



# Shenandoah Valley Governor's School





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# What is Governor's School?

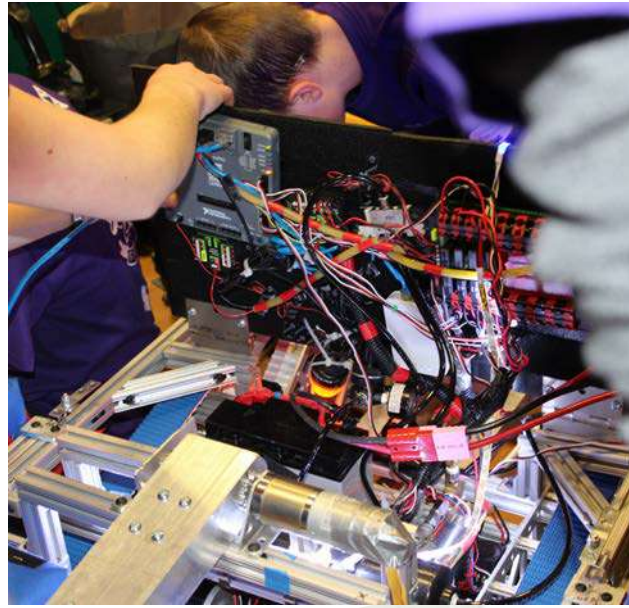
- A community of learners that excels in arts and sciences.





# What happens at Governor's School?

- Nurture and develop talents
- Expand knowledge
- Improve critical thinking skills
- Foster sense of personal and social responsibility



# Transferable Skills

1. Intellectual Curiosity
2. Intellectual Independence
3. Persistence and Perseverance
4. Critical Analysis and Reflection
5. Problem Solving
6. Leadership and Collaboration
7. Communication
8. Digital Literacy
9. Social and Ethical Responsibility



# Why Governor's School?

- Challenging environment for learning
- Practical and professional opportunities
- Connects area students who have similar passions
- Small class sizes
- Guest artists/speakers in specialized areas







# Where, When & How

- Shenandoah Valley Governor's School Fishersville, VA
- Arts & Humanities (Humanities and Theatre/Visual Art) or STEM
- 2-year program
- 4 classes each year
- Monday –Friday 7:40 a.m. -11:00 a.m. (return to home school in afternoon)



# ARTS & HUMANITIES

Junior Year		Senior Year	
Humanities I 		Humanities II 	
Art History I	Intro to Theater	Art History II	Drama, Theory & Criticism
Studio Art I	Acting I	Studio Art II/AP	Acting II
Crafts & Skills I	Crafts & Skills I	Crafts & Skills II	Crafts & Skills II



## Typical JUNIOR AH Lecture Schedule Monday, Tuesday & Friday

*(Students take Humanities, studio art/acting and art/theater appreciation classes at SVGS.)*

	Fall		Spring	
<b>7:45</b>	Art History	IWT	Art History	IWT
<b>8:30</b>	Studio I	Humanities I	Studio I	Humanities I
<b>9:15</b>	IWT	Intro to Theater	IWT	Intro to Theater
<b>10:00</b>	Humanities I	Acting I	Humanities I	Acting I
<b>10:55</b>	Return to Homeschool (carpool, parents, tech bus)			
<b>11:15 -3:00</b>	Homeschool 3 <sup>rd</sup> Block/Lunch		Homeschool 3 <sup>rd</sup> Block/Lunch	
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	Wednesday	Thursday
7:45	Studio Art I	Crafts & Skills I
10:00	Humanities I	Intro to Theater
10:55	Return to Homeschool (carpool, parents, tech bus)	
11:15 -3:00	Homeschool 3 <sup>rd</sup> Block/Lunch	Homeschool 3 <sup>rd</sup> Block/Lunch
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# Guest Artists

- The opportunity to work with community artists in specific media/disciplines
- Artists come once a week for 2 hours and 15 minutes each time.
- Sessions generally run 7 weeks.





