



WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

September 27, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

October 9	PSAT/SAT @ LBSS
October 16	Alcanza College Fair (field trip forms in the Career Center)
October 20	FCPS College Fair @ GMU
October 23	Paying for College, 6:30pm in the Lecture Hall

APPLICATION WORKSHOP

Come to the Career Center during Advisory/Bruin Block to get help with your college applications. Be sure to make an E-Hall pass. It will cap at 30 students. **October 24th, October 28th.**

COLLEGE REP INFO SESSIONS – Come meet with a College Representative. College visits start next week. I am adding Universities every day! Students will need to sign up in Naviance and make an E-Hall Pass for the date & time of visit. I will than 'approve' it from my end. Please stop by the Career Center (L102) if you need help signing up. The full list of visits can be found in Naviance. Upcoming sessions include:

10/1/2024	8:20am	Plymouth State University
10/1/2024	9:00am	Longwood University
10/1/2024	12:00pm	University of South Florida-Main Campus
10/1/2024	1:30pm	Washington and Lee University
10/2/2024	12:00pm	The University of Alabama
10/2/2024	1:30pm	University of Richmond

STUDENT SERVICES NEWS

PAYING FOR COLLEGE

The Financial Aid Process for Seniors

LBSS Student Services and College Access Fairfax is offering a Financial Aid night for seniors and their parents. College Access Fairfax is committed to helping FCPS students with the complex task of acquiring financial aid for post-secondary education. Topics to be covered include understanding financial aid, how the financial aid process works, and the steps that families need to take to secure financial aid. The program will be in the **Lecture Hall, October 23, 2024 at 6:30pm.**

Alcanza College Fair

George Mason University will be hosting the 24th Annual **ALCANZA** College Fair on Wednesday October 16th. George Mason hosts **ALCANZA** as part of our effort to increase college interest and awareness among high school students in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area during Hispanic Heritage month. This event was created to get Latinx students motivated and excited about their post-secondary plans, and the program is open to all students in the Washington D.C. metro area to explore their educational opportunities beyond high school. Over 150 colleges from all over the nation will attend **ALCANZA**, and we expect about 2,000 high school students to participate. LBSS Student Services is taking a bus to the college fair, 10am – 1pm. Forms are due October 1, 2024

College Fair and Look to the Future Events (HS)

Fairfax County Public Schools high school students and their families are encouraged to participate in these events. The 2024 College Fair will be held on Sunday, October 20, 2024, at George Mason University's Eagle Bank Arena from 4:00 - 6:30 pm. Approximately 220 colleges and universities will be represented, including two and four-year colleges and US Service Academies. Following the fair, the Two-Night Postsecondary Virtual Event will be held on Monday, October 21, and Tuesday, October 22, 2024, from 5:00 - 8:00 pm.

Please [register](#) for these events if they plan to attend. Both events will help students be better prepared for the next chapter of their educational journey.

VT Defense Civilian Training Corps

The [Defense Civilian Training Corps](#) is a program for students to build civilian careers in the Department of Defense (DoD). This program is open to all students at VT with an interest in DoD careers related to acquisition, digital technologies, critical technologies, science, engineering, and finance.

Community Police Academy is Accepting Applications for their Fall 2024 Class

Ever wondered why the police do things a certain way? The FCPD Community Police Academy (CPA) is now accepting applications for the 2024 Fall session, starting on **Thursday, September 12th**.

The CPA meets every Thursday for 10 weeks from 6:30 to 10:00 p.m.

You'll get behind-the-scenes tours of police facilities and hear from specialists on topics that only FCPD can offer. You can ask detectives questions, check out the latest crime-fighting technology, and even go on a police ride-along! It's completely FREE and will give you a new perspective on our work.

Learn more and apply here: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/ServicesAH/CommunityPoliceAcademy>

If you have any questions, please email: cpa@fairfaxcounty.gov, MPO Meg Hawkins, Direct: 703-814-7045

[Community Police Academy Flyer Fall 2024](#)

[CPA Application Form 2024](#)

Alfred Street Baptist Church's HBCU Fair

Save the Date for The Alfred Street Baptist Church HBCU Festival will be on 11/9 at the St James Sports Complex in Springfield. It's the largest HBCU festival in the country.

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](#).**

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

Mathnasium of Burke

We currently have openings for highly skilled and motivated instructors who have **strong math backgrounds** and **good communication skills**. Must like and work well with children from grades 1 to 12. Flexible after school hours and summer hours. (2-3 days per week) Compensation starts at \$12/hr during training period and

\$13-\$25/hr after and bonus may apply. Ideal for students (Sophomore and Junior preferred).

Email your resume to Burke@mathnasium.com

9411-C Old Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA 22015

Tutoring Position

Tutoring a sixth grader in core subjects, and possibly Spanish.

Meeting 2-3 times weekly at Richard Byrd library at 4 pm for 1-2 hours.

Answering general or homework questions over text or phone.

The pay is \$25/hr.

Please contact current tutor, [Hannah Gibrel-Ali](#) for more information

AMRC Lifeguard

Audrey Moore Rec Center is looking for individuals who have an interest in emergency response and enjoy aquatics. As a lifeguard you are part of a unique team that is responsible for responding to all emergency that take place at the facility. Training is free and all individuals who work for the facility get to enjoy free access to the pool, fitness center, basketball course, and more! Work hours are flexible with competitive pay! For additional information please reach out to Nicholas.ambrose@fairfaxcounty.gov or scan the QR code on the flyer in the Career Center to apply!

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

LBSS Nomination Required Scholarships

Below are three scholarships with upcoming deadlines. I will collect self-nomination forms and then a committee will determine which students move forward for ultimate consideration. Please let me know if you have any questions. The title of each scholarship links to the relevant website. The scholarships link in the colleges tab of Naviance lists many other amazing scholarships as well. These are simply the ones that require a nomination from LBSS with deadlines through October.

