



# Maurice J. McDonough High School

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## April College and Career Newsletter

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### **Gear Up for College Entrance Exams**

Juniors who want to go to a four-year college will need to take a college entrance exam. Whether you're taking the SAT or ACT, it takes planning and preparing to do it right. Please note the redesigned SAT is being administered. Find the latest news for 2016 at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).

#### **The Best Testing Schedule**

There is no one test plan or schedule that is best for everyone. It depends on your schedule, your ability to prep, the classes you're taking, and many other factors. But since we are always pressed for an answer, we will tell you one schedule that works well for many students. Consider taking the SAT test in May and June of your junior year. You may need to reserve May for AP tests and SAT Subject tests in the same subjects (if required). AP (Advanced Placement) World History students will register for the June SAT Subject Test date, and take the May SAT. If you are taking the ACT, consider the June test. The advantage of this plan is that you have a place to start from and can spend the summer prepping for your fall test(s). This allows you to use the fall of senior year for getting your applications in early. If you are applying to schools with very early deadlines, such as November 1<sup>st</sup>, you will need to register to take the SAT in October or the ACT in September. If you are still not satisfied with your scores, you may still have the opportunity to take your test one more time in November and/or December. We don't recommend taking the SAT or ACT more than three times, but the testing strategy is obviously your decision.

#### **Prepping and Registering for the Tests**

The sad reality is that prepping for the SAT, ACT, and SAT Subject tests has become the rule, not the exception. You must face the fact that students competing with you are probably prepping for these tests in some way. Our advice is to prep for the test one way or another, buy the best method you can

afford. At least purchase a book of real practice SATs and take them at home. Time yourself. You have resources available to you through Study Island at school, and you should take advantage. For the SAT, College Board has hired Khan Academy to develop a FREE, personalized, online SAT preparation course: [www.khanacademy.org/sat](http://www.khanacademy.org/sat)

Here are some ways to prep in order of least expensive to most:

- Internet resources like Khanacademy.org or Study Island at no cost (samples tests, practice questions, etc.); free, online instruction
- Books and Software (go to amazon.com or other online book stores and search on SAT Prep or Test prep) Check books out in the Library or Career Center.
- Online courses
- Classes (The College of Southern Maryland “CSM” offers a prep class)
- Private Tutors

Here are some resources for test prep at all levels (in no particular order):

- [www.prepme.com](http://www.prepme.com) – one of the newer services
- [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) - online registration and prep for ACT
- [www.Number2.com](http://www.Number2.com) - free SAT coaching
- [www.revolutionprep.com](http://www.revolutionprep.com) – relatively new program with several options
- [www.princetonreview.com](http://www.princetonreview.com) - a popular service – test prep and more
- [www.kaplan.com](http://www.kaplan.com) – another popular service for test prep
- [www.slyvanlearning.com](http://www.slyvanlearning.com) – another popular service for test prep
- [www.sat.org/register](http://www.sat.org/register) (this is also where you register)
- [www.testu.com](http://www.testu.com) - free coaching for SAT
- [www.EurekaReview.com](http://www.EurekaReview.com) – a newer service
- [www.freevocabulary.com](http://www.freevocabulary.com) - 5000 vocabulary words that may be on SAT
- [www.testprepreview.com/](http://www.testprepreview.com/) - practice tests and advice
- [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org) - free online instruction
- [www.erikthered.com/tutor/#satmathsec](http://www.erikthered.com/tutor/#satmathsec)
- [www.freetestprep.com](http://www.freetestprep.com)
- [www.thecriticalreader.com/sat-act-study-guides.html](http://www.thecriticalreader.com/sat-act-study-guides.html)

## The SAT Test

This test has been redesigned to reflect the real work of school and career. Along with your high school record of courses and GPA, the SAT scores will help colleges

predict academic success in college. The SAT is typically taken by high school juniors and seniors. The fee is \$54.50 for the plus writing and \$43 for the assessment only as of this printing.

The Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section and Mathematics Section of the SAT are scored on a scale of 200 - 800, with three essay sub-scores for reading, analysis and writing with scores from 2 to 8. It is administered seven times a year in the U.S., Puerto Rico, and U.S. Territories, and six times a year overseas.

Here are some **highlights of the SAT Test:**

### **Evidence-Based Reading and Writing**

Reading Test: 65 minutes, 52 questions (all multiple choice)

\*4 single and 1 pair of reading passages; some will contain graphics (tables, charts, etc.)

