

# The V<sup>2</sup>CTM Reflection



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## Textbook Fair Planned for Spring Meeting April 18 at Turner Ashby High School

The Annual Spring V<sup>2</sup>CTM Meeting will be held at Turner Ashby High School on Monday, April 18, 2011. Since 2011 is a math textbook adoption year in Virginia, publishers have been invited to display the texts they submitted to the Virginia Department of Education for state approval. As shown on the chart on the next page, many vendors will be exhibiting. Exhibitors will be making 30-minute presentations from 5:00 - 5:30 and from 5:35 - 6:05. Then there will be a break for dinner and V<sup>2</sup>CTM business meeting, followed by more sessions from 6:55 - 7:25 and again at 7:30 - 8:00. It should be a busy and informative meeting/fair, so make your plans to join the expected large crowd at TAHS on the 18<sup>th</sup>.



**Turner Ashby  
High School**

**How to get to Turner Ashby High School:** From I-81 take Exit 240 (Bridgewater). Proceed on Rt. 257 3.4 miles west to the Town of Bridgewater. At the stop light of Rt. 257 and Main Street (beside Hardee's) take a right turn and proceed north on Main Street (Rt. 42) 1.3 miles. Turner Ashby High School is on the right at the stop light.

**Dinner:** A catered dinner will be available at TAHS provided by White Hill Catering. This dinner is sponsored by McGraw-Hill/Glencoe so there is no cost for your dinner. Special thanks to Rhonda Davis and Tate Swecker for sponsoring our dinner! The menu includes chicken tetrazzini, steamed rice, green beans, rolls and butter, dessert, sweetened and unsweetened tea and water. You must register online no later than April 10 if you wish to eat dinner so that we will have an accurate count for the caterer.

**Registration:** There are no registration costs for the Spring meeting. However, you are asked to pre-register on-line at <http://www.rockingham.k12.va.us/register> so an accurate dinner count can be determined and a name tag prepared for you.

## Textbook Fair Presentation Schedule

Note that this schedule is accurate as of March 16, 2011. There may be changes in this schedule; a final copy will be distributed when you come to Turner Ashby High School on April 18.

### Elementary Schedule

Time Slot	Elem 1	Elem 2	Elem 3	Elem 4	Elem 5	Elem 6
	Room 202	Room 204	Room 206	Room 216	Room 219	Room 220
<b>4:30 - 5:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>					
<b>5:00 - 5:30</b>	Saxon Math - Michael Hunt		Great Source - Math in Focus - Tonita Watts		McGraw-Hill - Math Connects: Rhonda Davis	
		Pearson - Scott Foresman: Chip Marston		HMH - Math Expressions: Debbie Denson		Carolina - Math in a Box
<b>5:35 - 6:05</b>						
<b>6:05 - 6:50</b>	<b>Dinner / Business Meeting</b>					
<b>6:55 - 7:25</b>	Saxon Math - Michael Hunt		Great Source - Math in Focus - Tonita Watts		McGraw-Hill - Math Connects: Rhonda Davis	
		Pearson - Scott Foresman: Chip Marston		HMH - Math Expressions: Debbie Denson		Carolina - Math in a Box
<b>7:30 - 8:00</b>						

### Secondary Schedule

Time Slot	Secondary 1	Secondary 2	Secondary 3	Secondary 4	Secondary 5
	Room 242	Room 244	Room 246	Room 247	Room 251
<b>4:30 - 5:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>				
<b>5:00 - 5:30</b>	[Gr 6-8] Pearson - Doug Pond		[Gr 9-12] McGraw-Hill - Glencoe: Tate Swecker		[Gr 6-8] Cord Communications: Brock Estes
		[Gr 9-12] Bedford, Freeman, Worth - (9-12)		[Gr 6-8] HMH: Wally Vaniels and Larry Dorf	
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# V<sup>2</sup>CTM Regional 24 Challenge Tournament Scheduled for April 4

There's still time for your school to register for the annual V<sup>2</sup>CTM Regional 24 Challenge Tournament to be held on April 4 at Wilson Middle School in Augusta County. The tournament will begin at 6:00, with participants arriving and registering by 5:45. Over twenty schools in the Valley are expected to send teams. Any elementary school is welcome to participate. Schools may bring four students to compete in the tournament. Schools need to register in advance to participate, but they do not need to register which four students will participate until that night. Schools may register by contacting John Matherly ([jmatherly@augusta.k12.va.us](mailto:jmatherly@augusta.k12.va.us)) or his secretary, Teresa Hester ([thester@augusta.k12.va.us](mailto:thester@augusta.k12.va.us)). Harvey Almarode will again be the emcee.



