

Meeting of the

*Academic &  
Student Life  
Committee*

June 1, 2023





# Agenda

- I. Committee Chair's Remarks**
- II. Action Items**
  - A. Pediatric Neurology Bicentennial Professorship**
  - B. George C. and Clare F. Downing Memorial Professorship**
  - C. New Degree Programs: Education Specialist in School Psychology and Master of Education in Clinical and School Psychology**
- III. Executive Vice President & Provost's Remarks**
- IV. Discussion Items**
  - I. Research**
  - II. Civil Discourse**
  - III. Fostering Excellence Across the Commonwealth**

# Action Items

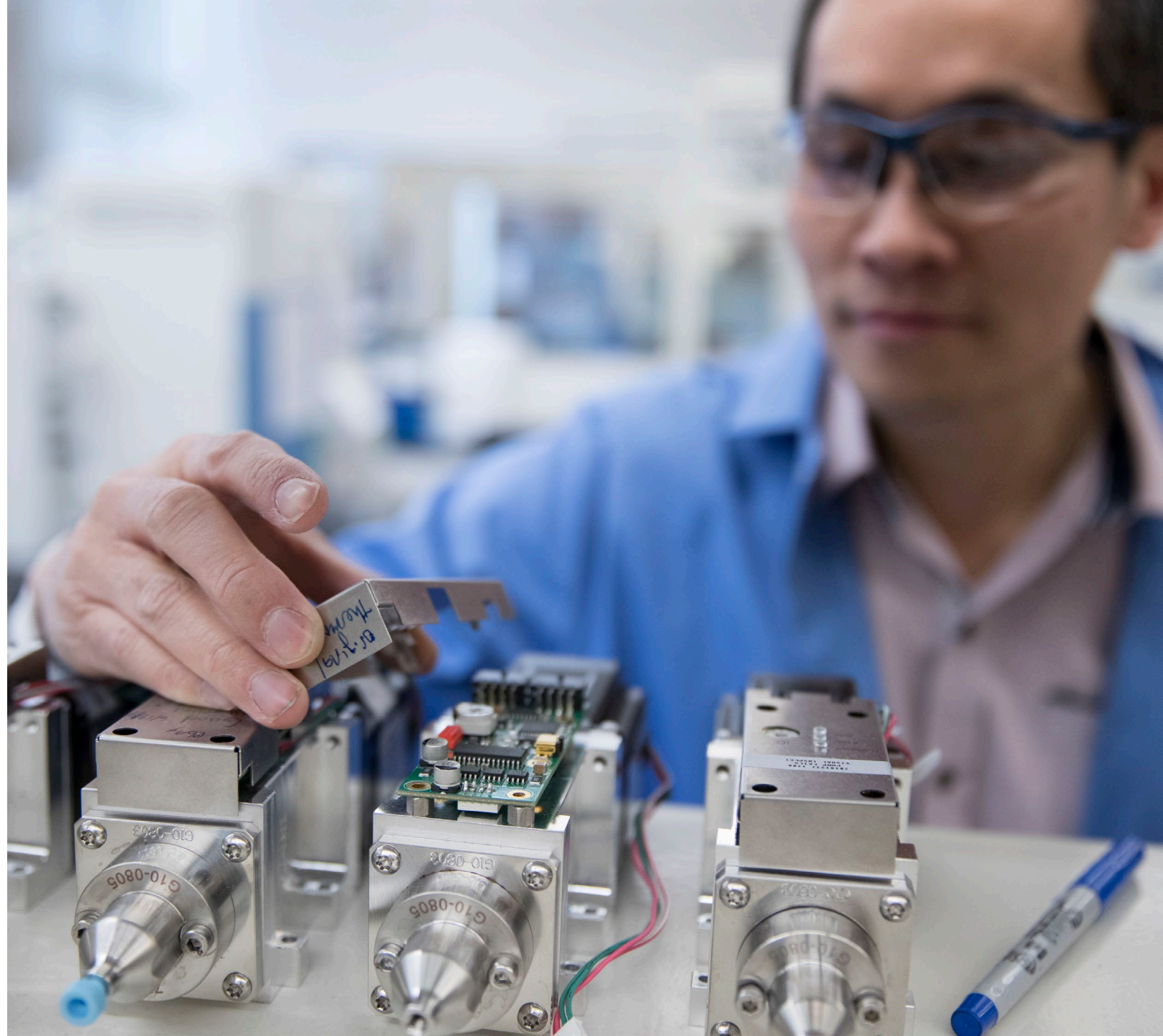


# Executive Vice President & Provost's Remarks



# Research

*Ian Baucom*



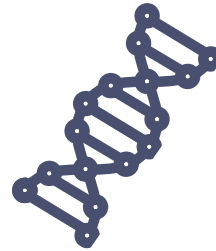
# The 2030 Plan: Grand Challenges



Democracy



Environmental  
Resiliency &  
Sustainability



Precision  
Medicine &  
Precision  
Health

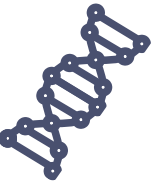


