

Did You Know?

- South Lakes High School's Class of 2006 sent 5 graduates to prestigious service academies: Naval Academy (2), the Air Force Academy (2), and the United States Military Academy at West Point (1).
- South Lakes High School hosts the *East Coast A Capella Summit*. High School, university, and professional choral/A Capella groups perform on our stage.
- The 2007 South Lakes High School Wind Ensemble was the only band from Virginia and one of 17 from across the US selected to perform at the Music for All National Concert Band Festival in Indianapolis.
- The 2006 South Lakes High School Wind Ensemble was one of three high school bands from across the country selected to perform at the DC Wind Band Invitational on the concert stage at the Kennedy Center.
- Bruce Butler was named First-Year Principal of the Year by Fairfax County Public Schools.
- Electives are offered in Business, Fine and Performing Arts, Marketing, Auto Tech, JROTC, Journalism, Social Studies and Leadership. A new Culinary Arts program will open for the '08-'09 school year.
- SLHS is in the 4th year of a rigorous behavior management program (based on the research-validated Positive Behavior Support (PBS) model, targeting student conduct, absenteeism/tardies, and consistency of expectations and consequences.) The program continues to have a significant impact in creating a safe and positive school environment for all students.
- South Lakes High School IB Program offers a comprehensive two year music theory and history course through IB music - one of the few schools in FCPS to offer a second year theory course.
- In 2006 South Lakes High School had students accepted in the Governor's Academy for French, German, Japanese, Russian and Spanish.



South Lakes High School is fully accredited by the State of Virginia Dept. of Education and has met Federal "No Child Left Behind" performance requirements.

South Lakes High School Values

- A reflective and organized instructional program that provides all students with engaging research based instructional experiences. Mastery learning and ongoing intervention/formative assessment are integral to all levels and courses.
- Open and timely communication with parents and our greater school community.
- A positive and supportive academic and social environment.
- All school-wide initiatives and staff development grow from our commitment to these values.

Academic Philosophy

- South Lakes High School teachers provide students with multiple intervention opportunities. Research on how students learn clearly denotes that several meaningful interactions are required for students to achieve mastery of essential concepts, skills, and content. Students' grades are adjusted up when they demonstrate mastery.
- South Lakes High School teachers work together as professional learning communities (PLC's) to plan, analyze, and execute an organized and consistent educational program.
- South Lakes High School is an International Baccalaureate (IB) and an IB Middle Years School. The IB and IB MYP programs bring an international standard of achievement and academic excellence to South Lakes High School.



SLHS Demographics

White	44.5%
African American	20.8%
Hispanic	17.3%
Asian	11.5%
Other	5.9%
Special Ed.	19.1%
ESOL	12.2%
Free and Reduced Lunch	28.0%

SLHS serves and supports a very service minded and diverse school community. Our current student membership is 1,435 students.

Passing Rates AP & IB Tests

	2005	2006	2007
SLHS	82%	80%	80%
Westfield	61%	66%	61%
Oakton	71%	64%	70%
Madison	65%	70%	68%
Herndon	62%	66%	69%

AP (Score 3+), IB (Score 4+)

IB Diploma Candidates

	'04	'05	'06	'07	'08	'09
# of Diploma Candidates	36	31	27	55	47	74
# Earning IB Diploma	32	30	21	45		

IB/Pre IB Classes

9th	10th	11th	12 th
59.1%	51.8%	49.4%	53.7%

Pupil Placements

	Placed in to SLHS	Placed out of SLHS
In for IB/Out for AP	44	19
Total Placements	95	29

School and Community Initiatives

South Lakes High School students, faculty, and parents support a constructive and positive academic and social environment. South Lakes High School is a Positive Behavior Support (PBS) school. Our PBS themes are **Respect, Responsibility, and Readiness**

- Positive and supportive behavior routinely taught and reinforced by teacher written *Success Passes*. Success pass drawings occur every few weeks. Success pass winners and teacher initiators are recognized by the school via intercom.
- Perfect attendance parties are held to reward students that have excellent attendance.
- PTSA Academic Boosters recognize top academic achievers each quarter with an *Honor Roll Breakfast*. Last year 32% of South Lakes students were recognized each breakfast for attaining a 3.5 or better GPA.
- PTSA Boosters hold *BUG (Bring Up Grades) Lunches* each quarter to recognize students that have improved grades.





LHS Applicants Accepted at State Universities in Virginia

University	SLHS Acceptance Rate 2007	Early Decision (Applied /Accepted) 2007
Christopher Newport	45%	2/1
George Mason	58%	12/9
James Madison	56%	13/8
Mary Washington	79%	1/1
Virginia Commonwealth	72%	1/1
Virginia Tech	58%	7/6
UVA	55%	12/9
William and Mary	48%	4/3

SOL Test Summary

ENGLISH	03-04	04-05	05-06	06-07
Reading	92	85	90	95
Writing	84.8	88	90	94
MATH				
Algebra I	61.9	75	85	89
Algebra II	78.4	87.8	80	83
Geometry	78.7	83	81	83
SCIENCES				
Biology	74.9	67	69	85
Chemistry	68.7	71	73.2	73
Earth Science	85.5	84	87	91
HISTORY				
World History I	79.7	77	68	90
World History II	78.7	85	85	86
US/VA History	82.8	86.7	89	93

SLHA National Merit Semifinalist & Commended/Achievement Students

	'04	'05	'06	'07	'08
Merit Semi-Finalist	2	2	3	3	2
National Achievement		1	3	2	
National Merit Commended	7	7	9	9	8



STUDENT LEADERSHIP - FUND RAISING and COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Our Student Government and Leadership Class was honored as Volunteer Group of the Year by Volunteer Fairfax in 2005
- Student-led community service fund raising has included:
 - \$14,000 for **Tsunami Relief** in 2005
 - \$14,000 for **Hurricane Katrina Relief** supporting Habitat for Humanity in 2006
 - \$24,000 in 2007 to support a South Lakes student and his family. The **“Fight for Seahawk”** campaign paid all medical expenses for our student who suffered with brain cancer
 - Our SGA is presently raising money to support The **Invisible Children** Program. This program supports the schooling of children displaced by civil war in Uganda.
- South Lakes High School IB Diploma candidates engage in community service activities via their **Community/Action/Service (CAS)** requirements.
- Leadership students tutor at Dogwood Elementary throughout the year.
- Seahawk Basketball players serve as tutors in the **Readers as Leaders** program at Terraset Elementary School annually.
- Seahawk Band members and athletes serve as group leaders at Dogwood’s **Young Leaders** program each December.
- Seahawk science students present at **the Girls in Math and Science (GEMS) Conference** yearly.
- Seahawk choral students serve as mentors and teachers at pyramid choral workshops and pyramid combined concerts.
- The National Honor Society and Interact Club support a myriad of community service programs.

SOUTH LAKES HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION

- Every instructional space is being rebuilt, expanded, and improved. State-of-the-art instructional technology is incorporated into all classrooms. LCD projectors and digital gooseneck cameras replace televisions and overhead projectors.
- Entire building will have wireless capability.
- The Theater, Lecture Hall, Gymnasium, and all music rooms will have upgraded sound systems.
- Multiple skylights and additional windows have greatly increased the natural light that enters the building.
- The new Media Center is spacious and loaded with research technology tools.
- South Lakes High School established a Sports Hall of Fame and Scholarship Program in 2006 to honor administrators, coaches and athletes and to provide funds for students with limited means. SLHS Hall of Fame inductees include Kendyl Baugh Moss, Grant Hill, West Suter and Christy Winters Scott.