# Teacher Shortages in Virginia 

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# The Traditional Teacher Preparation Pipeline 

## National Enrollment in Teacher Preparation Programs 2009-2014



## National Trends in Enrollment in Teacher Prep vs Student Growth



## Virginia Trends in Enrollment in Teacher Preparation Programs vs Student Growth



## Virginia Teacher Preparation Program Completers (2013-14)



Providers


3,535
Program Completers*

## Perspective on the Number of Program Completers

- 3,535 Program Completers annually
- This year, ONE school division-NOT the largest in Virginia--had 820 teaching vacancies to fill

That's almost ONE FOURTH of ALL graduates of Virginia teacher prep programs

## PROGRAM COMPLETERS by REGION-- TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS

 (Source: 2015 Title II Reports)

## October Report

- Each October, VDOE surveys local divisions to ask for their number of unfilled vacancies
- This is the number of funded but unfilled teaching positions in the division
- October, 2016 count was over 1,000....in 2015 it was 800+


## Provisional Licenses:

## Impact on Reported Vacancies: Special Education

The numbers of three-year Provisional (Special Education) Licenses issued with the following effective dates are listed below:

| License Effective Date | Number of Licenses |
| :--- | :---: |
| $7 / 1 / 2014$ | 715 |
| $7 / 1 / 2015$ | 812 |
| $7 / 1 / 2016$ | 947 |

- While an effective approach, provisional licenses may "mask" the actual depth of a shortage
- The number of 2016-2017 instructional personnel reported by the public school divisions who held a Provisional (Special Education) License during the year was 1,408 .
- Provisional licenses are not counted as "vacant" positions


## Disproportional Impacts

- Teacher Vacancies are not distributed evenly across Virginia (see addendum)
- Challenged school divisions more likely to experience shortages
- The following example is more typical than exceptional


## Petersburg City School Vacancies by Building for 2017-18



## EXISTING INTERVENTIONS

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## Virginia Teaching Scholarship Loan Program (VTSLP)

Through the VTSLP, eligible students may receive a scholarship loan for as much as $\$ 10,000$ per academic year for full-time students (Total $\$ 708,000$ )

Candidates must meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Be enrolled in a program leading to an endorsement in a critical shortage area as established by the Board of Education;
- Be a male teacher candidate in an elementary or middle school education program;
- Be a minority teacher candidate enrolled in any teacher endorsement area; or
- Be a student in an approved teacher education program leading to an endorsement in career and technical education.

Each Institution of Higher Education may nominate up to three deserving students for this program.

## Anticipated Recommendations: <br> Two Sources

Governor's Teacher Shortage Workgroup Report

- SCHEV + VDOE
- October 1, 2017

Teacher Shortages in the Commonwealth:
A Conversation with Education Leaders and Policymakers

- October 24, 2017
- UVa


## Questions?

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# ADDENDUM <br> data by regional \& Division Neeids 

## Percent of Total Positions Unfilled by Region



## Positions Unfilled by Region



## Unfilled Vacancies by Division



Notes: The two highest vacancies are in Fairfax County with 218 vacancies and Prince William County with 61 vacancies.

# REGIONAL \& DIVISION NEEDS: A Break Down by Teaching Assignment Area 

For these maps please go to https://virginia.box.com/s/vhbs6h5bvt99gcbm98sm1fe0pwmynggi

## Special Education



## Elementary Education : PK-6



## Middle Education: Grades 6-8



## Mathematics: Secondary



## Sciences: Secondary



