

WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

December 6, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

ASVAB @ LBSS Feb 25, 2025

More information to come in the new year

STUDENT SERVICES NEWS

December 2024 Federal Student Aid Webinar

The 2025-2026 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is fully live and <u>open</u> (click to see article from DOE) for submission. Below there is information about a **Federal Student Aid Webinar** taking place on December 10th.

This live webinar series will guide you through submitting the 2025–26 **Free Application for Federal Student Aid** (FAFSA®) form and is tailored for both independent and dependent students.

This event is for students, parents, and college/career professionals, and will feature the following:

- A live demonstration of the 2025–26 FAFSA form
- An overview of the financial aid process, available federal student aid programs, and funding sources
- Key facts and common myths about financial aid
- A guide on creating and accessing your StudentAid.gov account
- A demonstration on where to find certain information on StudentAid.gov

Spread the word with family, friends, and your network!

Register Now

Financial Aid 101 Webinars for Students and Parents

High school students, parents, and guardians who are interested in learning about financial aid options for college are invited to attend one of the Financial Aid 101 webinars hosted by <u>Level Up Virginia</u> and <u>Virginia Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (VASFAA)</u>.

Topics covered include Federal Financial Aid, State Financial Aid, Application Tips, and Q & A.

Register today to attend a free session December 12, 2024, from 6 to 7:15 p.m. Please see the Financial Aid 101 flyer for more information. For questions, contact: Brittany Everett, Postsecondary Access and Success Specialist, Brittany.Everett@doe.virginia.gov.

NOVA (Northern Virginia Community College) Early Online College – Spring 2025 Semester NOVA's Early Online College is back for the Spring 2025 Semester!

NOVA Early Online College (EOC) allows current high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to take up to 2 tuition free college courses. 14 different courses are being offered in the Spring 2025 semester. Courses are asynchronous, online, and for college credit only. These courses run for 12 weeks. EOC courses are selected because they meet the requirements for most of NOVA's Associate degrees as well as being highly transferable as general education requirements for most colleges and universities. Students must meet eligibility requirements (GPA or available test scores) to take EOC courses.

New Textbook Policy: Some EOC courses require a textbook. Students will be automatically enrolled in NOVA ALL ACCESS (\$22.50 per credit hour). Students may make the payment for course materials in their myNOVA account or opt

out and purchase the course materials on their own. <u>Review details about NOVA All Access</u> so students can make an informed decision. <u>NOVA Site - Early Online College InformationFlyer</u>

Important Dates:

Application Opens	Monday, October 28, 2024
Registration Deadline	Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 5pm
Classes Begin	Tuesday, February 4, 2025
Classes End	Monday, April 28, 2025

The West Point Leadership and Ethics Conference (WPLEC) for the National Capital Region

WPLEC 2024 will be held on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at the Arlington campus of the George Mason University Business School (Van Metre Hall, 3351 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia). WPLEC 2025 will use an ethical decision-making curriculum developed by the U.S. Military Academy (USMA) at West Point, New York. Cadets from West Point, college ROTC programs, and young civilian professionals, will facilitate sessions where students develop solutions to leadership and ethical challenges typically faced by young adults. There will also be keynote speakers who will share their perspectives on why ethics are fundamental to leadership. Students will be eligible to compete for scholarship awards if they elect to apply what they've learned during the conference in an essay they complete within two weeks following the conference. Lake Braddock may nominate four (4) outstanding 11th grade student-leaders (2 male, 2 female) Please complete the self-nomination form by December 20, 2024, 3PM. https://forms.gle/icN8X8BYQPp1tGW17

Robinson Secondary School Junior College Night

Hollie Selman, Robinson's College & Career Specialist is welcoming any who would like to attend. On Tuesday December 17th at 6:30PM in Russell Theatre (Robinson) we are hosting our annual Junior College Night. Holli welcomes parents AND students to learn more about the college process.

She will be covering the application process and timeline. You will learn how to begin the college search process, start making a college list, aspects of the application, alternative post-secondary options, a little financial aid information, and more!