\*3 content areas (subject knowledge not tested): literature, history/social studies; science

Writing and Language Test: 35 minutes, 44 questions (all multiple choice);

1 or more graphics in 1 or more sets of questions

\*4 reading passages of 3 types: argument, informative/-explanatory, nonfiction narrative

\*4 content areas (subject knowledge not tested): careers; history/social studies; humanities; science

**Total Time: 100 minutes    Score: 200-800**

### **Mathematics**

Calculator Section: 55 minutes, 38 questions (30 multiple choice, 8 grid-in)

\*4 content areas: Heart of Algebra, Problem Solving and Data Analysis, Passport to Advanced Math, Additional topics in Math

No Calculator Section: 25 minutes, 20 questions (15 multiple choice, 5 grid-in)

\*3 content areas: Heart of Algebra, Passport to Advanced Math, Additional Topics in Math

**Total Time: 80 minutes    Score: 200-800**

### **Essay (Optional)**

Based on the text of an argument written for a broad audience, you will be asked to consider how the author uses:

- \*Evidence, such as facts or examples, to support claims
- \*reasoning to develop ideas and to connect claims and evidence
- \*stylistic/persuasive elements (word choice, tone, etc.) to add power to the ideas expressed

**Time: 50 minutes**                      **Score: 2 to 8 on each of three categories: reading, analysis, and writing**

At [www.satpractice.org](http://www.satpractice.org), you'll receive personalized, interactive study resources powered by Khan Academy and College Board. Using [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org) is a great FREE resource as well as many books available in the Library and Career Center.

Be sure to get plenty of sleep the night before and bring snacks and water. Concentrate on staying focused and watch your pacing. Use #2 pencils only. No mechanical pencils or ink pens allowed.

**The SAT Subject Tests: \$24.50 per registration (add \$13 for additional) 3 allowed per date**

These are the 20 subject tests that measure knowledge or skills in a particular subject. Each test is one hour, and many subjects are offered. Not all colleges require the SAT Subject Tests, and some don't even consider the scores. Those that do will generally want two or three in different subject areas and will probably weight them equally to the SAT Test. So once again, research pays. Find out what your prospective colleges require or recommend, and watch for changes. Take the SAT Subject Tests whenever you peak in that particular subject. For instance, if you've taken AP Biology, take the Biology test that May or June.

*For more information, visit:*

**<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/about/SATII.html>**

**The ACT Test**

The ACT® test contains four multiple-choice tests: English, mathematics, reading, and science. The ACT with writing includes the four multiple-choice tests and a writing test.

**Test and Content**

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| English | 75 questions | 45 minutes | Measures standard written English and rhetorical skills. |

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| Mathematics           | 60 questions | 60 minutes | Measures mathematical skills students have typically acquired in courses taken up to the beginning of grade 12.            |
| Reading               | 40 questions | 35 minutes | Measures reading comprehension.  |
| Science               | 40 questions | 35 minutes | Measures the interpretation, analysis, evaluation, reasoning, and problem-solving skills required in the natural sciences. |
| Optional Writing Test | 1 prompt     | 40 minutes | Measures writing skills emphasized in high school English classes and in entry-level college composition courses.          |

ACT has an optional 30-minute Writing Test as a component to the ACT Assessment. Prompts used for the ACT Writing Test describe an issue relevant to high school students and ask students to write about their perspective on the issue. As a starting place, two different perspectives on the issue are provided. Examinees may choose to support one of these perspectives or to develop a response based on their own perspective. They will need to clearly state their position and provide reasons and examples. The ACT Writing Test will be required by some colleges and costs \$56.50. Some institutions only want the assessment portion, ACT No Writing at \$39.50. Please check with your prospective colleges.

You will actually receive 12 separate scores on the ACT: 1 composite, 4 subject scores, and sub-scores. However, the composite – or scaled – score is the most important. It ranges from 1-36. Nearly half of those who take it fall in the 17-23 range.

The ACT test has traditionally been more content-based than the SAT. The ACT more closely reflects core curriculum taught in high school classes, although the SAT is now doing more of the same. Some other significant differences are that the ACT has a science reasoning section while the SAT does not. ACT provides a comprehensive 80-page prep booklet free of charge at [www.act.org/aap/pdf/preparing.pdf](http://www.act.org/aap/pdf/preparing.pdf) and one to help you interpret your scores at [www.actstudent.org/pdf/uyar.pdf](http://www.actstudent.org/pdf/uyar.pdf). Visit [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) for more info. Wondering if your scores will get you where you want to go?

