



BRUNSWICK HIGH SCHOOL

BHS College & Career Bulletin

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This newsletter will be available in the Guidance Office throughout the year. Listen for announcements to tell you when there's a new issue ready to be picked up. The *College & Career Bulletin* will list apprenticeship training programs, college programs, scholarship and college loan information, visits to BHS by representatives from colleges, SAT prep courses, SAT and ACT dates and deadlines, and other useful information.

Students: Be sure to take this bulletin home and share it with your families. You will also find a link to the latest issue on the Guidance page of the BHS web site (<http://bhs.edu>).

BHS code for use on applications: 210305

FAFSA

The U.S. Department of Education, Federal Student Aid provides over \$80 billion annually in financial assistance for college. To receive federal student aid, students must complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)*. Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible after **January 1**. There are three ways that a student can complete the FAFSA:

1. Apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
2. Download and complete a PDF version of the FAFSA at www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov (Note: PDF FAFSAs must be mailed for processing).
3. Request a paper FAFSA by calling the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243) or 1-319-337-5665.

Help with applications or SAT/ACT test practice

Would you like help writing essays for scholarship applications or job applications, or preparing for the verbal/writing portions of SATs or ACTs?

For these, or any other kinds of help with *English or Writing*, meet with the *English* tutors on *Tuesday afternoons, 2:30-4:00* in the *BHS Media Center*.

If you'd like help with the *Math* portion of standardized tests, meet with the *Math* tutors on *Wednesday afternoons, 2:30-4:00* also in the *BHS Media Center*.

If you need a ride home either day, a school bus leaves the school between 4:00 and 4:15.

SAT/PSAT PREP COURSE - This spring juniors will take the SAT. In October, sophomores and juniors will take the PSAT. Seniors will take the SAT in October. This course helps students prepare for these important examinations.

Dates: Sundays: April 19 at Brunswick HS AND April 26, 2009 at Middletown HS (noon-4:30 pm)

Students should attend **BOTH DATES, BOTH locations. If students have a conflict with these dates, they may attend at another location or they may mix locations. Please see the web site: MarthaGagnon.com for details and schedules.*

Please register early, as space is very limited. Results have been EXCELLENT! Parents: This is a REAL OPPORTUNITY you don't want your son or daughter to miss. This course supplements our curriculum and will focus on improving test-taking skills, tips for answering each type of question, a math review, vocabulary development, essay writing, and building confidence.

FEE: \$225 (includes tuition, materials & **\$25 non-refundable** registration fee.) The course is open to students from any high school. A portion of the fee benefits the school.

INSTRUCTORS: *Dr. Martha Gagnon and / or her instructional team. Dr. Gagnon has been offering this course for more than a decade. Dr. Gagnon is the former Dean of Admissions at Western Maryland College (McDaniel College). She was Director of Admissions at Loyola College. She held the position of Staff Consultant to the College Board (makers of the SAT and PSAT) for 18 years. Currently she maintains a private practice in Howard Co, specializing in test preparation and college placement.*

TO REGISTER: To register on-line with a credit card*, please see the web site: MarthaGagnon.com. To pay by check, please send a check for \$225 (payable to Dr. Gagnon) to: 2660 Daisy Rd., Woodbine, MD 21797. Enclose the completed form below and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope. Dr. G will confirm your enrollment 5 days before the course starts.)

SAT Dates:

The SAT will be given at Governor Thomas Johnson High School and/or Urbana High School on the following dates. For more information, come to the Guidance Office or visit the College Board online at: www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/about.html/

SAT Test Date

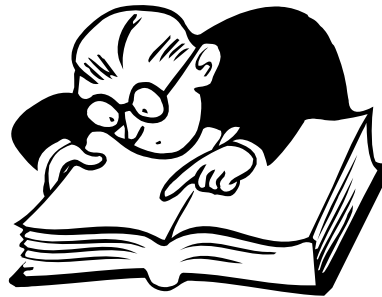
June 6, 2009

Regular Registration

May 5, 2009

Late Registration

May 15, 2009



ACT Dates:

The American College Test, which some colleges accept or require instead of the SAT, will be given at Tuscarora High School on the following dates. Registration dates follow in parentheses. For more information, come to the Guidance Office or visit the ACT site at www.actstudent.org/

ACT Test Date

June 13, 2009

Regular Registration

May 8, 2009

Late Registration

May 9-22, 2009

RESOURCES:
OPEN HOUSES /CONTESTS/PROGRAMS

The Fischell Department of Bioengineering is the newest department at the University of Maryland School of Engineering. Students are invited to attend the Fischell Festival on April 21, 2009. This event will include U.S. Inventor of the Year, Dr. Robert Fischell, and the President of the Institute of Medicine, Dr. Harvey Fineber, who is helping to formulate the components of our nation’s stimulus package on health care. There will be live stream-cast surgical procedure from the medical school, a poster session, open labs, a career fair and catered lunch. If you are interested please visit www.fischellfestival.umd.edu for additional information and to register.

