

News from the Student Services Department

FAFSA Finish Events

Register below to participate in a Frederick County FAFSA Finish event. Financial aid experts will be available to help answer your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) questions during these workshop-style events.

These appointments are also available to assist families in completing the Maryland State Financial Aid Application (MSFAA). The MSFAA allows qualified children of undocumented immigrants, who qualify for in-state tuition under §15–106.8 of the MD Education Article, to apply and be considered for certain types of State need-based financial aid.

FAFSA and MSFAA applications must be completed by March 1, 2022 for a student to be considered for state-based financial aid.

These events will be taking place inside at Frederick County Public School (FCPS) locations. At this time, all students and adults entering an FCPS school building are required to wear a face covering.

For more information, event locations, and registration information, use the following link:

<https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=imU6Uv>

9th Grade Conferences

Counselors are now in the process of scheduling Freshman Conferences. Parents are more than welcome to join their child for these conferences. Below is a calendar of available conference times with each conference lasting approximately 20 minutes.

Please **sign up** for one slot per student **using the student name**. If you need an interpreter for the meeting, please email your counselor.

Ms. Moore	(Last Names A-C):	https://calendly.com/thd-danielle-moore/freshman-conferences
Mr. Gill	(Last Names D-Ja):	https://calendly.com/william-gill-1/freshman-conference
Ms. Goto	(Last Names Jb-M):	https://calendly.com/carla-goto/freshman-conference
Ms. Cooper	(Last Names N-Se):	https://calendly.com/diane-cooper/9th-grade-conference
Mr. Harrison	(Last Names Sf-Z):	https://calendly.com/joshua-harrison-2/freshman-conference

Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Program (HOBY)

At HOBY, high school sophomores build their leadership potential through an inspiring Leadership Seminar based on three leadership perspectives: Personal, Group, and Societal. This year, the Leadership Conference will take place in May or June. Dates and Location are still to be determined. Are you interested in applying?

Application

Submit a resume outlining the following:

Name, Address, Email

Leadership experiences and positions (High School, Middle School, and/or Community)

Extracurricular Activities
Career Interest

Submit a typed essay (No more than 100 words) answering the following prompt:
"Describe the most challenging and rewarding aspect of being a leader in your school and your community."

All applications must be submitted to Mrs. Goto at Carla.goto@fcps.org no later than the end of the school day **Friday, November 12, 2021**. No applications will be accepted after this date. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Do you have an interest in learning about Military Academies?

If so, come hear former THS student and current U.S. Naval Academy student, Natalie Markoff, give information about this prestigious program.

It will be during **FLEX on Monday, November 22, 2021**.

Please sign up using this Google

Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1k5Xj22pRJdEwYuEiK0_j-RuAzZIsb_aF1wZpip1hPQ4/edit

The FCPS Career and Technology Center (CTC), part of the Frederick County Public Schools system, is offering a "Shadowing" experience for prospective students.

- With more than 24 programs to choose from, students have the opportunity to gain college and career experience in a variety of areas.
 - They can earn college credits as well as valuable industry certifications and licenses through a CTC program.
 - CTC programs are taught in half-day blocks, and students attend their high school for the other half of the school day.
 - **Shadowing a CTC program is the first step in the application process and is open to students in grades 9-11.**
 - Students may shadow and apply to up to two programs.

Interested students can request a shadow from the CTC website www.careertech.net.

Log In: FCPS Student User ID (do not add @my.fcps.org) & Password.

Shadowing will be open November 2, 2021 - February 24, 2022.

Application deadline: **March 4, 2022.**

For additional information about the Career & Technology Center visit www.careertech.net.

ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS

The Academy for the Fine Arts will host an open house on **Thursday November 18th from 6:30-8:00pm at Governor Thomas Johnson High School.**

The event will begin at 6:30 with a presentation in the auditorium, and then parents and students can visit AFA classrooms and instructors to ask questions about the program and see the instructional spaces and studios from 7:00-8:00pm. This is a great time to see the spaces up close, learn about the scope of the program, and get some tips for the audition process.

To register, please use this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfeYHI35xSb1PwASjMGysIC5C7pcLvH_hmtTTEbmHGJZfLFKQ/viewform

The Academy for the Fine Arts is a college and career pathway program for FCPS students in grades 10-12 which offers focus areas in art, dance music, theatre, and musical theatre.

For more information about the AFA, please visit: www.fcpsartsacademy.org

9th and 10th Grade Students!

FCC invites you to register for one of the following virtual **Early College Information Nights** to learn about the FCPS-FCC Early College program:

- Wednesday, November 17, 2021
- Thursday, February 17, 2022
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The FCC Early College program is a way to earn an associate degree and high school diploma simultaneously by attending FCC full-time during your junior and senior years. The program was created to increase participation and completion for students from populations historically underrepresented in higher education and is open to all FCPS high school students.

FCPS students apply to Early College as sophomores.

Members of the Dual Enrollment Team will go through the details of the Early College program and acceptance process, and they will answer questions from interested students and families.

Please register here to attend: www.tinyurl.com/EarlyCollegeInformationNight

After you register for a session, you will receive the link to the Google Meet session in your registration confirmation email.

Visit www.tinyurl.com/FCCDualEnrollment to register for a **Dual Enrollment Virtual Open House** to learn about all DE opportunities.

Contact the DE Office at DualEnrollment@frederick.edu, 301-624-2893, or www.frederick.edu/de

Interested in taking the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) Exam?

The exam will be given on **Friday, November 19th** (this is a new date!) at **Frederick High School**. Use this link to register:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfHu3RKkqinKJBud9I1vdT6TxvcmhwHDxdPoifdlfUwf3axhA/viewform?usp=sf_link

Carson Scholars Fund

Every year, the Carson Scholars Fund selects students to receive a \$1,000 college scholarship, along with an Olympic-sized medal to celebrate their accomplishments.

Only one student from each school is able to be nominated.

Carson Scholars must have a minimum GPA of 3.75 and display humanitarian qualities through community service.

If you would like to be considered, please return the application to Mrs. Goto in Student Services by **Monday, December 6, 2021**. You will find the application in Naviance, under "Colleges" and then "Scholarships" or on the Schoology Counseling group page.

COLLEGE VISITS

Washington College	Friday, November 19	1:00
Salisbury University	Monday, November 22	1:00
Johnson & Wales University	Wednesday, December 1	10:00

- All visits are held in the Student Services Conference Room

