

Virginia has led the nation in many ways, particularly in education. The birthplace of the free public education system our country now enjoys has its roots right here in South Central Virginia. It was here that through combined grassroots efforts that African Americans, Native Americans and women struggled for the right to an education equal to that of white males. Today, a self-guided driving tour brings together these historically significant sites telling the poignant and often explosive story of civil rights in education in our country.



(Above Left) Hampden Sydney Training Center, Classroom, c. 1961. Site No. PE7 on the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®



(Above Right) Dinwiddie County, Rocky Branch School Building, c. 1930s. Site No. DN2 on the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®



(Right) Charlotte County Library Bookmobile, c. 1939. Site No. CR2 on the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®



The Jordan sisters. Mosella Jordan Price (standing) was instrumental in improving the education and quality of life for African Americans in Appomattox County. From 1919 to 1963, she served as the Supervisor of Appomattox County Negro Schools.

Site No. AP1 on the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®



Charlotte County, Salem School, grades 5, 6, & 7 in 1947. Site No. CR4 on the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®



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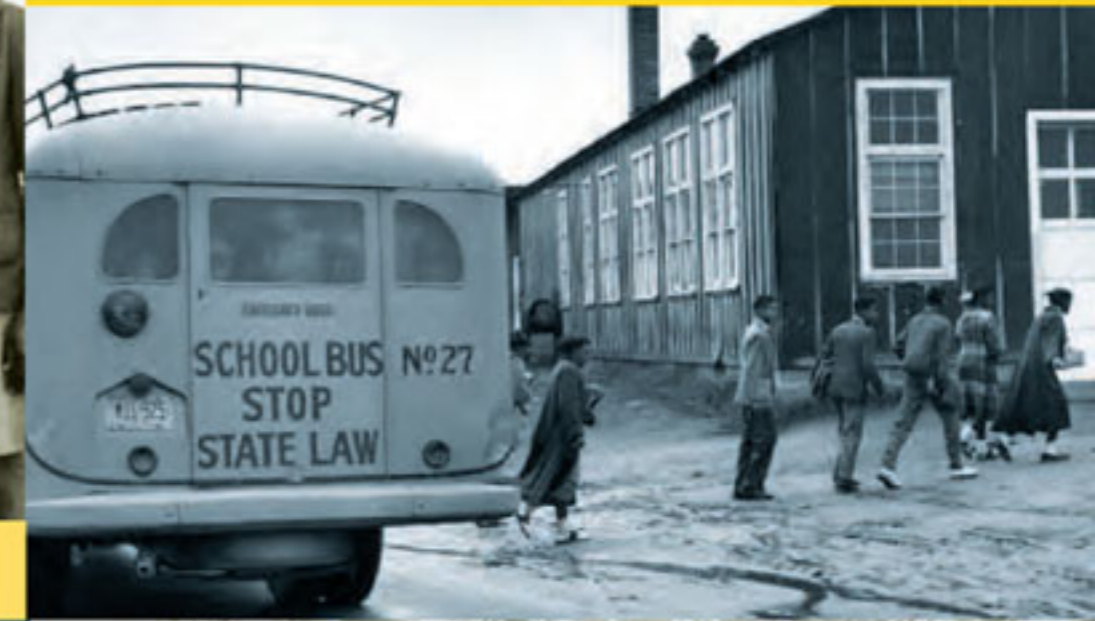
There are several sites along the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail® that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, including the Robert Russa Moton Museum in Prince Edward County; Saint Paul's College in Brunswick County; Salem School in Charlotte County; and the Peabody Building in Petersburg.

MUSEUMS ALONG THE TRAIL

To capture a more in-depth look at the history of these particular sites, member partners have established museums open to the public. These include The Robert Russa Moton Museum in Prince Edward County; The James Solomon Russell – Saint Paul's College Museum and Archives in Brunswick County; Central High School in Charlotte; and the Carver-Price Legacy Museum in Appomattox.

For more information on all of the historic sites along this historic trail, go to vacrossroads.com.

The R.R. Moton High School & Site No. PE4 on the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®



Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®

HOW TO EXPERIENCE THE TRAIL

The trail features more than 50 sites with detailed interpretation and photographs at each location.

The self-guided driving tour allows you to enjoy the trail at your own pace. Because the trail is not linear or chronological, it may be started and ended at any point. Once you begin, trailblazing signs lead you from one stop to the next with the help of this brochure featuring the physical addresses of each site. To fully experience the tour, allow time to enter buildings that are publicly accessible and to visit other attractions in the area.

