



10/04/2024

Hello Lake Braddock Families,

Please find all the information and resources for this week in our Newsletter below:

**COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

- **Where to Get Immunization - Fairfax County Health Department - Immunization Clinics** call 703-246-7100 for appointments.

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/health/immunization/locations>

<https://www.fcps.edu/immunization-resources>


- **The Fairfax County Health Department** has shared a comprehensive document that provides several health care options for families. Click on the link below to review the Health Safety Net Services list:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/health/sites/health/files/assets/documents/pdf/nova-safety-net-providers.pdf>

- **Virtual Emergency Preparedness on a Budget: A Low and No-Cost Preparedness Resources Workshop** will take place on **October 15** from 7-8pm.








**READY, SET, PREPARE**

**VIRTUAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS  
ON A BUDGET: LOW AND NO-COST  
PREPAREDNESS RESOURCES WORKSHOP**



**OCTOBER 15, 2024  
7:00-8:00 P.M.**

**REGISTER: [HTTPS://BIT.LY/3TCIQL](https://bit.ly/3TCIQL)**

- **Women Giving Back** is a non-profit organization that provides clothing and shoes to women and children in crisis. Please check the shopping guideline [video here](#).

- Clients can shop at the boutique 4 times a year. Women Giving Back operates in 2 seasons - Spring/Summer (April-September) and Fall/Winter (October-March).

- **Fairfax County's Farmers Markets** have raised the amount of matching dollars for fruits and vegetables up to \$40 per week this season. Families who qualify can get these double SNAP funds when they shop with their EBT card at the markets. See the flyer for locations and details.

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets>

## SNAP

AT FAIRFAX COUNTY  
PARK AUTHORITY

## FARMERS MARKETS

Use your SNAP benefits at select Farmers Markets and get up to \$40 dollars of additional fruits and vegetables for FREE. Come to the SNAP information tent to swipe your EBT card in exchange for tokens. Use your tokens like cash, but only at the Market at which they were purchased. Tokens never expire.

Use sus beneficios SNAP en Farmers Markets selectos y obtenga hasta \$40 dólares en frutas y verduras adicionales GRATIS. Acérquese a la carpa de información SNAP para pasar su tarjeta EBT a cambio de fichas. Use sus tokens como si fueran dinero en efectivo, pero sólo en el Market en el que las compró. Los tokens nunca caducan.

استخدم مزايانا برنامج المساعدات الغذائية التكميلية (SNAP) الخاصة بك في متاجر مختارة للمنتجات الزراعية واحصل على ما يصل إلى 40 دولارًا من الفواكه والخضروات الإضافية مجانًا. التفتل إلى خيمة معلومات برنامج المساعدات الغذائية التكميلية (SNAP) ومرور بطاقة تحويل المنافع الإلكترونية (EBT) الخاصة بك مقابل رموز مميزة. استخدم الرموز المميزة بنفس طريقة استخدام النقود، ولكن فقط في المتاجر التي تم شراؤها فيها. صلاحية الرموز المميزة لا تنتهي أبدًا.

在特定农夫市集使用您的 SNAP 福利，可免费额外获得最高价值 \$40 美元的水果和蔬菜。请前往 SNAP 资讯帐篷，用您的 EBT 卡刷卡换取代币。您可以像使用现金一样使用代币，但仅限于购买代币所在的市集范围内。代币不会过期。

با استفاده از مزایای SNAP در فروشگاه های محصولات کشاورزی منتخب می توانید تا 40 دلار میوه و سبزیجات اضافی به صورت رایگان دریافت کنید. با مراجعه به واحد اطلاعات SNAP می توانید کارت خود را با یکشبه و ژتون خریداری کنید. از ژتون های خود می توانید مانند پول نقد استفاده کنید اما این کار فقط در فروشگاههایی که از آن خریداری شده اند امکان پذیر است. ژتون ها تاریخ انقضای ندارند.

엄선된 Farmers Markets(파머스 마켓)에서 SNAP 혜택을 사용하고 최대 \$40 상당의 추가 과일 및 채소를 무료로 받으세요. SNAP 정보 텐트로 오셔서 EBT 카드를 긁고 토큰으로 교환하세요. 토큰을 현금처럼 사용하여 토큰을 구매한 마켓에서만 사용하세요. 토큰은 만료되지 않습니다.

