



WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

October 6, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

October 11 PSAT/SAT @ LBSS
October 15 FCPS College Fair @ GMU

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 19th, and October 31st.

COLLEGE REP INFO SESSIONS – Come meet with a College Representative. I am adding Universities every day! Students will need to sign up in Naviance and enter a pass into 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:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>College</u>
10/10/2023	9:45am	Ohio University-Main Campus
10/10/2023	10:30am	Hollins University
10/10/2023	11:10am	The University of Alabama
10/10/2023	12:00pm	Dickinson College
10/10/2023	12:40pm	University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
10/10/2023	1:30pm	Champlain College
10/10/2023	2:15pm	East Carolina University
10/10/2023	8:20am	Miami University, Oxford
10/10/2023	9:00am	Juniata College
10/12/2023	10:30am	Stanford University
10/12/2023	8:20am	Syracuse University
10/13/2023	11:10am	The University of Tennessee-Knoxville
10/13/2023	9:00am	University of Chicago

STUDENT NEWS

Fairfax County Youth Leadership Program (FCYLP)

The Fairfax County Youth Leadership Program (FCYLP) is designed to educate and motivate high school students to become engaged citizens and leaders in the community.

Accepted students participate in monthly learning sessions, complete a three-week paid internship in a Fairfax County department, and act as "ambassadors" for the program by speaking to middle school civics classes. They will also learn about local government's role in their everyday lives and are given an opportunity to interact with County leaders and policy-makers. For more information and background on the FCYLP, [click here](#). You can also check out the [new 2024 FCYLP brochure](#). The class of 2024 [application](#) is now available!

Fairfax County Police Department Explorers Program

The Fairfax County Police Public Safety Cadets program & Customs and Border Patrol is now accepting applications for their program.

Public Safety Cadets Fairfax County PD - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/getinvolved/publicsafetycadets>

- * Applicant Must fill out the application forms
- * Applicants also get three references from teacher, community members, school counselor
- * Must have School Resource officer to sign the application form

College Access Fairfax – Financial Aid

FAFSA form and procedural changes are coming in Fall 2023.

See attachment for important information regarding the 2024-25 FAFSA (for Seniors graduating Spring 2024).

The revised FAFSA form is expected to open in December, 2023. Do not complete FAFSA until then.

Paying for College for Seniors

This presentation will be a general overview of the financial aid process for Seniors. The presentation will be in English and no pre-registration will be required.

10/28 10am – 11:30am [Zoom link: https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/94585496608](https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/94585496608)

11/14 7pm – 8:30pm [Zoom link : https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/92313618192](https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/92313618192)

11/18 10:00-11:30am [Zoom link : https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/92335926452](https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/92335926452)

College Fair and Look to the Future Events

Fairfax County Public Schools high school students and their families are encouraged to participate in these events. The 2023 College Fair will be held on **Sunday, October 15, 2023**, at George Mason University's Eagle Bank Arena from 4:00 - 7:00 pm. Approximately 250 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 16 and Tuesday, October 17, 2023**, 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.

[2023 College Fair Flyer - English](#)

Alfred Street Baptist Church HBCU Festival

Alfred Street Baptist Church presents its 21st Annual Historically Black College & University (HBCU) Festival, a hybrid event being held November 17-18, 2023. The festival is dedicated to connecting high school students and their families to HBCUs, and scholarship opportunities. Approximately 80 colleges and universities will be represented during the two-day event. Many will provide on-the-spot admission decisions, conduct music auditions, and waive application fees. Additionally, seminars and exhibitor presentations will be held to help students navigate the college application process, seek financial aid opportunities and acclimate them to campus life. <https://hbcufest.alfredstreet.org/e/hbcu-fest>

Since 2003, this one-of-a-kind college fair has connected more than 60,000 attendees to academic institutions. In 2022, nearly \$4M in scholarships were awarded to the high school seniors in attendance; many of whom were first generation college students.

