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Counseling Communication

Counseling Office Phone Number: 240-236-8214

FOF: www.fcps.org under Quick Links, click on FindOutFirst Email & Text to create an account

NAVIANCE: https://student.naviance.com/gtjh

Enter your student ID number as the username and your password is student created.

SCHOOLOGY GROUPS

Schoology Group for School Wide School Counseling Updates Access Code= 5QBK-CPFG-2Z5FX

SENIOR Class of 2023 Access Code= FVFC-G7G2-DKW7B
JUNIOR Class of 2024 Access Code= 56RF-KKVQ-F2TG2
SOPHOMORE Class of 2025 Access Code= NX4Q-QVDR-772BB
FRESHMAN Class of 2026 Access Code= HCBC-57HM-DSVG8

Twitter: @TJCounselorFCPS

SCHOOL WEBSITE: https://edu.fcps.org/gtjhs/ PATRIOT STRONG! ALL IN TJ!

Feel free to email, message us on Schoology, or call and leave a message. We will do our best to respond to you within one business day.

Need Help?

Child Protective Services (CPS)301-600-2464Crisis Services:Dial 211Maryland Anonymous Tip Line:1-833-632-7233Suicide Prevention Hotline:Dial/Text 988

Counseling Office Services

ALL Transcript Requests: contact Vanessa Holness Sing at vanessa.sing@fcps.org

Stay tuned into **SCHOOLOGY** daily for important announcements and information updates! We know you have a lot of questions regarding grades, tutoring, graduation, sports, and many other issues. We are working hard to gather information and find answers for all your questions. Look for updates!

TRANSCRIPTS

\$2.00 for each hard copy request of an OFFICIAL transcript

Please allow 24 hours notice for transcript only request; email Ms. Sing in the Counseling Office.

There is no charge if requesting an *electronic transcript* through NAVIANCE.

The Transcript Release/Request form must be completed and shared with Ms. Sing; it is found on our school website: https://edu.fcps.org/gtjhs/ under the Parent and Students tab, click on School Counseling, and then Counseling Office.

Please allow two weeks processing time for letters of recommendation.

Any/all hard copies of completed correspondence, counselor letters of recommendation, and transcripts are to be picked up from the Counseling Office and must be *mailed by the student*.

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

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College Visits

Schedule a visit with a college representative by signing up through your Schoology resource page>>>>Class of 2023 Counseling Information, click on Resources, click on College Visits Registration Form folder.

All visits will take place in room 1311 (College Center) during Connect. Sign up is mandatory in order to attend!

College Fairs

SAVE THE DATE--COLLEGE FAIR

When: April 18 and 19

Where: 1803 Central Park Cir., Boyds, MD 20841

What: MCPS will be hosting their annual NACAC College Fair. This is open to all juniors in MCPS and local school

districts. This is the LARGEST COLLEGE FAIR on the East Coast with 300+ colleges represented.

Registration Information coming soon! For more information now, please email

Theresa M Dethlefsen@mcpsmd.org or Jessica L Conter@mcpsmd.org.

NACAC (National Association for College Admissions Counseling) COLLEGE FAIRS

Check out the latest fair near you at: https://www.nacacfairs.org/
National Association for College Admissions Counseling (NACAC)

NACAC's College Admission Status Update is a central resource of information about changes in college admission as a result of the coronavirus outbreak. The website currently includes information provided to NACAC by colleges and universities worldwide. You'll find information on each institution's plans and policies for admission events; for consideration of high school transcripts and standardized test scores; for decision and deposit dates; for summer and fall semester plans; and more.

Course Registration for SY 2023-24

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10th DEADLINE to register for course selection.

Registration Survey in SCHOOLOGY closes at 11:59 pm

Any missing courses or surveys will result in the student's counselor choosing courses for SY 24. Class changes may not be available.

