



Welcome Back to School



VLACS partners with local schools to offer flexible, personalized, and competency-based education options that complement traditional classroom learning. With year-round open enrollment and free tuition for New Hampshire K-12 students, we can help your school provide additional learning experiences tailored to students' unique needs, interests, and talents.

Why Partner with VLACS?

Our offerings are designed to complement and enhance learning, providing students with opportunities to succeed both inside and outside the classroom.

Whether you're looking for additional resources to support students who need more challenges or those who require a different approach, VLACS has the tools and expertise to help.

VLACS Program Features

- Competency-based learning focusing on mastery of skills and knowledge
- Self-pacing for acceleration or modification
- Access to 300+ courses, projects, and experiences
- Flexible scheduling options
- Customized support for schools and districts, including cohorts and professional development opportunities

Resources for Schools

Cohort Support: When a group of students from your school need to take the same course, VLACS can create a cohort at your school, offering tailored support and ensuring students stay on track together.

<u>Webinars & Training:</u> VLACS offers webinars and training sessions throughout the year to support school officials in integrating our programs and staying informed about the latest offerings.

- Welcome Back Webinar: A refresher on VLACS's offerings, enrollment processes, and best practices for supporting students on August 29, September 5, or September 12 at 11 AM.
- SIS & Enrollment Training: A review of the VLACS enrollment process and the tools available for school partners in our Student Information System (SIS) for overseeing students' VLACS progress on September 19 or October 3 at 11 AM.
- Academic Honesty at VLACS: Explore VLACS' tiered approach to addressing academic integrity infractions on September 26 at 11 AM.
- How to Connect Your Students to NH-Based Mentors: Discover how to utilize our 300+ mentors through career-based learning at VLACS on August 22 or October 2 at 11 AM.
- Partner Training at the VLACS Office: A school training event will be held in October at the VLACS office in Exeter. This session is designed to keep schools updated with everything VLACS has to offer, such as the latest course offerings and learning opportunities launching soon, including HiSET & GED prep courses, CLEP preparation offerings, and interest and career-based learning programs. There will also be a discussion about the enrollment processes and Student Information System (SIS).

VLACS is also offering in-person training sessions at local libraries across New Hampshire. Stay tuned for topics and dates!

Resources for Students

<u>Canvas Student Mobile App</u>: Students can conveniently access their VLACS courses from anywhere using the Canvas Student mobile app.

Available on both Apple and Android devices, the app allows students to view course content, submit assignments, and receive timely instructor feedback. With notifications and reminders available, students can stay organized and on track with their coursework.

<u>Learning to Learn</u>: This free resource kit is designed to help students develop essential skills critical for academic success. The kit includes engaging, age-appropriate animations and mini-lessons on topics such as academic integrity, time management, growth mindset, executive functioning, and more.

These resources are perfect for integrating into classroom activities, providing students with the foundational skills to manage their learning effectively, overcome challenges, and build confidence.



New Courses & Coming Soon



Fall Enrichment Experiences

Enrichment Experiences are six-week synchronous courses that combine group and independent activities centered around fun and exciting topics.

- Grades K-2: LEGO Building Challenge, Breathe like a Dragon, Animals of the World
- Grades 3-5: LEGO Building Challenge, Kids' Creative Writing, Creative Crafting
- <u>Grades 6-8</u>: Mythology, Photography, Creative Crafting, Zentangle, Food Science, Yoga and Mindfulness
- <u>Grades 9-12</u>: True Crime, Mythology, Photography, Travel with Your Tastebuds, Art in 2D, Outside the Box Creative Writing

New Courses Available Now

- <u>Middle School Math 2 Accelerated</u>: Combines Grade 7 and 8 math, preparing students for Algebra 1.
- <u>Middle School Exploring Interests & Careers</u>: Helps students discover their talents and potential career paths through self-assessment activities.
- <u>Early College Online</u>: Offers dual credit courses taught by CCSNH faculty, where students earn college credit through CCSNH and high school credit through VLACS. The fall semester begins on August 26.

High School Courses Launching in September

- German 1: Introductory language course.
- Human Growth & Development: Study of changes throughout the human lifespan.
- Two-Dimensional Studio Art: Foundational course in 2D media.
- Accounting: Principles of financial accounting.

High School Courses Launching in October

- Paleontology: Exploring the world of dinosaurs and early life on earth.
- Interest Investigations: Exploratory course to help students identify their unique interests, passions, and potential career paths.



Additional Learning Opportunities



Career Exploration Programs

- <u>Job Shadows & Micro-Internships</u>: Real-world learning options for students to explore careers through virtual or on-site experiences.
- vfc: By enrolling in a VLACS course, students can access over 300 NH-based mentors to guide their career exploration.

CLEP Preparation Courses Launching in October

Courses to prepare students for the College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) in:

Biology

- College Composition
- Financial Accounting

- · College Algebra
- Humanities

Human Growth & Development

- College Mathematics
- Natural Sciences
- Principles of Marketing

Chemistry

HiSET & GED Test Prep Launching in October

Courses for students to prepare for high school equivalency exams.

Credit for Prior Learning Launching January 2025

An opportunity for students to earn academic credit by demonstrating mastery of specific competencies through a portfolio of learning artifacts.

Advisory Launching 2025

A dedicated advisory program that provides personalized support and guidance for part-time high school students led by VLACS advisors.

CompTIA Certification Prep Coming Soon

Courses to help students prepare to take industry certification exams.

• A+ Certification Prep • Security+ Certification Prep • IT Fundamentals Certification Prep

Stay tuned for new partnerships with NH colleges and universities in 2025, offering dual credit programming for high school students and graduate-level PD courses for educators.