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## V<sup>2</sup>CTM Slate of Officers for 2011-12

The open positions and the slate of proposed officers is listed below. These offices will be filled at the business meeting on April 18.

Secretary: .....Jenny Gibson, Rockingham County Public Schools  
 Board Member: .....Pat Lintner, Harrisonburg City Public Schools  
 Board Member: .....Bob Hanson, James Madison University  
 Board Member: ..... Amy Henderson, Harrisonburg City Schools

# Math News from the Virginia D.O.E.

## **Supplement to Curriculum Framework Fills Gaps between SOL and Common Core Standards**

On Thursday, January 13, 2011, the Virginia Board of Education (BOE) approved a [Supplement to the Curriculum Framework for the 2009 Mathematics Standards of Learning](#) (this link includes the entire Board agenda item) that included a few additions and changes that fill some slight gaps between the SOL and the Common Core State Standards. A Superintendent's Memo with details (including information on the incorporation of the additions to the current CF documents and assessment process) is scheduled to be released on January 21. In addition, the BOE accepted the [Report on the \[Final\] Analysis of Virginia's 2009 Mathematics Standards of Learning Compared to the Common Core State Standards in Mathematics](#).

## **Virginia's College and Career Ready Mathematics Performance Expectations (MPE)**

The Mathematics Performance Expectations (MPE) define the level of achievement students must reach to be academically prepared for success in entry-level, credit-bearing, college courses in mathematics and further career and technical training. These performance expectations were identified using the Mathematics Standards of Learning, the Mathematics SOL Curriculum Framework, and other validated state and national college and career readiness standards, including the Common Core State Standards. Documents and resources are in development that support the creation of a capstone mathematics course for 12th graders at the division level. These documents will elaborate on how student objectives could and should be connected through applied mathematical tasks and will provide examples. Divisions will identify student objectives for the capstone course from the MPE in order to better prepare students for college and careers.

## **New SOL Practice Test Questions**

Approximately 10 practice test questions are anticipated to be posted for each mathematics test (grades 3 through 8 and End-of-Course) in the next few weeks. The new practice test questions will highlight the increased rigor of the new mathematics SOL tests and the alternative ways for students to indicate answers through the new Technology Enhanced Items (TEI). TEIs will appear as field test questions for the first time in grades 6-8 and EOC online SOL tests in the spring of 2011. TEIs will appear as field test questions in online tests for the first time in grades 3-5 in the spring of 2012. All new content from the 2009 SOL and content common to both the 2001 and 2009 SOL are "fair game" for the Spring 2011 TEI formatted questions.

## **Virginia Modified Achievement Standards Test (VMAST) Scores and Diploma Requirements**

The Virginia Modified Achievement Standards Test (VMAST) is an alternate assessment intended for students with disabilities who are instructed in grade level Standards of Learning (SOL) content but who are not likely to achieve proficiency in the same time frame as their nondisabled peers. Research-based supports and simplifications are applied to existing online SOL test items to make VMAST items more accessible to eligible students. Beginning in 2011-2012, VMAST for grades 3-8 mathematics and Algebra I will be available for eligible students with disabilities. Students with disabilities who participate in the grade 8 VMAST mathematics assessments and who are working towards a Modified Standard Diploma may use passing VMAST scores to fulfill the numeracy requirements of this diploma.

Similarly, beginning in 2012-13, VMAST reading for grades 3-8 and end-of-course will be available to eligible students with disabilities. Students with disabilities who participate in the grade 8 reading VMAST assessment and who are working towards a Modified Standard Diploma may use passing VMAST scores to fulfill the literacy requirement.

Students with disabilities may also use passing VMAST Algebra I and end-of-course reading scores for verified credit as required for the standard and advanced studies diplomas or to fulfill the numeracy and literacy requirements of the Modified Standard Diploma. If you have questions, please contact the student assessment staff at [Student\\_Assessment@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:Student_Assessment@doe.virginia.gov) or (804) 225-2102.

## **Food for thought**

Did you know that 41 of the 50 states have adopted the Common Core State Standards? Only two states east of the Mississippi haven't—Maine and Virginia. You can find out more information about the Common Core Standards at <http://www.corestandards.org>.

**See you at Turner Ashby High School  
on Monday, April 18!**

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