow I*	DE Virginia Teachers for Tomorrow II



## **Pathway IV: Law and Criminal Justice**

	LAUNCH	LEARN		LEAD
	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
English	Center English 9	Center English 10	Center English 11	DE English 12
History and Social Sciences	Center World History I	Center World History II	Center Virginia and United States History	Center Virginia and United States Government
Pathway Requirement	Communication for Leadership and Public Service	Policy, Advocacy, and Ethics	Criminal Justice I: Law Enforcement	Criminal Justice II: Law and the Justice System
Suggested Elective	Elective	Elective	Sociology	Homeland Security and/or Digital Security

# **Application**

- First round notifications February 5, 2024
- First selection deadline February 21, 2024
- Log into your <u>account</u> to accept one offer
- Click "View Submitted Applications"
- Accepting an offer declines all other offers including wait list offers
- For offers received after February 5, please check the expiration date in your <u>account</u>

# **Transportation**

- Any rising 9th or 10th grade student that accepts an offer to attend a specialty center or program pathway will be required to transfer to the offering school
- Rising 11th and 12th grade students may choose to travel to their program
- Transportation is provided between the home and school or between schools

#### **Additional Information**

- Students who transfer become full time members of that school including VHSL eligibility including clubs, sports and activities
- Students who leave a Center or program will be required to return to their zoned high school
- Students wishing to transfer into a different pathway at their
   Center may make that request if space is available
- Scheduling will be completed by the Center Counseling team