

BRVGS Program Profile, 2022-23

The Blue Ridge Virtual Governor's School (BRVGS) is a Virginia Academic-Year Governor's School, consisting of a connected community of over 630 high school students from the counties of Fluvanna, Goochland, Greene, Louisa, Madison, Nelson and Orange in central Virginia. The primary purpose of the BRVGS is to teach critical skills for success to a highly able and motivated cohort of students through shared academic experiences. More information on Virginia's Academic Year Governor's Schools can be found by going to Virginia's Department of Education website at: www.doe.virginia.gov.

Students usually apply as 8th grade students in order to gain admission to this highly competitive program, although they can apply for open slots in later grades. The application process involves student interviews, teacher recommendations, GPA, standardized testing of achievement and ability, and a performance writing task.

Students of BRVGS are held to exemplary standards, both intellectually and ethically. Every student enrolled in the Blue Ridge Virtual Governor's School is required to enroll in the most rigorous courses offered at their home school. Moreover, they also must take BRVGS core courses in which they are required to collaborate with peers in other member schools on challenging projects on a regular basis. In addition, BRVGS students can also take elective courses in partnership with the University of Virginia and other colleges, as available. BRVGS core courses include:

9th Grade: World History/Technology Through The Ages

This course incorporates the Standards of Learning for World History I and II, and focuses on the development and use of technology throughout history. Field trips include two trips to Washington, DC. Students also collaborate to research, develop, and present semester-long projects. Students receive two credits for this course.

10th Grade: Advanced Placement Biology

This course incorporates Advanced Placement Biology and the study of modern biotechnology. Students participate in college level laboratory projects and develop, research and present group "grant-writing" projects on bioethical issues. Students participate in a Chesapeake Bay Foundation field trip. Students receive two credits for this course.

11th and 12th Grade: Online Course

Juniors and Seniors typically take one or more of several online courses available through BRVGS. In most of these courses, students collaborate on solutions to problems that they identify and research, and then present their results to their peers. For more information regarding BRVGS online courses, please visit the BRVG Program of Studies at: sites.google.com/brvgs.k12.va.us/brvgs-program-of-studies/home

12th Grade: Senior Capstone Project

Seniors identify specific subjects of interest for research, internship and community service projects. Students present the results of their research and experiences to panels of evaluators at the end of their senior year. Students receive one credit for this course. Seniors also typically take at least one of the online courses offered by BRVGS.

BRVGS Graduate Information, Class of 2022

In order to graduate with a BRVGS diploma seal, students must:

- Take and pass at least 4 Advanced Placement or Dual Enrollment courses (including BRVGS Advanced Placement Biology)
- Pass a total of 5 Math courses
- Pass a total of 5 Science courses
- Complete 3 approved online courses through BRVGS
- Meet the graduation requirements for the Virginia Advanced Studies Diploma.

Student Profile - BRVGS Class of 2022

Class size - 151

Average SAT Score

BRVGS: 1240.7

Virginia: 1151

National: 1051

Post-Graduate Plans

VA Public College	99	VA Private College	13	Out of State/Other	17
College of William and Mary	2	Bridgewater College	2	Arizona State University	1
George Mason University	4	Liberty University	3	Clemson University	1
Germanna Comm College	3	Randolph Macon College	2	Coastal Carolina University	1
James Madison University	18	Roanoke College	2	Contemporary Music school	1
Longwood University	3	University of Lynchburg	2	Duke University	2
Old Dominion University	1	Washington and Lee	3	Montreat College	1
Piedmont Comm College	5	University of Richmond	1	North Carolina State	1
Radford University	2			Penn Foster College	1
Reynolds Comm College	2			Princeton University	2
University Mary Washington	3			Texas A&M	2
University of Virginia	27			University of Iowa	1
VA Commonwealth University	5			University of North Carolina	1
Virginia Tech	23			University Southern Florida	1
Virginia Military Institute	1			West Virginia University	1

Other: 10