



Hello Lake Braddock Families,

5/3/2024

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

### COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **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/>

- **Fairfax County Parks Spring and Summer Camp Registration Opens January 23**

Spring and Summer Camp Registration has begun! FCPA is sharing the full listing of camps, as well as offering multiple ways to search and tools to use that will make enrolling easier. Learn more about the camps and how to register on the [website](#).

- **FCPS Summer Camps, Fairfax County Park Authority, and spring sports** are now registering. FCPS' [IFTA](#), [E-IFTA](#), [Career Technical Education Summer Academy and Tech Adventure Camp](#) web pages are now all updated with location, dates, and costs. Further details for how to register by phone and mail are on the website.

- **Summer Programs for Preschoolers and Kindergartners**

Please see the camps in the links below.

<https://dmv.kidsoutandabout.com/content/preschool-summer-camps-dc-metro-area>

<https://dcmoms.com/ages-stages/toddler/toddler-friendly-summer-camps-in-dc/>

<https://www.bright Horizons.com/programs/summer-camp>

<https://www.fairfaxva.gov/government/parks-recreation/camp-programs>

- **FCPS Summer Learning Page**

<https://www.fcps.edu/academics/summer-learning>

- **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).
  - They track data on the clients who shop and will inform them when a client has reached their shopping limit.

To participate in this program, you need to be referred by the school social worker or family liaison.

- [The Virginia Board for People with Disabilities \(VBPD\)](#) BIENVENIDOS project presents “The way to transition from school to adult conference”. Attendees will learn how the Americans with Disabilities Act ADA can help advocate for their children.

To register click on this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JP5N9SY>



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Mid-Atlantic **ada** Center

## Conference: The way to transition from school to adult life

Come and learn about the transition of students with disabilities going from High School to college or directly to work; you'll also learn about the Americans with Disabilities Act ADA, Advocacy and useful resources.

**This event will be conducted completely in Spanish.**

<b>Who:</b>	Hispanic families living in Northern Virginia with children receiving special education and are in the process of transitioning from school to adult life.
<b>What:</b>	Information and resource conference to assist the transition from school to adult life.
<b>When:</b>	Saturday, May 18, 2024, 10:30 AM – 1:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Mary Riley Styles Public Library, 120 N Virginia Ave, Falls Church, VA 22046
<b>Contact:</b>	Rosalía Fajardo 703-867-6529
<b>Lunch:</b>	Included

**Register:** <http://tiny.cc/rc9mxz>



- TalentUp Fairfax program for job seekers

# TalentUP FAIRFAX

An Initiative of Fairfax County Government

## Fairfax County Job Seekers

**Are you looking for a new career!  
We can help!**

Talent Up Fairfax is a work-based learning initiative that can help job seekers find employment in high-demand industries such as IT, Healthcare, Finance, Sales, and more!

If you have experienced an employment-related challenge due to the effects of COVID-19, such as being laid off, furloughed, or having a difficult time finding a job, Talent Up Fairfax can help you achieve gainful employment.

For more information visit [www.talentupfairfax.com](http://www.talentupfairfax.com),  
email [talentupfairfax@vcwnorthern.com](mailto:talentupfairfax@vcwnorthern.com), or  
call 703-827-3782 (VA Relay: 711).



### PROGRAM SERVICES

- Subsidized Work Experience
- Career Guidance
- Job Coaching
- Case Management
- Placement Assistance

### ELIGIBILITY

- Minimum age of 18 years.
- Primary residence in Fairfax County.
- Can demonstrate COVID-related employment challenges.
- Eligible to work in the U.S.
- Resume or application that meets basic qualifications for a posted internship position.



- 2024 VIP Summer Camp

Irving Serving: Frost MS, Irving MS, Lake Braddock SS, Robinson SS, South County MS.

