



Instructional Plan 2023-2024

Instructional Delivery

Sussex County Public Schools (SCPS) seeks to provide students with high-quality instruction and educational experiences. With less than 10 students electing to receive virtual instruction via Virtual Virginia, SCPS serves the majority of its students via direct, in-person instruction for the 2023-2024 school year.

Direct Instruction

Sussex County Public Schools employs multiple strategies to determine the deficient areas for students. This data is used to create meaningful, engaging educational opportunities that target the identified areas and strengthen academic performance. Seeking to accelerate learning for students, SCPS will continue to provide intense remedial services to at-risk students, explicit instruction to all students, and advanced learning opportunities and experiences for gifted students. The remedial services will be provided during regular school hours and after school. Additionally, intensive summer remediation and learning opportunities will be provided to improve understanding and reinforce learning for students who failed to demonstrate mastery during the year. Strategies to improve reading comprehension and mathematical performance will continue throughout this academic year.

Curriculum

SCPS hosts an annual Curriculum Institute in which teachers revise curriculum pacing guides to address learning gaps for students. SCPS has revised its curriculum guide format in 2022. The format was modified to emphasize the SOLs and VDOE's Curriculum Framework for each content area. Specialists will review the English and mathematics curriculum guides every nine weeks to determine areas that require modification based on student performance and mastery of content. Teachers are encouraged to make anecdotal notes to record recommended changes to be reviewed and/or incorporated when developing the new guides each year.

Social Emotional Learning

SCPS will continue to seek to address the developmental needs of our students. Two professional school counselors are assigned to each building who will continue to work with the school social worker and contracted school psychologist to meet the social-emotional needs of our students. Additionally, SCPS has secured a Trauma Coach to assist with the student population at each school. Therapeutic Day Treatment Providers are employed at Sussex Central Elementary



School and Sussex Central High School to address the social and emotional needs of students experiencing trauma and negative behaviors.

School Nutrition

The Community Eligibility Program allows all students to receive meals at no cost.