*Here are some middle 50% scores from various colleges:*  
**<http://collegeapps.about.com/od/theact/p/act-score-charts.htm>**

### **Sending Your Test Scores**

Always check the score reporting requirements for each college, as it can vary. Most colleges want scores sent directly from the testing agency not from your high school transcript. The NCAA Eligibility Center requires scores to be sent directly from testing agencies. Keep track of what you have sent to which school(s), and be sure you have sent scores to all schools you are applying to (unless not required). Also, if you are applying for early decision or early action, be mindful of the early deadlines.

### **SAT and Score Choice**

Four score reports are free with your SAT registration. These reports encourage immediate and early reporting, even before results are seen. There is a \$15 fee for additional reports. Score reports contain all SAT and Subject Test scores taken up to the request date UNLESS you choose a single score choice. (That is, a score from a single SAT test date or an individual Subject Test score.) Visit these links for more information about “Score Choice” and sending your scores:

**<http://professionals.collegeboard.com/profdownload/sat-score-choice.pdf>**  
**<http://professionals.collegeboard.com/testing/sat-reasoning/scores/policy>**  
**<http://sat.collegeboard.org/scores/send-sat-scores>**

Colleges will still use their own method to evaluate SAT scores sent. Some colleges take your best single sitting; others take your best from each test section. None average them. For SAT Subject Tests, colleges generally use your highest scores from each test.

### **ACT**

Four score reports are free with your registration. With ACT, you have always been able to choose which scores to send. ACT will send only the score from a single requested test date. The cost is \$11 per report per college as of this printing. There is a rush option that will cost more.

**A great resource book from College Board: “*Get It Together for College, A Planner to Help You Get Organized and GET In.*” \$15.99 [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)**

**\*\*\*\*All students are reminded to take advantage of free, internet scholarship databases that will match you to scholarships and grants, such as fastweb.com, chegg.com and meritaid.com. Look for more on the McDonough webpage and in the Career Center. Check the flyers and posters in the cafeteria for more details! Use your [www.careercruising.com](http://www.careercruising.com) accounts for all research!**

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#### **Financial Aid Process**

Priority Deadline for your FAFSA: March 1, 2016 - CSM Federal School Code for FAFSA: 002064

At the College of Southern Maryland, our Financial Assistance Department staff members are here to help meet your educational goal. Our mission is to offer you the information and services to make college affordable for you. Our office is located at the La Plata Campus in the Administration Building, Room 110. Our regular office hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You can reach us by telephone at 301-934-7531, or send an e-mail at [fadasst@csm.edu](mailto:fadasst@csm.edu).

#### **2016-2017 CSM Online Scholarship Finder**

The CSM Online Scholarship Finder is now accepting applications for this academic year. Students may apply through May 31 and are encouraged to apply early for best consideration. Each year the CSM Foundation awards scholarships in a number of academic programs of study to students with varying backgrounds and needs. For complete scholarship eligibility criteria and more information on how to apply, please visit <http://www.csm.edu/costs-aid/index.html>.

## **Prince George's County National College Fair**

Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex

**Friday, April 22 - 9:30am-1:00pm**

For more information, visit:

[Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex](#)

Field House

8001 Sheriff Road, Landover, Maryland 20785, 301/583-2670

#### **Information Session:**

Students and parents need to remember that many colleges offer information sessions throughout the DC/MD/VA area where one can learn about the selection process for particular colleges, meet the representatives, and show their interest

in those colleges. Some flyers and posters are in the cafeteria announcing events. Check with the admissions office of your prospective colleges to find your options. Most colleges post the information sessions, open house dates, tours, etc. on their website for prospective students. ***This is called “Demonstrated Interest.”***

Also, merit scholarships for some highly selective colleges require a nomination from your high school administrator or counselor. Some of these applications are separate from the admissions application and will have early fall deadlines. Please do the research. Don't miss out on free money for college because you did not ask the rep or did not search for scholarship opportunities!

Explore **Morgan State University**: FREE Open House! Friday, **April 1, at 9am**  
Visit: <http://www.morgan.edu/openhouse> to register!

There are a multitude of programs for high school students at colleges and universities across the country. **Pre-college programs and workshops** are hosted by the University of Maryland, Georgetown, and CSM, just to name a few in our area. If you want to visit a campus to see if it is a good fit for you upon graduation, enrolling in their summer program is an excellent way to make that determination. **The College & Career Center has many flyers and brochures advertising these programs. Check the posters in the cafeteria for more programs available this summer.**

**University of Maryland College Park is hosting Maryland Day 2016! Saturday, April 30 from 10am to 4pm. This open house will have over 450 educational, family-friendly and interactive events. With Maryland in the Big Ten Conference the event is bigger than ever!**

**Nursing and Healthcare career exploration opportunity: VolunTeens Program** has replaced the traditional “candy striper” program at the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center hospital for students wishing to learn how a hospital really operates and assist staff and patients. A great career exploration opportunity awaits those who apply. Students must be 14 to 17 years of age. Call UMDCRC's Human Resources Department, Nickeisha Hamilton at 301-609-4446 for more details. Students will be called in for an interview after the application is completed. The VolunTeens Program begins in June. Application opens online at [www.charlesregionalcareers.org](http://www.charlesregionalcareers.org) in Mid-March.

