



WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

February 28, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES

NVCC Application Workshop	March 5, 2025	Career Center
Teen Job Fair	March 8, 2025	West Springfield HS
West Point Cadet info session	March 17, 2025	Career Center
Virtual Jr. Parent College Night	March 26, 2025	Link coming soon

STUDENT SERVICES NEWS

Military Academies Summer Opportunities

- [Naval Academy Summer Seminar](#) apply by Mar 31.
- [West Point Summer Leaders Program](#) apply by Mar 15.
- [Coast Guard Academy Summer Program](#) apply by Apr 1.

Military Academy Day 2025

Senator Mark Warner invites high school and middle school students, their parents or guardians, and school counselors to Academy Day 2025. Attendees will be provided a comprehensive overview of the United States service academies and their admission processes.

In addition, students will be able to meet with officials from all five academies as well as representatives from the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board, Navy Talent Acquisition Group (NTAG) Richmond, ROTC programs at the University of Virginia, the United States Marine Corps, the Virginia Military Institute, the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets, and the Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership at Mary Baldwin University. Staff from Virginia Congressional offices will be available to answer questions regarding the application procedures for congressional nominations.

Save the Date: Saturday, April 26, 2025

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Location: University of Mary Washington, Dodd Auditorium in George Washington Hall, 1301 College Ave, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Invitation to follow. To ensure you receive it and the registration link for the event, please email academy_noms@warner.senate.gov. For more information on the Academy Nomination Process, please visit www.warner.senate.gov.

College Access Fairfax Financial Aid Sessions for Military Families (HS)

College Access Fairfax will hold two virtual presentations on Financial Aid Information for Military Families (focus on current Juniors). Join them for a session presented by the Lead Financial Education and Military Benefits liaison from Navy Mutual Aid Association. Topic to be covered: Residency Requirements, Using the GI Bill, The Yellow Ribbon Program, Using Chapter 35 (DEA benefits), Military Scholarships and Grants, Virginia Education Programs, And More

Sessions will be held on:

Tuesday, March 18 at 7:30pm <https://myfcpk12.zoom.us/j/98573677493>

Saturday, March 22 at 10am <https://myfcpk12.zoom.us/w/91996006714>

To attend, simply click on the link for the desired session.

Discover NOVA: Open House

Register for a chance to win a \$500 scholarship at the events! Coming to NOVA this fall? Join us at our open house events this spring! Discover NOVA is an in-person, campuswide event specifically designed for our first-year students. From application questions to getting your student ID, this event will help you start the semester prepared and ready for success. At Discover NOVA, new students can: Learn about program options. Explore financial aid and tuition payment options. Tour NOVA campuses. Connect with community partners. Get assistance with transfer resources. Meet academic advisors and more!

Annandale Campus: Thursday, March 27: 4-7 p.m. Register [here](#)

NOVA Bridge Program

Are you a current high school junior or senior who's not sure what to do after high school? NOVA's Bridge Program in **Engineering Technology (ET), Data Center Operations (DCO), Information Technology (IT), and Computer Science (CS)** can help you determine your next steps and set you on the right path for an in-demand technology career. Explore these career pathways through hands-on activities and visits to tech companies where you could work in the future! Students will be introduced to NOVA's campuses, find out more about student services and financial aid, and also have opportunities to do coursework for college credit or an industry certification. The Bridge Program is FREE and those who participate may also be eligible for a \$200 stipend!


Register Now for Information Session: Feb 12 & 25 | 4:30PM <https://form.jotform.com/250146582559160>

Application Deadline for Bridge Program: March 9 <https://form.jotform.com/novasystemic/2025-bridge-application>

After FAFSA: What's Next? Webinar

Please encourage your students and their families to attend a free webinar covering what happens after they submit the FAFSA. Local college representatives will walk them through reviewing their FAFSA Submission Summary, understanding award offers, the verification process, and exploring additional funding options. This is a great opportunity for students to get their financial aid questions answered!

 **February 20 & February 27, 2025** (Both sessions cover the same information)

 **6:00 PM - 7:15 PM**

 **Share this registration link with students and families: <https://bit.ly/FAFSAwhatsnext>**

For questions, contact financialaid@schev.edu.

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 [link](#).

Senior Class Mulch Sale

Lake Braddock Class of 2025 needs your support! Please consider purchasing your spring mulch from the Lake Braddock Mulch Sale! All proceeds from this fundraiser directly benefit the All Night Grad Party for the Class of 25! Thank you for your support! ****Last day to order is March 1****

https://lbspspta.org/online-store/ols/products/mulch?fbclid=IwY2xjawH99BRleHRuA2FlbQlxMQABHc1caLOVUNrvu-tAijCKPrJseXISCauY-bdB_efTpFwysAtmOND7qSf6aA_aem_RSOfdZC12kssRXnW836X1g

Overview of the YCC

Virginia State Parks Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) is a two-week, residential program consisting of work projects during weekdays and environmental education and adventure opportunities on weeknights and weekends. Ten Crew Members live at each park with three to four adult Crew Leaders. Crews are divided into male and female groups. The crew learns to live and work as a team of diverse individuals.