NURSING at Longwood! Beginning with the class entering in the fall of 2009, Longwood will enroll 35 students into a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program. Interested students should apply as soon as possible using our online application located on www.Whylongwood.com. In addition to the regular application for admission, candidates for the nursing program must also file for a [criminal background check](#). A successful candidate should have a strong GPA and test scores as well as demonstrated strengths in math and science. Nursing jobs are projected to generate more new jobs than most other occupations and the salaries are expected to remain strong (median annual earnings were \$57,280 in 2006). For more information on Longwood's nursing program, go to <http://www.longwood.edu/nursing/index.htm>.

The Maryland Youth Leadership Forum: this is a unique leadership program for high school students with disabilities. This is a week-long forum situated on a college campus, small "working groups" of students explore personal leadership and career plans. Applications and more information are available on the website: www.md-ylf.org.

The American Legion Boys State and Girls State is a great program that helps develop students into leaders. If you are up for it, they will give you a week that will shape your lifetime. For more information visit: www.boysandgirlsstate.org.

AYN RAND'S ESSAY CONTEST: There are two contests. The 17th Annual Essay Contest of Ayn Rand's Novelette Anthem is open to students in grades 8-10. Entry deadline is March 20, 2009. The 24th Annual Essay Contest on Ayn Rand's Novel the Fountainhead is open to all Juniors and Seniors. *Entry deadline is April 25th, 2009.* Prize money ranges from \$30.00-\$10,000. For more information visit aynrand.org/contests for rules, guidelines and to submit your essay.

The Gallery Collection is excited to announce our 1st Annual **Write-A-Greeting-Card Scholarship Contest!** The winner will take part in [Sail Caribbean's](#) ultimate hands-on Foxtrot Program, participating in marine preservation, sailing, water sports, and ocean exploration throughout the British Virgin Islands.

Entering is easy! We will provide your students with 9 environmental images for the face of their greeting card. They must choose one image, and in 250 words or less, write a message to President Obama about why we should use renewable energy and/or protect the environment. The student with the most well-written, creative, and effective message will win this all-expenses-paid experience of a lifetime. Find complete rules and instructions at: <http://www.gallerycollection.com/write-greeting-cards-contest1.htm>
Deadline date of April 30, 2009.

SCHOLARSHIPS & APPRENTICESHIPS

You can find more information about applications for these scholarships and apprenticeships in the Guidance Office and/or on the websites listed. Scholarships are added to the beginning of the list as they come into the office and deleted as their deadlines pass. (This listing is provided as a resource only and is not an endorsement by BHS or FCPS of any particular scholarship program).

Scholarships:

FCC's Ambassadors Scholarship. You must have a 3.5 GPA from 9-12 grades. The award will be in the amount of \$350.00 for full-time students in the fall. For more information and an application, come to the Guidance Office. Deadline: *first come first serve so get those applications in early.*

The Jessica Howard Memorial Scholarship: Any student involved in BHS's band program for three or more years, may apply for this scholarship. Applications are in Mrs. Tuckey's office. See Mrs. Tuckey for information on this scholarship.

The Maryland Association of Pupil Personnel awards scholarships to recognize the achievement of one or more high school seniors in the state of MD. Any senior who plans to attend post-secondary school is eligible to apply. Applications are in the Guidance Office. *Deadline is April 10th.*

The Frederick Woman's Civic Club for high school seniors is a \$1,000 scholarship. You must be a resident of Frederick County, have exhibited a scholastic aptitude for college and have financial need. Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to apply is April 10th.*

The Epilepsy Foundation of the Chesapeake Region is once again offering the Ira Rosenzweig Scholarship. This is open to all high school seniors with epilepsy who wish to continue their education. Application information is in the Guidance Office and applications can be downloaded at www.abilitiesnetwork.org. *Deadline is April 10th.*