8100 Old Keene Mill Rd., Springfield, VA 22152

Natalie Duncan • [NADuncan@fcps.edu](mailto:NADuncan@fcps.edu)



The poster features a central orange starburst with the text "VIP SUMMER CAMP" in large, bold, blue letters. Above the starburst, it says "FCPS MIDDLE SCHOOL AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM AND NEIGHBORHOOD & COMMUNITY SERVICES PRESENT:". To the left is the Fairfax County Public Schools logo with the tagline "ENGAGE • INSPIRE • THRIVE". To the right is the Fairfax County NCS logo with the tagline "Neighborhood and Community Services". A blue speech bubble at the top left says "Save the Date!". A blue speech bubble at the top right says "\$100 for 5 week program". A blue speech bubble at the bottom left says "Transportation Provided". A blue speech bubble at the bottom right says "Scholarships available". Below the starburst, a large blue banner contains the dates "JULY 1 - AUGUST 1" and the text "Irving MS site will serve rising 7th and rising 8th graders from: Frost MS, Irving MS, Lake Braddock SS, Robinson SS, South County MS". At the bottom, it says "APPLICATIONS WILL OPEN ON 3/12". In the bottom left corner, there are orange flip-flops, and in the bottom right corner, there are blue and orange sunglasses. The background is light blue with white rays emanating from behind the starburst.

FCPS MIDDLE SCHOOL AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM  
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PRESENT:

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General Questions?  
Contact your Middle School After-School Specialist

- **Teens In Action 2024 Summer program**

Fairfax County Neighborhood and Community Service offers Teen in Action Summer program from **June 17-August 16, 2024** for rising 9th- 12th graders and from **June 17-28 and Aug. 2-16, 2024** for rising 7<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

*Fairfax County Neighborhood and Community Services*

# Teens In Action

**June 17 - Aug. 16, 2024**  
Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Rising Grades 9 - 12

**June 17-28 and Aug. 2-16, 2024**  
Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Rising Grades 7 - 8

**Summer 2024**

Our specialty programs are designed with teens in mind. The Teens In Action program provides exciting opportunities for self-discovery and skill building, with an emphasis on team building and leadership. The program offers personal attention and plenty of hands-on experience in a safe and fun environment!

**Featured Opportunities:**

- Outdoor Adventures
- Podcasting & Social Media
- Field Trips
- Sports, Recreation, Health, Fitness & Nutrition
- Job, Education & Career Readiness
- Music & Arts
- Science, Technology, Engineering & Math Exploration
- **and much MORE!**

**SCAN for Teens in Action registration information and other details.**

**Value In Prevention Camp | July 1- August 1**

In partnership with FCPS, we are offering a five-week Value In Prevention Camp for our rising middle school teens.

- Seventh and Eighth grade participants are invited to join the Teens and Action program when the VIP program is not in session from June 17-28 and Aug 2-16.
- Registration Info for VIP: [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/neighborhood-community-services/value-in-prevention-camp](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/neighborhood-community-services/value-in-prevention-camp)

*Times and locations may vary.*

**Fairfax County Neighborhood and Community Services**

Fairfax County is committed to nondiscrimination on the basis of disability in all county programs services and activities. Where a TTY number is not indicated, use 711 Virginia Relay. Reasonable accommodations made upon request; call 703-324-4600. A Fairfax County, Virginia publication. 2/2024

## FAMILY RESOURCES:

- **The Family Resource Center** offers free webinars for adults to support the success of all students, including those with learning challenges, special needs, and disabilities. Upcoming events include:

- Secondary Webinars:
  - Taming the Teen-Aged Brain, **Friday, May 31**

<https://www.fcps.edu/family-resources/family-engagement/family-resource-center/register-free-workshops-family-resource>

- **Bridge to Kindergarten (B2K)** Bridge to Kindergarten is designed to support students who have no or little preschool experience, with a successful transition into kindergarten by building executive functioning skills and routines. Fairfax County Public Schools will be conducting this free 3-week program in the summer, starting **July 8<sup>th</sup>**.



The poster is titled "FCPS Summer Learning Bridge to Kindergarten". It features a blue background with white clouds and a yellow sun. A starburst on the left says "FREE 3-Week Program!". A starburst on the right says "Bus transportation is provided!". The main text reads: "Bridge to Kindergarten is designed to support students who have no or little preschool experience, with a successful transition into kindergarten by building executive functioning skills and routines." Below this, four bullet points describe the program: "Experience the daily kindergarten school routine.", "Participate in games and activities.", "Build relationships with teachers and students.", and "Become familiar with a school environment." At the bottom, a dark blue curved banner asks "How do I register my child for Bridge to Kindergarten?" and provides the answer: "The school's registrar will inform you if your child is eligible when you register them for kindergarten. Registration for Bridge to Kindergarten is done on a first-come, first-served basis." The Fairfax County Public Schools logo is in the bottom right corner.

