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STUDENT HANDBOOK



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HISTORY, GOALS, & MISSION



The Starr Hill Pathways program is designed to offer Charlottesville-Albemarle youth career and college exploration from 7th grade through high school.

Their journey will start with a summer day program at the University of Virginia, where they will engage with many UVA departments and Community-Based Organizations to learn about the world of college and the many career opportunities available to them right here in Virginia. The goal is to prepare them for various options for post-high school graduation and to build their self-awareness to confidently make an informed decision about what is next.

During programming, participants will explore the University of Virginia grounds, engage in career-related projects and discussions with faculty and students, and participate in field trips to expand on different career pathways and topics. Students will also engage in academic enrichment, skill-building workshops, mind and body wellness activities, sports, and other fun extracurriculars.

School-year programming will also include academic enrichment and tutoring, 1:1 mentoring support, and attend skill-building workshops and internships as they progress through the program.

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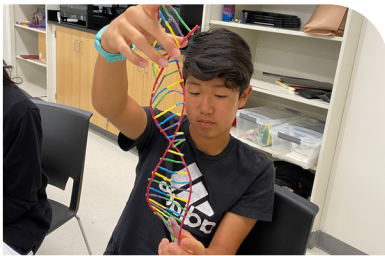
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STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

- Students enrolled in either Albemarle County or Charlottesville City public schools.
- Have full support from their families to participate in the summer and yearlong programming.

To stay aligned with our mission, Starr Hill Pathways will prioritize enrollment to students of color, students from low and middle-wealth households, and first-generation college students.



PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS



Please understand that once your child commits to Starr Hill Pathways, they are expected to participate year-round until they complete high school. Your child will be required to

- Attend at least two of the Starr Hill Pathways Program Days each semester throughout the school year (two in the Fall & two in the Spring).
- Participate in our three-week summer program in July every year
- Regularly attend our tutoring program, if needed *If core subjects fall below a “C”
- Be responsive to our emails and complete surveys in a timely manner when requested
- Uphold the Starr Hill Pathways Code of Conduct included in our Starr Hill Pathways Handbook

We need you as parents or guardians to assist us in this endeavor. This means you must ensure your child actively participates in these events. If your child cannot meet these minimum expectations, they will no longer be eligible to remain in our program.

Please have yourself, and your child signs the attached form to acknowledge your agreement with these requirements.

We believe that when our families meet these expectations, it will allow us to the needs best serve and goals of your child’s journey through their academic pathways.

Throughout the year, SHP will offer perks such as tickets to UVA athletic events, events on campus at UVA’s John Paul Jones Arena, and more. Students/families who are active participants of the program and closely follow the attendance guidelines will be prioritized.

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CURRENT & PAST COMMUNITY PARTNERS

UVA COMMUNITY



- UVA Brain Camp
- UVA Department of Astronomy
- UVA Department of Kinesiology
- UVA School of Medicine
- UVA School of Nursing
- UVA School of Data Science
- UVA School of Engineering