Department of Information Technology - Coursera Career Academy Student Pilot Program (HS)

The Department of Information Technology (DIT) sponsored **FCPS Student Pilot Program with Coursera** is open for registration! The program allows up to 1,000 FCPS High School students to access the full contents of the [Coursera Career Academy](#).

Please note: Coursera courses are not VDOE recognized industry credentials and do not count towards high school graduation requirements. The pilot program has a limited number of licenses available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Program highlights include:

- Explore popular digital jobs and career paths, from marketing to data science
- Learn from experts at leading companies, including Google, Microsoft, and IBM
- Earn a valuable career micro-credential
- Access to over 27 [professional certificates](#)

If students are interested, have them complete the [Coursera Student Interest Form](#).

Once the student completes the interest form, we will contact the parental/guardian for consent. Coursera student accounts will then be created. Additional login details will be provided to students after account creation.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Program Manager, Scott Simmons at sfsimmons@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.

Skate the Wake

Audrey Moore Rec Center is recruiting for volunteers for our Skate Park Event (Skate the Wake) for October 14th 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (rain date October 15th). This will be a fun opportunity to get community service hours. If interested, please use this SignUpGenius link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050D45AEAA28A1F85-44492824-skate>

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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):

LBSS Nomination Required Scholarships

Below are several scholarships with upcoming deadlines. I will collect self-nomination forms (linked in description below) 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. Please put title of scholarship you are applying for in the subject of the application email.

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 (attached) The Self-Nomination form is due to Ms. Hunter skhunter@fcps.edu by **October 20, 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 20th, 3PM**.

Harry Byrd Scholarship

This Scholarship rewards high school students who demonstrate academic accomplishment and who also embody excellence of character, leadership, and good citizenship. 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. Award winners will receive \$25,000. There is no restriction on the use of the award. One graduating senior from each of Virginia's 11 congressional districts will receive the award. Each high school can nominate one student for consideration. To be considered, please fill out the Self Nomination form and email to Ms. Hunter skhunter@fcps.edu by **October 25th, 3PM**

Scholarships

[Boom and Bucket Scholarship](#)- Deadline March 31st 2023, Scholarship Amount \$1000 - **Application in Naviance.**

[Dellums SMART Scholarship](#) – Deadline December 1st 2023 Scholarship amount varies - **Application in Naviance.**

[L. Patrick Laing Scholarship](#) – deadline May 1st 2024 – Amount \$1000- **Application in Naviance.**

Enrichment Programs

[US Naval Academy Information Session](#) – Event date October 18th, 2023_

[Fall Open House at Pharmacy Hall](#) – Event date October 21st 2023

[High School Internship with the NGA](#) - Deadline October 14th 2023

[UVA Fall Fest](#) - Event date October 14th, 21st 2023

[Richard Bland College of William and Mary Admissions Fair](#) - Event date October 28th 2023

[Raising Responsible Citizens volunteering projects](#) - Ongoing volunteer opportunities for students

[Fairfax County Fire Explorer Program](#) - Next information session October 14th 2023
[Duke Ophthalmic Technician Program](#) – Next information session October 26th 2023
[Fairfax County Youth Leadership Program](#) – Event date November 8th 2023
[Southeastern Conference \(SEC\) Virtual College Tour](#) – Event date October 10th 2023
[Historically Black College & University \(HBCU\) Festival](#) - Event date November 17&18th 2023
[Fordham Ram Information Session](#) - Event date October 17th 2023
[X-Stem NOVA Science Festival](#) – Event date October 20th 2023
[Department of Education Virtual Internship](#) - Deadline October 27th 2023
[Steamfitters local 602 Open house](#) – Event date October 14th 2023
[Harvard, Princeton, UVA, Wellesley and Yale Info session](#) – Event date October 9th 2023
[Juilliard Advising Performing Arts Majors](#) – Event date October 23rd + 24th 2023

Contests

The following contests have been approved and are on the Employee Hub, Approved Contest Website at: <https://hub.fcps.edu/organizations/curriculum-integration-management/basic-page/approved-student-contests>

American Legion National High School Oratorical Contest - Deadline date :: **December 1st 2023** – Application is in **Naviance**