

WHATS BRUIN IN THE CAREER CENTER

October 20, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

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 31**st.

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:

Date	Time	College
10/23/2023	11:10am	University of Kentucky
10/23/2023	1:30pm	Guilford College
10/24/2023	9:45am	Ithaca College
10/24/2023	12:00pm	University of Southern California
10/24/2023	12:40pm	Lafayette College
10/24/2023	1:30pm	Virginia Military Institute
10/26/2023	8:20am	Randolph College
10/26/2023	10:00am	Purdue University-Main Campus

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, <u>click here</u>. You can also check out the <u>new 2024</u> <u>FCYLP brochure</u>. The class of 2024 <u>application</u> is now available!

VCU Guaranteed Admissions

This is a recent article about the new VCU Guaranteed Admissions program. You can read the article here: <u>https://richmond.com/news/local/education/vcu-will-guarantee-admission-to-students-with-good-grades/article_89799856-6207-11ee-aaaa-</u>c3e5d2a48e04 html?utm_medium=social&utm_source=email&utm_campaign=user-share and the VCU web

<u>c3e5d2a48e04.html?utm_medium=social&utm_source=email&utm_campaign=user-share</u> and the VCU webpage about the program is <u>here</u>.

Financial Aid - College Access Fairfax

FAFSA form and procedural changes are coming in Fall 2023.

Plan to attend a virtual workshop on Paying for College or Scholarship 101. College Access Fairfax and FCPS will present a series of virtual workshops for students and their parents.

Paying for College - an overview of the financial aid process

• Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 10:00 AM https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/s/94585496608

• Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/s/92313618192

Scholarship 101 - an overview of the process for applying for outside scholarships

• Saturday, November 18, 2023 at 10:00 AM

https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/s/92335926452

• Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 7:00 PM https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/s/97178234222

To attend any of the workshops, simply click on the appropriate link above. Links can also be found on the Events calendar on our website:

https://www.collegeaccessfairfax.org

High School Career Forum (HSCF) and the Financial Literacy Workshop (FLW) (HS)

The Virginia Williams High School Career Association, Inc. (VWHSCA, Inc.) is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization. They host two events, the High School Career Forum (HSCF) and the Financial Literacy Workshop (FLW), which are events for high school students in grades 9-12. They are hosting their 10th annual HSCF on Sat. Oct 21, 2023 from 11am- 1pm at the Lorton Community Center (9520 Richmond Hwy, Lorton VA 22079).

The HSCF is an opportunity for high school students to learn about different career fields available after graduation, from a moderated panel. The panel shares information about their careers (education/training) for the first half of the program; the second half of the program is Q/A where the students can ask the panel questions.

The FLW is facilitated by Rev. Stanley Wright, who is a CPA and Erica Moore, regional VP of Five Rings Financial and a member of Northern Virginia Black Chamber of Commerce. They cover topics such as budget, savings, credit, college funding, investment and taxes. They have also touched on cryptocurrency. For more information, please view the event <u>flier</u> and organization <u>webpage</u>.

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 twoday 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. <u>https://hbcufest.alfredstreet.org/e/hbcu-fest</u>

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 <u>Coursera</u> <u>Career Academy</u>.

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 <u>Coursera Student Interest Form</u>.

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 <u>sfsimmons@fcps.edu</u>.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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

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 (liked 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.

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

- <u>Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship</u> deadline December 15th 2023 Amount: Up to \$40,000
 Application in Naviance.
- <u>Meyerhoff Scholars Program</u> deadline December 1st 2023 Amount Varies
- Centennial Scholars Program deadline February 1st 2024 Amount- Full Tuition Application
- <u>Fannie Berliss Rosenbaum and Joseph Rosenbaum Scholarship</u> deadline February 1st 2024 Amount:

\$5000

- Vishnu Memorial Scholarship deadline February 1st 2024 Amount: \$1000
- Bloomquist Family Scholarship deadline February 1st 2024 Amount: \$5000
- Darla C. Ellis Memorial Scholarship deadline February 1st 2024 – Amount: \$3000
- <u>Crayons to Careers Scholarship</u> deadline February 1st 2024 Amount: \$1000-\$2500
- James H. Dillard II Scholarship deadline February 1st 2024 Amount: \$2000
- Kendrick New Trajectory 2-4-6-8 Scholarship deadline February 1st 2024 Amount: \$20,000
- Leslie Kent Memorial Scholarship deadline February 1st 2024 Amount :: \$2500
- The LimKim Dreamers Scholarship deadline February 1st 2024 Amount ::\$1000
- Michael Marshall Fund Scholarship deadline February 1st 2024 Amount: \$5000
- Sharifa Alkhateeb Memorial Scholarship deadline February 1st 2024 Amount: \$1000
- Leslie Kent Memorial Community College Scholarship deadline May 31st 2024- Amount: \$2500
- <u>US Presidential Scholars Program</u> deadline 10/27/2023
- <u>Carsons Scholarship</u> deadline 12/15/2023 Amount \$1000
- <u>Bell Scholarship</u> deadline 3/2/2024 Amount : Up to \$80,000
- Prudential Emerging Visionaries Scholarship deadline 11/2/2023 Amount : Up to \$15,000
- <u>Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship</u> deadline 11/14/2023 Amount : \$1000-\$7,500
- <u>The William Alexander Elaison Scholarship</u> deadline 11/15/2023 Amount: Varies
- <u>2023 Jensen Hughes Fire Safety Challenge</u> deadline 11/27/2023 Amount: \$1,000
- <u>CIEE High School abroad Scholarship</u> deadline 1/24/2024 Amount: Varies
- Jack Kent Cooke Foundation College Scholarships deadline 11/27/2023 Amount: Up to \$50,000

Enrichment Programs

- <u>Centreville Elementary School Fall Festival Volunteering</u> Event date: October 28th 2023
- <u>GMU bioengineering virtual info session</u> -Event date: November 29th 2023
- <u>Herralink Herrahelper Volunteering</u> Event date: Ongoing events
- <u>College Essay Guy Podcast</u> Event date: Ongoing podcasts

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- <u>ASVAB Test Preparation</u> Event date: Ongoing <u>Virginia Williams High School Career Forum</u> Event date: October 21st 2023 •