

Virginia's Hampton Roads

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Christopher Newport University Student Center

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Education for the 21st Century

Education has been the cornerstone of life in the region for more than 300 years. Over 86,000 students are enrolled in the region's colleges and universities which include two of the most prestigious and oldest educational institutions in the nation: the College of William and Mary and Hampton University. This is in addition to the students enrolled in campuses sponsored by institutions outside of the area or those enrolled in the many technical and speciality schools located within the region such as ECPI College of Technology, Florida Institute of Technology and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Since its founding in 1693, **The College of William and Mary** has compiled a remarkable list of "firsts" among American universities, including the first honor system, first full faculty, first to become a university, and the founding of Phi Beta Kappa. William and Mary has helped to educate four U.S. presidents, four signers of the Declaration of Independence, members of Congress, Supreme Court justices, governors and many others in public service.

According to a recent *U.S. News and World Report* poll, William and Mary is the top-ranked, small public university and ranked second in the nation in efficiency (combination of quality and cost). And, in August 2005, *Newsweek* magazine repeated the compliment by declaring the College of William and Mary "the hottest small college in the nation based upon its academics, appeal and focus on students."

William and Mary offers 36 degree programs for undergraduates and 14 for graduates in the arts, sciences, business, education and law. A number of special programs are also available including specialized seminars for freshman, undergraduate research, and study abroad in more than 10 countries.

Founded in 1878, **Hampton University** was one of the nation's first schools of higher education for freed slaves. The school was established to train selected young men and women to "go out and teach and lead their people," and to build a viable industrial system on the strength of self-sufficiency, intelligent labor and solid

moral character. Today Hampton University welcomes students of all races and creeds, offering 38 bachelor's degrees, 14 master's degrees, and doctoral or professional degrees in nursing (Ph.D.), physics (Ph.D.), physical therapy (DPT) and pharmacy (Pharm.D.).

Old Dominion University in Norfolk is the largest institution of higher learning in Hampton Roads, offering 65 undergraduate degrees, 64 master's degrees and 21 doctorates. It also sponsors the Peninsula Graduate Engineering Center at the Hampton Roads Center in Hampton. This advanced engineering education facility opened in 1986 for employees of many of the area's high-tech firms.

In Newport News, **Christopher Newport University** offers more than 50 undergraduate and graduate programs in business, science and technology. Although CNU was originally commissioned as a two-year branch of the College of William and Mary, it eventually became a four-year, baccalaureate degree-granting college. It gained its full independence from William and Mary in 1977 and was given university status in 1992.

Virginia Wesleyan College,

a four-year liberal arts institution affiliated with the United Methodist Church, is located on the border of Norfolk and Virginia Beach. With a 13 to 1 student-faculty ratio, Virginia Wesleyan is small by design, believing that a liberal arts education is best achieved in a setting where students and faculty know each other well. Virginia Wesleyan offers 39 majors, 70 student organizations and 19 intercollegiate sports. The college also offers night and weekend courses through its Adult Studies Program. Visit www.vwc.edu for more information.

Norfolk State University, founded during the Great Depression, is one of the largest predominately black institutions in the nation. Today, it offers 50 academic programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels. It also includes the Dozerty National Institute for Mathematics and Applied Science whose primary goal is to address the severe shortage of minority scientists.

For more than 20 years, Virginia has funded a state-wide community college system with specialized studies leading to associate degrees and certificates. Hampton Roads is home to several of these schools, including Rappahannock Community College in Glens (Gloucester County), Thomas Nelson Community College in Hampton, Tidewater Community College in Norfolk, and Paul D. Camp Community College in Franklin, Suffolk and Smithfield.

Tidewater Community College (TCC) is the second largest of the 23 community colleges in Virginia. (Forty-three percent of the region's residents who attend a college or university are enrolled at TCC.) The college has campuses in Chesapeake, Norfolk, Portsmouth and Virginia Beach, and offers a comprehensive range of programs from courses of study that lead to associate degrees, diplomas or certificates for over 60 occupational/technical programs.

