

SCS Quick Facts

- ◆ Current division enrollment of approximately 2,600 students
- ◆ Division average pupil-teacher ratio 19:1 (including specialist/support staff)
- ◆ On-time graduation rate of 91%
- ◆ Majority of our students attend 2 or 4 year college after graduation
- ◆ Majority of diplomas awarded in last 5 years were Advanced Studies
- ◆ Graduating class awarded over \$1.1 million in scholarships
- ◆ Lee athletics boasts high levels of success in conference, regional and state VHSL competitions
- ◆ More than 50% of our teachers have master's degrees
- ◆ Division currently employs 260 professional staff and 201 support staff



Staunton City Schools believe...

- that respect and discipline are hallmarks of and standards for excellence,
- that diversity of racial, ethnic, cultural, and religious backgrounds represents a strength of the community and that the school division will be intentional and proactive to take advantage of this strength,
- that all children should be ready to learn upon entry into the school division, and
- that active community involvement in schools is critical to the success of our students.

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**Making a Difference:
One Child at a Time**



Welcome to SCS



Staunton City Schools (SCS) is a public school division committed to its students and to providing an excellent educational program — where teachers value the uniqueness of each student and strive to challenge each one daily.

Located in the heart of the historic Shenandoah Valley, Staunton was recently named one of the “Top 20 Small Towns in America” by *Smithsonian Magazine*. The city boasts a relaxed lifestyle, beautiful neighborhoods, quality schools, sprawling parks and a wide range of cultural amenities.

Staunton is the birthplace of our country’s 28th President, Woodrow Wilson, and attracts numerous tourists to its rich historic background, unique architecture, and scenic cultural and recreational attractions.



Photo by Kathy Frazier



Robert E. Lee High School

Grades 9-12

HOME OF THE FIGHTING LEEMEN



Shelburne Middle School

Grades 6-8

HOME OF THE SHELburne HIGHLANDERS

Bessie Weller Elementary School

Grades K-5

HOME OF THE BESSIE WELLER BEES



T.C. McSwain Elementary School

Grades K-5

HOME OF THE MCSWAIN MUSTANGS



A.R. Ware Elementary School

Grades K-5

HOME OF THE WARE TIGERS



Preschool Program

Staunton City Schools offers a full time, center-based program for children ages 3-5. Children are offered literacy and math as part of their school day. Acceptance into the program is based on income as well as other risk factors.

Our Culture

- ◆ A deep sense of pride in our community and a desire to serve others is a common theme among student clubs and activities in our schools.
- ◆ Development of strong relationships among parents, teachers and schools is encouraged in support of our students.
- ◆ Staunton’s diverse population is viewed as one of our greatest strengths as we work alongside each other to instill in our students an appreciation for the different cultural behaviors, attitudes and beliefs.

Additional Education Programs

Governor’s School

The Shenandoah Valley Governor’s School is open by application to qualified 11th and 12th graders who are gifted or highly motivated in the areas of STEM or Arts & Humanities.

Technical Education

The Valley Career & Technical Center assists students in developing technical and marketable skills in preparation for future education or employment.

Alternative Education

Genesis Alternative Program is a regional alternative education program for middle and high school students who have experienced difficulties in the traditional school setting.

State-Operated Education Programs

Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center

Commonwealth Center for Children & Adolescents

Staunton City Schools employs and supervises the educational staff for both of these residential facilities.