



WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

March 9, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

March 12	7:00PM	Junior Parent College Night (Virtual)
March 14	8:30AM	NOVA Enrollment Preparation Workshop – session I
March 20	6-8PM	FCPS Virtual Military Night
April 8	8:30AM	NOVA Enrollment Preparation (see below for details)
April 10	6:30PM	George Mason's N. VA Regional College Fair
April 29	8:30AM	NOVA Enrollment Preparation (see below for details)

FAFSA & FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES

Social Media

1. <https://studentaid.gov/notices/social>
2. [Twitter](#)
3. [Facebook](#)
4. [Instagram](#)
5. [YouTube – How to videos](#)
6. [YouTube – Webinars](#)

Helpful Links

7. [Pro Tips for the 2024–25 FAFSA® Form](#)
8. [6 Things Students Need Before They Fill Out the 2024–25 FAFSA® Form](#)
9. [How To Submit the 2024–25 FAFSA® Form if Your Contributor Doesn't Have an SSN](#)
10. [Federal Student Aid Estimator](#)

STUDENT NEWS

Senior Tech Workshops during WIN time for seniors

During extended WIN times in the Career Center

- Spreadsheets for beginners – March 12
- Scrub your image for job interviews – March 18
- What data are you giving away – March 20
- Multi-task like a boss – April 11

Junior Parent College Night

College Night (Virtual) - March 12th at 7:00 PM

Lake Braddock is partnering with South County to host a panel of College Admission Representatives for juniors and their parents. A link to participate is below. The event will be recorded for those that are unable to attend live. We hope to see you there. <https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/92218314733>

The topics to be covered include: Junior Year and the College Search, Community College Options, How Do Colleges Make Admission Decisions? Financial Aid/Scholarships & Private Schools, Managing the Process and Student Decisions

Virtual Military Night

FCPS School Counseling Services is hosting a Virtual Military Night on **Wednesday, March 20, 2024, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** This event is designed for high school students and their families who are interested in learning more about the military pathways and opportunities. Enlistment, service academies and ROTC pathways will be represented. You will find additional information at the following link: <https://www.fcps.edu/event/2024-virtual-military-night> .

Have you applied to NOVA and wondering what to do next?

NOVA Enrollment Preparation Workshops: 8:45a -9:30a

Location: Career Center

Session 1: February 27th – Tuesday

Session 2: April 8th - Monday

Session 1: March 14th – Thursday

Session 2: April 29th – Monday

During Session 1, applicants will complete the Direct Enrollment Survey, record their results to use with advising and view their program of study. They will learn how to check holds, Financial Aid checklists and who to contact for resolution and assistance (if applicable, forms will be provided to clear any holds, i.e.: under 18, dual enrollment form, in-state tuition, etc.)

During Session 2, applicants will review their program of study, first semester's recommended courses, learn how to access the registration system via SIS and how to select and register for classes.

Students should attend one of each session.

NOVA Dual Enrollment Showcase Events

Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA) will host free, DE Showcase events across the college (Alexandria, Annandale, Manassas, Loudoun, and Woodbridge Campuses) on two, Thursday evenings this spring semester. These events are open to all high school students (and their families). Featured topics will include transitioning to college, exploring academic programs and student support resources, leveraging DE credits, and touring the comprehensive campuses. **Current DE students are encouraged to come early and obtain their NOVA Card.** Light refreshments will be provided. **Register here:** forms.gle/zMoqrBwXdWmjfy156

Fairfax County [TalentUp](#) - Job Seekers

Are you looking for a job with better opportunities?

Do you want to break into the high-demand fields but lack the industry experience or education credentials typically required? Talent Up is the Solution!

Talent Up Fairfax is a **paid internship** that can help job seekers find employment in high-demand industries such as IT, Healthcare, Finance, Sales, and more.

Talent Up Fairfax offers coaching and career guidance to help job seekers succeed. Talent Up Fairfax can lead to full-time job offers for successful interns. For more information see the website or email talentupfairfax@vcwnorthern.com , or call Suzanne Boudreaux at 703-397-6577 or Anna Briceno at 703-397-7799.