(On the cover) 1906 Graduating Class of Boydton Academic and Bible Institute. Site No. MK2 on the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®



The Peabody-Williams School in Petersburg, c. 1920. Site No. PB3 on the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®



The Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail® was established in 2004 and is owned and managed by Virginia's Crossroads, a tourism marketing consortium comprised of the localities of Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Charlotte, Dinwiddie, Emporia/Greenville, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, and Prince Edward, and also includes the City of Petersburg, Virginia State Parks and Appomattox Court House National Historical Park. For additional information on the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail®, Civil War driving tours of Lee's Retreat route and the Wilson-Kautz Raid, outdoor recreational opportunities, events, attractions and accommodations in South Central Virginia visit vacrossroads.com.

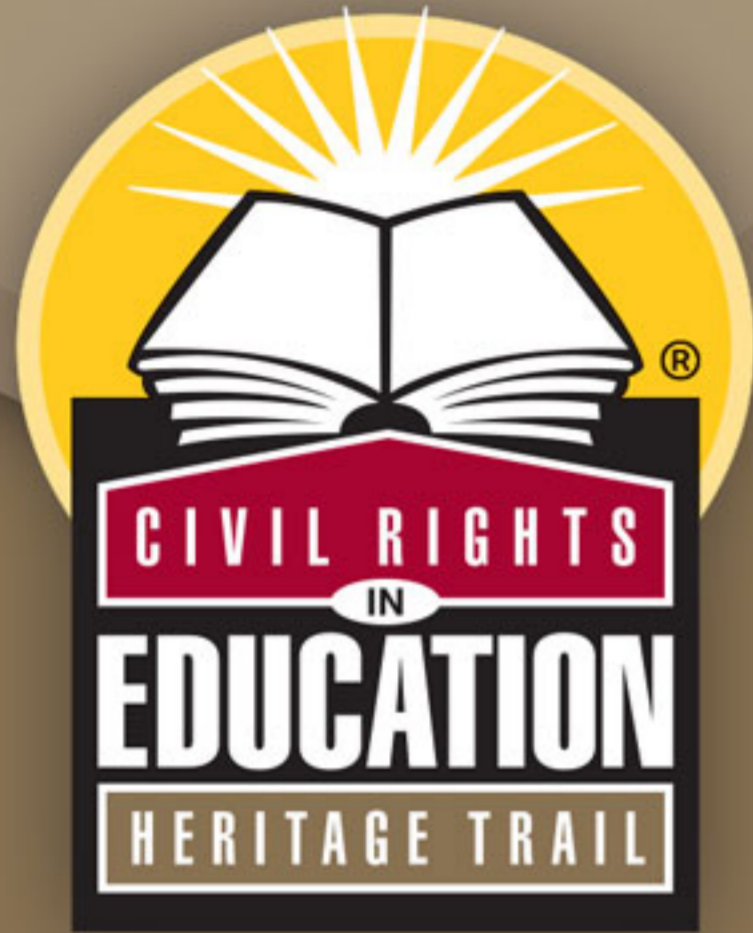


A SELF-GUIDED DRIVING TOUR THROUGH SOUTHSIDE VIRGINIA



(Clockwise from top left) 1921 Graduating Class of St. Paul's College - Site No. BR3 • Mrs. Pattie Hicks Buford, c. 1880 - Site No. BR5 • One-room school, c. 1910s - Site No. BK1 Beulah AME Church, 1963 - Site No. PE2 • Blackstone Female Institute, 1908 - Site No. NT1 • Virginia State University - Site No. CH1 • Carter G. Woodson, 1937 - Site No. BK3

Counties highlighted in green indicate Virginia's Crossroads member municipalities.



AMELIA COUNTY

- AM1** Russell Grove Presbyterian Church and School
8701 Otterburn Road, Amelia, VA 23002
- AM2** Mrs. Samantha Jane Neil
16501 Church Street, Amelia, VA 23002

APPOMATTOX COUNTY

- AP1** Winonah Camp / Mozella Price Home
102 Carver Lane, Appomattox, VA 24522
- AP2** Carver-Price School
102 Carver Lane, Appomattox, VA 24522
- AP3** The First African American School in Appomattox
Near 2623 Old Courthouse Road, Appomattox, VA 24522

BRUNSWICK COUNTY

- BR1** Southside Virginia Community College
Christanna Campus
109 Campus Drive, Alberta, VA 23917
- BR2** Oak Grove School
22331 Christanna Highway, Lawrenceville, VA 23868
- BR3** Saint Paul's College and James Solomon
Russell-Saint Paul's College Museum
100 Athletic Field Road, Lawrenceville, VA 23868
- BR4** Fort Christanna Historical Site
3875 Fort Hill Road, Lawrenceville, VA 23868
- BR5** Hospital and School of the Good Shepherd
236 Pleasant Grove Road, Brodnax, VA 23930

