



WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

December 1, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

December 5	8:45AM	NVCC Information Session
January 16	6-8PM	FAFSA Completion Workshop @ LBSS
January 30	6-8:30PM	FCPS Gap Year Fair
February 26	8:30AM	ASVAB offered at LBSS

STUDENT NEWS

Postsecondary Night Recordings Posted!

Postsecondary Night recordings are now posted on the [event webpage](#). Also, please see the attached flyer for links to each session, as well.

NOVA Early online College

[NOVA Early Online College \(EOC\)](#) allows current high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to take up to 2 tuition free college courses. [EOC courses](#) for the Spring semester begin on January 30, 2024, and end on April 22, 2024. Registration opened on October 23rd. Deadline to register is January 8, 2024 at 5pm. Courses are asynchronous, online, and for college credit only. 13 different courses are offered along with courses that fulfill the [IT Technical Support Career Studies Certificate](#). 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.

[NOVA Site - Early Online College Information](#)

Exclusive Opportunity for FCPS High School Students! FCPS Student Pilot Program with Coursera

The Department of Information Technology still has a limited number of seats available for the Student Pilot Program in collaboration with Coursera's Career Academy. The program is **FREE** for all interested FCPS high school students and provides participants with the opportunity to explore over **29 Professional Certificates** offered by the industry's leading global companies.

3 Easy Steps to Join Program:

Step 1: Complete this form: [Coursera Student Interest Form](#).

Step 2: Your parent/guardian will be notified and asked for permission for you to access Coursera.

Step 3: Once parental/guardian permission is received, your free Coursera account will be created.

Here's what you can expect after joining this program:

- Explore Career Paths: Dive into sought-after digital professions, from Cybersecurity Analyst to Data Science Analyst.
- Learn from Industry Titans: Gain invaluable insights from experts at companies such as Google, Meta, Microsoft, and IBM, learning directly from the best in the business.
- Earn Valuable Micro-Credentials: Acquire industry-recognized micro-credentials that can open doors to exciting opportunities in the digital landscape.
- [Access 29+ Professional Certificates](#): Get full access to an extensive array of professional certificates that could redefine your future career trajectory.

If you have any questions, please reach out to the Program Manager, Scott Simmons at sfsimmons@fcps.edu.

SAVE THE DATE - 2024 Gap Year Fair

FCPS School Counseling Services and [Go Overseas](#) are co-hosting the annual FCPS Gap Year Fair on **Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at George C. Marshall High School from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.** This event is for high school students and their families who are interested in learning more about the growing array of gap year opportunities. Student registration will open on **November 20, 2023**. Contact Pamela White, Postsecondary Special Projects Liaison, at pcwhite@fcps.edu or 571-393-1102 if you have any questions.

Receive Benefits Through the SAT Fee Waiver Request Form

Starting in late Fall 2023, students will be able to access the SAT Fee Waiver Request Form through the main fee waiver webpage, sat.org/feewaivers. After submitting responses to a few questions on a form, students may receive approval for fee waiver benefits by email within a few days. College Board may reach out to adult contacts that the student provides to confirm their fee waiver eligibility. Once approved, students will see their fee waiver benefits loaded into their account.

Financial Aid - College Access Fairfax

FAFSA form and procedural changes are coming in December 31, 2023.

College Access Fairfax and Robinson Secondary are hosting a virtual financial aid night for both juniors and seniors. I recommend both parents and students attend this event.

The event will take place on **Tuesday, December 12th at 6PM via Zoom**. If you would like to attend, please RSVP via this form. Robinson SS will send the Zoom information out to all RSVP'd the morning of December 12th. **This session will be recorded.**

To RSVP please click this link: <https://forms.gle/Zrq9TRftczNZhfU26>

Environmental Justice Academy

a transformative program designed to empower high school students with the knowledge and skills to become advocates for environmental justice.

The Environmental Justice Academy is a unique opportunity for students to engage in immersive learning experiences, collaborate with like-minded peers, and develop innovative solutions to address environmental challenges in their communities. Our program aims to foster leadership, critical thinking, and a deep understanding of environmental issues. Informational session to provide additional information on **November 29th at 5:30 – 6:30pm**
<https://smithsonian.zoom.us/j/83541326830?pwd=dWNvVlA3bmljRDIVUS85Nm5UOFVCQT09>

Key Program Highlights:

- **Interactive Workshops:** Engaging sessions led by educators in environmental justice.
- **Collaborative Projects:** Students will work together to develop and implement impactful projects in their communities.
- **Guest Speakers:** Inspirational talks from amazing leaders in the field, providing valuable insights and perspectives.
- **Networking Opportunities:** Connect with professionals, mentors, and peers who share a passion for environmental advocacy.