Apprenticeship 101

This rigorous program prepares you for ACE apprenticeship classes in Electrical, HVAC, and Plumbing as well as entrylevel positions on project sites. Learn the basics in safety, hand and power tools, construction math, material handling, construction drawings, and employability skills. For more information, contact educationalcounseling@fcps.edu or visit website <http://aceclasses.fcps.edu/>

US Service Academy Summer programs

[West Point Summer Leadership Experience](#) – apply by March 15, 2024

[Naval Academy Summer Seminar](#) – apply by April 15, 2024

[Coast Guard Academy Introduction Mission \(AIM\)](#) – apply by April 1, 2024

[Air Force Academy Summer Seminar](#) – registration will open on Dec 1, 2024 and close on Jan 15, 2025

NOVA IET Career Days – Annandale

NOVA would like to extend an invitation to high school seniors to participate in our annual IET Career Days. The IET Career Days are designed to introduce students to career pathways offered within the Information Engineering Technology Division. During the IET Career Days, students will tour our campus, and participate in breakout sessions to learn from industry professionals about careers in the following disciplines:

1. Computer Science and Information Technology
2. Data Center Operations and Engineering Technology
3. Cybersecurity and Cloud Computing
4. Data Analytics and AI
5. Emerging In-Demand Careers

Registration Link: <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=f7ffpo6ab&oeidk=a07ek9gthdt29a79f27>

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact Braden Traw, IET Recruitment and Engagement at jtraw@nvcc.edu or Justin Owen, CTE Coordinator, at jlowen@nvcc.edu.

FCPS Trades for Tomorrow Application Open

The FCPS Trades 4 Tomorrow (T4T) Youth Registered Apprenticeships Application is Now Open!

Paid positions include:

- HVAC, Plumbing, & Electrical
- Structural - Carpentry & Flooring
- Cabinetry
- Welding & Sheet Metal
- Outdoor Equipment Repair

View the program flyer (attached) for requirements and additional information. [Apply](#) By **5 pm on April 12, 2024**.

INNOVATE TJ 2024

Innovate TJ is TJ's annual entrepreneurship event that connects STEM skills with business and social impact. At InnovateTJ, you will create start-up pitches for new ventures and receive mentorship & feedback from prominent business leaders. Compete with a group of friends, classmates, and fellow innovators! Link: tinyurl.com/innovatetj24

An entrepreneurship pitching event for a chance to win \$500+ in seed funding with no cost to entry!

@ TJHSST 3/16-9:00AM - 8:30 PM

E Summer Program at NOVA

The [E-Summer Program at NOVA](#) is sponsored by the Hispanic Association of Colleges & Universities (HACU) and Dominion Energy. This program is designed to introduce students to STEM and the energy industry and is targeted to Hispanic and underrepresented minority students! Rising juniors and seniors that meet qualifying GPA or test score requirements may apply. Students will be offered two courses at no cost: CSC 221: Introduction to Problem Solving and Programming (3cr) and SDV 100: College Success Skills (1cr), earning four college credits over the six-week program. Students must take both courses. For more information about the E-Summer Program @ NOVA, please email Katie Aimone at dualenrollment@nvcc.edu.

STEM Summer Camp in Bioengineering

[BioEBuzz summer camp](#) is a 4-day experiential learning camp, offered from June 17-21 (no camp June 19), for rising juniors and seniors in high school. The camp will provide didactic and hands-on experiences for campers to learn about the scientific discipline of bioengineering and gain first-hand knowledge of how the discipline of bioengineering is used to address biomedical problems. Campers will be interacting with faculty, graduate students and undergraduate students, and will be provided tours of our research facilities and the Fairfax campus at GMU.

Deadline for applications is March 15.

George Mason's N. VA Regional College Fair is Wednesday April 10th

<https://events.admissions.gmu.edu/nvrcfstudents/>

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.

Annual Kings Glen Earth Day Celebration

KP/KG PTA is looking for volunteers for their Earth Day celebration on April 27 between 4 and 6 p.m. You will be supervising kids' activities during the event. The sign up is in x2Vol. If you have any questions, please email Ms. Hannagan President@KPKGPTA.org

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Moonlit Wings Productions, is currently seeking summer camp counselors for our performing arts camps in Fairfax County. This could be a perfect opportunity for your high school seniors. As a proud FCPS alumni, I'm thrilled to extend this exciting opportunity to your graduating seniors. These positions are paid and provide an excellent opportunity for students to gain valuable experience while having fun.