Thomas Nelson Community College offers high-quality comprehensive educational programs and services including 35 associate degrees, one diploma and 38 certificate programs. Its 11,400 students can transfer their credits to most four-year universities with no loss of credits. Thomas Nelson is in educational partnership with a variety of local businesses including Jefferson Lab, NASA Langley and Siemens.

Regent University, in Virginia Beach, is an interdenominational evangelical Christian university offering graduate and undergraduate degrees in business, communication and arts, divinity, education, government, law, leadership studies and psychology and counseling.

Northrop Grumman Newport News sponsors the **Newport News Apprentice School**, which provides college-level technical training for qualified students who are or will be employees.



COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Bryant & Stratton College
Virginia Beach 1-800-895-1738

Two-year private college offering A.A.S. degree programs in paralegal, medical, business and technology fields.

Christopher Newport University
Newport News 594-7000

Offers over 50 undergraduate and graduate programs to 5,000 students in the liberal arts, business, science and technology.

College of William and Mary
Williamsburg 221-4000
Gloucester 804-684-2000

A public university, established in 1693, is the second-oldest institution of higher learning in the United States. Evening MBA program in Oyster Point offered one evening a week.

ECPI
General 1-800-986-1200
Virginia Beach 490-9090
Newport News 838-9191

Eastern Virginia Medical School
Norfolk 446-5600

A private medical school that does not own a hospital. This regional institute reaches into all corners of the Hampton Roads community through its partnerships with regional hospitals, clinics, institutions and physicians.

Florida Institute of Technology in Hampton Roads Graduate Center
Fort Eustis (NN) 887-2488
Norfolk Naval Station 440-9005

Offers master's degree in business on military installations for working adults and members of the United States military community.

George Washington University Hampton Roads Center
Newport News 269-4949

Has offered graduate degree programs in education administration, human resource development, engineering management and tourism administration for over 35 years.

Hampton University
Hampton 727-5000

An historically black university, that is privately-endowed, co-educational and nonsectarian.

Newport News Apprentice School
Newport News 380-3809

College-level technical training for qualified students who are or will be employees.

Norfolk State University
Norfolk 823-8600

Founded in 1935, this public university is one of the largest predominately black institutions in the United States.

Old Dominion University
Norfolk 683-3000

The largest institution of higher learning in Hampton Roads, offering 65 undergraduate degrees, 64 master's degrees and 21 doctorates.

Paul D. Camp Community College
Serving Isle of Wight County, Suffolk, & Southampton County 569-6700

A comprehensive community college offering more than 50 degree and certificate programs and an array of workforce/customized training that can be delivered at any

college or workplace based upon the needs of the employers in the region.

Peninsula Higher Education Center

Hampton 766-5200

Advanced engineering facility sponsored by Old Dominion University.

Rappahannock Community College

Gloucester (804) 758-6700

Public, two-year institution offering transferable associate degrees and occupational, technical and workforce development.

Regent University

Virginia Beach 352-4127
www.regent.edu

Interdenominational evangelical Christian university offering graduate and undergraduate degrees in business, communication and arts, divinity, education, government, law, leadership studies and psychology and counseling.

St. Leo College

Fort Eustis (NN) 887-0655
Langley Air Force Base (H) 766-1812

A Catholic institution providing educational services on military installations for working adults and members of the United States military community.

Strayer University

Newport News 873-3100
Chesapeake 382-9900

Private university specializing in information technology and business-oriented courses for working adult students. Undergraduate and graduate programs in addition to online courses.

Thomas Nelson Community College

Hampton 825-2700

Public, two-year institution offering transferable associate degrees and occupational, technical and workforce development.

Tidewater Community College

Chesapeake, Norfolk, Portsmouth and Virginia Beach 822-1122

Offers comprehensive programs to meet the educational needs of area citizens, business and industry.

Troy University

Ft. Eustis (NN), Ft. Monroe (H),
Langley Air Force Base (H) 766-3611
Norfolk 451-0152

Offers graduate degrees in a variety of areas including business management and administration, human resource management, education, and criminal justice.

University of Virginia Hampton Roads Graduate Center

Hampton 552-1890

Offers two masters of education, six masters of engineering and a doctorate in educational administration.

Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS)/School of Marine Science

Gloucester Point (804) 684-7000

Conducts interdisciplinary research in coastal and estuarine science, educates students and citizens, and provides advisory service to policy makers, industry and the public. VIMS was chartered in 1940, and is now a graduate school of the College of William and Mary. It is currently among the largest marine research and education centers in the United States.

Virginia Tech Hampton Roads Graduate Center

Hampton 363-3930

Offers a doctorate in educational administration, a career-integrated master of business administration program and five masters of science degrees in engineering.

Virginia Wesleyan College

Norfolk 455-3200

A four-year liberal arts institution affiliated with the United Methodist Church, offering a 13:1 student-faculty ratio, 39 majors, 70 student organizations and 19 inter-collegiate sports. www.vwc.edu

PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

If you're contemplating a career change, check the list below of several of the many specialized programs available in Hampton Roads.



Alpha College of Real Estate

Newport News 873-8884

Offers courses in the principles of real estate.

American Spirit Institute

Williamsburg 220-8000

Offers professional training in massage therapy and holistic studies.

Embry Riddle Aeronautical University

Fort Eustis (NN) 887-0980
Langley Air Force Base (H) 764-2662

Offers a comprehensive program in aircraft maintenance and repair.

Johnson & Wales University

Norfolk 853-3508

Offers professional training in the culinary arts and restaurant management.

Riverside School of Health Occupations

Newport News 240-2200

Cooperative program between Riverside Regional Medical Center and Christopher Newport University offering advanced training in nursing and associated health occupations.

Virginia School of Hair Design

Hampton 722-0211

Has offered the latest training in hair design and care for over 40 years.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In 1997, Virginia's public schools began to implement Standards of Learning, or SOLs. In an effort to provide clear, measurable goals for all, students and schools are judged by their students' performance on exams, which are given in grades three, five and eight and at the end of high school courses. Students must pass a certain number of the tests to earn a high school diploma. Schools who have a high percentage of students failing the SOLs can lose their state accreditation.

Hampton Roads' public schools have been honored by the U.S. Department of Education numerous times for excellence. Almost all public school systems have formed partnerships with area businesses to give students first-hand experience and knowledge about the business world. All school systems teach grades

kindergarten through high school.

To enter students in public schools, parents must provide:

1. academic transcripts/reports (or have them forwarded from the previous schools);
2. up-to-date health and vaccination records/statements;
3. birth certificates; and
4. proof of residency.

A recommended first step is to call the appropriate school administration office. School representatives can provide specific details about what school a child will attend and what records are needed. Refer to *New Arrivals in Hampton Roads-Quick Start Guide* for contact numbers.

In addition to the regular public schools, Hampton Roads also has regional schools like the New Horizons Governor's School for Science and Technology in Hampton or the Chesapeake Bay Governor's School for Marine and Environmental Science in upper Gloucester County. These educational institutions offer college-level advanced studies for high school students. New Horizons also offers technical and vocational programs.

Magnet schools add to the list of choices. These schools usually require students to apply or enter a lottery to gain enrollment. Local school districts offer various programs including art, math, science, technology, communications, aviation, English and environmental science.



SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOOLS

All of Hampton Roads' public school systems have programs for mentally and physically-challenged students. The following schools focus on these students.



ARCP/Sarah Bonwell Hudgins
Hampton 896-6461

Mental and physical handicaps, residential and day programs.

Virginia School for the Deaf & Blind

Hampton 247-2050
Residential and day programs.

New Horizons Regional Education Center

Hampton, Newport News 874-4444

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

The Hampton Roads area has numerous private schools for pre-kindergarten through high school. Many of these school are religiously affiliated. A recommended first step is to call the school for information about grades, curriculum, tuition and schedules.

The following list highlights some of the private schools in the region.