Используйте свои SNAP-льготы в определенных магазинах с фермерской продукцией и получите БЕСПЛАТНО товары на сумму до \$40 из категории овощей и фруктов. Обратитесь в информационный шатер SNAP, чтобы провести свою EBT-карту в обмен на токены. Используйте токены по аналогии с наличными, но только в тех магазинах, где те были приобретены. Токены имеют неограниченный срок действия.

Sử dụng các phúc lợi SNAP của quý vị tại một số Chợ Nông Sản chọn lọc và nhận MIỄN PHÍ thêm trái cây và rau quả trị giá lên đến 40 đô la. Hãy đến lấy thông tin SNAP quét thẻ EBT của quý vị để đổi lấy token. Quý vị có thể sử dụng token như tiền mặt, nhưng chỉ tại Chợ nơi đã mua token. Token không bao giờ hết hạn.

## SNAP

AT FAIRFAX COUNTY  
PARK AUTHORITY

## FARMERS MARKETS

MCCUTCHEON/MOUNT VERNON

Wednesdays, April 17-December 18  
8 a.m.-Noon

Sherwood Regional Library  
2501 Sherwood Hall Lane, Alexandria

WAKEFIELD

Wednesdays, May 1-October 30  
2-6 p.m.

Wakefield Park  
8100 Braddock Road, Annandale

ANNANDALE

Thursdays, May 2-November 14  
8 a.m.-Noon

Mason District Park  
6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale

RESTON

Saturdays, April 27-December 7  
8 a.m.-Noon

Lake Anne Village Center  
1609-A Washington Plaza, Reston

LORTON

Sundays, May 5-November 10  
8 a.m.-Noon

VRE Parking Lot  
8990 Lorton Station Boulevard, Lorton

For information and directions, visit:  
[www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/snap](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/snap)  
or call 703-642-0128

For Inclusion and ADA Support, call 703-324-8563. TTY Va. Relay 711

- **JA Finance Park® (JAFFP)** is an innovation in experiential education designed to prepare our region's youth for life and work in the real world. Eighth grade student in FCPS visit this facility and learn about financial responsibility and accountability. JAFFP is looking for multilingual volunteers to better accommodate our diverse population. Please share the attached flyer with caregivers that may be interested in volunteering their time.

<https://www.myja.org/financepark/>

## Volunteer Opportunity Caregivers



### Financial Capability Matters

JA Finance Park® is an innovation in experiential education designed to prepare our region's youth for life and work in the **real world**.

As a JA Volunteer, you'll watch students step into the future and catch a glimpse of what's possible if they take control of their financial future. JA students need your experience, expertise and commitment to help them be **100% inspired, 100% prepared and 100% employed** when the time comes.

#### What does it mean to be a volunteer at JA Finance Park?

The total time commitment is ~4.5 hours, including a 1-hour training the morning of your scheduled volunteer day.

- You will help guide students through different phases of the day, which simulate real-world budgeting decisions, spending research, and bill payment.
- Then you'll share your own life experiences and help them walk a day in your shoes. You bring the program to life!

#### Next Steps

- Contact your child's social studies teacher to indicate your interest in being a part of the JA Finance Park experience.
- Visit <http://jafpc.jagw.volunteerhub.com/> to sign up to volunteer and learn more about the program.
- Arrive at your scheduled volunteer time ready to empower our future.

JA Finance Park Fairfax County  
4099 Pickett Road, Fairfax, VA 22032

## FAMILY RESOURCES:

- **Transition University - October 10 - December 4, 2024**

Join us for this **FREE 5-week SELF-PACED** online course that focuses on providing parent-friendly information to help make transition planning for students with disabilities. This course is designed for parents/caregivers of elementary, middle, or high school students who receive special education services, but is open to everyone. The goal is to share factual information on transition services and to help make the transition from school services to the adult services world less confusing and more effective.

## REGISTER HERE

- **Skills for Getting & Keeping Jobs, on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30pm-7:30pm, presented by Kidpower, organized by The Arc of Northern Virginia on**

<https://thearcofnova.org/event/skills-for-getting-keeping-jobs/>



# workpower™

Presented by Kidpower  
Organized by The Arc of Northern Virginia

## Skills for Getting & Keeping Jobs

Wed., Oct. 23, 6:30-7:30pm

Location: 3060 Williams Drive, Fairfax, VA 22031

Learn how to use Safetypowers communication, decision-making, and safety skills in ways that can help you get and keep jobs!