College Admission Testing – SAT/ACT Test Dates

2022-23 SAT TEST DATES AND REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Learn more, register and get free practice at https://collegeboard.org/sat CEEB/ETS High School Code: 210535

 Test Date
 Registration Deadline
 Score Release Date

 March 11, 2023
 February 10, 2023
 March 24, 2023

 May 6, 2023
 April 7, 2023
 May 19, 2023

 June 3, 2023
 May 4, 2023
 June 16, 2023

2022-23 ACT TEST DATES AND REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Register at https://www.act.org/ CEEB/ETS High School code: 210535

 Test Date
 Registration Deadline
 Score Release Date

 April 15, 2023
 March 10, 2023
 April 11, 2023

 June 10, 2023
 May 5, 2023
 June 20, 2023

 July 15, 2023
 June 16, 2023
 July 25, 2023

^{**}All academic planning materials and resources are available in students' Class Schoology Courses

ACT Prep

FREE Study Guide available on app www.act.org

SAT PREP – College Board

FREE SAT Prep through the daily practice app https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat
FREE practice that is personalized, official, interactive, and instant https://www.khanacademy.org/sat

Frederick Community College SAT Preparation Classes

Frederick Community College offers SAT Review classes for both Verbal and Math Skills. Fee for each class is \$149. Classes fill quickly due to the low student to teacher ratio. For more information, go

to: <a href="https://frederick.augusoft.net/index.cfm?method=ClassListing.ClassListingDisplay&int-category-id=7&int-sub-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-category-id=34&int-categor

SAT/ACT Prep

Preparation courses are offered by Dr. Martha Gagnon and her staff at various locations in the area. For more information about the course, locations, and price, go to: https://marthagagnon.com/

General Information

FCPS, Out of District SY 23-24

The FCPS Department of Student Services is now receiving requests for student enrollments in schools outside of the student's home attendance district for the 2023-2024 school year. Requests to enroll in a school that is not a student's home school district must be made by parents/legal guardians. Guidelines for requests are outlined in FCPS Regulation 400-15.

Parents/guardians must apply for an out-of-district enrollment annually. Therefore, if your child is currently attending a school out of your attendance district, you must complete and submit an application if you would like to request that your child remain at that school.

If a school's enrollment is over capacity, it is necessary to restrict out-of-district student enrollments in that school. This includes students whose daycare providers are located outside their assigned attendance area.

2023-2024 Closed Schools List

Out-of-district requests submitted as the result of school redistricting by the Board of Education may be denied. Parents or guardians who wish to request an out-of-district enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year must apply by completing the out-of-district application. The applications are available in English and Spanish. The application can also be found online at www.fcps.org under the "For Families and Students" tab. The application window is open until March 1, 2023. Families will be notified of the decision by April 1, 2023.

FCPS, AFA (Academy of Fine Arts)

Students interested in shadowing the Academy for the Fine Arts can sign up by visiting our website (www.fcpsartsacademy.org) and clicking on "visit the AFA." The next shadow day is January 18. The Academy for the Fine Arts is an FCPS college and career pathway program for students in grades 10-12 offering focus areas in Dance, Music, Musical Theatre, Theatre, and Visual Art.

To learn more about the AFA and to access the application, visit www.fcpsartsacademy.org. Applications and digital audition submissions for next school year must be submitted by January 13th.

For questions, please contact AFA Coordinator, Jonathan Kurtz, at jonathan.kurtz@fcps.org or 240-236-8352.

FCPS, CTC (Career and Technology Center)

This is your last opportunity to shadow at CTC!

Only 1 more week to sign-up to shadow at the Career & Technology Center!

The last day to sign up to shadow a program at the Career & Technology Center is February 17th.

Shadowing is currently open to students in grades 9-11 and is required in order to apply for the 2023-2024 school year. Students may shadow and apply to up to two programs.

Interested students can request a shadow from the CTC website https://edu.fcps.org/ctc/

Application deadline: March 7, 2023

The Career and Technology Center (CTC) is part of the Frederick County Public Schools system.

