

# News from the Student Services Department

## SAVE THE DATES:

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Information Presentation

**Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm at THS.**

- Hear about graduation requirements, earning credits and being promoted, programs available to students throughout high school including our Project Lead the Way programs, Career & Technology Center, Academies at other high schools, and how to prepare students for their future goals

### FAFSA Finish Event (see below for more info)

**There are still seats available for the session at THS**

**Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 7:30 pm at THS.**

- Parents will be able to sign up to have assistance to complete the FAFSA with a college representative.

## FAFSA Finish Workshop

Are you feeling overwhelmed or uneasy about completing the FAFSA for your senior this year?

85% of all college students receive some form of financial aid. Complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with the assistance of financial aid experts at one of our free hands-on workshops. Participants could receive one of several \$500- \$2,000 scholarships upon completion of a post-event survey.

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-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.

The sign-up link is available: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=zTP3nN>

- 10/4 Walkersville HS: Fin. Aid Presentation 6pm-7pm; FAFSA Finish workshop 7pm-9pm
- 10/8 Frederick Community College: Admissions Open House w/ FAFSA Finish workshop 10am-2pm
- 10/11 Middletown HS: Fin. Aid Presentation 6pm-7pm; FAFSA Finish workshop 7pm-9pm
- 10/12 Brunswick HS: Fin. Aid Presentation 6pm-7pm; FAFSA Finish workshop 7pm-9pm
- **10/13 Tuscarora High School- FAFSA Finish Workshop 5:30pm-7:30pm**
- 10/27 Catoctin HS: Fin. Aid Presentation 5:30pm-6:30pm; FAFSA Finish workshop 6:30pm-8:30pm
- 11/2 Oakdale HS: Fin. Aid Presentation 6pm-7pm; FAFSA Finish workshop 7pm-9pm
- 11/3 Gov Thomas Johnson HS: FAFSA Finish workshop only 6:30pm-8:30pm
- 11/15 Frederick HS: Fin. Aid Presentation 6pm-7pm; FAFSA Finish workshop 7pm-9pm

## **Career and Tech Center Visit to THS (for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students)**

### **Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> – during FLEX**

- The Career & Technology Center and the Academy of the Fine Arts will be visiting Tuscarora High School and presenting an information session during the day. During the info session, students will learn about the various programs offered, the application process, and how to sign up for a shadow day. A question and answer session with current students and staff will also take place.

**STUDENTS can sign up to attend the info session here:** <https://forms.gle/N8CAzY7QYpGSZHAk9>

## **STUDENTS REGISTERED TO TAKE THE PSAT ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup>:**

### **What to bring with you on test day:**

- **Two No. 2 pencils with erasers (no mechanical pencils)**
- **An acceptable calculator**
  - **Battery-operated**
  - **All scientific calculators**
  - **All four-function calculators**
  - **NO calculators with QWERTY keyboards, use a power cord, or make noise**
- **A snack or drink – only accessible during timed breaks**

### **PROHIBITED ITEMS:**

- **Cell phones, smartwatches, fitness trackers or other wearable technology**
- **Audio players or recorders, tablets, laptops, notebooks, Bluetooth devices**
- **Earplugs**
- **Separate timers of any type**
- **Cameras or any other photographic equipment**
- **Pens, highlighters, or mechanical or colored pencils**
- **Books or references of any kind**
- **Compasses, rulers, protractors, or cutting devices**
- **Papers of any kind, including scratch paper**

## **College Rep visits (See Naviance to register and meeting location):**

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| • Bryant University – Monday, October 10 <sup>th</sup>              | 1:15 pm |
| • Longwood University – Tuesday, October 11 <sup>th</sup>           | 9:15 am |
| • Coastal Carolina – Wednesday, October 12 <sup>th</sup>            | 9:15 am |
| • Allegany College of Maryland – Thursday, October 13 <sup>th</sup> | 9:15 am |

- Lebanon Valley College – Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 1:15 pm
- University of Maryland College Park – Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> 1:15 pm
- Hood College – Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> 9:15 am

### **Students – Need to meet with your School Counselor?**

Now, you can schedule an appointment with your counselor! Use the link below for your school counselor and schedule a meeting time that fits both your and your counselor's schedule:

Ms. Moore (A – Ce): <https://calendly.com/th-s-danielle-moore/met-with-ms-moore>

Mr. Gill (Ch – Ha): <https://calendly.com/william-gill-1/meet-with-mr-gill>

Ms. Goto (He – Mc): <https://calendly.com/carla-goto/meeting-with-ms-goto>

Ms. Cooper (Me – R): <https://calendly.com/diane-cooper>

Mr. Harrison (S – Z): <https://calendly.com/joshua-harrison-2/meet-w-harrison>

Ms. Pearre (ELL): <https://calendly.com/amy-pearre>

Ms. Honaker (Behavior Support): <https://calendly.com/stephanie-honaker>

As always, students are able to stop in to see us when needed, but using these links will ensure the counselor is available and the student has a scheduled time.

If a student is having an emergency or is using their crisis pass, they do not need to make an appointment before coming to Student Services.

We will be sharing these links in each Schoology group by grade for the students to access.