FCPS Summer Learning

## Bridge to Kindergarten

Monday-Friday  
Dates: July 8-26, 2024  
Hours: 4 hours/day  
Location: At select host sites

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3-Week Program!

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Build relationships with teachers and students.

Become familiar with a school environment.

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Fairfax County Public Schools

- **CPS is exploring options for adjusting middle school start times** and invites the public to be part of the process. All forums will deliver the same presentation and provide the same feedback opportunities. Register for a forum by clicking on one of the following dates:
  - **Monday, April 29, 6-8 p.m., at Glasgow Middle School.**
  - **Monday, May 6, 6-8 p.m., at Whitman Middle School.**
  - **Monday, May 13, 6:30-8 p.m. virtual forum.**
  - **Monday, May 20, 6-8 p.m., at Hughes Middle School.**
  - **Wednesday, May 22, 6-8 p.m., at Frost Middle School.**

[Learn more about the project exploring middle school start times.](#)

- **ONLINE Kindergarten registration is open!** Registering your child early helps schools prepare and ensure they have the teachers and resources needed on the first day of school. After determining [which school](#) your child will attend, parents/caregivers may prepare for registration by [gathering documents](#) and completing forms. For details and language support, please visit the [Kindergarten Registration](#) page.
- **The Fairfax County Health Department invites families** to an engaging, free community event centered around healthy and active living! Healthy Together Fairfax will be held on **Sunday, May 19th, from 12-3pm** at Franconia Park. For more information, please visit: [https://www.pophealthllc.com/healthy-together-fairfax?utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=facebook](https://www.pophealthllc.com/healthy-together-fairfax?utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook)
- **SACC registration is now open** for the 2024-25 school year and the [Camp Fairfax](#) summer program.  
Fairfax County Government's School Age Child Care (SACC) program provides fun, safe, and educational care for children in kindergarten through sixth grade. Care is available before school, after school, and during school breaks in select Fairfax County public elementary schools and community centers.
- **INOVA Cares Clinic for Children has opened a clinic** on the lobby level of 6400 Arlington Blvd. in Falls Church. This is a walk-in clinic, so staff operates on a first-come, first-served basis. Patients must be registered as INOVA Cares patients, and only certain medical conditions can be addressed at this location. [Please see here for more information.](#)
- **The Fairfax County Health Department** has shared a comprehensive document that provides several health care options for families. The [Health Safety Net Services list](#) has information from HealthWorks, Neighborhood Health, INOVA clinics, and others
  - [Neighborhood Health flyer](#)
  - [HealthWorks flyer](#)
  - [Mason and Partners flyer](#)

- **Parenting Education Programs and Workshops**

For more information or to enroll in a class, please email [buildingstrongfamilies@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:buildingstrongfamilies@fairfaxcounty.gov) or Parent Support Line at 703-324-7720. <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/children-youth/parenting-education-programs>

