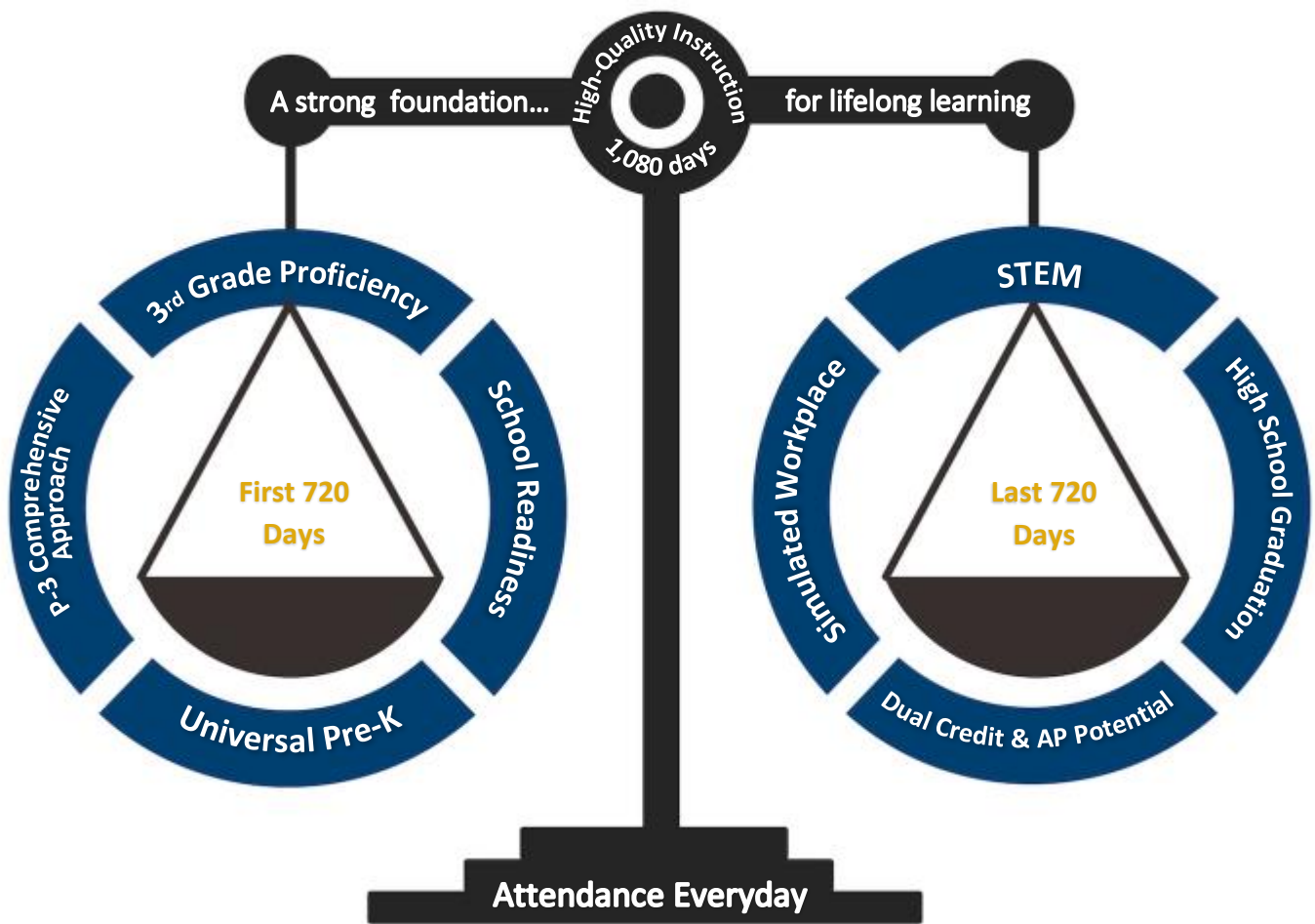


# College and Career Readiness in West Virginia

The future quality of life for the citizens of West Virginia is directly linked to the performance of our students. Today's students are tomorrow's leaders. We must provide a comprehensive, high-quality learning system that empowers students to reach their full potential, promotes their development as productive and responsible citizens, and prepares them to meet workforce and economic demands. West Virginia's approach to college- and career- readiness ensures that students exit high school with a complete understanding of the career opportunities available to them, the education necessary to be successful in their chosen pathway, and a plan to attain their goals. The West Virginia College- and Career-Readiness Standards establish a set of knowledge and skills that all students need to be prepared for a wide-range of high-quality post-secondary opportunities including higher education and the workplace, as both realms share many expectations.



## West Virginia's College & Career Readiness Standards

College and Career Readiness standards ensure that students exit high school prepared for success in a wide range of high-quality postsecondary options. Specifically, college and career readiness refers to the knowledge, skills, and dispositions needed to be successful in postsecondary opportunities that lead to employment. West Virginia's approach to college and career readiness builds on foundations established through a comprehensive approach to high-quality early learning programming that extends through the middle and secondary learning years. College and career ready students in West Virginia exit high school with a complete understanding of the career opportunities available to them, the education necessary to be successful in their chosen pathway, and a plan to attain their goals.