Dr. Kenneth E. Mann Scholarship is a \$1,000 scholarship. The scholarship recipient must attend a college, trade school or university in Maryland to be considered. The application form can be obtained by visiting www.wcboe.k12.md.us. Applications can also be found in the Guidance Office. *The deadline is April 14th.*

The Catocin Fish and Game Club is offering a \$500.00 scholarship to a student attending a two- or four-year college planning to major in environmental science, natural resources management or a related field. Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to apply is April 15th.*

The Kenneth W. Parker Scholarship: This one year award is to be used for tuition and/or other expenses to any accredited Trade School, Technical School or College/University. You must have a minimum GPA of 2.8 in grades 9-12, have two letters of recommendation and have applied to a post-secondary institution. Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline is April 15th.*

Joseph Fox, Jr. Scholarship awards \$2,000 to Maryland high school recipients who play to major in reading or a reading-related field and pursue coursework that will prepare him/her for a teaching career. Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to apply is April 15th*.

Gamma-Delta Kappa International Society is offering three \$700.00 and \$50.00 scholastic awards to deserving female students who are planning to attend an institution of higher learning during the upcoming school year. Teaching must be her goal). Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to apply is April 15th*.

Children's Defense Fund Beat the Odds Scholarship: Applications are in the Guidance Office. *Deadline is April 17th*. You must be a student who have shown significant improvement in your academics or has consistently excelled despite obstacles in your education.

The Alfred Street Baptist Church Foundation is again offering \$20,000 scholarships (\$5000 per year for four years) and one time scholarships ranging from \$1000 to \$2500. In our first two years of operation we awarded a total of 5 \$20,000 scholarships and 20 smaller awards to 24 student from the Distirct of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia. The application is attached and a copy will soon be available on our web site: www.alfredstreet.org. Applicants need **not** attend Alfred Street Baptist Church. They must U.S. citizens, live in the metropolitan area, have a minimum GPA of 2.5, and either a score of 1400 on the SAT or 19 on the ACT.Students must also have need. *The application deadline is April 17, 2009.*

The Children's Defense Fund has applications available for the 2009 Beat the Odds Scholarship. Five high school students will be selected for this scholarship. These students should have overcome tremendous odds to become personally and academically successful. These students will be awarded \$5,000-\$10,000 for college. Current high school juniors who are on track to graduate by July 2010 are eligible to apply. Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to apply is April 17th*.

Frederick Memorial Hospital Auxiliary awards five scholarships. You must be an active volunteer in a healthcare related organization and have completed 50 hours of volunteer service, plan a career in a health related field and be a high school graduate this year. Applications are in the Guidance Office. *Deadline is April 17th*.

ASMC is proud to announce its 14th Annual Scholarship Award of \$1,000 to a deserving high school senior furthering their education in the financial management field (business administration, economics, public administration, business data processing, accounting or finance). Applications are in the Guidance Office. *Deadline is April 17th*.

The Frederick County Sheriff's office and MSI Scholarship Program: A lump sum of \$1,000 will be awarded to one applicant or may be divided among several applicants. This scholarship is available to students pursuing a career in Criminal Justice, Police Science, or other law enforcement related fields. The applications are in the Guidance Office and the deadline to apply is June 30th. The Don Kuehl Memorial Scholarship is available to any Frederick County high school senior who has done exemplary community service work and maintains a 3.0 GPA or better. Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to apply is no later than April 18th*.

The Club of The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc is offering scholarships and awards to African American graduating seniors. There are seven scholarships being offered. Please come to the Guidance Office and check out these great opportunities. *The deadline to apply for each scholarship is April 18th.*

2009 Student-View Scholarship Program: offering \$7,000 worth of scholarships to high school seniors who plan to attend a four-year college, community college or career school. Simply log on to www.student-view.com and complete a 15-20 minute application survey about college in your area. The scholarship *deadline is April 22nd.*

Frederick County Alumnae Chapter Scholarships of Excellence: This scholarship was inspired by concern for social welfare, academic excellence and cultural enrichment. You must be a graduating senior with a GPA of at least 2.75 cumulative. Criteria include sending a transcript, writing a personal statement and writing an essay. Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to submit the application is April 22nd.*