Brain &  
Neuroscience

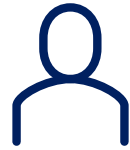


Digital  
Technology  
& Society

# Precision Medicine/Precision Health



## Precision **Medicine**



Analyze bio/medical data



Individual Treatments

## Precision **Health**



Analyze bio/medical data *and*  
other determinants of health



Individual Treatments

(Manning Institute of Biotechnology)

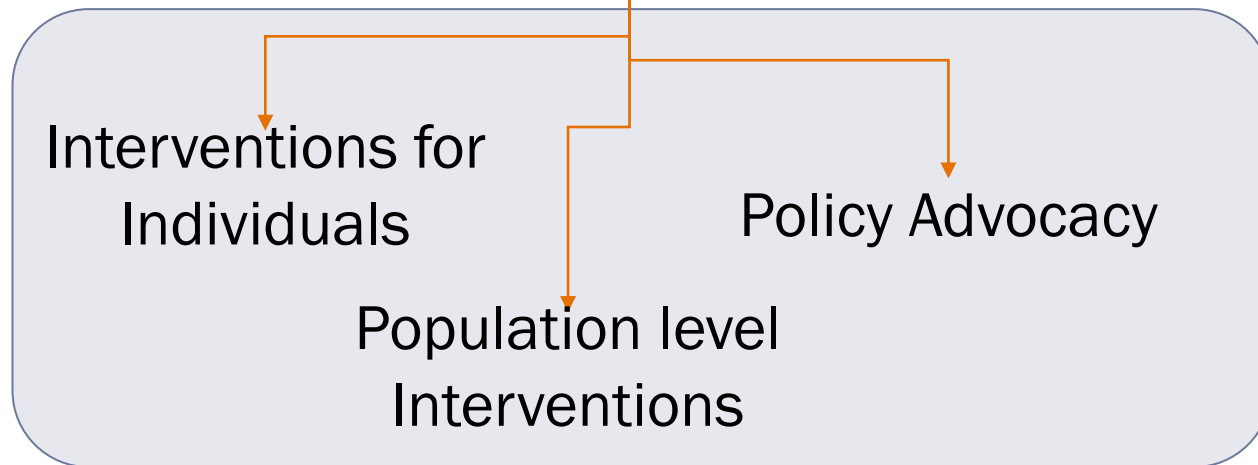
# Precision Health **for Populations**



## Precision Health for Populations



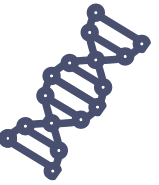
Analyze **population level** bio/medical data and determinants of health



**Healthier citizens & healthier communities**



# Cancer and Youth Mental Health in Rural Virginia



## Key Question

How can we harness the power of big data for healthier communities?

## Initial Focus

Cancer prevention and treatment; and youth mental health in rural Virginia through precision holistic health