CHESAPEAKE

Atlantic Shores Christian School
PK – 6 479-1125

Greenbrier Christian Academy
PK – 12 547-9595

Mount Pleasant Christian
K – 8 482-9557

Stonebridge School
K4 – 3 488-2214

Tidewater Adventist Academy
PK – 12 479-0002

FRANKLIN-SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY

Rock Church School
K – 12 562-3878

Southampton Academy
Lower School (PK – 6) 653-2512
Middle School (7-8) 653-7273
Upper School (9-12) 653-7273

GLOUCESTER COUNTY

Gloucester Montessori School
1 – 3 (804) 693-6455

Lighthouse Worship Center
K – 5 (804) 642-3703

Ware Academy
PK – 8 (804) 693-3825

HAMPTON

Bethel Christian School
Daycare, K – 12 826-7711

Calvary Covenant School
K – 6 262-0062

Gloria Dei Lutheran School
PK – 5 851-6292

Hampton Christian High School
7 – 12 838-7427

Hampton Christian School & Preschool
2 1/2 – 4 years 838-5635

Hampton Roads Seventh Day Adventist
K – 8 722-1221

Holloman Child Development & Education Center
Daycare, PK – 6 838-3188

Mary Atkins Christian School
4 – 6 838-2355

St. Mary Star of the Sea School
PK – 8 723-6358

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY

Isle of Wight Academy
3 – 12 357-3866

James River Christian Academy
K – 12 357-3707

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Denbigh Baptist Christian School
K – 12 249-2654

Denbigh Christian Academy
PK – 6 874-8661

Hampton Roads Academy
6 – 12 249-1489

Hampton Roads Montessori School
4 – 6 years 873-8950

Holloman Child Development & Education Center
Daycare, PK – 6 838-3188

Orcutt Baptist School
PK – 6 249-2323

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School
K – 7 596-2754

Parkview Christian Academy/Child Development Center
K – 3 826-4074

Peninsula Catholic High School
8 – 12 596-7247

St. Andrew's Episcopal
K – 5 596-6261

Summit Christian Academy
(Lower School) K4 – 6 599-9424

Trinity Lutheran School
PK – 8 245-2576

Warwick River Christian School
PK – 5 877-2941

NORFOLK

Calvary Christian School System
K3 – 12 480-4400

Christ The King School
PK – 8 625-4951

Faith Academy School
PK – 8 624-1724

Greenhill Farms Academy
K – 5 853-0111

Norfolk Academy
1 – 12 455-5582

Norfolk Christian School
K3 – 12 423-5735

Norfolk Collegiate School
K – 12 480-1495

Trinity Lutheran School
PS – 5 489-2732

The Williams School
K – 8 627-1383

PORTSMOUTH

Alliance Christian School
PK – 12 488-5552

Joyous Sound Education
PS – 6 558-2880

Montessori Preparatory School
2 1/2 – 5 years 484-7229

Portsmouth Catholic Elementary
PK – 8 488-6744

Portsmouth Christian School
K4 – 12 393-0725

SUFFOLK

First Baptist Christian School
PK – 7 925-0274

Nansemond-Suffolk Academy
PK – 12 539-8789

VIRGINIA BEACH

Atlantic Shores Christian
PK – 12 479-1125

Cape Henry Collegiate
PK – 12 481-2446

Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School
9 – 12 467-2881

Chesapeake Bay Academy
K – 12 497-6200

Hebrew Academy of Tidewater
PS – 8 424-4327

Kempville Presbyterian
PS – K 495-4611

Norfolk Christian School
PK – 5 423-5735

St. John the Apostle
PK – 8 821-1100

St. Matthew's School
PK – 8 420-2455

Star of the Sea School
PK – 8 428-8400

Virginia Beach Friends School
3 – 12 428-7534

WILLIAMSBURG

Holloman Child Development & Education Center
Daycare, PK – 6 838-3188

Walsingham Academy
Lower School: 229-2642
Upper School: 229-6026
PS – 12

Williamsburg Christian Academy
PK – 12 220-1978

YORK COUNTY

Holloman Child Development & Education Center
Daycare, PK – 6 838-3188

Summit Christian Academy (Upper School)
7 – 12 867-7005

Living Word Academy
K – 9 867-8024

CHILD CARE

Finding the right childcare provider can be difficult and frustrating for families with small children. You need to know that your child is safe while you work. You need to know that you can trust the provider to appropriately supervise your child. Depending upon the situation, you may also want this time to contribute to your child's learning.