Apprenticeship 101

This rigorous three-week introduction to construction skills covers topics including basic safety, hand and power tools, construction math, communication skills, introduction to construction drawings, and construction careers. For more information see attached flier or contact educationalcounseling@fcps.edu.

Croatia in 2025

Lake Braddock staff members are taking a group of students to Croatia in 2025! Come to the interest meeting on December 6th for more info!

Invite for the interest meeting: <https://bit.ly/3tSvkIB>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

FCPS Service-Learning information can be accessed by joining the Schoology Group (access code: QGQR-N77P-Z2ZFX)
Be sure to check out [Volunteer Fairfax](#) for some great opportunities.

Volunteers Needed for High School Swim Meets

Audrey Moore will host upcoming High School Swim Meets in December. If you're in need of community service hours or just want to help us out, we would love for you to sign-up.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050D45AEAA28A1F85-42899828-swim>

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Door-Hanger Delivery

\$10 per hour - cash - no offer of continued employment

Local real estate agent seeking motivated students who are quick and time conscious for intermittently scheduled work delivering marketing door-hangers door-to-door to addresses within our local Burke area. No knocking and no interaction – just politely hang the door-hanger and move on to the next door. I like to work teams of two persons so streets can be flanked for time efficiency and work one to one and a half hours at a time. I pick-up and return students to their home, drive to street(s) being delivered to, and oversee safety by driving along within sight and to restock as you deliver. I am agreeable and welcome meeting parents first. **Contact Joan Stanley at (703) 945-7041.**

Kids First Swim, Springfield

We offer a fun and supportive work environment, perfect for your first job! Our flexible work schedule allows you to balance your school obligations. Fill out our online application at bit.ly/KFSSAPP

Swim Instructor Job Description

Join our team of dynamic swim instructors and make an impact in the community! Our mission is to teach students water safety and proper swim techniques based on thorough knowledge of the Kids First/Kick First® curriculum. No Prior experience needed! We provide in-depth training for our technique-based curriculum. We teach all ages, from 2 months to adults in a fun and rewarding environment because we believe everyone should know how to swim!

Lifeguard Job Description

Our Life Guards are responsible and in charge of the safety of our patrons and staff in the pool area. They ensure a safe and pleasant experience by preventing and responding to emergencies in a professional manner. Red Cross lifeguard certification required. Join our class November 17-19 and receive our staff discounted rate of \$175!

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

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

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

Scholarships

[Aspiring Scholars Award](#) Amount: \$2,500 Deadline : 1/31/2024 **Application in Naviance.**

[Junior sciences and humanities symposium at The Catholic University](#) Amount: \$1,000-\$2,000 Deadline:1/14/2024 **Application in Naviance.**

[Apple Credit Union Scholarships](#) Amount \$3000 Deadline: 3/15/2024 **Application in Naviance.**

[Stand up to distracted driving scholarship](#) Amount: \$1,000 Deadline: 5/29/2024 **Application in Naviance.**

History Essay Contest for college scholarship by the Society of the Cincinnati **See Naviance page for PDF on all info relating to scholarship, there is no current URL available** Amount: Up to \$6,000 Deadline: 3/15/2024 **Application in Naviance.**

Enrichment Programs

[Radio Production Summer Camp 2024](#) Deadline: No hard deadline, discount if registered before 4/30/2024 Event date: Varies, multiple dates available

[Commonwealth Cyber Initiative \(CCI\) Northern Virginia Internship Program](#) Deadline: 1/31/2024 Event date: 6/17-8/9/2024

[Animal Husbandry Internship](#) Deadline: Rolling admission Event date: 1/2024-3/2024

[NOVA Virtual sessions for seniors and families](#) Event date: 12/12/2023

[Pratt Pre-College Portfolio Development](#) Event date: 1/2/2024-1/5/2024

[MICA Prospective students Day](#) Event date: 12/9/2023

[I3 Competition](#) Deadline: 12/23/2023 Event date : 1/12/2024-4/20/2024 Dates are still tentative

[Wake Forest Summer Immersion Program](#) Deadline: Rolling admissions till programs are filled Event dates: Varies throughout summer

[Ornament making volunteer event](#) Event date:12/9/2023

[Stanford Clinical Summer Internship](#) Deadline: 2/15/2024 Event dates: July 8-19 2024 in person, July 22-August 2 2024 for virtual)

Contests

The following approved Contests can be found at https://hub.fcps.edu/curriculum-integration-management/approved-student-contests?check_logged_in=1

[NOVA FAB LAB Challenge ::](#) Deadline: 12/10/2023