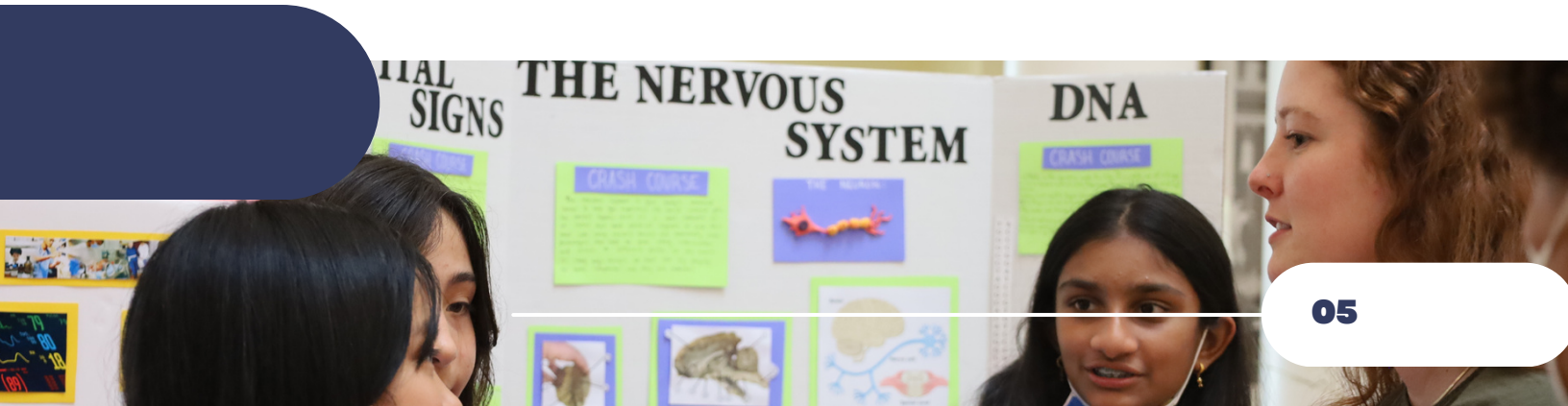
CHARLOTTESVILLE/ALBEMARLE COMMUNITY

- African American Teaching Fellows
- Black Women of Central Virginia
- Center I
- Culinary Concepts AB
- H.E.R. Sports
- Monticello High School, Health & Medical Sciences Academy, Albemarle County Schools
- Light House Studio at Vinegar Hill Theater
- Piedmont Virginia Community College
- Public Engagement in Governance Looking, Listening, and Learning Laboratory (PEGLLLLab)
- Project Pipeline
- Prolyfyck
- The STEMpreneur
- Tree Williams
- Wildrock
- Wartime Fitness



CURRICULUM

IDENTITY	COLLEGE & CAREER	LEADERSHIP	WELLNESS
7TH-9TH GRADE	10TH-11TH GRADE	12TH GRADE	POST-HIGH SCHOOL
ACTIVITIES	ACTIVITIES	ACTIVITIES	ACTIVITIES
<p>Day-off Pathway Days Mentoring Academic Support Summer Program Family Coordination HS Navigation PSAT prep PVCC Lab School</p>	<p>Day-off Pathway Days Mentoring Academic Support Summer Program Family Coordination HS Navigation PSAT prep PVCC Lab School UVA Internship Workforce Prep National & Global Experiences FAFSA & Scholarships Resume Building</p>	<p>Day-off Pathway Days Mentoring Academic Support Summer Program Family Coordination HS Navigation PSAT prep PVCC Lab School UVA Internship Workforce Prep National & Global Experiences FAFSA & Scholarships Resume Building</p>	<p>Social/Emotional Support Summer Program Counselors SHP Mentors</p>



SEMESTER PROGRAMMING



Students have the opportunity to explore career clusters and pathways throughout the school year on non-school days. Pathway days run a full day including pathway exploration in the morning and recreation activities in the afternoon. Breakfast, lunch, and transportation (upon request) are all provided.

On these days, students rotate throughout the pathways we have to offer. This gives them a chance to view various pathways between various career clusters. Students are encouraged to use these days to select a pathway to dive deeper into during the summer.



Pathways explorations are offered by local educational institutions such as the University of Virginia, Piedmont Virginia Community College, and Albemarle County Public Schools . We also work with local community partners to help give a "real life" view into the career/activity.

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Summer PROGRAMMING

Join us for 3 weeks of pathway exploration and recreation each July. Each year, families will receive a camp registration form. Within this form, students will select their top three pathways to focus on during the camp. Pathway assignments are first come first serve so be sure to fill out the form ASAP once it is received.

We have UVA and neighboring college students who serve as camp counselors and mentors. This is the event that both our students and counselors look forward to the most!



2023 CAMP DETAILS

Starts
**JULY 10,
2023**

Ends
**JULY 28,
2023**

Join us July 28th for
**Family
Night!**

Pathways

- ✓ Storytelling
- ✓ Outbound games
- ✓ Drawing & painting
- ✓ Swimming
- ✓ Nature field trip

Recreation & Workshop Demos

This year we plan to have a wide variety of workshops and recreational activities to enjoy!

ACADEMIC TUTORING

Starr Hill Pathways provides academic support through both virtual and in-person tutoring for students. Students are expected to participate in tutoring if their core grades fall below a “C” or for those who want additional enrichment.