# STEM

Junior Year		Senior Year	
Physics		Senior Capstone	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pre-Calculus</li><li>• AP Calculus (BC)</li><li>• Calculus (DE)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Scientific Research - Life Science</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AP Calculus (BC)</li><li>• Calculus (DE)</li><li>• Adv. Calculus-Multivariable</li><li>• AP Statistics</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advanced Technology</li><li>• AP Computer Science</li><li>• Computer Networking &amp; Security</li><li>• Engineering II</li><li>• Geospatial Information Systems</li></ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Scientific Research - Physical Science</li><li>• Engineering</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AP Chemistry</li><li>• AP Environmental Science</li><li>• Environmental Chemistry (DE)</li><li>• Molecular Biology (DE)</li><li>• Modern Physics</li></ul>	

## Typical JUNIOR STEM Lecture Schedule Monday, Tuesday & Friday

*(Students take a math, science and technology class at SVGS.)*

	Fall	Spring
<b>7:45</b>	SVGS - Calculus	SVGS - Calculus
<b>8:30</b>	IWT	IWT
<b>9:15</b>	SVGS - Research	SVGS - Research
<b>10:00</b>	SVGS - Physics	SVGS - Physics
<b>10:55</b>	Return to Homeschool (carpool, parents, tech bus)	
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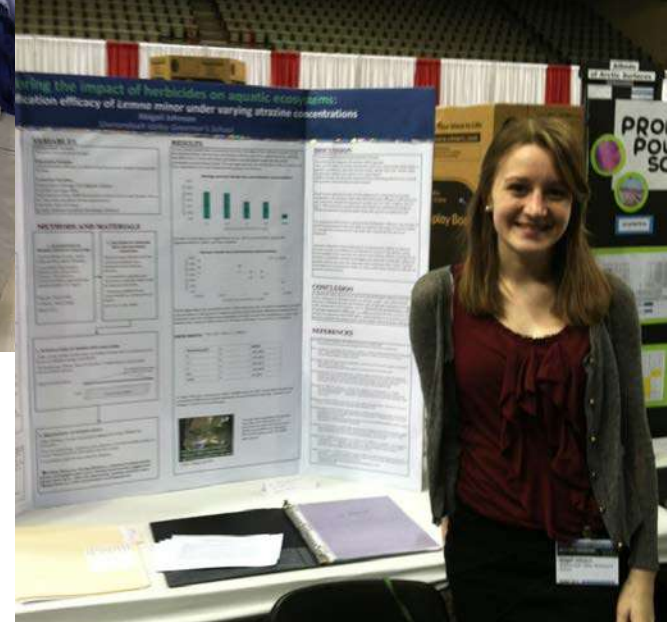
## Typical JUNIOR STEM Lab Schedule Wednesday & Thursday

*(Students take a math, science and technology class at SVGS.)*

	Wednesday	Thursday
7:45	SVGS - Calculus	SVGS - Research
9:15	IWT	SVGS - Physics
10:55	Return to Homeschool (carpool, parents, tech bus)	
11:15 -3:00	Homeschool 3 <sup>rd</sup> Block/Lunch	Homeschool 3 <sup>rd</sup> Block/Lunch
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- *“Practical” experiences*
  - “Applied”
  - Emphasis placed on problem analysis
  - Minimum of rote exercises
  - Content integration with embedded technology
- *“Professional” experiences*
  - Research and engineering projects
  - Presentations to external audiences
  - Perform services for community groups
- *“Personal” experiences*
  - Emphasis on time management, personal responsibility, and cooperative efforts



# How do I get in?

## Visit!

- Schedule a morning and/or day at SVGS through your Guidance Counselor
- Take the PSAT in October (VERY SOON!)
- Take required SVGS assessments
- Prepare for audition/portfolio/interview!

## Apply!

Applications will be available through your Guidance Counselor or on-line at

<https://svgsstudentnews.wordpress.com/admissions/> after December 1



# “TO DO” List for **ALL** Applicants

## **The student application includes:**

- ✓ *Application Form*
- ✓ *Activities Sheet*
- ✓ *Student Profile Sheet (to be completed by a Guidance Counselor)*
- ✓ *Transcript, current class schedule and report card*
- ✓ *Two Teacher Recommendations (Math and Science or English and Art or Theatre)*
- ✓ *One Counselor Recommendation*
- ✓ *PSAT scores*
- ✓ *Principal's recommendation*

## **Science applicants also participate in:**

Science reasoning test (developed by, given at and scored by SVGS)

## **Arts applicants also participate in:**

Portfolio or performance adjudication (developed by and given at SVGS; scored by SVGS staff and area professionals)

- Download application from SVGS website after **December 1**
- Complete all of your portions of the application form by **Feb. 20**



# Come Visit

## Spend a Day

November through February on  
Thursdays

See your guidance counselor to  
set up a visit.