Carroll Manor Elementary School PTA Koontz Scholarship 2009: \$1,000 will be awarded to a student who attended Carroll Manor Elementary school for a minimum of one year. You must also demonstrate commitment to the community through school and community service and academic scholarship with a minimum GPA of 2.75. An essay is required. Applications are in the Guidance Office. *Deadline is April 24th.*

Senatorial Scholarship applications are available to graduating seniors who reside in Legislative District 3. *Deadline is April 30th.*

The Frederick County Association of Educational Office Professionals, Inc. is pleased to announce the continuation of its annual award. High school seniors, male or female, who plan to continue their education and pursue office-related careers, are eligible to apply for this scholarship. There have been as many as three \$1,000 scholarships awarded. Applications are in the Guidance Office and *the deadline to apply is April 30th.*

The Kitty McKinney Memorial Scholarship is designed to assist students who wish to continue their education. You must plan to continue your education in office or technology related program, have completed four courses from the Business Management Systems section of the FCPS High School Course Offerings Guide, expect to enroll as a full-time student in an accredited institution and have a 3.0 GPA. Applications are available in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to apply is April 30th.*

The Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County presents the Barbara Ash Scholarship Fund which awards up to ten \$1,000 scholarships. The purpose of this scholarship is to acknowledge and reward students who will be attending any one of Maryland's 16 community colleges for the first time and who have demonstrated leadership in community service. You must be a senior with a GPA of at least a 2.7, must demonstrate financial need, demonstrate civic leadership in community activities and you must submit a short type-written statement of your qualifications for this award. Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to apply is May 13th.*

The Maryland Municipal League awards college scholarships each year. Criteria: you must be accepted into a college or university and intend to major in government or public service, have good scholastic standing (at least average grades), and must live in Frederick County. You must also demonstrate a commitment to public service, show a current educational program for local governmental or public service, state your educational objectives and career goals, provide letters of recommendations, and complete an application. Applications are in the Guidance Office. *The deadline to apply is May 15th.*

The Iaquina Family College Scholarship: offered to any BHS senior who has been accepted to an accredited college/university/vocational/business school and plans to pursue a career in science or business. The award is in the amount of \$1,500. You must demonstrate financial need, academic achievement, and strong involvement in community and school services and have letters of recommendations. Applications are in the Guidance Office and the *deadline to apply is May 20th.*

After some ongoing technical difficulties, we are pleased to announce that the **Central Scholarship Bureau** online application is now available from www.centrlsb.org. The application will remain active until May 15, 2009; all supporting documents must be *postmarked by May 31*. CSB offers a number of scholarships and grants, as well as opportunities for interest-free loans. Students must only submit one application to be considered for all of the programs for which they are eligible. Details about each scholarship program can be found at our website, under the "Scholarships and Grants" pull-down menu. Baseline eligibility requirements for the interest-free loan can be found [here](#). We appreciate all of your patience as we worked to get the application up and running, and look forward to announcing over \$1 million in new awards in July!

The BigSun Organization is proud to be able to continue to help young athletes succeed in their academic pursuits. We are offering an annual scholarship to a deserving student. All student athletes are eligible for this award, regardless of which sport they are participating in.

Deadline - June 27, 2009. Amount of Award - \$500.00. *The successful applicant will be a high school senior or be attending a post secondary institute and currently involved in some sport at that institution.* Please visit our website at <http://www.bigsunathletics.com> to learn how to apply.

The consulting firm of AES Engineers is committed to continuing its support of higher education by providing scholarships to deserving students. To be eligible the student needs to answer one of the essay questions that they will find on our site at <http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm>. Our belief is that achieving a high grade point average should not be the only criteria for determining who deserves to be helped. For that reason we are offering a scholarship that will be awarded on the basis of character, as determined by evaluating the essays that are submitted. Amount of award: **\$500.00**. Deadline for entry: **October 6, 2009**. *Further information, including previous winners, is available on our web site at: <http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm>*

Florida A & M University is providing an outstanding opportunity for Black women entering college in the fall of 2009. It is designed to address their absence in the field of computer technology. Dr. Jason Black is the Principal Investigator of a recently awarded \$552,000 NSF Grant entitled African-American Women in Computer Science. The grant provides scholarships from \$4000 to \$10,000 per year for female African American students. The full text of the press release can be found at the link below: <http://www.famu.edu/index.cfm?a=headlines&p=display&news=602&archive>

Northrup Grumman Scholars Program This Scholars Program awards a \$10,000 scholarship for engineering to one student in each MD county. Please be on the lookout for the scholarship application package which will be sent directly to the counseling office from Northrup Grumman for distribution to qualifying students. The application may be obtained online at <http://www.es.northrupgrumman.com/engscholars/> Please feel free to contact Rene' Wilkins, Engineering Scholarship Program Manager at 410-993-8483 or commoutreach@nge.com There will be a celebration dinner at the close of the school year, where scholarship winners will be recognized by Dr. Grasmick and Jim Pitts, President of Northrup Grumman.

