



## NMSI + VHS Learning Partnership Presents Student Coaching

**“My online teachers give us all the resources we need. They are always there to help, and they are very encouraging and supportive.”**

**Catherine Schlosser**  
AP® Student at St. Mary's  
Central High School  
Bismarck, ND

**“The beauty of the student coach is that they can tailor responses, materials, and supports to the needs of the individual student.”**

**Stacey Shanklin-Langford**  
Online Student Coach  
AP® Computer Science  
Principles

**“Every online instructor I had gave a perfect understanding of pace, according to student understanding.”**

**Jeremiah Riewarts**  
Former AP® Student at  
Walker High School  
Baton Rouge, LA

The National Math and Science Initiative and VHS Learning have formed a powerful partnership that already is expanding access and achievement in high-quality learning for students. Combined, NMSI and VHS Learning bring decades of experience in delivering evidence-based professional development, engaging online courses and holistic support for truly blended experiences that ensure lasting impacts.

Keys to the early success are the organizations' proven solutions in high-quality, online teaching, coaching for students and onsite teachers, and program management.

### EXPANDING ACHIEVEMENT: Spotlight on North Dakota

- 91%** of rural students in NMSI+VHS Learning AP® courses in 2019-20 demonstrated college-readiness in those subject areas.
- 61%** of those students demonstrated mastery of college-level concepts.
- 0.6%** of North Dakota's rural high school juniors and seniors made a qualifying score in 2018-19

## EQUIPPING AND EMPOWERING STUDENTS

- Adding **expert coaching** from NMSI to your VHS Learning course provides additional academic and exam preparation for students
- Coaching is provided virtually through **one-on-one** and **small group support** through the life of the course
- Dedicated **support for administrators** through entire experience

## WHY ADVANCED PLACEMENT®?

- Students experience college-level learning and assessments with the support of a both a highly qualified teacher AND highly qualified coach, working in tandem
- With a Coach, students who have not had access to prerequisite courses can be successful
- NMSI Coaches are certified AP® teachers, many of whom are AP® Readers with years of content and AP® culture experience
- Coaches encourage and support students while providing content knowledge support and examination preparation

## HOW CAN MY SCHOOL/MY STUDENT ADD STUDENT COACHING?

Contact **Dr. Sara Leikin** at [sleikin@nms.org](mailto:sleikin@nms.org) to learn more about adding Student Coaching and expanding access and achievement for your students through the NMSI, VHS Learning partnership.

<sup>1</sup>Why Rural Matters, 2018-2019: The Time Is Now  
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