



The Williamsburg Bray School (1760-1774) Compiled Student Attendance for 1762, 1765, & 1769

Students by Name and Year	Enslaver Household	Enslaver Occupation
John (1762), Anne (1762), William (1765)	Martha Davenport	Widow of John Davenport (Occupation Undetermined)
Dick (1762), Matt (1769), Harry (1769)	Davenport II	Undetermined
London (1762), Aggy (1762), Shropshire (1762), Young (1765), Mary (1765, 1769), Sally (1769), Sukey (1769)	Christiana Burdette Campbell	Tavern Keeper (Campbell's Tavern)
Aberdeen (1762)	Alexander Craig	Saddle Maker
Mary (1762), Harry (1762)	Thomas Everard	Court Clerk
George (1762), Bristol (1762)	George Gilmer	Doctor
Aggy (1762), Roger (1762, 1765) Sam (1765, 1769)	Peyton Randolph, Esq. Elizabeth Harrison Randolph	Speaker, House of Burgesses Wife of Peyton Randolph
Mary (1762), Nancy (1769), Judy (1769), Ratchel (1769)	Thomas Hornsby	Merchant
Rippon (1762), Jenny (1765), Jerry (1769), Joseph (1769), Dick (1769)	Anthony Hay	Cabinet Maker/Tavern Keeper
Robert (1762), Lucy (1762)	John Randolph, Esq.	Attorney General for the Colony of Virginia
Elizabeth (1762), Grace (1769)	Priscilla Bassett Dawson	Widow of Rev. Thomas Dawson (William & Mary President/Bray School Trustee)
George (1762), Nanny (1765)	Dr. James Carter	Doctor/Apothecary/Surgeon/ Attending physician to W&M
Locust (1762)	Jane Frances Anderson Armistead	Widow of Ellyson Armstead (Captain/Sheriff/Justice)
Sarah (1762)	Mary Page	Widow of John Page (Glazier)
Hannah (1762), Sarah (1769)	Robert Carter Nicholas, Esq.	Treasurer for the Colony of Virginia/Bray School Trustee
John (1762) Patt (1765), Jack (1765), James (1765), Sal (1765)	Hugh Orr Catherine Orr	Blacksmith Widow of Hugh Orr
Phoebe (1762)	William Trebell	Tavern Keeper (Raleigh)

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Jane (1762), John (1762), Dolly (1762), Doll (1765), Elizabeth (1765), Fanny (1765), Isaac Bee (1765), Catherine (1765), Johanna Bee (1765, 1769), Nancy (1769), Clara Bee (1769)	John Blair, Esq.	President of Governor's Council/W&M Board of Visitors
Edmund (1765), Johnny (1765) Jack (1769)	Col. John Chiswell Elizabeth Randolph Chiswell	Planter/Burgess Widow of Col. John Chiswell
Sal (1765), Jack (1769)	Jane Vobe	Tavern Keeper (Kings Arms Tavern)
Sally (1769)	Christopher Ayscough	Tavern Keeper
Adam (1769), Fanny (1769)	William & Mary	Educational Institution
Charlotte (1769)	Rev. James Horrocks	Rector of Bruton Parish/President of W&M
Jenny (1769), Jack (1769)	Catherine Blaikley	Midwife
Dennis (1769)	Robert Carter III	Planter/Lawyer/Member of Governor's Council
Mourning (1769)	James Cocke	Merchant/Clerk
Joseph (1765), Davy (1765)	Christian Blair Burwell	Widow of Armistead Burwell (Planter)
Molly (1765)	Mary Brookes Prentis	Widow of William Prentis (Merchant)
Nancy (1765), Davy (1765)	Edward Charlton	Wigmaker/Barber
Phillis (1765)	Mary Randolph Grymes	Widow of Philip Grymes (Planter)
Charles (1765)	Thompson I	Undetermined
Betty (1765)	Thompson II	Undetermined
Sylvia (1765)	William Waters	Planter/Merchant
Squire (1765)	Col. Philip Johnson	Planter/Justice of the Peace
Elizabeth (1765)	Brown	Undetermined

Students by Name and Year	Free Black Household	Parental Occupation
Harry (1765), John (1765, 1769) Mary (1769)	Matthew Ashby Ann Ashby	Carter/Laborer Laundress
Mary Anne (1762)	[No Family Name Given]	Undetermined
Mary (1762), Elisha (1762)	Jones Family	Undetermined

Sources consulted include William Hunter, Robert Carter Nicholas, and Managers of Williamsburg Negro School Correspondence from Virginia to Bray Associates, 1761-1774, in the Papers of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, Bray Associates Collection (1699-1979), North American Files, Vol. 1, F2, Weston Library, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK; John C. Van Horne, ed, *Religious Philanthropy and Colonial Slavery: The American Correspondence of the Associates of Dr. Bray, 1717-1777* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1986), 188, 241-42, 277-278. For digital transcriptions of these student lists, visit the W&M Bray School Lab Research Portal: <https://www.wm.edu/sites/brayschool/research/>. Special thanks to Olivia Blackshire, Madeline Dort, Rachel Hogue, Emily Knoeppel, Lily Martin, Ye Xiao, Julie Richter, Nicole Brown, Elizabeth Drembus, Maureen Elgersman Lee, and Tonia Merideth for their contributions to this ever-evolving document. [5/2025]