Cynthia E. Morgan Scholarship Fund is in the amount of \$1,000. This will be awarded to a Maryland high school student who is a first-generation college student who will attend a Maryland college with a major in a medical-related field. For more information visit <http://www.cemfund.com>.

The Lincoln Alumni Association is offering scholarships to students who need financial assistance who would like to participate in various activities or events as part of their educational experiences while attending schools in Frederick County. Applications are the Guidance Office. No deadline is mentioned.

The Army Officers' Wives' Club will be awarding scholarships to qualified high school seniors. Eligible applicants are the children of U.S. Army personnel who are enrolled in an accredited secondary program during the period. The sponsor may be active duty or retired officer or enlisted. Scholarship awards are based on scholastic merit and community involvement. Use applications printed from <http://www.aowcgwa.org>. or call for questions at 703-354-9824.

The Maryland Higher Education Commission is pleased to provide the Howard P. Rawlings Guaranteed Access Grant. Applications are in the Guidance Office. If you should have any questions regarding this grant, please visit www.mhec.state.md.us.

United States Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) Scholarships at McDaniel College, Mount Saint Mary's University or Hood College. **PAYS FULL TUITION AND FEES!!!** Cadets receive a stipend of \$300 to \$500 per month during the school year. All recipients also receive \$1200 per year book allowance. Meet all requirements outlined on the following webpage: http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/high_school_students.jsp . Point of Contact: Mr. Michael McReal: 301-447-5350; mcreal@msmary.edu. *Deadlines vary, call for more information.*

Unity College in Maine is offering a young woman, interested in Environmental Science, a \$1,000 Scholarship. For more information visit www.unity.edu.

The COLLEGE EXPO Scholarship Program. You must be a high school senior, a US citizen or lawful permanent resident, not be an employee or relation to any National College Resources Foundation or The College Expo staff members. The recipient will receive a monetary award. Interested students must submit an essay of 500 words or less about "Why is a College Education Important to You" with their contact and school information. Visit www.thecollegeexpo.org.

Boston University is offering the Trustee Scholarships and other merit based scholarships. Check in the Boston University file in the Guidance Office for more information.

Davidson College is offering its John Montgomery Belk Scholarship. If you are interested in obtaining more information, check the Davidson College file in the Guidance Office.

UMBC's premier scholars programs. These competitive programs combine financial awards with special opportunities for advanced research, unique seminars, directed internships, study abroad and more. All scholars programs offer four-year awards at varying levels. Selected scholars will receive awards ranging from \$5,000 to \$22,000 per year.

- **CWIT Scholars Program** (Center for Women in Information Technology) supports high-achieving undergraduates, both men and women, who plan to major in computer science, computer engineering, information systems, mechanical engineering, chemical engineering, or another IT-related field.
- **Humanities Scholars Program** seeks talented students who intend to pursue degrees in English, history, philosophy, ancient studies, classical or modern languages, linguistics, or American or Africana studies.
- **Linehan Artist Scholars Program** brings together talented students from the visual and performing arts disciplines: theatre, music, dance, and visual arts.
- **Sondheim Public Affairs Scholars Program** supports students who are interested in developing a fundamental understanding of public policy and pursuing careers in public policy, government service, or the non-profit sector.
- **Sherman Teacher Education Scholars Program** seeks students interested in the teaching profession and in STEM areas of study (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics).
- **Meyerhoff Scholars Program** supports students who plan to pursue doctoral study in the sciences or engineering and who are interested in the advancement of minorities in those fields. A separate letter was sent in early September directly from the Meyerhoff office with specific nomination instructions.

In addition to a proven academic record, these students should possess a strong desire and commitment to the respective discipline and a genuine interest in participating and contributing to a community of scholars. Please contact the Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships with questions you may have regarding any of UMBC's scholarship opportunities at 410-455-3813 or via e-mail at schl_info@umbc.edu.

