
THE VIRGINIA COUNSELOR

The Official Newsletter of the Virginia Counselors Association

WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING VCA BOARD MEMBERS!

2020 - 2021 INFORMATION

For this term, the newsletter committee is striving to post our electronic newsletter with highlighted features in every edition. Every issue includes: a special message from the VCA President, the VCA's Professional Development Calendar, advocacy and legislation highlights, as well as news and events from each of the Committees, Chapters and Divisions. You and your team are encouraged to contribute special features and articles for each edition. Workshops, reviews, member highlights, and all the good work that you do in the community are always welcomed additions to the newsletter.

WHAT ARE YOUR NEWSLETTER RESPONSIBILITIES?

- **All Committees** should submit a report, article, or blurb for **each** issue. This is an important process to keep VCA members abreast of what our committees are getting active about! Interest and involvement can be increased through connecting to VCA members through the newsletter.
- **Chapters and Divisions must** submit an article of substance for **at least one issue per term**; however, please feel free to submit an article for each issue. *In addition, you may want to also submit professional development opportunities and chapter/division news.*
- We recommend that you assign a member to cover workshops that your committee, chapter, or division sponsors.
- Take lots of pictures at VCA events and include them with your articles! You may feel free to send photos for submission without articles. When submitting photos, please include a caption to provide context.
- Notify us about articles in other media that you would like to see reprinted in **The Virginia Counselor**. We may be able to obtain permission to reprint articles of interest.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Articles: Please submit articles via email to TheVirginiaCounselor@gmail.com. Your submission should be a Word document, a Google document, or embedded directly in the e-mail bed.

If you choose to format your article, please send it as a PDF file. If you choose to format your submission and send it as a PDF, please send each page of your submission as a separate PDF file (e.g. if you are sending a 2 page submission that is formatted, you should be sending 2 separate PDF files in the order that you wish readers to review).

Photos and Graphics: Please submit photos and graphics via email to TheVirginiaCounselor@gmail.com. You can include your photos and graphics in a Word document, Google document, or embedded directly in the e-mail bed. **Your photo or graphic should NOT be a PDF file.** Please identify everyone in the photo and provide a caption.

2020 - 2021 VCA Newsletter Schedule

Submission Deadline	Publication Target Date	Chapters, Divisions, and Other News	
Monday, August 03, 2020	Monday, August 10, 2020	<i>Special Edition: Leadership Academy 2020</i> — Recap and highlights — Meet the 2020 – 2021 board — Attendee submissions!	
Monday, September 21, 2020	Monday, September 28, 2020	Scheduled to submit: — Richmond — Roanoke — VCCA — VA-ALGBTIC — Convention Announcement — Election Results for all chapters and divisions	
Monday, November 16, 2020	Monday, November 23, 2020	<i>Special Edition: 2020 VCA Convention</i> — Recap and highlights — VCA Annual Awards Winners — All Committees, Chapters, Divisions, and Members are welcome to submit <u>any and all experiences</u> from the 2020 VCA Convention.	Scheduled to submit: — Apple Valley — Northern VA — Prince William — VAMCD — VASC — Legislative Day Announcement
Monday January 25, 2021	Monday, February 1, 2021	Scheduled to submit: — Lynchburg — VASGW — VACES — Central Valley — Legislative Day Recap	
Monday April 12, 2021	Monday, April 19, 2021	Scheduled to submit: — New River — Hampton Roads — VCDA — VCA Election Nominations — Leadership Academy (Graduate student applications) — 2021 Convention Coordinator - Call for Programs	
Monday June 14, 2021	Monday, June 28, 2021	Scheduled to submit: — Peninsula — Western Tidewater — VA-ASERVIC — Convention Coordinator – Convention Announcement — VACFC — Awards Chair Applications — VCA Election Results	
In every issue: President's Message Professional Development Committees – All committees, every issue Chapter News – All / Alternating Division News – All / Alternating Advocacy & Legislative		If you do not see your Committee, Chapter, or Division listed, please contact The Virginia Counselor Newsletter Committee.	