**Morgan State University** is offering The Summer Academy of Mathematics and Science (**SAMS**) program June 21 – July 31. An academic enrichment program for rising 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> graders from underrepresented groups in the areas of math and science--**tuition is free**. Apply NOW and send paperwork **by April 17** at:  
[http://www.morgan.edu/school\\_of\\_computer\\_mathematical\\_and\\_natural\\_sciences/high\\_school\\_outreach/sams\\_program.html](http://www.morgan.edu/school_of_computer_mathematical_and_natural_sciences/high_school_outreach/sams_program.html).

**Delaware State University Spring Open House**  
**Saturday, April 9 from 9am to 3pm**  
**Check-in at in at the Wellness and Recreation Center, Dover, DE**



**Register at DESU.EDU/OPENHOUSE**  
**On-Site Admission with completed online application and \$35 application fee,**  
**official transcript and SAT or ACT Test Scores**

**Maryland Leadership Workshops, Inc.** conducts fun, dynamic programs where students learn by doing. Topics include motivation, team building, leadership styles, project planning, diversity, empowering others, and more. Dances, games and recreation on the college campus are included. Visit [www.mlw.org](http://www.mlw.org) for more details. Register before April 1 and the cost is \$695. Some scholarships are available.

**Maryland Summer Centers:** Summer Centers for Gifted and Talented Students in the fine and performing arts, environmental science, technology, computer science, space science, physics, engineering, world languages, creative writing and digital filmmaking. Application deadlines vary but most are due April 15. Visit [www.marylandpublicschools.org/summercenters](http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/summercenters) to register.

**QuestBridge College Prep Scholarship** for high school juniors who have shown outstanding academic ability despite facing economic challenges. Academic achievement, GPA, course rigor, writing ability, and standardized test scores, financial need, apply [www.questbridge.org](http://www.questbridge.org) for College Summer Programs.

**Colleges That Change Lives 2016 Event Locations:** [www.CTCL.org](http://www.CTCL.org)

Information sessions for many selective colleges that boast of student success and achievements will be held in geographic areas across the country including the DC Area. Visit the website for a list of these colleges which include: Goucher College, McDaniel College, Allegheny College, Cornell College, and many selective colleges.

**2016 Volunteer Fair: April 16, 7:00-8:30 pm, North Point High School cafeteria...** Learn about opportunities to volunteer in Charles County. Many local charities and organizations will be onsite. Volunteering allows you to: gain leadership experience, make new friends, network, learn valuable skills, help the community, and improve your resume.

**More Gordon Croft Family Scholarships: Consider these colleges for free money.....if.....**

Seniors who reside in southern Charles County as defined as south of Route 225 from La Plata to Mason Springs and south of Route 6 from La Plata to the St. Mary's County line and south of La Plata may apply for Engineering scholarships and more to the **University of Maryland College Park's James Clark School of Engineering, to the College of Southern Maryland, Washington and Lee University, Randolph Macon in Virginia, Johns Hopkins University in Maryland, and Dartmouth College in New Hampshire. Always check with the financial aid office of your prospective colleges to seek out scholarship specific applications and due dates. These applications will be separate from the admissions application. In many cases, early fall deadlines apply. Don't miss out on free money! You've got to apply to win!**

# CONGRESSMAN STENY HOYER

Invites all interested students to  
The Fifth Congressional District of Maryland

## **35<sup>th</sup> Annual** **U.S. Service Academy and** **Military Showcase**

U.S. Service Academies  
College ROTC Programs and Recruiters

**Monday, April 25, 2016**

**6:00-8:00 P.M. The Show Place Arena**

**14900 Pennsylvania Avenue**

**Upper Marlboro, MD 20772**

**All interested 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders and parents welcomed!**

**Panel Presentation at 7:15pm**

**Military Service Academy Forum**

**Learn about the U.S. Military Academies and their admissions requirements**

For More Information Call (301) 843-1577 or Email: [Stefanie.Carey@mail.house.gov](mailto:Stefanie.Carey@mail.house.gov)



## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

### **April Deadline:**

#### **Maryland Senatorial & Delegate Scholarships**

Who may apply :

Students planning to enroll as full-time or part-time, degree-seeking undergraduates at a 2-year or 4-year public or independent college or university in Maryland may apply. Students attending private career schools are also eligible to apply. Stop in the Career Center for applications.