# Digital Technology & Democracy



## Key Question

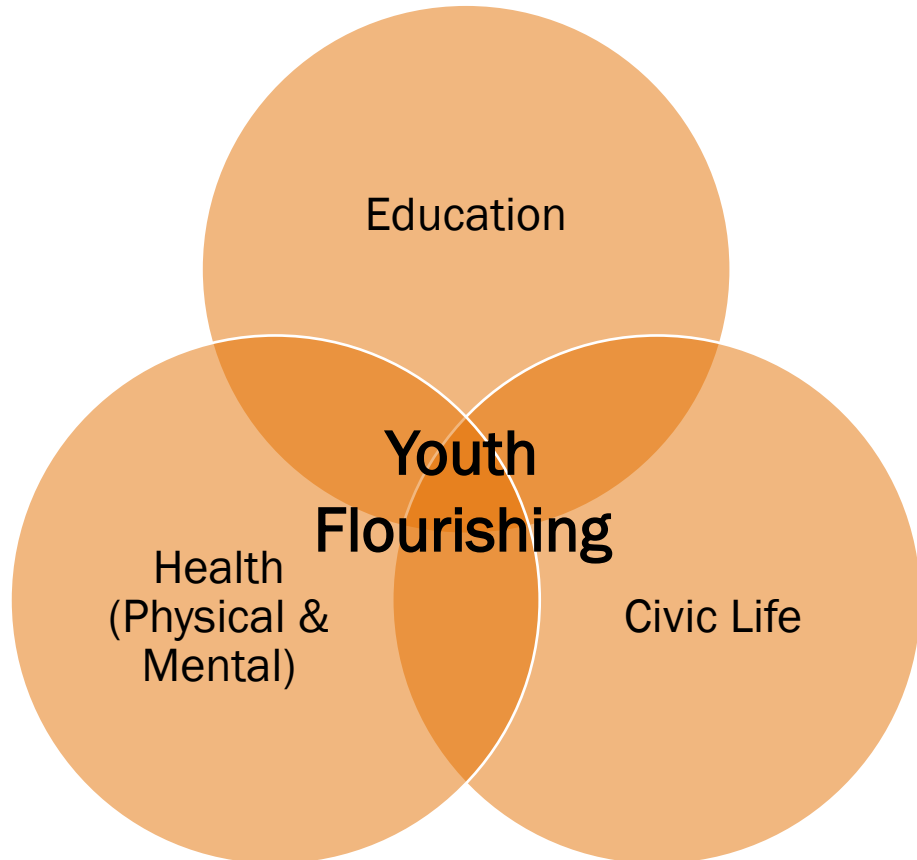
Can we design digital technology to create a more democratic future?

## Initial Focus

How generative AI will shape democracy and how democratic institutions should respond



# Digital Technology & Youth Development



## Key Question

How can we combat the harmful impacts of digital technology *and* harness its power to support the mental health, education, and civic life of young people to help them flourish?

## Initial Focus

Youth mental health crisis



# The 2030 Plan: Strategic Research Infrastructure Initiative

To lead in research, we must improve our research infrastructure, make it easier for faculty to work together, and focus particular attention on addressing some of the world's most critical challenges.

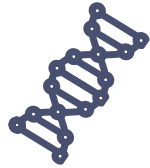
*- A Great and Good University  
The 2030 Plan*



# Strategic Research Infrastructure Initiative (SRII)

Grand Challenges

STEM, Social Sciences,  
Arts, Humanities



Research Infrastructure



# SRII: Potential Investment Areas

- Buildings & labs
- Shared equipment and cores
- Support for Clinical Research/  
Clinical Trials
- Research administration  
(pre- and post-award)
- Faculty Support
- Graduate and undergraduate  
fellowships
- Translating research into practice
- Translating research into policy