Hampton Roads has an abundance of good daycare centers and childcare options. Many of them are academically driven, offering special programs designed to keep children's minds engaged in educational activities. The



Quality Care with the Emphasis on Learning

HOLLOMAN
Child Development & Education Center

Accredited by
International Academy for Private Education

838-3188
1520 TODDS LANE
HAMPTON

887-0672
1679 MERRIMAC TRAIL
WILLIAMSBURG

898-4816
4900 GEO. WASHINGTON HWY
GRAFTON

886-0862
14102 WARWICK BLVD
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- ◆ Open all year, 6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
- ◆ Infants/Toddlers Program
- ◆ Preschool, 2-3 year olds
- ◆ Kindergarten, 4-5 year olds
- ◆ Private School, Grades 1-6
- ◆ Summer Camp www.holloman.com

issue is finding the program and provider that’s right for your child.

FINDING THE RIGHT PROVIDER

Fortunately, you don’t have to do this from scratch. The Hampton Roads Planning Council offers childcare resource and referral services to help parents evaluate the best setting for their children and find appropriate, quality providers. The Planning Council is a not-for-profit, community-based planning corporation. It licenses and trains child care providers among other things as part of carrying out its mission to manage human services to improve the quality of life in Hampton Roads’ communities.

The Council’s Child Care Answer Line (CCAL) makes searching for a child care provider easy. CCAL staff will counsel with you over the phone and

forward a listing of potential providers and guidelines for evaluating them for a nominal fee. To reach the Child Care Answer Line, call 627-3993.

HomeCare is another program of the Planning Council that offers parents support in recruiting, hiring and training in-home childcare providers. Under this program, parents are assigned a counselor who can help them to determine the type of care needed, provide a list of state-licensed caregivers and assist them in interviewing and evaluating prospective providers. In Virginia, to be licensed by the state, caregivers must complete an application process that includes health screening, background checks, training and monitoring systems.

Local community parks and recreation departments and many YMCAs sponsor programs designed to provide after-school care. A number of the area’s

public schools also have after-school programs that involve academic opportunities so that children are learning while parents are still at work.



INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

For numbers of community Parks and Recreation departments, see *New Arrivals in Hampton Roads: Quick Start Guide*.



The Planning Council 622-9268
www.theplanningcouncil.org

Statewide Information Services 1-800-230-6977

SCHOOL STATISTICS

	CHESAPEAKE	FRANKLIN-SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY	GLOUCESTER	HAMPTON	ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY	NEWPORT NEWS	
School Information	547-0153	569-8111(F) 653-2692(SC)	(804) 693-5300	727-2000	357-4393	591-4500	
ELEMENTARY							
Total # of Schools	28	5	6	24	5	31	
Total Enrollment	17,336	1,788	2,695	10,335	2,261	15,812	
Student Teacher Ratio	15:1	12:1	12:1	13:1	12:1	13:1	
SECONDARY							
Total # of Schools	16	4	4	11	4	14	
Total Enrollment	22,044	3,558	3,602	12,674	2,802	17,081	
Student Teacher Ratio	13:1	12:1	14:1	12:1	17:1	13:1	
Spending per Student	\$7,510	\$8,095	\$7,062	\$7,324	\$7,067	\$7,587	
	NORFOLK	POQUOSON	PORTSMOUTH	SUFFOLK	VIRGINIA BEACH	WILLIAMSBURG-JAMES CITY COUNTY	YORK COUNTY
School Information	628-3843	868-3055	393-8751	925-6750	263-1000	253-6777	898-0300
ELEMENTARY							
Total # of Schools	37	2	16	12	55	8	10
Total Enrollment	19,310	1,053	8,321	6,393	33,911	3,964	5,207
Student Teacher Ratio	13:1	15:1	13:1	13:1	15:1	12:1	15:1
SECONDARY							
Total # of Schools	15	2	8	6	25	6	11
Total Enrollment	17,401	1,507	8,172	6,880	42,393	5,015	7,200
Student Teacher Ratio	12:1	14:1	12:1	13:1	12:1	12:1	14:1
Spending per Student	\$7,952	\$6,468	\$7,819	\$7,021	\$7,414	\$8,711	\$6,846