



WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

January 5, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

January 9	8:30AM	NOVA Application Workshop in Career Center
January 16	6-8PM	FAFSA Completion Workshop @ LBSS
January 30	6-8:30PM	FCPS Gap Year Fair
January 31	8:30AM	Presentation on opportunities @ NVCC Medical Education Campus.
February 26	8:30AM	ASVAB offered at LBSS

STUDENT NEWS

FAFSA/VASA Completion Event

A FAFSA/VASA Night will be held at Lake Braddock Secondary School on 1/16/24. This event will take place in the Lecture Hall starting at 6:00pm. The best place to park will be outside of Door 1. We will have staff there to direct you into the room where we will have helpers! Please complete this [form](#) so we have a headcount of how many families to expect. **Student & a parent should [get a verified FSA ID](#) prior to attending a FAFSA Completion Event.**

ASVAB - Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is administered at Lake Braddock Secondary School once during each school year in the late winter. Juniors and Seniors interested in taking the ASVAB for career exploration or with plans to enlist in the military after graduation and need to take this test for enlistment may register. The ASVAB test date for 2023-2024 is scheduled for February 26, 2024.

Register for the ASVAB here - <https://forms.gle/PkXyQBavx747mXr8>

Detailed information on the ASVAB can be found at: <https://www.todaysmilitary.com/joining/asvab-test>

Practice questions are available at: <https://www.todaysmilitary.com/joining/asvab-test-sample-questions>

The next ASVAB Parent Q&A session will be held on JANUARY 22, 2024 at 6:00PM EST via Zoom at

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1601222764?pwd=K0I2bCtVODNwUHdNb3g2UFplSzhaZz09Details> attached.

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](#)

Virginia State Police Work-Based Learning Opportunities

The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) Work-Based Learning Team is pleased to offer a live webinar with the Virginia State Police (VSP) to discuss available CTE HQWBL opportunities statewide. FCPS has been identified as having proximity to the following VDOE's Superintendent's Region 4 [VSP satellite office locations](#) for the opportunities listed below:

- Field Communication Technicians
- Office Services Assistants
- Office Service Specialists
- Program Support Technicians

An informational webinar will be conducted **Thursday, January 18, 2024, from 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.** with the VSP to share more information and answer your questions. Students must register [here](#) by Wednesday, January 17, 2024 to confirm attendance and receive a webinar link. Questions about the webinar should be directed to Susan McNamara, VDOE Region IV WBL Specialist.

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.

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.

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.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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

Scholarships

- [Frans Hagen Winter Scholarship](#) Amount: Up to \$5,000 Deadline 1/15/2024
- [Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics \(STEM\) Scholarship](#) Amount: \$5,000 Deadline: 1/7/2024
- [Historically Black College & University \(HBCU\) Scholarship](#) Amount: \$5,000 Deadline: 1/7/2024
- [National scholarship for Juniors](#) Amount: \$25,000 Deadline: 3/15/2024
- [Kozy Kerchief and Kozy Kap Scholarship](#) AmountL \$5,000 Deadline: 1/7/2024
- <https://form.jotform.com/ecfpresident/eg-app-2024> Amount: \$5,000 Deadline: 1/7/2024
- [Coolidge College Scholarship](#) Amount: Full ride scholarship Deadline: 1/18/2024
- [FCIDD Fellows Scholarship](#):: See PDF in Naviance
- [The George E Allen Scholarship](#) Amount: \$2,000 Deadline: 3/1/2024

Enrichment Programs

- [BSU Interior Design Summer Workshop](#) Event date: Online workshop 6/10-7/5-2024, In-person workshops 6/2-6/11, 6/16-6/25/2024
- [Horizon Day Camp Job](#) Event dates: 6/24-8/2/2024
- [UMD Arabic Summer study](#) Deadline: 5/15/2024 Event dates: Summer 2024 Program Dates: June 3 - August 2, 2024 Session 1: June 3 - July 3, 2024 Session 2: July 8 - August 2, 2024
- [Pre-college summer program at UNC Asheville](#) Deadline: 5/1/2023 Event dates: June 16-21 and June 23-28
- [G3 Initiative Program at NOVA](#) Event date: Dates vary by program
- [UVA Inspire: Summer 2024](#) Event date: Various programs range across June and July
- [Loudoun County Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Open House Hiring](#) Event date: 12/21/2023