With more than 24 programs to choose from, students have the opportunity to gain college and career experience in a variety

of areas while earning college credits as well as valuable industry certifications and licenses. CTC programs are taught in half-day blocks, and students attend their high school for the other half of the school day.

For additional information about the Career & Technology Center visit https://edu.fcps.org/ctc/.

Don't miss your chance - sign up today!

NJROTC

Founded in 1916, the JROTC program hosts over 500,000 students in over 3,500 units across the country. Representing all branches of service, the mission is to instill the values of citizenship, service to the United States, personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment. To fulfill this mission, **Patriot** NJROTC combines academic classwork, extracurricular activities, and competitive teams. For more information, click on the following link: http://patriotnjrotc.com/

Frederick Community College (FCC)

FCC Admissions and Class Schedules

https://www.frederick.edu/class-schedules.aspx

FCC Early College Information Nights

Attention: 9th and 10th Grade Students!

FCC invites you to register for one of the following *Early College Information Nights* to learn about the FCPS-FCC Early College program, 7-8 pm:

- Thursday, February 15, 2023 (virtual)

The FCC Early College program is a way to earn an <u>associate degree and high school diploma simultaneously</u> 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 during their sophomore year.

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.

Register to attend one of three sessions at www.tinyurl.com/EarlyCollegeInformationNight

If you register for a virtual date then you will receive the link to the Google Meet session in your registration confirmation email.

Bridge to FCC Event (event for all high school seniors who have taken or are in a dual enrollment class through FCC + parents) Wednesday, March 15, 2023

6:00-7:30 pm

Student Center

Students will hear from several campus departments about the many ways they can be successful at FCC after high school graduation. Students can have their picture taken and receive their FCC Student ID card. They will also be able to engage with faculty and staff at an information fair. **All student attendees will be entered into a raffle to win one of two \$500 FCC tuition scholarships.** This event does have limited capacity, so register early: www.frederick.edu/BridgeToFCC.

Spring Open House (event open to all prospective students + parents)

Saturday, April 22, 2023

9:00 am- 12:00 pm

Athletics Center (Gym)

Guests will be able to engage with faculty and staff at an information fair, tour campus, hear from current FCC students, and participate in a career exploration workshop held by FCC Career Services. An RSVP will be sent out in the future and will be posted on the Admissions webpage under upcoming events.

FCC Application and Scholarship Information

Students planning to attend FCC in the fall can apply for scholarships now through June 15, 2023. Students will still complete the application online and can apply for credit and non-credit continuing education scholarships.

All applications can be found here.

SCHOLARSHIPS/FINANCIAL AID

Community Foundation Scholarship Application Opens March 1

The Community Foundation of Frederick County has more than \$1 million available for scholarships for the 2023-24 school year. Scholarships are awarded to Frederick County residents who are pursuing post-secondary education, including undergraduate and graduate degrees, or certifications. Complete the application one time to be considered for more than 200 scholarship opportunities. Scholarship money can be used to pay tuition, room and board, books, and other fees.

The application must be completed online between March 1-31, 2023.

For details on specific scholarships go to www.ScholarshipsFrederickCounty.com.

FAFSA Workshop

The Financial Aid Office at Frederick Community College is hosting a workshop to assist students with their financial aid application on Saturday, 2/11, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in the FCC Conference Center (room E-139). Staff will be available to assist with both the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as well as the Maryland State Financial Aid Application (MSFAA) for undocumented students.

Registration is encouraged, but not required. Students may register online here. All students are welcome even if they are not planning to attend at FCC during the 2023-2024 academic year!

Maryland's priority deadline for the 2023-2024 academic year is March 1st! It is important students submit their FAFSA by March 1st so they may be considered for <u>state financial aid</u> in addition to <u>Federal Student Aid (FSA)</u>. Students can still submit their FAFSA/MSFAA after March 1st, but they would miss out on consideration for most state aid programs, such as the Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship.

There are state financial aid programs available for students pursuing specific Workforce Development programs, students are encouraged to submit a FAFSA/MSFAA even if they are not enrolled in a credit program.