# Civil Discourse

*Leslie Kendrick  
& Melody Barnes*



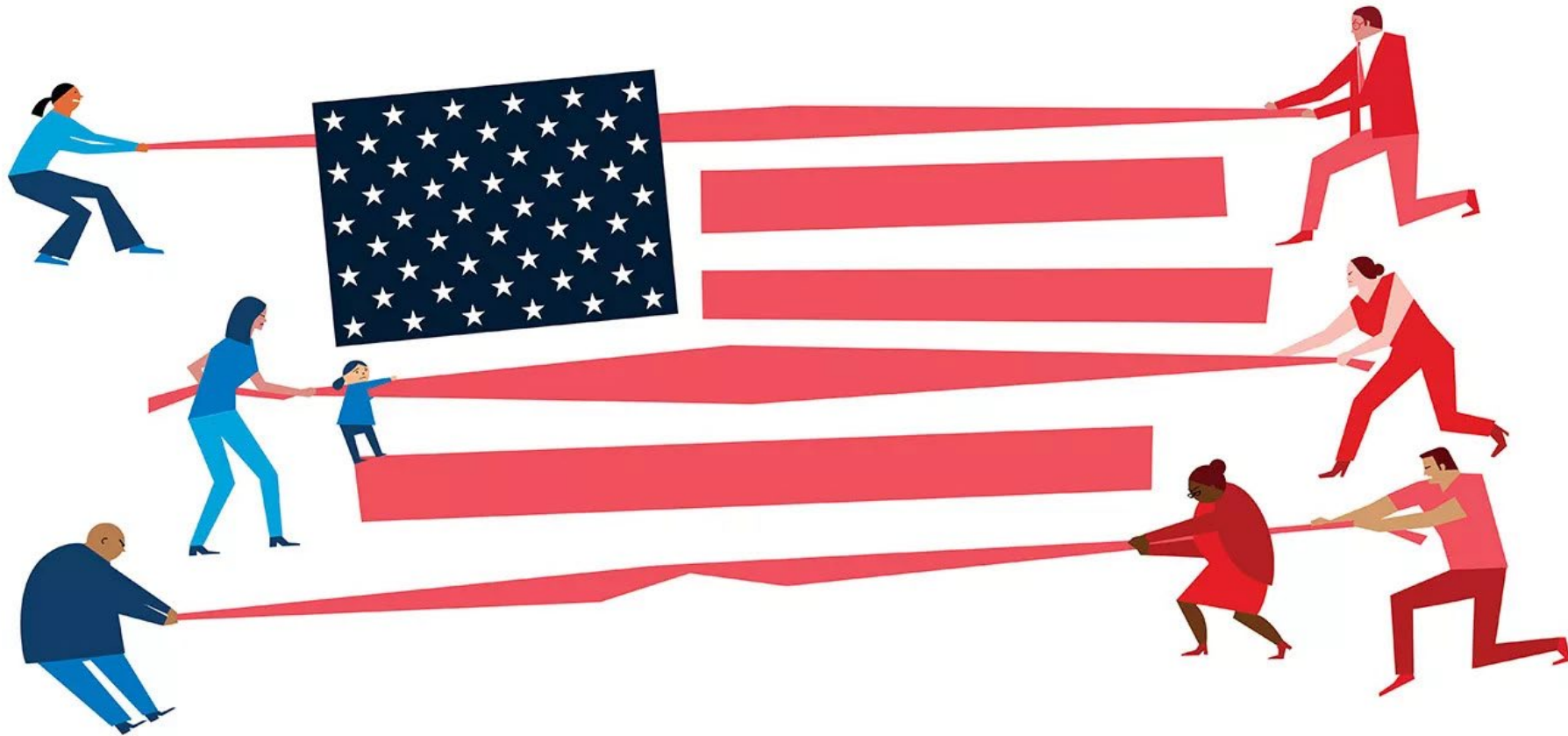


# UVA's Free Speech Website

[freespeech.virginia.edu](https://freespeech.virginia.edu)



# Deliberative Dialogue and Democracy



# The Role of Universities



# The 2030 Plan: The Role of UVA



- Prepare students to be servant-leaders in a diverse, globally-connected world
- Continuously promote and strengthen an inclusive community of trust

# Talking Across Difference

- Events
- Courses
- Student Organizations
- Research
- Initiatives
- Free Expression



# Upcoming Opportunities

- Is the good life political?
- Deliberative Dialogue at Democracy360:  
*October 19-21, 2023*