- Our tutors receive annual training to accommodate our SHP students
- Multilingual tutoring is provided
- In-person sessions offered at select schools during homeroom, study hall, or other designated times
- Virtual tutoring is offered in the evenings- Monday-Thursday
- After-school tutoring is available with limited transportation
- Parents can refer their child for tutoring support throughout the school year

Contact Traci Brooks, tb8pu@virginia.edu for more information

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STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The students enrolled in Starr Hill Pathways attend **Albemarle County** and **Charlottesville City Public Schools**. Therefore, we expect our students to continue following the Code of Conduct of the school district they attend. Below you will find a summary of each district's Code of Conduct. If you would like to review each Code of Conduct, we invite you to review these documents on each district's website. You can also request us to provide you with an electronic or physical copy.



The following are standards of student conduct established by the School Board for all students. The consequences of any act are determined on the basis of the facts presented in each situation in the reasonable discretion of the Board, its designated committees and other appropriate school officials.

- **Theft**
- **Possession or Use of Weapons or Other Dangerous Articles**
- **Profane, Obscene, or Abusive Language or Conduct**
- **Assault and Battery**
- **Vandalism**
- **Trespassing**
- **Cheating**
- **Student Dress and Displays**
- **Bus-Related Offenses**
- **Disruptive Conduct & Defiance of School Personnel**
- **Leaving without Permission**
- **Accessory to a Violation**
- **Distribution or Sale of Illegal Drugs or Possession or Distribution with Intent to Sell.**
- **Use and/or Possession of Alcohol, Tobacco Products, Nicotine Vapor Products, Anabolic Steroids and Other Drugs**
- **Bullying**
- **Hazing**
- **Harassment**
- **Attendance; Truancy**
- **Threats or Intimidation**
- **Gambling**
- **Gang Activity**
- **Communication Devices**
- **Reports of Conviction or Adjudication of Delinquency**
- **Acceptable Use of the Internet**
- **Felony Charges**
- **Bomb Threats**
- **Extortion**
- **Fighting**
- **Stalking**
- **Other Conduct**

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT CONTINUED



Relationship Behaviors (RB) create a negative relationship between 2 or more members of the school community (No physical harm is done)

- **Bullying with no physical injury (See Link: Model Policy to addressing Bullying in Virginia's Public Schools)**
- **Cyberbullying (See Link: Model Policy to Addressing Bullying in Virginia's Public Schools)**
- **Posting, distributing, displaying, or sharing material or literature that is libelous, including using electronic means to post such material**
- **Saying or writing either directly or through electronic communication sexually suggestive comments, innuendos, propositions, or other remarks of a sexual nature**
- **Speaking to another in an uncivil, discourteous manner**
- **Teasing, taunting, engaging in a verbal confrontation, verbally inciting a fight**
- **Using profane or vulgar language or gestures (swearing, cursing, hate speech, gang signs or gestures)**
- **Using slurs based upon the actual or perceived race, ethnicity, color, national origin, citizenship/immigration status, weight, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, or disability**
- **Failure to respond to questions or requests by staff**
- **Inappropriate physical contact that is sexual in nature or violates school rules regarding contact**

SHP FAQs

- **How can I apply to the program?** Please visit www.starrhillpathways.com and click on the applications tab. The application is available in English, Spanish, French, Swahili, Pashto, and Dari. We are currently working on providing the application in other languages.
- **What is the cost of the program?** The program is free of cost.
- **What grade does my child need to be in to be accepted into the program?** We accept students entering 7th or 8th grade.
- **If I'm having trouble filling out the application, who can help me?** Karla Reyes, bkg5fx@virginia.edu, 434-243-9114.
- **How do I know my application went through?** You will receive an electronic confirmation delivered to parent/guardian email.
- **How would I know my child is accepted into the program?** An email will be sent to parent or guardian confirming acceptance.
- **Does my child need to apply to the program every year once accepted?** Once a student is accepted into the program, they will remain in the program until they graduate high school.
- **Do I need to pack lunch and snacks for my child?** We provide all meals and snacks to each student. We are aware of each student's dietary needs and plan meals accordingly.
- **My child is sick or can not make it to the program. Who do I contact?** If your child is sick, please contact us through email at starrhillpathways@virginia.edu or contact Karla Reyes at bkg5fx@virginia.edu or 434-243-9114.
- **My child needs extra help bringing his/her grades up, Can SHP help?** If you want us to support your child's academics, please contact Traci Brooks at tb8pu@virginia.edu.
- **Will my child have a chance to explore all of the pathways SHP offers?** Our students will have exposure to many pathways through programming offered throughout the school year or during our summer camp. We keep track of the pathways each student has experienced to make sure they have explored most, if not all, career pathways.



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