Together with a Safetypowers instructor, we'll practice ways to:

- Project confidence
- Ask for feedback to help you grow
- Deal with rude or rowdy customers
- Communicate effectively with co-workers
- Learn and follow workplace boundaries
- Take positive action when you notice trouble
- Get help when you need it!

Click [here](#) or scan the QR code to register

  
The Arc  
Northern Virginia



kidpower  
virginia

If you have any questions, please contact  
Ashley Africa-Osborne, [techforindependence@thearcofnova.org](mailto:techforindependence@thearcofnova.org)

Workpower is a program of [Kidpower.org](http://Kidpower.org) using [Safetypowers.org](http://Safetypowers.org) strategies

- **The NEW [FCPS Family Academy](#)** promotes connections and collaborations between families, educators, and the community. They have classes, webinars, workshops, and programs offered by Fairfax County Public Schools to help families support their students' needs and learning at home.
- **Register for [FREE online webinars](#) offered by the Family Resource Center.** There is also a library of [archived webinars and workshops](#) with great resources to families.

- **Varsity Tutors- Online Tutoring Services at no cost to families**

<https://www.fcps.edu/services/families-and-caregivers/family-academy/tutoring-options/online-tutoring-service>

- **School Attendance** - Parents and caregivers can now report up to two consecutive full-day absences using **ParentVUE**. Click on the link below to learn how to do it. [school attendance](#).

<https://lakebraddockss.fcps.edu/attendance-reporting>

- **Need to activate your ParentVUE account?**

[SIS ParentVue videos](#) are available on the FCPS website. SIS ParentVue is an invaluable tool for families to stay connected to their students' learning, especially in middle and high school.

To obtain a ParentVUE activation code contact:

Middle School: Angela Santizo [assantizo@fcps.edu](mailto:assantizo@fcps.edu)

High School: Sandra Coleman [SMColeman@fcps.edu](mailto:SMColeman@fcps.edu)

- **Parent Advocacy Handbook**, this contains answers to the many questions parents or guardians may have about the school system and how they can best advocate for their student at the various stages of their school experience.

<https://www.fcps.edu/parentadvocacyhandbook>

- **Computer CORE** offers *FREE, online*, basic computer skills classes to adults 18 and over in Virginia. Classes are taught online over Zoom for three 10-week terms per year: Winter (Jan-Mar), Spring (Apr-June) and Fall (Sept-Nov).  
<https://www.computercore.org/>

- **Parent Encouragement Program** "Encouraging Parents, Enriching Families" (webinars, in-person programs, podcasts, videos) <https://pepparent.org/>

- **Parenting Education Program through Fairfax County**

[https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/children-youth/parenting-education-programs?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery#classes](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/children-youth/parenting-education-programs?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery#classes)

- **Military Families Resources**

<https://www.fcps.edu/registration/military-families>

- **Purple Star National Convening of Schools and Communities (Virtual Conference), Thursday, October 24, 2024**

[Register Here](#)



PreK12-MIL Mission

**PURPLE STAR USA**  
**NATIONAL CONVENING OF  
 SCHOOLS & COMMUNITIES**

*Connecting and empowering parents, schools, and communities to build  
 resiliency for military-connected youth!*

Join the third annual national convening of Purple Star youth, families,  
 educators, and community leaders!

Hosted by your Local Purple Star School Leaders!  
 #PurpleStarUSA

**24 October 2024**

10:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m. EST  
 Please join us by registering through the QR code  
 or at  
<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/dd3fdb34-302a-46f3-b5b1-0e40483b5400@c8590879-16e2-4eef-803b-2c1745e7cf9e>

Contact & Info:  
 Jenn at [jennifern.davis@myhcs.org](mailto:jennifern.davis@myhcs.org)  
 Steve at [steve.cambron@ky.gov](mailto:steve.cambron@ky.gov)



- **Check out the Library Events:**

**Burke Centre**

<https://librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov/calendar?cid=6524&t=d&d=0000-00-00&cal=6524&cm=3436&inc=0>

**Kings Park**

<https://librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov/calendar?cid=6524&t=d&d=0000-00-00&cal=6524&cm=3446&inc=0>

**Pohick Library**

6450 Sydenstricker Rd  
Burke, VA, 22015-4274

<https://librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov/calendar?cid=6524&t=d&d=0000-00-00&cal=6524&cm=3452&inc=0>

- **Northern Virginia Family Services** offers a prescription assistance program, eyeglasses assistance, and Medicaid support to families.

