

WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

January 31, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES

NVCC Application Workshop Feb 12, 2025 Career Center
ASVAB @ LBSS Feb 25, 2025 Lecture Hall
Teen Job Fair March 8, 2025 West Springfield HS

STUDENT SERVICES NEWS

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

Every senior and at least one parent needs to get an FSA ID at least three days before starting the FAFSA form. Follow the steps here https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch

Find recorded and live events to help with the completion on the College Access Fairfax website. https://collegeaccessfairfax.org/

FAFSA/VASA Completion Workshop Schedule Updates

Here is an updated calendar of FAFSA/VASA completion events.

FAFSA/VASA Completion Event	Tuesday, February 4, 2025	West Potomac HS	6:00 - 8:00 PM
FAFSA/VASA Completion Event	Thursday, February 6, 2025	Lewis HS	5:00 - 7:30 PM
FAFSA/VASA Completion Event	Saturday, February 8, 2025	Justice HS	10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
FAFSA/VASA Completion Event	Tuesday, February 11, 2025	Westfield HS	6:00 - 8:00 PM
FAFSA/VASA Completion Event	Wednesday, February 12, 2025	Edison HS	6:00 - 8:00 PM
FAFSA/VASA Completion Event	Saturday, February 15, 2025	GMU	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
FAFSA/VASA Completion Event	Thursday, February 20, 2025	Annandale HS	5:30 - 7:30 PM

Families are welcome at any school regardless of their base school.

ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)

We will be offering the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) test at Lake Braddock Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at 8:00am in the Lecture Hall. To learn more about the ASVAB or view practice tests please visit the following site https://www.military.com/join-armed-forces/asvab If you are a junior or senior and interested in taking the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) please sign up at the link below by February 14th.

You must be on a school computer to sign up. https://forms.gle/2wkLWnzAA2N69RWq8
ADDITIONALLY students must turn in parent permission form

Application for the 2025 Student Representative to the School Board

The School Board student representative speaks for the interests of Fairfax County Public Schools students. The student representative is not a member of the School Board but serves in a nonvoting, advisory capacity. Students currently in

grades 9, 10, and 11 are eligible to apply. Watch this video to learn about the experience from the current representative, Megan Sawant.

Application Information and Deadlines: To be considered for the election, students are required to provide the following: A written component is due **Monday, February 24**, A 30-second candidate video statement is due **Wednesday, March 26**. Candidates will be emailed a link to record their video on **Monday, March 17**. Both application components are required to be considered for the election. Read more about the election process.

Virginia Girls State summer program

Are you a current junior interested in the Virginia Girls State summer program? At Girls State, students have the chance to learn the process, objectives, and principles of democracy. Students will learn their individual responsibility to the community, state, and nation. Please find the criteria for applicants below:

- Must be a current junior
- Should demonstrate outstanding qualities of character, leadership, service to others, and academics (including attendance)
- Should exhibit an interest in the governmental process
- Must provide a copy of their Birth Certificate or their U.S. government-issued documentation verifying they are Legal Residents of the United States e.g., Green Card, Passport or Visa
- Must be committed to attend the Virginia Girls State Program at Longwood University from June 15-20, 2025

Please refer to this website for important information: www.vagirlsstate.org

Important attachments are on the bottom of this email: Application Form, Statement of Citizenship or Legal Residency and Facts Sheet about Attending Girls State.

Please contact Mr. Ranallo at gwranallo@fcps.edu if you have any questions. All completed application materials need to be given to Mr. Ranallo in HS Student Services by **3:00pm on Friday, February 28, 2025.** Applications attached

Color of Justice Program

High school students are invited to explore the legal profession at the Color of Justice Program on Saturday, March 22, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Fairfax Courthouse.

This is a great opportunity for students to gain valuable insights into the legal system and can also participate in an optional essay contest for a chance to win a prize! Registration is open until **March 3, 2025**. Students can register individually through this <u>link</u>.

Senior Class Mulch Sale

Lake Braddock Class of 2025 needs your support! Please consider purchasing your spring mulch from the Lake Braddock Mulch Sale! Delivery is 7 weeks from Friday! All proceeds from this fundraiser directly benefit the All Night Grad Party for the Class of 25! Thank you for your support!

https://lbssptsa.org/online-store/ols/products/mulch?fbclid=IwY2xjawH99BRleHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHc1caL0VUNrvutAijCKPrJseXISCauY-bdB_efTpFwysAtmOND7qSf6aA_aem_RSOfdZC12kssRXnW836X1g

Heartbeat of Innovation Event

There is an upcoming all-day event opportunity for female students, grades 7-12th at Inova Fairfax on **February 8th**, **2025**. The Heartbeats of Innovation: A STEMinist Cardiovascular Career Exploration Event will explore various STEM activities and careers around cardiovascular health. Register here:

Health Care Careers Webinar Series

We aim to help spark interests and encourage students who would otherwise not be as engaged around going into medical careers. Given the wealth of cultures, languages and lived experiences collectively represented in our community, we aim to have a future healthcare workforce that is representative of the community. Though there are

often opportunities for health career exposure through volunteerism, health academies, social networks and mentorships, we at Dream B!G want to help spark interests and encourage students who have not and would not otherwise be as engaged.

