



VEA Lobby Day

January 22, 2018!

**Hold the date – January 22, 2018 –
for lobbying your legislators. Make your plans now to attend
one of the legislative briefings.**

Secure leave. Arrange a car pool.

**Attending the briefing allows
more time on Monday to
meet with your legislators.**

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Sunday Briefing, January 21, 2018
5:30 p.m.
Holiday Inn Express
201 East Cary Street, Richmond, VA 23219
(behind the VEA Headquarters)
A block of rooms has been reserved at a rate of \$112
Doubles (or) Single/King for VEA members on January 21st
Call the hotel directly at 804-788-1600 for reservations
before 1/3/18 and reference the VEA Lobby Meeting
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Monday, January 22, 2018 – 8:00 a.m.
Hilton Richmond Downtown
501 E. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219
804-344-4300
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***Then make plans to attend the Open House at VEA Headquarters,
116 S. Third Street, between 1-5 p.m.!***

Tune in: VEA Government Relations sends cyber-lobby messages to alert and mobilize members, educators, and friends for upcoming political events, legislation to watch, etc... If you are not currently on our CYBER-LOBBY list and would like to be, follow these directions:

1. Go to www.veanea.org/Cyberlobbyist
2. Please enter your contact information to sign up for our mailing list. (Note: name, address, etc. are required Fields. This information will NOT be shared outside the Association.)

During the Session:

Check www.veadailyreports.com for VEA's daily reports on our legislative efforts
Follow the VEA on twitter @VEA4kids; @VEAFund



The Pocahontas Building

900 East Main Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Important Lobby Day Information

The General Assembly Office Building has closed. It will be torn down and rebuilt over the next four years. Legislative offices and Committee Rooms have moved to the Pocahontas Building located across from the Bank Street Visitor's Entrance to the Capitol.

The Pocahontas building is small and crowded. The hallways are narrow, there is almost no seating, there are only a handful of elevators, no lobby outside committee rooms, and there is no cafeteria. You must be prepared when you come to Richmond.

Make an appointment to meet with your legislator (or aide) before you head to Richmond. You will find it impossible to maneuver and "drop in" on any office.

The House Education Committee room only seats about 140 people and no standing will be allowed. They are telling us they will be very strict on this rule. Overflow seating with closed-circuit TV will be available, but we aren't certain where, yet.

We will be able to use the cafeteria in the Sun Trust building across the street, but you must go outside to get there.

Please be prepared and bring your patience with you.