Government & Financial Aid Information

https://finaid.org/ public information page

https://www.ed.gov/ general government information

https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa FAFSA

https://mhec.maryland.gov/ Maryland State Scholarship information

https://www.va.gov/ veterans information

Scholarship & Loan Information

https://www.collegenet.com/ College Net & scholarship information

https://uncf.org/ United Negro College Fund

https://www.collegescholarships.com/ scholarship search

https://www.fastweb.com/ scholarship search

http://www.gocollege.com/ scholarship search

https://www.scholarships.com/ scholarship search

https://www.scholarsnapp.org scholarship search

https://www.cappex.com/scholarships scholarship search

https://www.college-scholarships.com/ scholarship search

https://www.chegg.com/scholarships scholarship search

https://www.salliemae.com/college-planning/ scholarship search

www.latinocollegedollars.org scholarship search

https://www.salliemae.com/ loan information

https://www.hsf.net/ National Hispanic Fund Scholarships

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS- for NEW additions

Go to the Class of 2023 Schoology page, click on Resources and then click on Scholarships folder. This page is updated frequently.

Ms. Frederick/Ms. Central Maryland and Miss Frederick Outstanding Teen/Miss Central Maryland's Outstanding Teen 2023 If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity to earn scholarships, to take part in a mentoring program, to perform community service, to gain and fine-tune public speaking and performance skills, and to boost confidence, please join us for a candidate orientation meeting which will be held via Google Meet. To sign up, click here.

Orientations will be held on: Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. or Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. For more information, email missfrederickmd@gmail.com

Maryland Tuition Waiver for Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

http://mhec.maryland.gov/preparing/Pages/FinancialAid/ProgramDescriptions/prog_homelessyouth.aspx https://fcps.ezcommunicator.net/edu/frederick/upload/52/5924.pdf

FCPS PROVIDES SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION AS A RESOURCE ONLY AND <u>DOES NOT ENDORSE</u> ANY SPONSOR OF ANY PARTICULAR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Mid-Term & Report Card Dates

Mid-Term**

Mid-Term Date	Interim Distribution
February 15	February 24
April 28	May 8

^{**}Dates are subject to change.

Report Card**

End of Term	Report Card Distribution
March 21	April 4
June 1	TBD

^{**} Dates are subject to change.

RESOURCES

211

WHAT IS 2-1-1?

2-1-1 is a quick and easy way to find information and get referrals for thousands of programs and services across Maryland. WHO SHOULD CALL? Anyone of any age can call 2-1-1 at any time. 2-1-1 call specialists are trained to assist people dealing with all kinds of challenges including housing, utility shutoffs, family crisis, financial, legal, employment, and other problems. 2-1-1 is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year in over 180 languages. 2-1-1 is also accessible for the deaf and hard of hearing through Maryland Relay (dial 7-1-1).

DOES IT COST ANYTHING? 2-1-1 services are free. Your telephone provider's long-distance rates may apply if you are calling one of our local numbers from out of the area. If you are calling from a cell phone, air time and other cell phone charges may apply. If you or a loved one need help or support, pick up the phone and dial 2-1-1 today.

Comcast Internet is providing a low cost high speed internet service to families that have a financial need. To qualify for the program families must:

- Have at least one child who qualifies for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) or can provide documentation outlined in the 'Acceptable Eligibility Documentation' section.
- Not have outstanding debt to Comcast that is less than a year old. Families with outstanding debt more than one year old may still be eligible.
- Live in an area where Comcast Internet service is available but have not subscribed to Comcast Internet service within the last 90 days, where applicable.

If you are interested in learning more about this service you can visit https://www.internetessentials.com/ or call 1-855-8468376.

