
WELCOME!

2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

gs ARTS

The Governor's School for the Arts



OPENING DAY DAY

SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

Opening Day at GSA is an exciting event! Your peers will welcome you, you will meet your faculty, and see live performances.

All students will be dropped off at the GSA Building, 254 Granby Street, Norfolk, 23510.

Students will go directly to their departments:

Dance:

Expansion- enter through the 3rd floor of the Main building

Instrumental Music:

Miner Music Hall
enter through the 3rd floor of the Main building

Musical Theatre

3rd Floor- Room 317

Theatre & Film

4th Floor- Room 410

Visual Arts

5th Floor

Vocal Musc

4th Floor- Room



BUSES

Be sure to check with transportation at your home high school regarding buses to GSA. The transportation phone numbers are listed in the student handbook which can be found on our [website](#)

1st shift buses (Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach, Southampton) will depart at 4:20pm

2nd shift buses (Chesapeake, Isle of Wight, Suffolk and Franklin) will depart at 5:20pm

SCHEDULING AND INSTRUCTIONAL TIMES

GSA will begin the year with in-person instruction. If health conditions deteriorate or there is an outbreak at GSA, we will toggle between the available models of instruction.

Norfolk, Portsmouth, Southampton, and Virginia Beach students will have classes from 1:00 pm to 4:10 pm.

Chesapeake, Franklin, Isle of Wight, and Suffolk students will have classes from 2:00 pm to 5:10 pm

Students will receive their class schedules during the first week of instruction.

TECHNOLOGY

GSA is committed to providing students with the appropriate technology needed to be successful in their art specialty.

GRADING AND ASSESSMENT

The GSA grading scale is outlined in the GSA Student Handbook. Students will receive grades in all enrolled classes during the quarter.

Teachers will provide students with a syllabus of how they will grade their classes.

When appropriate, students will be required to be in dress code. This dress code varies from department to department.



There are four (4) grading periods, which are approximately nine (9) weeks in length.

Students will participate in mid-year and end-of-year jury assessments. These juries vary from department to department.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students are required to attend all of their GSA classes, regularly and on time. Daily attendance will be monitored.

Communication by parents/guardians is essential. Parents/guardians are asked to email absentee notes to the department chair and the data specialist whenever their student is absent from a scheduled class.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is provided by our school districts; therefore, we encourage our families to contact their student's home high school to determine procedures and safety protocols that have been established.

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PERFORMANCES

Performances will vary from department to department. A calendar of events will be published in our online calendar on our website.

SUPPLIES & MATERIALS

Supplies vary from department to department and will be disseminated from GSA. A materials fee of \$250 is due October 15, 2022. Families may submit a request for waiver or reduced fees. The form is located on the gsarts website or may be accessed [HERE](#):

GSA also has a wishlist for supplies from Amazon. Link [HERE](#) to make a purchase.

IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

All events, school holidays, school closings, etc. are in our academic calendar on our website under the home page. All performance & exhibitions are under the performance & exhibition calendar on our website.

Tuesday, September 6, 2022: **Opening Day**

Wednesday- Friday, November 23-25, 2022: **Thanksgiving Holiday**

Monday- Tuesday, December 19, 2022- January 2, 2023: **Winter Break**

Saturday, February 25, 2023: **Prom**
open to all GSA students, any grade level

Monday- Friday, April 10-14, 2023: **Spring Break**

Friday, June 9, 2023: **Last day of GSA**

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