BUCKINGHAM COUNTY

- BK1** One-Room Schoolhouse
On Lee Wayside Road, Buckingham, VA 23921
- BK2** Buckingham Training School
Stephen J. Ellis Elementary School
for African Americans
245 Camden Street, Dillwyn, VA 23936
- BK3** Carter G. Woodson Birthplace
Near 2325 C.G. Woodson Road, New Canton, VA 23123

CHARLOTTE COUNTY

- CR1** Central High School
515 Thomas Jefferson Highway,
Charlotte Court House, VA 23923
- CR2** Charlotte County Library
112 LeGrande Avenue, Charlotte Court House, VA 23923
- CR3** Southside Virginia Community College
John H. Daniel Campus
200 Daniel Road, Keysville, VA 23947
- CR4** Salem School
4050 Salem School Road, Red Oak, VA 23964

DINWIDDIE COUNTY

- DN1** Southside Virginia Training Center
26317 W. Washington Street, Petersburg, VA 23803
- DN2** Rocky Branch School
Near 6009 Rocky Branch Road, Sutherland, VA 23885
- DN3** Early Education in Dinwiddie County
14101 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA 23841
- DN4** Southside High School
12318 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA 23841

Note: Although there are locations you can visit in the counties listed below, they are currently not active members of Virginia's Crossroads.

CHESTERFIELD COUNTY

- CH1** Virginia State University
On Matthews Jefferson Dr. at East River Rd., VSU, VA 23806

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

- CM1** Rosenwald School at Cartersville
2018 Cartersville Road, Cartersville, VA 23027
- CM2** Hamilton High School
1921 Cartersville Road, Cartersville, VA 23027
- CM3** Jackson Davis
1490 Anderson Highway, Cumberland, VA 23040
- CM4** Cumberland Educational Advancement
Center & Community Center
1874 Anderson Highway, Cumberland, VA 23040

CITY OF EMPORIA / GREENSVILLE COUNTY

- GR1** Greenville County Training School
115 Ruffin Street, Emporia, VA 23847

LUNENBURG COUNTY

- LN1** The Peoples Community Center
1021 Tidewater Avenue, Victoria, VA 23974
- LN2** Lunenburg County Training School
50 K-V Road, Victoria, VA 23974
- LN3** St. Matthew's Lutheran Church
Christian Day School
1364 Free State Road, Meherrin, VA 23954

MECKLENBURG COUNTY

- MK1** Thyne Institute
Near 5120 Highway 47, Chase City, VA 23924
- MK2** Boydton Academic and Bible Institute
Near 18078 Highway 58, Boydton, VA 23917
- MK3** St. Mark's Episcopal Church & Carroll-Boyd School
3906 Highway 903, Bracey, VA 23919

HALIFAX COUNTY

- HX1** Meadville Community Center
7114 Chatham Road, Nathalie, VA 24577
- HX2** L.E. Coleman African American Museum
Mountain Road School No. 1
3011 Mountain Road, Halifax, VA 24558
- HX3** Mary M. Bethune High School
1030 Mary Bethune Street, Halifax, VA 24558
- HX4** Washington-Coleman Elementary School
1927 Jeffress Boulevard, South Boston, VA 24592
- HX5** Mizpah Presbyterian Church
308 Ragland Street, South Boston, VA 24592

NOTTOWAY COUNTY

- NT1** Blackstone Female Institute
Fourth Street at South Amelia Avenue, Blackstone, VA 23824
- NT2** Mt. Nebo Church
Near 515 Mt. Nebo Road, Blackstone, VA 23824
- NT3** Ingleside Training Institute
Near 507 Miller Street, Burkeville, VA 23922

CITY OF PETERSBURG

- PB1** Earliest Known Public High School for
African Americans in Virginia
Near 421 Harrison Street, Petersburg, VA, 23803
- PB2** McKenney Library
137 South Sycamore Street, Petersburg, VA 23803
- PB3** The Peabody-Williams School
629 South Jones Street, Petersburg, VA 23803
- PB4** Bishop Payne Divinity School
401 S West Street, Petersburg, VA 23803

PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY

- PE1** First Baptist Church
100 South Main Street, Farmville, VA 23901
- PE2** Beulah AME Church
115 South Main Street, Farmville, VA 23901
- PE3** Farmville Female Seminary Association
On High Street, in front of Ruffner Hall, Farmville, VA 23901
- PE4** R.R. Moton High School
900 Griffin Boulevard, Farmville, VA 23901
- PE5** Prince Edward County Public Schools
Near 1499 Zion Hill Road, Farmville, VA 23901
- PE6** Hampden-Sydney College
Opposite Everett Stadium on College Road,
Hampden Sydney, VA 23943
- PE7** The Beneficial Benevolent Society of the
Loving Sisters and Brothers of Hampden Sydney
99 Kingsville Road, Farmville, VA 23901
- PE8** Prince Edward State Park for Negroes
788 Twin Lakes Road, Green Bay, VA 23942

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