# Fostering Excellence Across the Commonwealth

*Steve Farmer*





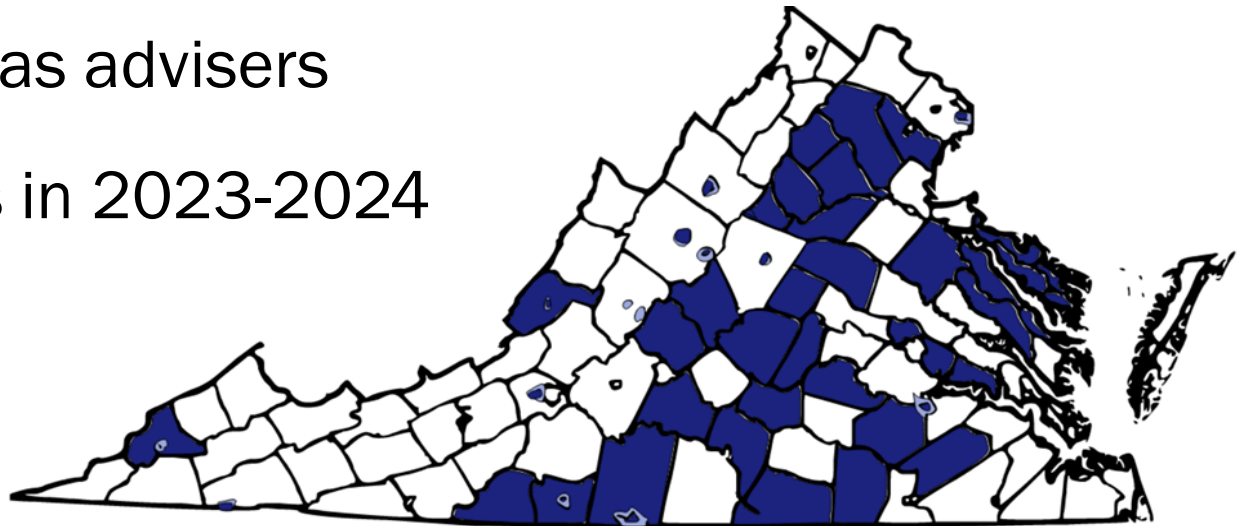
# Expanding the Virginia College Advising Corps

Founded in 2005, the Virginia College Advising Corps **guides, mentors, and encourages** students towards the right postsecondary pathway.

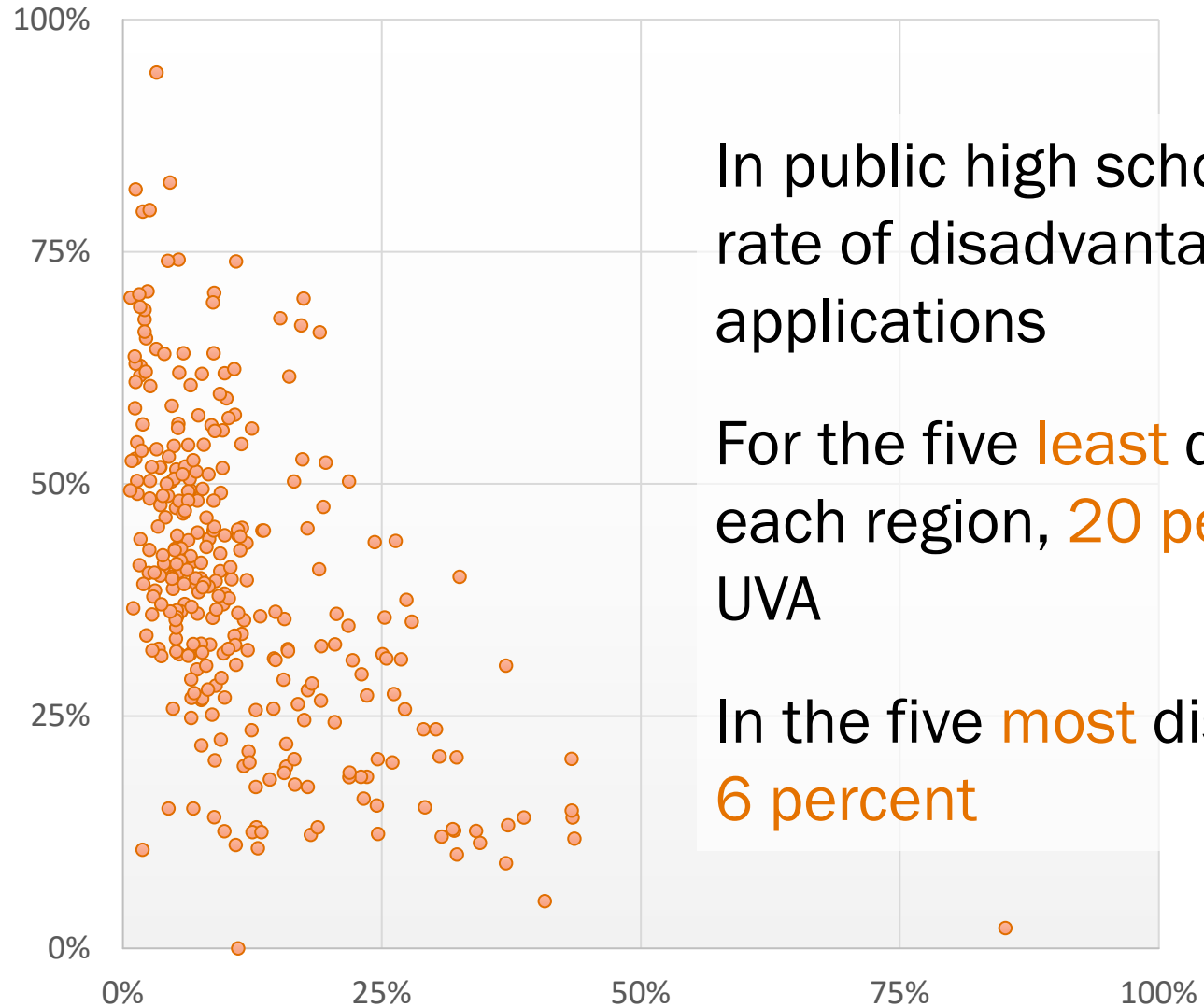
VCAC has secured more than **\$530 million** in scholarships and institutional aid for more than **50,000** Virginians since 2005

