

**VIRGINIA RETIRED TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION**  
**VRTA AT A GLANCE**

*Motto: To Serve Not To Be Served*

*We enrich the lives of all retired school personnel!*

**Who are we?**

- We are retired teachers, administrators, counselors, librarians, and those who provided services to children with special needs.
- We are retired secretaries, bookkeepers, custodians, cafeteria workers, bus drivers, and others without whom a school could not operate.
- We continue to dedicate our lives to helping children reach their potential, and in our retirement, we rejoice in seeing the successes of all students.

**VRTA'S MISSION**

***“TO BE THE VOICE, RESOURCE, AND CONNECTION FOR ALL RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL”***

**What do we stand for?**

- Education of the whole student
- Support for the Constitutionally mandated public school system and teachers, its key element
- Dignity for retirees by supporting and improving VRS

**What do we do?**

- Volunteer in various community service capacities
- Support effective advocacy for children, teachers, retirees, and public education
- Foster open communication between VRTA members and legislators
- Offer scholarships to deserving high school seniors

**VRTA'S VISION**

***“ALL RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL WILL BE SAFE, PRODUCTIVE INFORMED AND FINANCIALLY SECURE IN RETIREMENT”***

**How can you learn more about us?**

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*The Voice of Virginia's Retired Teachers*