



## SENATOR RYAN MCDOUGLE

Virginia Senate, 26th District

## **BIOGRAPHY**

As a lifelong resident of Hanover County, Ryan understands the interests of the local community while seeking to maximize individual freedoms and conservative principles.

Ryan's commitment to public service is influenced by a grounded and humble upbringing. He quickly learned the value of hard work through his mother's small business, Sandy's Plants, at a young age. He went on to attend James Madison University before attaining his Juris Doctor degree at the Marshall-Wythe School of Law and The College of William and Mary.

Upon graduation, Ryan worked as a prosecutor for the Hanover County Commonwealth Attorney's Office, where he specialized in prosecuting domestic violence and family abuse offenders. His professional work on behalf of children grew into a personal commitment that resulted in the creation of the Hanover County Child Advocate Response Team.

Ryan began his legislative service in the House of Delegates in 2002 and went on to win a special election in 2006 for a vacant 4th Senate District Seat. After 2020 redistricting, Ryan now represents the 26th Senatorial District, and serves as the Senate Republican Leader.