**PHARMACY CENTRAL**  
A Prescription Assistance Program

Can't afford to pay for your medicine?  
No puede pagar por sus medicinas?



We can help you get them!  
Podemos ayudarle a conseguirlos!



**FREE & LOW-COST MEDICINES**  
**MEDICINAS GRATIS & DE BAJO PRECIO**



**FREE EYE GLASSES**  
**LENTES GRATIS**

We can also help you apply for **MEDICAID**  
También podemos ayudarle en aplicar para **MEDICAID**



**KARINA VILLANUEVA**  
TEL (571) 435-6600 / FAX (703) 368-2004  
10056 DEAN DRIVE, MANASSAS, VA 20110



## FREE PRESCHOOL CLASSES

All Ages Read Together (AART) provides FREE kindergarten-readiness classes in Northern Virginia. AART's part-time preschool program is designed for children who fall in the gap between those who qualify for publicly funded programs and those families who cannot afford private preschool. Classes are held twice a week for 2 hours.



**Huntington Community Center (Route 1 Corridor)**

5751 Liberty Drive  
Alexandria

**Mondays & Wednesdays**  
9:30 – 11:30 am

Cintia Navia  
571-263-1086  
English & Spanish

**Hybla Valley Community Center (Mount Vernon)**

7950 Audubon Avenue  
Alexandria

**Mondays & Wednesdays**  
12:30 – 2:30 pm

Cintia Navia  
571-263-1086  
English & Spanish

**Mount Vernon Woods Elementary (Mount Vernon)**

4015 Fielding Street  
Alexandria

**Tuesdays & Thursdays**  
9:15 – 11:15 am

Wendy Gaitan  
571-465-1758  
English & Spanish



If your child is 4 or 5 years old and has not had preschool, please contact us at the phone numbers above or complete an interest form: <https://bit.ly/aartenrollinterest>

[info@allagesreadtogether.org](mailto:info@allagesreadtogether.org) | [www.allagesreadtogether.org](http://www.allagesreadtogether.org)

### Arabic Early Literacy Program:

<https://www.fcps.edu/academics/curriculum/early-childhood-education/early-literacy-programs/early-literacy-program-2>



You are invited to participate in a free program for families with children between the ages of 1-5 years old.

أنتم مدعوون للإشتراك في برنامج مجاني لأولياء الأمور و أطفالهم التي تتراوح أعمارهم بين سنة و خمس سنوات.



## Arabic Early Literacy



Children and families participate in fun "school-like" activities.

- The joy of sharing books
- Learning through play
- Positive ways to communicate with children
- Understanding behavior
- Preparing for kindergarten

يشارك الأطفال وعائلاتهم في أنشطة مدرسية ممتعة، متعة قراءة الكتب، التعلم عن طريق اللعب، الطرق الإيجابية للتواصل مع الأطفال، فهم سلوك الطفل، الاستعداد للحضانة.



For more information please call Gigi Hammoud at 703-204-4347 or [ekhammoud@fcps.edu](mailto:ekhammoud@fcps.edu)



## LBSS EVENTS:

- Fall Senior Parent Meeting – October 15: 7:00-8:00 pm (Cafeteria)

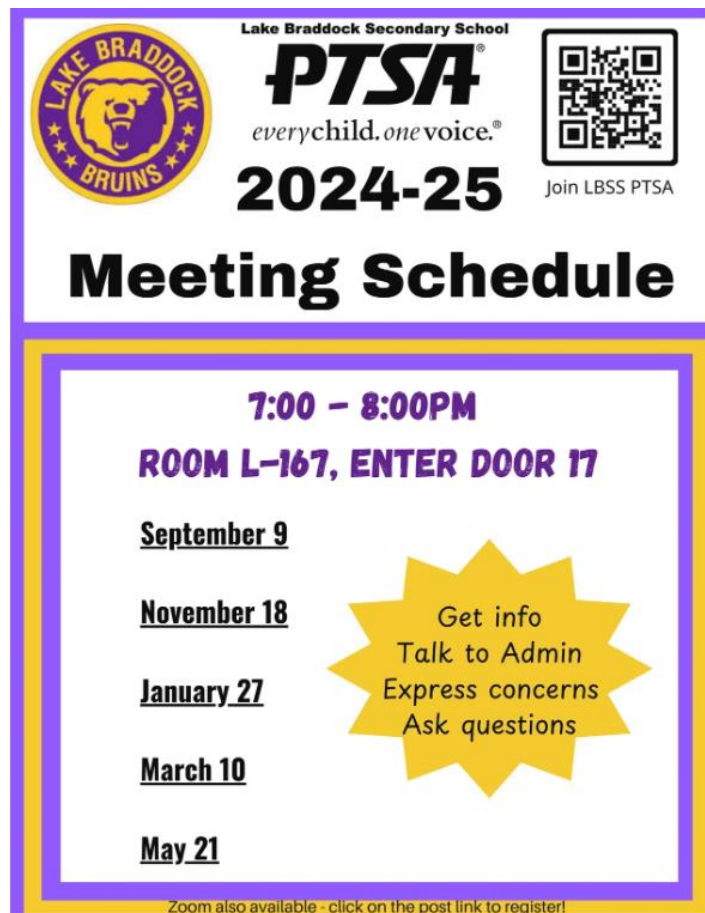
[https://lakebraddockss.fcps.edu/senior\\_class](https://lakebraddockss.fcps.edu/senior_class)