Abbott & Fenner Business Consultants are pleased to announce that the scholarship program will be continued for 2009. Our winners from the past two years are posted on our scholarship website. Please visit our website at <http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm> to learn more about this opportunity and then please advise your students to do the same.

The Christian Connector provides a free Christian college information service as well as a \$2,500 Christian college scholarship drawing. Students can simply log onto www.christianconnector.com to request information and automatically be entered in the \$2,500 scholarship drawing.

Maryland Media, Inc. Scholarship Program. There will be two awards, each in the amount equal to the full cost of in-state tuition, made to graduating High School Seniors. The goal of this program is to recruit and retain talented student journalists in and around Maryland. Minority students are encouraged to apply. Applications are available in the Guidance Office or visit the website www.diamondbackonline.com.

Washington College in St. Louis is offering its Danforth Scholarship. If you wish to be nominated for this scholarship, please see Mrs. Tuckey in the Guidance Office.

Emory University is offering its Emory Scholars Program, one of the most prestigious merit-based scholarship programs in American high education. If you are interested in this scholarship, see Mrs. Tuckey in the Guidance Office.

2008-2009 SunTrust Off to College Scholarship Sweepstakes: \$1,000 for a high school senior. Free to enter and eligibility is not based on GPA or financial need. Fifteen chances to win- one winner every two weeks from October-May. Apply online at oftocollege.info beginning on September 15th.

The Department of the Navy is offering its Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (BROTC) Scholarship. Students selected for the program are awarded scholarships through a highly competitive national selection process and receive full tuition and other financial benefits at over 130 of the country's leading colleges and universities. All those interested in exploring this opportunity should visit the official website at www.nrotc.navy.mil. Eligibility: Must be a U.S. citizen, at least 17 years old, complete high school and have an SAT score of 520 in math and 530 in verbal or 21 in math and 22 verbal on the ACTs or be in the top 10% of your graduating class.

2008-2009 National Directory of Scholarship, Internships, and Fellowships for Latino Students: http://www.chci.org/chciyouth/resources/2008-2009_Directory.pdf

Going to college, whether at a two-year or a four-year college, gives you more skills and a better chance to succeed. College students have opportunities to grow personally, intellectually, and professionally, and college graduates make more money. Maryland is fortunate to have 56 colleges and universities from which to choose - colleges that offer every major from accounting to zoology. In other words, whatever you want to study, you can find it right here at a Maryland college or university. Preparation is key.

Understanding what you need to do to get ready for college is sometimes the toughest part of the preparation. There are many steps you can take that will help you prepare for college. We hope that students and parents will find valuable information in this section.

- For a grade-by-grade planning guide to prepare for college:
<http://www.marylandmentor.org/Planning/>
- For Maryland Higher Education Commission's Financial Aid Outreach Kit:
http://www.mhec.state.md.us/preparing/outreach_kit.asp
- For information on [what's next after high school](#) and [what you should do now](#) --
Or download the "[What is Next After High School?](#)" [Booklet \(PDF\)](#)
Or the Spanish version booklet :
[Preparación de su hijo/a para el ingreso a la educación superior \(PDF\)](#)
- For information on how to [prepare your child for college](#) and [what you can do to help](#) --
Or download the "[Preparing Your Child for College](#)" [Booklet \(PDF\)](#)
Or the Spanish version booklet :
[Qué sigue después de la escuela secundaria? \(PDF\)](#)

- For information about the Baltimore County Public Schools Scholarship Loan Program designed to encourage and assist new graduates of the Baltimore County Public Schools to consider professional careers in education read the [brochure \(PDF\)](#) and [application \(PDF\)](#) at www.bcps.org/students/
- For personal assessment and career planning information: <http://www.maryland.collegeanswer.com>
- For teens to explore exciting careers and what it takes to qualify for them: www.BeWhatIWantToBe.com
- For a 2 page timeline for high school seniors: <http://www.mhec.state.md.us/Publications/StudentOutreachKit/Acadypreparingforcollege.pdf>
- For the "Questions About College" Booklet:
View [Questions about College information online](#) or
Download a copy of the booklet [Questions About College \(PDF\)](#)
- For information on SAT test preparation: <http://www.collegeboard.com/>
- For Maryland Prepaid College Trust information: <http://www.collegesavingsmd.org/>
- For U.S. Department of Education college preparation publications: <http://www.ed.gov/students/prep/college/edpicks.jhtml>

MeritAid.com is the first-ever comprehensive Web site dedicated to helping students and parents discover merit aid scholarship opportunities nationwide.