Webinar: Exploring High-Demand Health Care Roles and Education Next Steps (Part 2)

Date: Feb. 12, 2025 (4-5 p.m.) | Register here: https://shorturl.at/YgVSz This webinar will focus on health care career paths for students pursuing two- and four-year degrees after high school. It will feature hospital professionals sharing their perspective and highlight degree programs and financial aid available through the G3 Program

Webinar: Hospital Roles for Aspiring Nurses

Date: Feb. 26, 2025 (4-5 p.m.) | Register here: https://shorturl.at/pUgJ1 This webinar will explore the diverse roles and specialty areas for nurses in hospital settings and the available education options to pursue nursing careers

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 Service Learning cord or the Civic Seal.

Volunteers needed!!! Hits Deep Tour 2025 with TobyMac is Coming to Fairfax, VA!

We are in need of volunteers for these events. The volunteers will get in for free and get to enjoy the show. They would be handing out packets to anyone interested in sponsoring a child during intermission and after the show. This can also count towards community service hours if needed.

NIGHT ONE:

Friday, February 21 · 4:45pm EST

Location: EagleBank Area- 4500 Patriot Circle Fairfax, VA 22030

Task: Handing out packets for World Vision

Age Requirement: 18+ (14-17 w/ adult- 1 adult per 5 students)

HOW TO SIGN UP:https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/hits-deep-2025-volunteers-fairfax-va-tickets-

1095345882019?aff=marybethpartnership

NIGHT TWO:

Saturday, February 22 · 4:45pm EST

Location: EagleBank Area- 4500 Patriot Circle Fairfax, VA 22030

Task: Handing out packets for World Vision

Age Requirement: 18+ (14-17 w/ adult- 1 adult per 5 students)

HOW TO SIGN UP: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/hits-deep-2025-volunteers-fairfax-va-tickets-

1095349984289?aff=marybethpartnership

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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

Student Inclusion Recognition Award

\$500 to be awarded to one High School JUNIOR Girl or Boy at each of these schools in our area: Annandale High School, Lake Braddock High School, John Lewis High School, West Springfield High School

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION: Activities to counteract bullying and to promote inclusion, Commendable community involvement, Participation in extracurricular activities at school. Application deadline is Friday, March 14, 2025

Scholarships

<u>The Dream Project Scholarship</u> Amount: \$4,000 Deadline: 2/1/2025 Excellence in Art Scholarship Amount: \$1,000 Deadline: 4/21/2025

2025 VBA Bank Day Scholarship Program Amount: Up to \$7,500 Deadline: 3/18/2025

The Miriam Lieb Memorial Scholarship Amount: \$1,000 Deadline: 4/15/2025

LeRoy Collins Memorial Scholarship Amount: Varies Deadline: 3/28/2025 ** Application in Naviance**

Leroy Collins Memorial Scholarship for Trade School Amount: Varies Deadline: 3/28/2025 ** Application in Naviance**

National Capital Environmental Scholarship Program Amount: \$2,000 Deadline: 4/1/2025

Virginia State Golf Association (VSGA) VIP Scholarship Amount: \$6,000 Deadline: 2/14/2025 (date correction)

Aging Matters Scholarship Amount: \$1,500 Deadline: 5/15/2025

Enrichment Programs

<u>All Peoples Community Church Volunteering</u> Event date: Sundays 9-12:15PM

<u>Commonwealth Cyber Initiative (CCI) Northern Virginia Internship Program</u> Deadline: 2/3/2025 Event dates: 6/23-8/8/2025

<u>Air Force Office of Scientific Research Legacy Craftsman Camp</u> Deadline: 3/17/2025 Event dates: Vary by age, see website for details

STEM Camp Internship Program Deadline: 2/28/2025 Event dates: 6/16-8/15/2025

Coding Cams & STEM Programs Event dates: 6/23-8/8/2025

Summer Seminar Naval Academy Summer Seminar Deadline: 3/31/2025 Event dates: Three sessions, see website

<u>Career and Technical Education (CTE) Summer Academy</u> Registration opens: 2/3/2025

Rice ELITE Tech Camps Event dates: Summer 2025

West Point Summer STEM Program Deadline: 2/17/2025 Event dates: 6/9-6/13/2025

International University Fair Event date: 2/13/2025

<u>2025 Summer Internships at Wolf Trap</u> Deadline: 3/1/2025 Event dates: Summer 2025 <u>Radio Production Summer Camp</u> Event dates: Various sign up dates across June-July

Greenway Internship Program Event dates: 7/7-7/18/2025 or 7/21-8/1/2025

AgDiscovery Program Event dates: 6/16-7/2/2025

Game Design with Unity Event dates: Saturdays, March- Mid-April

Mason Game and Technology Academy (MGTA) Summer Classes Event dates: June-August 2025

HBCU Fair 2025 Event date: 2/1/2025

NASA Data Science Analysis and Scholarly Research Paper Writing Event dates: 6/14-8/30/2025

2025 ADEA GoDental Recruitment Event Event date: 3/8/2025

2025 Fairfax County Teen Job Fairs Event date: 3/8/2025 at West Springfield High, 3/15/2025 at Chantilly High

Contests

The following contests have been approved:

Color Of Justice Essay Contest Deadline :: 3/3/2025 Amount: Up to \$450

YOUNG ARTIST COMPETITION - City of Fairfax Band Association Deadline: 2/26/2025 Amount: \$2,000