- **The Financial Aid Process for Seniors LBSS Student Services and College Access Fairfax is offering a Financial Aid night for seniors and their parents.** College Access Fairfax is committed to helping FCPS students with the complex task of acquiring financial aid for post-secondary education. Topics to be covered include understanding financial aid, how the financial aid process works, and the steps that families need to take to secure financial aid. **The program will be in the Lecture Hall, October 23, 2024 at 6:30pm.**

<https://lakebraddockss.fcps.edu/career-center-newsletter>

- Join the Lake Braddock Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)

<https://lbspts.org/>



The poster features the Lake Braddock Secondary School logo on the left, the PTSA logo with the tagline 'everychild.one voice.' in the center, and a QR code on the right. Below the logos is the text '2024-25' and 'Join LBSS PTSA'. The main title 'Meeting Schedule' is prominently displayed. The meeting times are listed as '7:00 - 8:00PM' and the location as 'ROOM L-167, ENTER DOOR 17'. A list of dates includes September 9, November 18, January 27, March 10, and May 21. A yellow starburst graphic contains the text: 'Get info', 'Talk to Admin', 'Express concerns', and 'Ask questions'. At the bottom, it says 'Zoom also available - click on the post link to register!'.

Lake Braddock Secondary School  
**PTSA**  
everychild.one voice.  
**2024-25**  
Join LBSS PTSA

**Meeting Schedule**

**7:00 - 8:00PM**  
**ROOM L-167, ENTER DOOR 17**

**September 9**  
**November 18**  
**January 27**  
**March 10**  
**May 21**

Get info  
Talk to Admin  
Express concerns  
Ask questions

Zoom also available - click on the post link to register!

## YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Scholarship Information**, in addition to Naviance being the database for scholarships, there is now an FCPS public webpage that includes scholarships available to all FCPS students.

<https://www.fcps.edu/scholarships-fcps-students>

- **Free NASA Opportunities for Virginia High School Students! (HS)**

The Virginia Space Grant Consortium provides FREE NASA-related programs for Virginia's high school students in 10th, 11th, and 12th grades. The programs have an interactive online STEM learning experience and are highlighted by a seven-day residential summer academy at NASA.

<https://vsgc.odu.edu/spacecoast/>

- **Now Open! Spring 2025 Children's Science Center Lab Internship**

We are excited to announce that the Spring 2025 Children's Science Center Lab Internship application is now open! Our programs would not be possible without the support of our community, so we thank you for passing this opportunity along to anyone who might be interested.

**Application Link:** <https://form.jotform.com/213445454775058>

**Application Deadline:** November 22, 2024, at 5:00 PM.

*We recommend not waiting until the last day to submit your application just in case you encounter any technical issues. We do not accept late applications under any circumstance.*

**Interview Invites:** Sent on or before December 18, 2024

**Interview Date:** January 11, 2025, 6:00-8:00. You must be in person for your interview, so please ensure you are available.

The Children's Science Center Lab Internship is available to high school students ages 16+ who have a passion for STEM learning. Interns will develop and practice professional skills at the Children's Science Center Lab while engaging in various hands-on activities. This internship is intended to provide an opportunity to students from communities who have been historically excluded from STEM professions (see application for more details.)

If you have any questions, please reach out to [internships@childsci.org](mailto:internships@childsci.org).