- Session 1: June 15-28, 2025
- Session 2: July 6-19, 2025

Applications for the Youth Conservation Corps program can be completed electronically. Navigate the side menu tabs to learn more about YCC opportunities and stay connected via Facebook at [@VAStateParksYCC](#).

** Join us for a **Crew Member Application Session!** Friday, Feb. 28, 2025, 5 p.m. on Microsoft Teams. [Join here.](#)

- [Applications](#) for Crew Member positions will be accepted from January 1, 2025, to March 15, 2025.
- [Applications](#) for Crew Leader positions are now open and will be reviewed on a rolling basis until all positions are filled.

Learn more [here](#)

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 [Volunteer Fairfax](#) 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](#).

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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

The Debbie Dogrul Resilience Scholarship

The Debbie Dogrul Scholarship, funded by The DDA Love Foundation -- the not-for-profit charitable organization of Debbie Dogrul Associates, LLC. -- seeks to give a \$3,000 one-time scholarship to a student who has demonstrated resilience in the face of adversity and is on an upward trajectory, academically and personally. The student should represent our core values of Dedication, Diligence, and Attentiveness (DDA) and apply them to her/his community, school, academics and/or friends/family. This scholarship is for any student who plans to attend a 2-year community college, a 4-year college/university, or a vocational/technical school. The student should have a minimum 2.5 grade point average. The student should demonstrate in a brief essay how these core values are reflected in her/his life, how she/he has overcome adversity and how this scholarship will help your financial needs. Please submit a 1-2 page essay, transcript, and resume by **April 15th, 2025**. Winner will be selected on **April 30th**, and notified shortly after with instructions on how to arrange picking up at our office. **Link to apply** teamdda.com/scholarship

Chamber Scholarship Applications Open

Applications are now open for business scholarships for graduating high school seniors provided by Mount Vernon Springfield Chamber of Commerce. Scholarships of \$2,000 will be awarded to graduating seniors pursuing further education in a business related field. At least one scholarship will be awarded to each high school in our service area.

Students may apply online at <https://mountvernonsspringfield.com/business-scholarship-application/> or email info@mountvernonsspringfield.com to request more information. The application deadline is Monday, April 28. Scholarships will be awarded on May 23 at a special reception at the US Army Museum.

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

- [Laura Ashley Piper Scholarship](#) Amount: \$1,000 Deadline: 4/14/2025 ****Application in Naviance****
- [Gloria Lee Gordon Scholarship](#) Amount: Up to \$2,000 Deadline: 4/11/2025 ****Application in Naviance****
- [Bentley Family Scholarship Fund](#) Amount: \$5,000 Deadline: 3/14/2025
- [Rose Koury Scholarship](#) Amount: \$20,000 Deadline: 3/14/2025
- [Vance International Inc Scholarship Fund](#) Amount: \$2,000 Deadline: 3/17/2025
- [The John R Lilard VAOC Scholarship](#) Amount: \$3,000 Deadline: 2/28/2025
- [Samuel O Kwarteng Memorial Scholarship](#) Amount: \$2,000 Deadline: 5/4/2025
- [Hagan Scholarship](#) Amount: Varies Deadline: 3/15/2025
- [Coast Guard Foundation Scholarships](#) Amount: Up to \$5,000 Deadline: 4/1/2025
- [Alfred Street Baptist Church Foundation Scholarships](#) Amount: Varies Deadline: 4/15/2025
- [The Liberty Tree Scholarship](#) Amount: \$2,500 Deadline: 4/29/2025
- [Sage Communications Scholarship](#) Amount: \$1,500 Deadline: 4/1/2025

Enrichment Programs

- [Terp Young Scholars](#) Deadline: 6/1/2025 Event date: 7/14-8/1/2025
- [Academy For Media Production Open House](#) Event date: 3/1/2025
- [PREFACE: The Rensselaer Summer Engineering Design Program](#) Deadline: 4/4/2025 Event dates: 7/20-8/2/2025
- [VALHEN STEM Academy](#) Deadline: 3/1/2025 Event dates: 7/30-8/1/2025
- [Junior Night: What Colleges are Looking for in 2025](#) Event dates: Session I: 2/25/2025 Session II: 2/27/2025
- [UNC Summer School](#) Deadline: 5/16/2025 Event date: Summer 2025
- [GMU Youth Impact Award](#) Event date: July 2025 (Nomination based enrichment)
- [15 on the 15th: Liberal Arts Colleges Across the U.S.](#) Event date: Starts 5/15/2025
- [Pathway Programs at Michigan Tech](#) Deadline: Applications accepted on a rolling basis
- [Arabic Summer Language Institute](#) Deadline: 5/15/2025 Event dates: 6/2-8/1/2025
- [STEM/Engineering & Construction Camps](#) Dates: Varies depending on location