Link for a flyer bit.ly/hiring-hs-seniors

Parliament Pool Hiring

Want some fun in the sun this summer while making money? Join the lifeguard team at Parliament Pool and get both! We're looking for hard working, attention detailed, motivated individuals to join our team.

Lifeguard Requirements:

- -15 years of age or older
- -Completion of lifeguard training
- -First Aid and CPR certification
- -Proficient communication skills, both verbal and written
- -Proficient in interacting with people of various ages from diverse backgrounds
- -Available to work shifts
- Please ensure certifications are current through Labor Day. Fairfax County Parks & Rec. has lifeguarding classes going on now. Check their schedules for the next available class (<http://parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov/>). Other training providers are American Red Cross, American Lifeguard Association (ALA), and George Mason. If you require cert/recert, please get registered for a course early and schedule to be done before May so you're ready to go for the season.

Please reach out to the Parliament Pool Board at board@parliament-pool.com if you're interested.

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

Scholarships for College Students with Disabilities - <https://www.onlinecolleges.me/financial-aid/scholarships/students-with-disabilities/>

Fairfax County Retired Educators scholarship

This year we have several \$2500 scholarships for students Interested in becoming teachers.

Information is available on our website www.FCRE.org (click on scholarship). There is a downloadable application with all pertinent information for applying. Applications must be postmarked by March 24, 2024.

Scholarships

[Leslie A Ebert Legacy of Life Scholarship](#) : Amount: Up to \$5,000 Deadline: 4/15/2024

[Legado Infinito Scholarship](#) : Amount: \$1,000 Deadline: 5/31/2024

[Northern Virginia Urban League Guild](#) : Amount: \$5,000 Deadline: 3/15/2024

[Dominion Energy Educational Equity Scholarship](#): Amount: \$5,000 Deadline: 4/15/2024

[VBA Bank Day Scholarship](#): Amount: Up to \$7,500 Deadline: 3/29/2024 ***Students must register to to apply****

[Lockheed Martin Scholarship](#): Amount: Up to \$10,000 Deadline: 4/1/2024

[Capital One Virginia Military Dependent Scholarship](#) : Amount: Up to \$5,000 Deadline: 3/15/2024

[Folds Of Honor Scholarships](#): Amount: \$2,500 Deadline: 4/1/2024

Enrichment Programs

[Summer scholars, exploring science](#) Event date: 6/5-7/3/2024

[Georgia Tech Pre-College Summer program at the College of Design](#) Event dates: Session I: 6/16-6/28 Session II: 7/7-7/19

[AgDiscovery Program](#) Deadline: 4/5/2024 Event date: 6/16-6/30/2024

[Pamplin's Inspiring Possibilities \(PIP\) Academy](#) Event dates: 7/11-7/20/2024

[Inside Design Summer Program](#) Deadline: 5/15/2024 Event dates:

-Blacksburg session: 6/16-6/21

-Alexandria session: 6/24-6/28

-Virtual session: 7/16-7/21

[V.I.S.I.O.N \(View into services and inclusive opportunities for Nighthawks\)](#) Event date: 3/21/2024

[Kaiser Permanente Summer Youth Employment Program](#) Deadline: 3/15/2024 Event dates: 7/1-8/9

[Juntos Podemos \(Together We can\)](#) Deadline: 3/15/2024 Event date: 4/7/2024

[Virginia Forest Trails Initiative](#) Event date: 4/13/2024

[Holder Construction RISE Internship Program](#) Ongoing internships

[NOVA SySTEMic Internship](#) Deadline: 3/20/2024 Event dates: Multiple dates, see website

[Skilled Trades and Readiness Program \(STAR\) construction](#) Ongoing internship program

[Pathways to Quantum](#) Deadline: 3/15/2024 Event date: Virtual 6/26-7/10 , In-person 7/14-7/9

[Sea-air Space STEM Expo](#) Event date: 4/13/2024

[National STEM festival student EXPO](#) Event date: 4/13/2024

[The Joint Science and Technology Institute](#) Deadline: 3/29/2024 Event dates: 7/20-7/26

[Paid drama summer camp positions](#) Event dates: June – August

Contests

The Fourth Circuit Student Essay Contest - <https://www.ca4.uscourts.gov/courts4civics/connect/essay-contest>