- **NEW Student Leadership Development Program with the School Board**

The School Board is accepting applications for the Student Leadership Development Program, open to any high school freshman, sophomore, or junior in good academic standing. The program is for students interested in a future in law, government or public policy. Twelve students will be chosen to work closely with the School Board to how FCPS is governed and will give the students opportunities to participate on various advisory committees to the School Board, and even to seek election as the student representative on the School Board.

The program information and application are available at the link below:

<https://www.fcps.edu/node/31703>

- **Register for the Alcanza College Fair (HS)**

We are pleased to announce that George Mason University will be hosting the 24th Annual [ALCANZA](#) College Fair! George Mason hosts [ALCANZA](#) as part of our effort to increase college interest and awareness among high school students in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area during Hispanic Heritage month. This event was created to get Latinx students motivated and excited about their post-secondary plans, and the program is open to all students in the Washington D.C. metro area to explore their educational opportunities beyond high school. Over 150 colleges from all over the nation will attend [ALCANZA](#), and we expect about 2,000 high school students to participate. We are excited to welcome you and your students to EagleBank Arena in October!

Please note that there will not be an opening session this year – the fair will take place from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and high schools may come and go as they wish. Lunches will be distributed to students on their way into the fair.

ALCANZA College Fair  
Wednesday, October 16, 2024  
[EagleBank Arena](#)  
George Mason University - Fairfax Campus

Register TODAY! Space is limited.

<https://go.gmu.edu/alcanza>

Various student and teacher resources can be found on our website linked [here](#). These include a [Preparing for College Calendar](#), [College Fair Tips](#), and fair flyers in [English](#) and [Spanish](#).

Please feel free to pass this invitation to your colleagues from other schools who you believe may have interested students! If you have any questions about this event, please e-mail [admevent@gmu.edu](mailto:admevent@gmu.edu).

## JOB READINESS AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- A regional job fair will be held on **Thursday, October 10th** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Northern Virginia Community College (Alexandria Campus). Interested participants can register at <https://tinyurl.com/ycyffv7>

# REGIONAL JOB FAIR

Thursday  
October 10, 2024  
10AM TO 1PM

Open To All

Northern Virginia Community College  
Alexandria Campus  
Fine Arts Building (AFA-234, AFA-236)  
3301 Netherton Drive  
Alexandria, VA 22311



Free Parking in the Student/Hourly Lots



Metrobus: 25A, 25B, 25C, 25D and 28A  
DASH Bus: Line 31

#### Available Jobs Include:

- Early Childhood •Human Services •Accounting •Automotive Technology
- Business Administration •Business Management •Engineering
- Health Care •Information Systems Technology •Marketing
- ...and more!



ALEXANDRIA | ARLINGTON REGION

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/ycyffv7>

Questions, or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact [jobseeker@arlingtonva.us](mailto:jobseeker@arlingtonva.us).



- **BritePaths and [the Financial Empowerment Center at South County](#)** are offering free virtual consulting services and workshops to help with your personal finances, job search and more.
  - Financial Mentoring: Work with a dedicated trained volunteer virtually for six months or more on your financial goals. The volunteer is there to guide you and teach you skills pertinent to your life! If interested, please email [CRogers@Britepaths.org](mailto:CRogers@Britepaths.org)
  - One-on-One, Confidential Coaching: Free and Confidential Coaching and Consulting. To book an appointment call 703.704.6101 or email [info@FECSoco.org](mailto:info@FECSoco.org), or click here: <https://fecsoco.timetap.com/#/>
  
- **BritePaths Workforce Development-** helps Northern Virginia job seekers navigate the job search process and find meaningful employment. It is designed to work with under- or unemployed men and women in an individualized and coordinated way to ensure that their workforce development needs are met. All services are free, and most are offered virtually.

<https://britepaths.org/our-services/workforce-development/>

## ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES

- **FCPS - Adult English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)-** Click on the link below for more information about testing locations for classes.  
<https://www.fcps.edu/academics/adult-education-academics/esol-classes>
  
- **English Empowerment Center:** Do you know someone who wanted to register for class with the Empowerment Center but missed the registrations? They can fill out the [Information Request Form](#) to hear about upcoming spring classes. The Center also encourages students to study on their own with [USA Learns](#).

<https://englishempowermentcenter.org/>

- **Fellowship Baptist Church:**

<https://www.fellowshipbaptistva.org/english-classes>