[UVA Jefferson Scholarship](#)

LBSS can nominate ONE senior to compete for this full scholarship to UVA. Jefferson Scholars are selected on the basis of demonstrated excellence in the areas of leadership, scholarship and citizenship. Typical Jefferson Scholars are in the top 5-10% of the class and have demonstrated uncommon academic abilities, exceptional leadership talents and an understanding of the broader community around them. Seniors who would like to be considered for the nomination must submit the [LBSS Self-Nomination Form](#) for Scholarships. The Self-Nomination form is due to Ms. Hunter skhunter@fcps.edu by **October 18, 3PM**. Please note: Seniors applying to another college or university under a binding early decision plan are not eligible to apply. Prior interest in UVA and financial need are not factors in selecting a nominee.

[UVA Walentas Scholars Program](#)

LBSS can nominate ONE senior to compete for this full scholarship to UVA. The Walentas Scholars Program develops leaders, citizens, and scholars who are pioneers—the first or among the first in their families to earn a bachelor's degree from a college or university. **Nominees must be first generation**. LBSS will consider all first-generation students in the senior classes who are outstanding contributors to their schools and families. Successful candidates have demonstrated exceptional leadership talents, an understanding of the broader community around them, and have

demonstrated uncommon academic abilities. To be considered, please fill out the [Self-Nomination form](#) and email to Ms. Hunter skhunter@fcps.edu by **October 18th, 3PM**.

Harry Byrd, Jr. \$25,000 Leadership Award

Please complete nomination [form](#) no later than October 24, 2024, 3PM.

The Leadership Award seeks to reward applicants who consistently display excellence of character, qualities of leadership, devotion to duty, and academic accomplishment. While academic excellence is a consideration, the selection of award recipients emphasizes the importance of leadership and public service. Therefore, most recipients are leaders who go above and beyond their peers to improve themselves and to make a difference in the lives of others. Most recipients engage in endeavors that demonstrate their independence, initiative, courage, personal discipline, strong work ethic, commitment to community service, leadership qualities, ability to confront challenges, and pursuit of academic excellence.

For example, prior award recipients:

- Served on school honor councils;
- Worked on political campaigns;
- Served in student government;
- Traveled overseas to serve others;
- Led a morning fitness program;
- Started charitable organizations;
- Learned multiple languages;
- Attended community college while in high school; and
- Participated as captains of sports teams and academic teams.

The Carson Scholars Program

The Carson Scholars Program awards \$1,000 college scholarships to students in grades 4-11 who excel academically and are dedicated to serving their communities. **Carson Scholars must have a GPA of 3.75 and display humanitarian qualities through community service.** Additional information is available online at www.carsonscholars.org/scholarships/.

High School Student Services may nominate one student grades 9-11 for the Carson Scholars Fund Scholarship. Participating in the local school selection process does not guarantee the nominated student will receive the Carson Scholar award. The student selected as the nominee will be required to submit a separate application provided by the Carson Scholar Fund organization. Students who have previously been awarded a Carson Scholarship are not eligible to apply again.

If you would like to be considered as a potential nominee, please complete [Google form](#) by **11:59pm on October 15, 2024**.

Scholarships

[College Scholarship Program - Jack Kent Cooke Foundation \(jkcf.org\)](#) Deadline: 11/14/2024 Amount: Up to \$55,000

[Harry F. Byrd, Jr. Leadership Award](#) Deadline: 12/2/2024 Amount: \$25,000

[FOSSI Scholarship](#) Deadline: 1/31/2025 Amount: \$40,000

[Akerson Family Foundation Scholarship](#) Deadline: 3/17/2025 Amount: \$50,000

[Community Scholars | Chick-fil-A](#) Deadline: 10/30/2024 Amount: Up to \$25,000

[The James Alan Cox Foundation for Student Photojournalists Scholarship](#) Deadline: 11/15/2024 Amount: See Naviance entry

[Visionary Scholarship](#) Deadline: 12/2/2024 Amount: Up to \$2,500

[Barbara Lotze Scholarship](#) Deadline: 12/1/2024 Amount: \$3,000

[Lamber Goodnow College Scholarship](#) Deadline: 12/1/2024 Amount: \$1,000

Enrichment Programs

[Explore JMU: Academic Open Houses](#) Event dates: 10/5, 11/16

[Wellesley College's Leadership Series](#) Event date: 10/20/2024

[The CSS Profile from The Coalition for College Webinar](#) Event date: 10/8/2024

[Ask Us Anything: College Applications from The Coalition for College](#) Event date: 10/24/2024

[Ram Session: Metro DC](#) Event date: 10/15/2024

[Virginia Tech Open House](#) Event date: 9/28 and 9/29 (This weekend!)

[Towson Academic Open House](#) Event date: 11/11/2024

[VCU Virtual Prospective Student Information Session](#) Event date: 10/2/2024

[SAT & ACT Test Prep Workshop](#) Deadline: 10/4/2024 Event date: 10/12, 10/19

[ConnectHER Film Festival](#) Deadline: 10/1 for entering, students can view and vote for other videos as well

[School Board Student Leadership Development Program](#) Event date: Various meeting dates throughout the school year

[High School Career Forum](#) Deadline: 10/24 Event date: 10/26/2024

[West Point Admissions Event at Fort Meade](#) Event date: 10/9/2024

[U.S. Naval Academy Candidate Information Session](#) Event date: 10/28/2024

[SuitUp with Kaiser Permanente Business Competition](#) Event location is still TBD, event date 12/4/2024 (Program is limited to 25 students)