FindOutFirst

Would you like to receive notification/updates right at your computer about what's happening at GTJHS? All parents (and high school students) have accounts already uploaded with the email address we have on file in eSchool. Go to www.fcps.org/fof and log in to select news groups and add your mobile phone number if you want to get emergency-closing texts. Parents not able to access your FOF account should make sure to provide your current email address to us for eSchool. FOF uploads addresses from eSchool nightly. FOF uses students' FCPS-issued email addresses.

Frederick County Youth Action Corps (YAC): The Frederick County YAC promotes youth service and leadership, and encourages youth to make a difference in the community. YAC is a group of dedicated middle and high school youth who are committed to service in the county. The group works closely with Volunteer Frederick, the local Volunteer Center, to help coordinate and participate in local service projects. The YAC Leadership Team meets monthly to identify community needs, then design and implement service learning projects to meet those needs. If you are interested in learning more about the YAC, please contact Stacey, Ali, or Keila at Volunteer Frederick – 301-663-5214, Ext. 2 or email YAC@volunteerfrederick.org

Grades Online

Check out your student's grades online at https://www.fcps.org/ and click on Schoology. All students received a letter at the beginning of the school year stating their respective username and password. Parents: Can't remember your personalized login and password? Call the Counseling Office at 240-236-8214.

Maryland Job Service: The MD Job Service, part of the Dept. of Labor, Licensing & Regulation (DLLR), connects businesses and job seekers with a complete range of employment services offered on the internet or at locations statewide at no cost. *For more information, go to* www.dllr.state.md.us

Meal Information

If you have questions about how much meals will cost during the 2022-2023 school year, FCPS has created a webpage that explains the current pricing information, including information about free and reduced meals. Please note, meals are not free for all students. Please click here for the latest details

Mental Health Association of Frederick County

Our world has shifted dramatically over the past few weeks. Students and and family members who are experiencing difficulty may wish to contact the Frederick County Mental Health Association. (MHA)

The MHA's Call Center is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. From intervention, a caring and supporting voice at a moment of crisis, to connecting you to resources and information, dial 211.

With the physical facility closed, MHA's Walk-in Behavioral Health Services has moved to an online telehealth platform. The program, and the services it provides, remains the same in all other aspects; and will still provide comprehensive safety/wellness planning, resource information, and referrals as appropriate.

To access: Go to https://fcmha.org/ and click on the yellow banner at the top to access an intake form for the service. After completing and submitting the form, information to access the platform will be provided. This can be accessed via computer, tablet, or smartphone (must have access to internet/cellular data)

Mental Health Association of Frederick County

https://fcmha.org/

The Mental Health Association of Frederick County builds a strong foundation of emotional wellness for our community by: Preparing Resilient Children, Supporting Vulnerable Families and Facing Crises Together.

The Virtual Walk-in Behavioral Health Service is operational Monday - Friday from 10 AM - 10 PM and Saturday and Sunday from 10 AM - 6 PM.

Help is available, if you or a loved one, friend or neighbor is hurting please seek help.

MVA Forms- LEARNER'S PERMIT VERIFICATION FORM

Is your student applying for an MVA learner's permit? Students applying are required to have a Verification of Identity and/or School Attendance form completed by the school.

- You must give the school 24 hours to process your student's MVA form.
- Section A, of the form, must be completed and signed by both the student and a parent before bringing it to the school, for verification.
- Once the verification is done the form will be placed in an envelope, sealed and put in the front office for your student to pick up.
- Do not open the envelope, it must be opened by the MVA only.

You can obtain the form on the MVA website or click the link provided below https://mva.maryland.gov/Documents/DL-300.pdf

NAVIANCE

A web-based resource for staff, students, and parents that encourages and supports post high school career and college planning. The student side of the system and is linked with Naviance Succeed, the counselor's system. How can it be used?