QUESTBRIDGE National College Match program consists of two-parts:

1. The QUESTBRIDGE College Match pairs outstanding low-income students with early decision admission and full four-year scholarships in top-ranked colleges.
2. QUESTBRIDGE Regular Decision where qualified students apply to our partner colleges for free via the regular admission process, using QuestBridge application. This application is tailored to enable low-income students to highlight their successes and the obstacles they have overcome.

Go to WWW.QUESTBRIDGE.ORG for more information.

Academic Competitiveness Grant: Requirements: must complete a FAFSA form, must be eligible for a PELL Grant, must be a U.S. citizen, must be enrolled in a two-year degree program, must be enrolled for 12 or more credit hours, must have graduated from high school on or after January 1, 2005, must have completed a rigorous high school program (see application). First year grant students can earn \$750.00.

eCampusTours.com is offering a new and improved free scholarship search as well as virtual tours of over 1,200 college campuses. Visit eCampusTours.com for more details.

Apprenticeships/Internships:

Program/Job Opportunity

The Maryland Transportation Authority has sent us information for the Police Cadet and Police Officer Positions within the Maryland Transportation Authority Police. They are currently accepting applications for these positions. Applications are in the Guidance Office and you may contact Corporal Rabe at 410-537-7641 for more information or check the website: www.mdtpolicerecruiting.com.

The Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the Electrical Industry:

Term: On the job training for 5 years (8,000 hours minimum), 3-day school with two-year evening classes, starting wage is \$12.50 an hour. Must be at least 18 years old. No cost for school. Must be physically fit and have a high school diploma or GED. For more information, check in the Guidance Office. All applicants must apply in person. To find out more, call 410-247-3313.

SUMMER CAMPS AND WORKSHOPS

MICA in Baltimore is offering a summer program to students interested in Art & Design Education. The session runs from June 27th-July 25th. For more information and an application, check it the Guidance Office. *Deadline is April 21st.*

Lebanon Valley College is offering a Summer Music Camp from July 5-10th for high school instrumentalists. For more information, check in the Guidance Office or go online to www.lvc.edu/music-camp.

The University of Maryland Young Scholars Program is a great way for rising high school juniors and seniors to get ready for college. During three unforgettable weeks, you'll explore bold ideas and new ways of learning, study with students who share similar interests, learn to become more independent, and experience campus life at Maryland. You'll select one three-credit course from various subject areas. For complete program information, program costs, application procedures and forms email ysp@umd.edu or visit the website www.ysp.umd.edu/br.

Maryland Leadership Workshops, Inc. conducts fun, dynamic programs where students learn by doing. MLW brings together accomplished student leaders and students with leadership potential from around the State of Maryland to network and develop the skills necessary to succeed in all facets of their lives. Space is limited. For more information, email www.mlw.org or visit info@mlw.org.

Oxford Advanced Studies Program Summer Course 2009 in Oxford, England runs from July 7th-31st. For more information visit www.oasp.ac.uk.

University of Maryland College Park will again host AgDiscovery. AgDiscovery 2009 is an outreach program designed for high school aged youth to discover careers in plant and animal science and wildlife management. Students will learn about the broad spectrum of disciplines associated with agriculture and natural resources from university professors and scientist who work for the U.S Government through a variety of hands-on labs, workshops, and field trips.

This 2-week boarding program (July 12 thru July 24) is open to all students ages 14-17 who want to explore opportunities in agriculture and natural resources. AgDiscovery is a great way to discover new opportunities and career paths. And it is free.

For more information about AgDiscovery and how to apply for this unique program visit the links listed below. <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/agdiscovery/>
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/agdiscovery/downloads/AgDiscovery_Brochure_2009.pdf

The Department of Medical and Research Technology at the University of Maryland School of Medicine is pleased to invite students to the annual High School Open House. This is a great opportunity for students interested in Clinical Laboratory Science and/or Biotechnology to learn about the academic program and employment opportunities. This year the Open House is being held for grades 10-12 only and will be held on Thursday, April 23 from 10am to 12:30. If you are interested in this opportunity please call 410-706-7664.

The Mercersberg Academy is offering summer enrichment programs for student's grades 6-9. If you are interested, check in the Guidance Office.