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

- **Military Families Resources**

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

- **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>

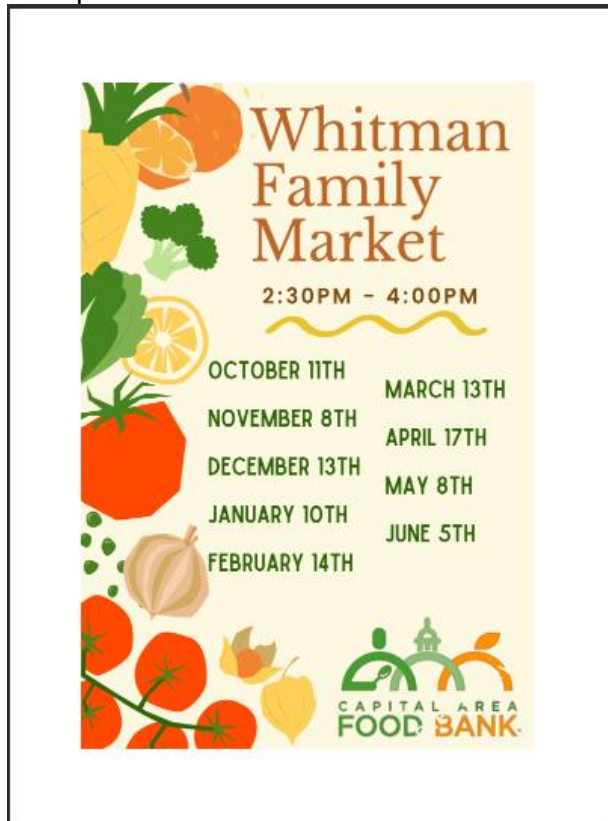
**Pohick Library**

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>



- **Whitman Family Market** hosted by Whitman Middle School where they distribute fresh produce and pantry staples to approximately 200 families in our community. This food is free of charge for all who participate.



### LBSS EVENTS:

- **Lake Braddock Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)**

Join PTSA: <https://lbssptsa.org/>

- **Baby Box Express - Sign up to request necessities for babies aged Newborn – 2T**  
A middle schooler has initiated a special project designed to support families in need, providing essential items such as clothing, formula, books, and other necessities for babies aged newborn to 2 years old.  
Please fill out [this form](#) to request a baby box.

## YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES:


- **Work Force Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth Program**

This program support students who are not quite sure what career path they may want to take and usually for those who are going to be staying in the northern Virginia area.

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<https://vcwnorthern.com/wioayouth/>



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VIRGINIA CAREER WORKS  
NORTHERN REGION

## WIOA Youth Program

Supporting young adults ages 17-24 seeking employment and training services.

<p><b>Services Include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Career coaching and mentorship</li><li>• Resume and job search assistance</li><li>• FREE skills trainings and credentials</li><li>• Access to LinkedIn Learning to support training</li><li>• Paid work experience and internship opportunities</li><li>• Leadership Development</li><li>• College exploration and vocational assistance</li><li>• Additional support services</li></ul>	<p><b>Apply Today!</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Visit <a href="https://vcwnorthern.com/WIOAYouth">VCWNorthern.com/WIOAYouth</a></li><li>2. Watch the WIOA Youth orientation video</li><li>3. Under How Do I Apply, download and complete the <a href="#">application packet</a> and gather the listed <a href="#">documents</a></li><li>4. <a href="#">Sign up</a> for an Intake appointment</li></ol> <p>Email <a href="mailto:DFSWIOAYouth@fairfaxcounty.gov">DFSWIOAYouth@fairfaxcounty.gov</a> or call 571-536-0850, VA Relay 711 for additional assistance.</p>
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To learn more about the WIOA Youth program, register for a **Virtual Information Session:**

 <p><b>Tuesdays at 10 a.m.</b> Register at: <a href="https://bit.ly/WYInfo10">bit.ly/WYInfo10</a></p>	 <p><b>Tuesdays at 1 p.m.</b> Register at: <a href="https://bit.ly/WYInfo1">bit.ly/WYInfo1</a></p>
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The Northern Virginia WIOA Youth Program is operated by the Fairfax County Department of Family Services.

Virginia Career Works-Fairfax Centers and WIOA Title I-financially assisted programs are an equal opportunity program/employer committed to nondiscrimination on the basis of disability in all programs, services and activities. Reasonable accommodations, to include auxiliary aids and services, are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. For information, call the Virginia Career Works-Fairfax Centers at 703-533-5400, 711 VA relay.

