

2023 VASS Annual Spring Conference

April 23-25 – Hotel Roanoke

“Challenges and Solutions”

Conference Program

Sunday, April 23

- 8:30 am – 3:25 pm **The Virginia Transformational Leadership Academy** – *Pocahontas Room*

Sponsored by VASS Associate Partners Education Elements and Participate Learning
- Noon – 5:00 pm **Moseley Golf Tournament** – *Hanging Rock*

Sponsored by VASS Partner Moseley Architects and VASS Associate Partner Mark III Employee Benefits
- 1:00 – 5:00 pm **Wellness Activities**
- 5:00 – 6:00 pm **VASS Board of Directors Meeting** – *Pocahontas Room*
- 6:00 – 7:00 pm **Moseley Reception** – *Roanoke Ballroom Foyer*

Sponsored by VASS Partner Moseley Architects
- 7:00 – 9:00 pm **VASS Board of Directors Dinner** – *Hotel Roanoke Regency Private Dining Room*

Sponsored by VASS Senior Partner Curriculum Associates and VASS Senior Associate Partner Pierce Insurance Agency
- 7:00 – 9:00 pm **New Superintendents Dinner** – *Hotel Roanoke Regency Private Dining Room*

Sponsored by VASS Senior Partner American Fidelity
- 7:00 – 9:00 pm **Women Superintendents Dinner** – *Hotel Roanoke Regency Private Dining Room*

Sponsored by VASS Senior Partner K12 Insight
- 9:00 – 11:00 pm **Hospitality Suite** – *Room 474*

Monday, April 24

- 7:00 – 8:00 am **Breakfast** (1 hr.) – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

Sponsored by VASS Sponsors Ballou Justice Upton Architects

7:45 – 8:00 am	VaSCL Annual Business Meeting (15 min.) – <i>Roanoke Ballroom A-D</i>
8:00 – 8:20 am	Opening Remarks (20 min.) – <i>Roanoke Ballroom A-D</i>
8:20 – 8:45 am	Ignite Sessions: “One Big Idea” (25 min.) – <i>Roanoke Ballroom A-D</i> Sponsored by VASS Senior Partners Apptegy and Frontline Learning, VASS Partners Horace Mann and Right at School, and VASS Associate Partner Econergy and HMH
8:45 – 9:25 am	Panel Presentation: “Trending Legal Issues Affecting Parents, Students, and Employees” (40 min.) – <i>Roanoke Ballroom A-D</i> Sponsored by VASS Partner Pierce Group Benefits and VASS Senior Associate Partners Grand Canyon University, Infinite Campus, ST Math–Mind Research, and Stantec, and VASS Associate Partners College Board, Crabtree Rohrbaugh and Associates, and Edmentum
9:25 – 9:35 am	Transition (10 min.)
9:35 – 10:20 am	Break-out sessions (45 min.) <u>Knowledge Building:</u> “Parents’ Rights” – Roanoke Ballroom A-D <u>Knowledge Building:</u> Sponsored by VASS partner McGuire Woods “Transgender Students’ Rights & Title IX” – Roanoke Ballroom E <u>Knowledge Building:</u> Sponsored by VASS Associate Partner Sands Anderson “Employee Due Process Issues” – Roanoke Ballroom F <u>Knowledge Building:</u> “Legal Issues in Special Education” – <i>Roanoke Ballroom G</i> <u>Knowledge Building:</u> “Changes in Virginia Codes Affecting Superintendent Employment, Negotiating Your Contract, and Ethics Tips” – <i>Roanoke Ballroom H</i> <u>Problem Solving and Discussion:</u> Problem solving legal issues using Solution Circles – <i>Buck Mountain Room</i>
10:20 – 10:30 am	Transition (10 min.)
10:30 – 11:15 am	Repeat Break-out sessions (45 min.)
11:15 – 11:25 am	Transition (10 min.)
11:25 – 11:55 am	Sharing Sessions – random seating (30 min.) – <i>Roanoke Ballroom A-D</i>
11:55 – Noon	Transition (5 min.)