#### **Senatorial Scholarships**

Senator Thomas M. Middleton

Contact: 301-858-3616

File your FAFSA by March 1st to be considered for this scholarship and MHEC will notify you.

#### **Delegate Scholarships:**

Delegate Sally Jameson

Contact: 301-858-3337

**Deadline: April 15**

Delegate Dr. Edith Patterson

Contact: 301-934-0307

**Deadline: April 3** online: <http://electedithpatterson.com/delegate-edith-j-patterson-scholarship/>

Delegate C.T. Wilson

Contact: 301-858-3325 or by email at [CT.Wilson@house.state.md.us](mailto:CT.Wilson@house.state.md.us)

**Deadline: April 1.**

**You must file a FAFSA to be considered for any of the Maryland State Scholarships**

#### **Abelson Law Firm Teen Safety Scholarship**

**Eligible: Juniors**

**Criteria: 60 seconds or less video of a public announcement raising awareness of cyber bullying**

**Award: multiple levels \$2,000, \$1,000 and iPad Mini**

**Deadline: 4/1** <http://www.seekingjustice.com/scholarship/> to apply and upload video

#### **American Society of Military Comptrollers Southern Maryland Chapter**

**Eligible: Senior**

**Criteria: Must be entering a field of study directly related to business or financial management, business administration, economics, public administration, accounting, or related area of study**

**Deadline: 4/30** <http://www.asmconline.org/> application in the Career Center

**Andrews Federal Credit Union**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** Member or member dependent of AFCU, essay, community service

**Award:** \$1500

**Deadline:** 4/23, apply at: [www.andrewsfcu.org/scholarship2015](http://www.andrewsfcu.org/scholarship2015)

**AFCEA Southern Maryland Chapter Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** GPA 3.25 min, pursue college curriculum in communications, electronics, engineering, mathematics, computer or scientific disciplines

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 4/30 applications in the Career Center

**Athletic Boosters' Lesley W. Cooke Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors who lettered in a varsity sport in high school

**Criteria:** essay, coach or community member letter of recommendation and teacher or counselor letter

**Award:** \$1,000 to one male and one female

**Deadline:** 4/17 application in the Career Center

**Blacks in Government - Carl T. Rowan Chapter**

*Evangeline Montgomery Scholarship*

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Min. GPA 3.0, official transcript, essay, letter of recommendation

**Deadline:** 4/16, for application go to: [www.bigctr.org](http://www.bigctr.org)

**Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club of Maryland Scholarship**

**Eligible:** African-American Seniors

**Criteria:** planning to attend a Maryland or D.C. college, 2.5 GPA, U.S. citizen or permanent resident

**Award:** \$1,000 scholarship

**Deadline:** 4/1 <http://www.buffalosoldiers-md.com/>

**Calvert Memorial Hospital Foundation Allied Health Scholarships**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** pursuing nursing or other Health fields, Charles County students considered with consideration to Calvert and Anne Arundel County students receiving priority.

**Award:** multiple

**Deadline:** 4/30 [www.calverthospital.org](http://www.calverthospital.org)

**Central Scholarship Bureau Scholarships and Grants**

Maryland Resident (or reside within 200 miles of Baltimore City)

US Citizen or Permanent Resident

Family income below \$90,000

GPA of 2.7 or higher to be competitive

Enrolled in, or applying to, an accredited US college

**Deadline:** 4/1 [www.central-scholarship.org](http://www.central-scholarship.org)

**Charles Regional Medical Center HEALTH Auxiliary, Inc. Scholarship**

***Ann Roberts***

**Eligible:** Graduating high school senior who is a resident of Charles County

**Criteria:** 3.0+ GPA during Jr. & Sr. years in high school, pursuing a career in health care, two letters of recommendation

**Award:** 4 - \$1,000

**Deadline:** 4/30 [www.charlesregional.org](http://www.charlesregional.org) click on "About Us" then "Volunteer" download on right

**Dahlgren Officers' Spouses' Club Rosemarie Blades Honorary Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors dependent of military personnel currently or previously assigned to Dahlgren, VA

**Criteria:** scholastic achievement, academic honors, school and community activities, essay

**Award:** multiple

**Deadline:** 4/15 [www.dahlgrenosc.webs.com](http://www.dahlgrenosc.webs.com)

**Delta Kappa Gamma Society**

***Chi Chapter***

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Pursue a career in education. Transcript, two letters of recommendation, application and a 500 word essay explaining why you are interested in becoming a teacher

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 4/24 application in the Career Center

**Delta Kappa Gamma Society**

***Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Beta State***

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Plan to attend a Maryland State School and pursue a career in education.