This product was created using 100% of federal U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth award of \$2,002,868 (#AA-38561-22-55-A-51) made to Virginia Career Works - Northern on behalf of Northern Virginia Workforce Area #11 by the pass-through entity, the Virginia Community College System. No costs of this product were financed by nongovernmental sources. The information contained herein does not necessarily reflect the official position of the U.S. Department of Labor. The Department of Labor makes no guarantees, warranties, or assurances of any kind, express or implied, with respect to such information, including any information on linked sites and including, but not limited to, accuracy of the information or its completeness, timeliness, usefulness, adequacy, continued availability, or

❖ **Apprenticeship Opportunity for Juniors and Seniors**

**How to register:**

- Online by clicking [here](#)
- By calling (703) 658-1201
- By emailing [educationalcounseling@fcps.edu](mailto:educationalcounseling@fcps.edu)

NCCER CORE CONSTRUCTION SKILLS  
**APPRENTICESHIP**  
101

This rigorous program prepares you for ACE apprenticeship classes in Electrical, HVAC, and Plumbing as well as entry-level positions on project sites. Learn the basics in safety, hand and power tools, construction math, material handling, construction drawings, and employability skills. During this class you will:

- 1 LEARN THE BASIC SKILLS TO CONTINUE EDUCATION IN ANY APPRENTICEABLE TRADE
- 2 EARN 80 HOURS OF APPRENTICESHIP RELATED INSTRUCTION
- 3 EARN AN INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIAL THROUGH THE NCCER REGISTRY SYSTEM
- 4 CONNECT WITH EMPLOYERS

**Winter Session**  
2/5/24 - 5/29/24  
Woodson High School  
9525 Main Street  
Fairfax, VA 22031  
Monday & Wednesday  
6PM - 9PM

**Summer Session**  
6/28/24 - 7/12/24  
Bryant High School  
2709 Popkins Lane  
Alexandria, VA 22306  
Monday - Friday  
8AM - 3PM

**FCPS ACE**  
ADULT & COMMUNITY  
EDUCATION

**NCCER**

**\*DISCOUNTED TUITION COURTESY OF ACE FOUNDATION DOES NOT INCLUDE \$35 TEXTBOOK FEE AND \$5 LAB FEE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT  
[EDUCATIONALCOUNSELING@FCPS.EDU](mailto:EDUCATIONALCOUNSELING@FCPS.EDU)

[ACECLASSES.FCPS.EDU](http://ACECLASSES.FCPS.EDU)

## JOB READINESS AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **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://fecso.com/timetap.com/#/>
- **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training (SNAPET)**

If you are a SNAP recipient, you have access to employment services through the SNAP Employment and Training Program! For additional details, please refer to links below.

Visit the website:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/employment-and-training/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-employment-and-training>

## OTHER RESOURCES

- **The Fairfax County Health Department offers maternal child health home visiting services** through: **Nurse-Family Partnership®** and **Maternal Child Health Field Nurse** programs. The Public Health Nurses provide comprehensive, multifaceted care to clients, targeting a multitude of stressors such as low socioeconomic status, history of trauma or abuse, and mental health conditions in order to promote positive health outcomes.

You can fill out and return the [Maternal Child and Family Support Home Visiting Programs Referral Form](#) to have a staff member contact you about home visiting services.

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/health/maternal-child-health>

- **Pet Resource Center**

Looking for cost-effective pet vaccinations, help with pet food or supplies, details about PetHaven Program, or tips on finding affordable veterinary care? Check flyer below.

Fairfax County Animal Shelter's Pet Resource Center provides community-based resources and support anchored in keeping more pets with the families who love them. By identifying resource gaps experienced by Fairfax County residents, our Pet Resource Center works to prevent the rehoming of companion animals due to inequitable pet assistance services.

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/animalshelter/petresources>

# Pet Resource Center



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## Pet Resource Center Services

**Vaccine and Microchip Clinics:** These monthly clinics offer Fairfax County residents low-cost core vaccines and microchips.

**Pet Pantry:** Our pet pantry provides pet food and other supplies for Fairfax County residents facing hardship.

## Upcoming 2024 Services

**Low-Cost Spay and Neuter Options:** Our Pet Resource Center will provide affordable spay and neuter options for low-income Fairfax County residents in 2024. This initiative includes a voucher program where residents can apply for a voucher to have their pet spayed or neutered at a local veterinary clinic.

[FAIRFAXCOUNTY.GOV/ANIMALSHELTER/PETRESOURCECENTER](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/animalshelter/petresourcecenter)

## ENGLISH 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](#).
- **Fellowship Baptist Church:** <https://www.fellowshipbaptistva.org/english-classes>