Noon – 1:15 pm

VASS Annual Awards Luncheon and Recognitions (75 mins.) – Crystal Ballroom

Sponsored by VASS Senior Partner OneDigital, VASS Senior Associate Partner RRMM Architects, and VASS Associate Partners Boardworks, Air Mechanical, Audio Enhancement, Better Lesson, FEV Tutor, and School of Innovations & Achievement

Welcoming Remarks by VSBA President

Recognizing the 2022-23 VASS Board and Committee Members

Recognizing the 2023 VTLA Graduates

Recognizing Retiring Superintendents

Regional Superintendents of the Year Awards

Virginia Superintendent of the Year Award

12:15 – 2:00 pm

Aspiring Superintendents Program Luncheon – Appalachian Room

1:15 – 1:25 pm

Transition (10 min.)

1:25 – 2:05 pm

Panel Presentation and Discussion: “The Virginia Literacy Act – Why it Matters and How it’s Doable” (40 min.) – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

Sponsored by VASS Senior Associate Partner Benchmark Education and VASS Associate Partners DLR Group, Dreambox, Equal Opportunity Schools, KinderCare Education, NWEA, Open Up Resources, and Paper

2:05 – 2:15 pm

Transition (10 min.)

2:15 – 3:00 pm

Break-out sessions (45 min.)

Knowledge Building:

Sponsored by VASS Associate Partner Lexia Learning

“Reading Science 101: Background Information and Resources for Implementation” – *Roanoke Ballroom E*

Planning and Implementation:

Sponsored by VASS Senior Partner Age of Learning

“Urban and Rural School Division Efforts to Address the VLA” – *Roanoke Ballroom F*

Planning and Implementation:

Sponsored by VASS Senior Partner Just Right Reader

“Suburban and Rural School Division Efforts to Address the VLA” – *Roanoke Ballroom G*

Resources and Training:

“Resources and Training to Help You Address the VLA” – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

Problem Solving and Discussion:

Problem solving staffing, training and resource issues using Solution Circles –
Roanoke Ballroom H

3:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Wellness Activities

5:30 – 7:00 pm

Reception – *Center in the Square Penthouse*
Sponsored by VASS Associate Partner Discovery Education

Tuesday, April 25

7:00 – 8:00 am

Breakfast (1 hr.) – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

Sponsored by VASS Senior Associate Partner VACORP

7:00 – 8:00 am

VASS Partner Advisory Committee Meeting – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

8:00 – 8:15 am

VASS Annual Business Meeting (15 min.) – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

8:15 – 8:35 am

Opening Remarks and Door Prize Drawings (20 min.) – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

8:35 – 9:15 am

Panel Discussion: “Addressing the Mental Health Challenges in Our Schools” (40 min.) – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

Sponsored by VASS Senior Associate Partner Rivermont New Story Schools and VASS Associate Partners Care Solace, Sibme, The Nutrition Group, Veritiv, VMDO, VRSA, and Wayfinder

9:15 – 9:25 am

Transition (10 min.)

9:25 – 9:55 am

Regional Discussions (30 min.)

9:55 – 10:05 am

Transition (10 min.)

10:05 – 10:50 am

Break-out sessions (45 min.)

Knowledge Building:

Sponsored by VASS Associate Partner rethinkED

“State Agency Efforts to Address School Mental Health” – *Roanoke Ballroom E*

Planning and Implementation:

Sponsored by VASS Associate Partner Catapult Learning-SESI

“Urban & Rural School Divisions’ Efforts to Address School Mental Health” –
Roanoke Ballroom G

Resources and Services

Sponsored by VASS Associate Partner Centegix

“How the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety can Help You Address the Mental Health Challenges in Your Division” – *Roanoke Ballroom H*

Resources and Services:

“Resources and Services to Help You Address the Mental Health Challenges in Your School Divisions” – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

Panel Discussion by **VASS Partners** who provide mental health resources and services

Problem Solving and Discussion:

Problem solving mental health issues using Solution Circles – *Appalachian Room*

10:50 – 11:00 am **Transition** (10 min.)

11:00 – 11:25 am **Ignite Sessions: “Your Why – What Keeps You Going in the Superintendency”**
(25 min.) – *Roanoke Ballroom A-D*

Sponsored by VASS Associate Partners Paymerang, PowerSchool, Renaissance, S.B. Ballard, Sun Tribe Solar, and Teach Upbeat

11:25 - 11:30 am **Adjournment** (5 min.)