Transcript, two letters of recommendation, and application

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 4/15

**Educational Systems Federal Credit Union**

***The Dorothy Marvil Memorial Scholarship***

**Eligible:** Seniors who are members of Educational Systems Federal Credit Union

**Criteria:** 2.75 GPA & essay

**Award:** \$3,000

**Deadline:** 4/4 [www.esfcu.org](http://www.esfcu.org)

**Esperanza Scholarship Fund**

**Eligible:** Senior born outside the U. S. or that has two parents who were born outside the U.S.

**Criteria:** This scholarship is limited to immigrant students, essay, two letters of recommendation.

**Award:** \$5,000-\$20,000

**Deadline:** 4/1 [www.esperanzafund.org](http://www.esperanzafund.org)

**Federal Water Quality Association**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** Planning to pursue environmental careers, must be accepted into a 4-year bachelor's program

**Deadline: 4/13** [www.fwqa-dc.org/](http://www.fwqa-dc.org/) applications in the Career Center

**Joseph J. Fox Memorial Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** Major in education to pursue teaching as a career, min GPA 3.2, community service in education related activities

**Deadline: 4/15** [www.somirac.org](http://www.somirac.org) for application under resources, click on Fox Scholarship

**Elizabeth Ann “Libby” Frist Memorial Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** Tobacco free and has demonstrated a commitment to anti-smoking advocacy,

**Deadline: 4/27,** [www.gramspromisefoundation.org](http://www.gramspromisefoundation.org)

**Green Pest Services Maryland Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** Min GPA 3.0, based primarily on need, but does not exclude achievement standards, SAR, transcript

**Award:** \$750

**Deadline: 4/30** <http://greenpestservices.net/maryland-scholarship/>

**Hotelcheaps Scholarship Program**

**Eligible:** at least 16 years old

**Criteria:** Community service, must answer four personal, open-ended, and thought-provoking questions

**Award:** \$1500

**Deadline: 4/15,** <http://www.hotelscheap.org/scholarship>

**The Angie Houtz Memorial Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Unweighted 3.0 GPA, 200 hours of community service, attend a Maryland 2-yr. or 4-yr. college,

**Award:** multiple up to \$3,000

**Deadline: 4/30** application: <http://theangiefund.com/Scholarship.html>

**The Shawn Carter (Jay-Z) Scholarship Fund**

Seniors planning to attend college, trade schools, or vocational schools with qualifying factors including alternative school students, single mothers, grade point average of 2.0, and those students previously incarcerated may apply.

Visit <https://www.shawncartersf.com/scholarship-fund/#app> **Deadline: 4/30**

**Absalom Jones Scholarship**

St. Philip’s Episcopal Church

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** demonstrate qualities such as leadership, service, interest in education, financial need

**Award:** \$1,000 scholarships.

**Deadline: 4/4** [www.stphilipslaurel.org](http://www.stphilipslaurel.org)

**La Plata Rotary Educational Grant**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** 3.0 or higher GPA, scholastic achievement, extra-curricular activities, community service, and financial need are considered

**Award:** multiple  
**Deadline:** 4/10 application in the Career Center

**Links Inc.**

***Southern Maryland Chain Chapter***

**Eligible:** High School Seniors

**Criteria:** Financial Need, academic and community involvement, letter of recommendation, personal interview

**Award:** \$500- \$1,000

**Deadline:** 4/1

**Maryland Emergency Management Association Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Student essay, community involvement, school records and grades, financial need

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 4/1 [www.mhec.state.md.us](http://www.mhec.state.md.us)

**Maryland Multicultural Coalition Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** pursuing field of education for teaching credentials, resident of Maryland, academic record

**Award:** multiple

**Deadline:** 4/1 [ptlevro@carrollk12.org](mailto:ptlevro@carrollk12.org) for an application or stop in the Career Center

**Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association**

Minds in Motion Scholarship

**Eligible:** Senior Scholar Athletes

**Criteria:** 3.25+ unweighted GPA and participation in interscholastic athletics while in high school

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 4/15 [www.mpsaa.org/publications/MindsinMotion.asp](http://www.mpsaa.org/publications/MindsinMotion.asp)

**Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association (MSSA) Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Pursue a major in Marine Biology, Environmental Engineering, Fisheries Management or other fields related to the ecology of the Chesapeake Bay, its tributaries and the coastal waters of the Atlantic.