- Career Planning: Learning Style Inventory, Interest Inventory, Personality Inventory, Resume Building
- College Planning: College Search, Application Process, College Major Exploration, Scholarship/Financial Aid Resources Success Planning: Personalized Goals and Tasks, Journal Entries, Student Planner, Shared Documents. Go to the following website: http://student.naviance.com/gtjh

Once on the login page, click on the button: **CONTINUE WITH SINGLE SIGN ON**, you will arrive at your *personal* Naviance page. If your FCPS login information is not automatically populated, enter your FCPS email address and password. Any previous student ID and password information will not work.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline – Dial 988** new number 988 is now active across the United States. This new, shorter phone number will make it easier for people to remember and access mental health crisis services. https://988lifeline.org/

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

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Runaway Child Prevention - Resources for Parents

Over the past several months, the Frederick Police Department (FPD) has investigated multiple reports of missing juvenile females. A common thread in these cases is that the missing girl leaves home without permission for several days to see a friend, and attempts to keep her location a secret. These cases are assigned to detectives, who attempt to track down the missing person through various investigative techniques.

It is likely that social distancing can be hard for teens who feel cut off from friends, and as a result, they may feel sad, depressed, hopeless, nervous, or angry. Please see the links below for signs that your teen may need help, as well as suggestions on how you can stay engaged with your child's social life and promote emotional well-being during the pandemic:

https://www.parenteenconnect.org/learn-more/



Learn More | Parent Resources | ParenTeen Connect

www.parenteenconnect.org

Meet the brains behind ParenTeen Connect and explore additional parent resources on raising teenagers. ParenTeen Connect seeks to normalize the challenges that come with raising teens through interviews with real families-they're here to show you that you're not the only ones struggling.

https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/chest-lungs/Pages/Teens-and-COVID-19.aspx https://www.missingkids.org/theissues/runaways The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children intakes reports about missing children, younger than 18 years of age, who have run away from a parent, guardian or state care facility. The risk factors for running away from home or state care are multifaceted, and there is no typical runaway.

For additional resources, parents can call the FPD Victim Services Unit at 301-600-1356, or the Mental Health Association of Frederick County hotline at 2-1-1 to speak with a crisis counselor for support, 24/7.

Information Contact: Sgt. Matt Carrado - 301-600-2104

Selective Service Registration

A reminder that under federal law, men living in the U.S., citizen and non-citizens alike, are required by law to register with Selective Service at 18 years old.

Men who register with Selective Service remain eligible for federal student financial aid, state-funded student financial aid, federal employment, state employment, job training under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, security clearances, and U.S. citizenship for immigrant men. For more information, see Why Register. Selective Service accepts early registrations as young as 17 years and 3 months.

The Selective Service System has not now, or in the past, collected or shared any information which would indicate a man's immigration status, either documented or undocumented. Students can register on-line at https://www.sss.gov/

"TUTOR ME" - FREE VIRTUAL TUTORING SERVICES

TutorMe.com, a free student online tutoring and homework help service, is now available in any subject for students in grades 6-12.

- TutorMe.com is a secure, online resource easily accessible through the FCPS Clever Portal and offers on-demand assistance.
- The TutorMe.com service provides assistance that aligns with the FCPS curriculum, including knowledge of new curriculum tools being implemented.
- The service maintains rigorous standards providing high-quality, diverse tutors, screened for excellence (including a criminal background check). The service is available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.
- Features include:
 - o An online lesson space with a virtual whiteboard Demo Space
 - Text editor and chat space
 - Audio/video chat (although you do not have to use this feature or turn on your camera)
 - o A function to allow sharing of screenshots of work examples to assist tutors as they provide support
 - o More than 300 subjects from math to science, social studies and languages
 - o Directions for how students can access the service are here.

More information is available at the vendor website, <u>www.tutorme.com</u> and <u>this Student Support Document</u>.

Underage Drinking and Drug Use

To report any underage party where alcohol or drugs many be served to youth under 21 years of age, please call the Party Tip Hotline at 301-600-1318. Your tip is confidential. You may save the life of a friend or child you love. This message is part of the Frederick County Teen Safe Driving Initiative and the Combating Underage Drinking Program.

Work Permits: Schools are **no longer** issuing officers of work permits.

Need a Work Permit? Apply here: Work Permit

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