Phillips Academy ANDOVER: For five weeks (June 30-August 5) students study, socialize and live in a multicultural community is ethnically, racially, geographically and economically diverse. You'll spend 3 hours a day in class, six days a week and have 4 ½ hours of homework each day. For more information visit www.andover.edu/summersession or see the packet in the Guidance Office.

The Boys American Legion Boys State 2009: This will take place at McDaniel College from June 21-27th. The program's aim is to expose current high school juniors to the United States Constitutional form of government. The program will emphasize the necessity of their future active participation as a citizen in the government process to insure continuing freedoms and rights. If you are interested, please see Mrs. Tuckey in the Guidance Office for an application.

American University's Washington Community of Scholars offers rising junior and senior high school students the opportunity to take rigorous three-credit college classes taught by highly regarded members of the AU faculty. These classes, ranging from international relations and U.S. foreign policy, to criminal justice and journalism, are complemented with guest speakers, site visits to such places as the State Department, and afternoon workshops designed to build college and career skills. Small, seminar-style classes enable professors to challenge and encourage the potential of each student.

This year the program runs from July 13 to July 31, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The residential option is available for those wishing to live on campus.

For more information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-885-2442 or email me at communityofscholars@american.edu. To download a brochure, please visit our website at <http://www.american.edu/precollege>.

The University of Alabama is offering its 2009 Capstone Business Leadership Academy from June 15-24 and July 13-22. You qualify if you are a current junior with a GPA of 3.4 and a 1210 on SAT's. Cost is \$350.00. For more information visit <http://cba.ua.edu/summeracademy>.

Natural Resources Careers Conference will be held Sunday, July 19th through Saturday, July 25th at the Hickory Environmental Education Center in Garrett County, MD. High school students interested in exploring careers in natural resources are encouraged to attend. *Applications are in the Guidance Office and are due back by April 30th.*

Computers and Technology at Virginia Tech: June 28th-July 11th. This C-Tech 2 courses is focused on developing and sustaining the interest of women in engineering and the sciences. The target population for the program is rising junior and senior high school girls. For more information visit www.ctech2.eng.vt.edu

Johns Hopkins Engineering Innovation Summer Program for High School Students.

You must have completed your sophomore year, junior year or senior year. You must have successful completion of a laboratory science. Algebra 2 and knowledge of Trigonometry. Knowledge of a spreadsheet application such as Excel is also necessary. Visit the website for an application: <http://engineering-innovation.jhu.edu>. *Deadline to apply is May 15th.*

The Pratt Institute offers a summer program from July 6-31st. Visit www.pratt.edu/ccps-precollege. This is a fabulous opportunity for an "arts" student.

The Summer Student Academy will allow students to spend 6 amazing days in D.C. You'll explore the monuments and memorials, have access to key policy and media experts, earn credit from the University of VA and more. Dates run from June until July. For more information call 800-256-7387 or visit SummerAcademy@CloseUp.org.

Phillips Exeter Academy Summer School in New Hampshire is holding a summer program July 5-August 8, 2009. For more information go to www.exeter.edu/summer. Middlebury College is offering a summer program "The Bread Loaf" at the school of English. Programs are being offered in Vermont and North Carolina. If interested, visit www.middlebury.edu/academics/blse.

The School of Visual Arts in NY is offering a Pre-College Program for the summer. For more information, visit www.sva.edu

Applications to attend the 2009 National Youth Science Camp are now available online at www.nysc.org/2009. Two graduating high school students will be selected to represent Maryland at the all-expenses paid honors program which will be held from July 1 through July 25, 2009. To apply, please download the application packet from www.nysc.org/2009 and follow the enclosed instructions. For more information about the NYSC, please visit www.nysc.org. For questions about the application process, please contact Ms. Mary M. Thurlow at 410-767-0329 or by E-mail at mthurlow@msde.state.md.us. The NYSC is hosted and operated by the National Youth Science Foundation (www.nysf.com).

Cornell University is offering a Summer College Program for high school students. You can experience the excitement of college life at the “Hottest Ivy”. Explore careers and academic majors, attend admission workshops, enjoy dances, concerts, enhance you college application and more. Visit www.summercollege.cornell.edu for more information.

American University is offering a three-week college accredited program held on AU’s D.C. campus. You can earn 3 college credits in the following areas: U.S. Politics, Criminal Justice and Forensics, U.S. Foreign Policy and Journalism & Media. If you wish to be nominated for this summer program, see Mrs. Tuckey in the Guidance Office.