**Award:** multiple

**Deadline:** 4/15 [www.mssa.net](http://www.mssa.net)

**Master Gardener Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors enrolling in college Fall of 2016

**Criteria:** Resident of Charles County, 3.0 GPA or higher, pursuing animal and avian sciences, earth and physical sciences, environmental science, life science, marine science, plant science, etc.

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 04/29 See Mrs. Welch for an application in the Career Center.

**McDonough Charity School Grant**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Financial need, to qualify the family income allotment is \$70,000 for a family of three, with \$5,000 extra allotted per child living at home.

**Award:** varies

**Deadline:** 4/1 application in the Career Center

**McDonough PTSO Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** minimum 3.0 GPA, essay, two letters of recommendation with one from a community member

**Award:** \$500

**Deadline:** 4/15 application in the Career Center

**John T. McCraw Scholarship – National Federation of the Blind of Maryland**

**Eligible:** Legally blind seniors

**Criteria:** legal resident of Maryland, enrolling in a Maryland college, attend convention July 1-6

**Award:** multiple

**Deadline:** 4/15

**Morgan State University, George F. DeFord Scholarship**

*Southern Maryland Alumni Chapter*

**Eligible:** High School Seniors

**Criteria:** attending Morgan State University this fall; 2.5+ GPA on a 4.0 scale

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 4/17 application in the Career Center

**National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering (NACME) Scholarships**

**Eligible:** Seniors of African-American, American Indian, or Latino heritage

**Criteria:** STEM studies, 3.0GPA, SAT of 1650 with math 550+, ACT of 24 with 24 on math section, admitted into an engineering program as a full-time student; preference to a NACME partner college.

**Award:** \$2,500

**Deadline:** 4/1 <https://nacme.schoolforms.org/pre-engineering-scholarship-application>

**National Naval Officers Association 2015 Scholarship Awards Program**

*Washington, DC Chapter*

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** Academic achievement, positive community involvement, commitment and financial need

**Award:** \$1000

**Deadline:** 4/4, Applications at: [www.dcnnoa.com](http://www.dcnnoa.com)

**USDA 1890 National Scholars Program**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** U.S. Citizen, unweighted 3.0 GPA or higher, accepted to participating colleges, study Agriculture, food, natural resources sciences, computer science or other related disciplines

**Award:** FULL RIDE SCHOLARSHIP

**Deadline:** 4/4 <http://www.outreach.usda.gov/education/1890/>

**National Society of Black Engineers**

*Patuxent River Alumni Extension Chapter*

**Eligible:** African American seniors, 2.5 GPA or higher

**Criteria:** Major in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math; 500 word essay

**Award:** \$1,000 **Deadline:** 4/30 [www.http://nsbepotomacriver.org/](http://nsbepotomacriver.org/)



**Naval Officers' Spouses Club of Washington, D.C. 2016 Scholarship Program**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Dependents of USN officer and enlisted active duty, reserve, retired, or deceased personnel

**Deadline:** 4/1 <http://www.noscdc.com>

**Barbara Williams O'Dell Memorial Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors at MJ McDonough High School

**Criteria:** 2.75 cumulative GPA, school/community involvement, essay, major in elementary education or Special Education

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 4/1 application in the Career Center

**Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.**

*Tau Lambda Lambda Chapter in Partnership with John Lancaster & W. Cecil Short Charity Foundation*

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** see application

**Award:** \$1,000 **Deadline:** 4/1 [www.southernmdques.org](http://www.southernmdques.org)

**Pomoukey High School Alumni Association, Inc. Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior who is an heir to a paid member of the Alumni Association

**Criteria:** 2.0+ GPA

**Award:** \$500

**Deadline:** 4/21 application in the Career Center

**Prince Hall Freemason and Eastern Star Charitable Foundation**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** Official transcript, 2 letters of recommendation, 500 word essay

**Deadline:** 4/10 <http://princehallcharitablefoundation.org/scholarship.html>

**Sabre STEM Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** unweighted 3.25+, letters of recommendation, STEM activities/experiences, plan on majoring in STEM areas

**Award:** \$1,500

**Deadline:** 4/10 <http://www.sabresystems.com/About/Corporate-Giving>

**2016 Student-View Scholarship Program**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** 15-20 minute survey about colleges

**Award:** Multiple levels up to \$4,000 scholarship

**Deadline:** 4/22 [www.student-view.com](http://www.student-view.com)

**Susana de Moya Foundation Award**

**Eligible:** Grades 6-11, student or one of student's parent been born in the Dominican Republic

**Criteria:** Essay, community service, current report card, interview

**Deadline:** 4/20, [www.sdmfoundation.org](http://www.sdmfoundation.org)

**Worldstudio AIGA Scholarship**

*The Design Continuum Fund*

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** GPA 2.0+, study art and design disciplines in college and universities, financial need, minority status not required but significant factor