More than **200** UVA alumni have served as advisers

VCAC will expand to **60** full-time advisers in 2023-2024



# Encouraging Great Students to Prepare and Apply



In public high schools across Virginia, the higher the rate of disadvantage, the lower the rate of UVA applications

For the five **least** disadvantaged public schools in each region, **20 percent** of all 12<sup>th</sup> graders applied to UVA

In the five **most** disadvantaged schools, the rate was **6 percent**

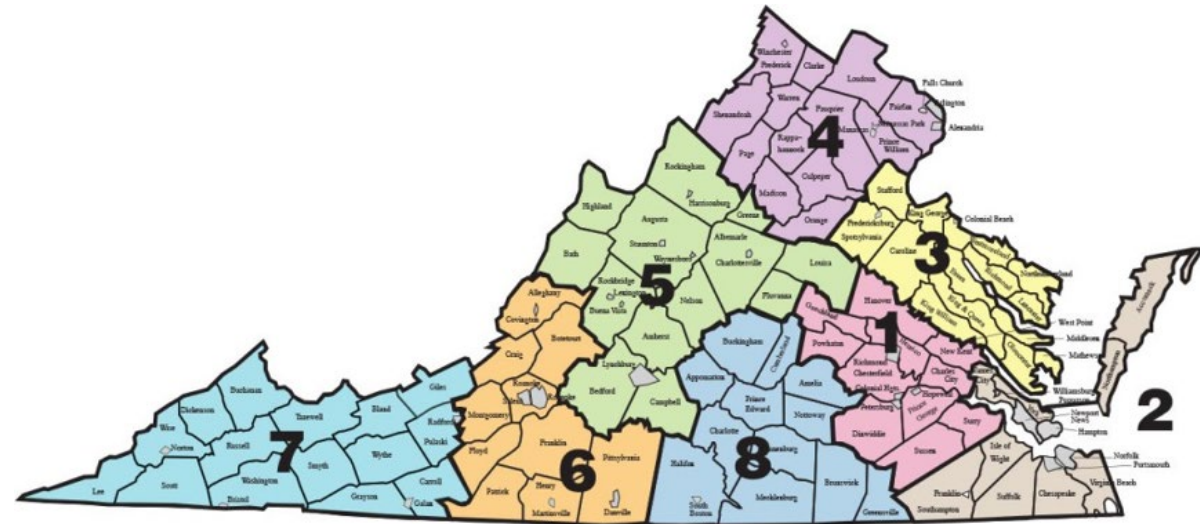
# Launching the All Virginia Plan

## Four crucial questions

- Can I get in?
- Can I afford it?
- Will I fit in?
- Will it be worth it?

## Four strategies

- Engage and listen
- Visit and welcome
- Challenge and encourage
- Champion public higher education across the Commonwealth



40 schools—5 in each region



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*Thank You*



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