If you would like to attend Junior College Night, please sign up here: https://forms.gle/JeQnv3FzruhGZCb17
No worries if you can't make it. Lake Braddock will be having a junior parent event in the spring.

Students Interested in Cosmetology

Hairdresser Strong Shadow Program is an opportunity for students to experience real-world learning for aspiring beauty professionals. The flyer is too large to attach to the email so please email me if you would like for me to share it with you.

Disclaimer: Opportunities offered by organizations other than Fairfax County Public Schools are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Fairfax County School Board, the Superintendent, or a specific school.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Be sure to check out <u>Volunteer Fairfax</u> for some great opportunities. All service hours must be entered and verified in x2Vol by May 1st to be eligible for the <u>Service Learning cord or the Civic Seal</u>.

ECHO Teen Volunteer Program

ECHO is an all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that assists individuals/families in need within the Burke/Springfield community by offering food, clothing, housewares, and financial assistance for housing/utilities. ECHO's Teen Volunteer Program allows teens between 13 and 18 to volunteer on scheduled Wednesday evenings during the regular school year, from 7:00 until 8:30 pm. (No ECHO clients are in the building during this time.) The program is limited to six teens per week. Two Adult Program Supervisors will support the teens, assist them with their assignments, and sign verifications for teens collecting service hours. A teen may sign up for two sessions for the 2024-2025 school year. To sign up, please visit ECHO's webpage, www.echo-inc.org/volunteer/how-to-volunteer, and click the Signup Genius link.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

CURRENT SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES – **Check Naviance** for new scholarship opportunities vetted by FCPS, including (but not limited to):

Scholarships

UCB Myasthenia Gravis Scholarship Amount: \$10,000 Deadline: 2/5/2025

<u>The Gloria Wille Bell & Carlos R. Bell Scholarship</u> Amount: Up to \$80,000 Deadline: 3/1/2025 <u>The Ofinno Innovation Scholarship</u> (New CAF Scholarship!) Amount: \$2,500 Deadline: 2/15/2025 <u>The Long Nguyen and Kimmy Duong Scholarship</u> Amount: Up to \$3,000 Deadline: 3/29/2025

<u>Team DC LGBTQ+ Student Athlete Scholarship</u> Amount: Varies Deadline: 2/15/2025

Enrichment Programs

Youth Leadership Summit Event date: 1/20/2025

High School Diplomats Deadline: 1/15/2025 Event date: 7/24-8/2/2025

<u>Lacocca Global Entrepreneurship Intensive (LGEI)</u> Deadline: 2/14/2025 Event date: 7/6-8/1/2025 Rosetta Institute of Biomedical Research Summer Online Workshops Event date: Varies by program

Herralink Volunteer Opportunities Event dates: Weekly volunteer activities to sign up

Shark Tank Tech Challenge Deadline: 12/20/2024 Event date: 4/1/2025

Young Writers Residential Workshops Deadline: 3/1/2025 Event dates: Session I: 6/22-7/5/2025 Session II: 7/13-

7/25/2025

<u>Young Writers Summer Online Workshops</u> Deadline: 4/14/2025 Event dates: 6/15-6/20/2025 2025 IYNA-Alzheimer's Association Ideathon Deadline: 12/15/2024 Event dates: 1/11-1/25/2025

School2Lab Initiative Deadline: 2/1/2025 Event dates: 6/16-8/11/2025

Youth Leadership Program (YLP) Deadline: 2/3/2025 Event dates: 6/19-6/27/2025

Youth Registered Apprenticeship Event dates: Ongoing

APCPD Virtual Fair Event date: 12/11/2024

UVA Northern Virginia Inspire Summer Program Event dates: Varies depending on program

WIOA Youth Programs Event date: Ongoing

Air Force LEGACY Craftsman Camp Deadline: 3/17/2025 Event date: July 2025

Joint USMA/USNA Admissions Event Event date: 12/11/2024

AmeriCorps NCCC: A to Z Event date: 12/10/2024

Young Filmmakers Workshop Deadline: 6/1/2025 Event dates: 6/22-6/27/2025

The School for Ethics and Global Leadership Summer Institute Deadline: 2/15/2025 Event dates: 7/15-8/10/2025