**Award:** \$1,000 - \$5,000

**Deadline:** 4/22 <http://givecontinuum.org/apply>

**Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Phi Alpha Zeta Chapter Scholarships**

**Eligible:** Senior from Charles County

**Criteria:** Be accepted to a four-year college or university or a community college, unweighted GPA of 2.5 or higher, demonstrate community involvement both in school and community, demonstrate financial need, essay required

**Award:** \$500 scholarships

**Deadline:** 4/15 [www.phialphazeta.org](http://www.phialphazeta.org)

**May Deadline:****Bobby Balint "It's All About Love" Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors enrolled in a Performing Arts class senior year

**Criteria:** must major or participate in a Performing Arts field at a 2 or 4 year institution, essay, transcript

**Award:** varies

**Deadline:** 5/10 application in the Career Center or Fine Arts class

**Angela Houtz/Knights of Columbus Memorial Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Unweighted 3.0 GPA, community service, one letter of recommendation from an academic teacher, and a member of the clergy, or a community leader needed.

**Award:** \$1,000 scholarships

**Deadline:** 5/14 receipt See Mrs. Welch for the application.

**B. Davis Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Juniors and seniors

**Criteria:** Write an essay in less than 1000 words: What you would consider to be the most important issue that society has to deal with in the next 10 or 20 years? Why do you think this issue so important?

**Award:** \$1000

**Deadline:** 5/25

**Submit** by email [awards@studentawardsearch.com](mailto:awards@studentawardsearch.com) this is not an academic scholarship but indicate where you are going to school now and what your future academic plans are.

<http://www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm> to apply

**Delta Kappa Gamma Society**

***Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Beta State***

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** Plan to attend a Maryland State School and pursue a career in education. Transcript, two letters of recommendation and application

**Award:** multiple \$1,000 and \$700

**Deadline:** 5/1 application in Career Center

**Maryland Association of Private Colleges and Career Schools (MAPCCS)**

**Eligible:** Graduating high school seniors

**Criteria:** Students interested in attending career schools in such fields as Cosmetology, Barbering , Broadcasting, Automotive Technology, Medical Assistant, Dental Assistant, HVAC and PC support

**Award:** Varies \$500- \$24,000

**Deadline:** 5/16 [www.mapccs.org](http://www.mapccs.org) or application in Career Center

**Nordstrom Scholarship Program**

**Eligible:** Juniors

**Criteria:** Min GPA 2.7, community/volunteer activities, 4 yr. college bound

**Deadline:** 5/1; apply online [www.nordstrom.com/scholarship](http://www.nordstrom.com/scholarship)

**Norfolk State University Alumni Association, Prince George's Co. MD Chapter**

**Eligible:** Senior who is a resident of Maryland

**Criteria:** 2.5 or higher GPA and exhibits qualities and traits of leadership, citizenship, and service to school and community

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 5/1 application in the Career Center

**Port Tobacco Players**

**Lillian Medas Memorial Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Graduating high school senior

**Criteria:** GPA 3.0+ must be enrolled in a theater arts or music program or have a proven interest in the theatre arts. Applicants will be judged by their scholastic ability, activities, particularly theater related, endeavors including community involvement.

**Award:** \$750.00

**Deadline:** 5/1 [www.ptplayers.com/lil-medas-scholarship-award.html](http://www.ptplayers.com/lil-medas-scholarship-award.html)

**Society of Women Engineers**

**Eligible:** Senior females, applicant in good standing or accepted for Fall 2014 term at an ABET/CSAB accredited engineering degree program

**Criteria:** 3.0+ GPA, recommendations

**Award:** Multiple

**Deadline:** 5/16 [www.swe.org](http://www.swe.org)

**Sun Trust Scholarship**

**Eligible:** High School Seniors, One winner will be chosen every two weeks from Sept 14 through **May 15**

**Award:** \$1,000 no purchase necessary to enter to win

**Apply online:** <https://www.suntruseducation.com/ScholarshipSweepstakes/index.html>

**Waldorf Lions Foundation Inc.**

**Eligible:** Seniors graduating from a Charles County Public High School

**Criteria:** GPA 2.6+, acceptance to an accredited college or university, preference given to visually and/or hearing impaired, other disability, student who has career goal of teaching or

working with the disabled, or student who may not be able to attend school without financial assistance.

**Award:** \$2,500

**Deadline:** 5/12 receipt *applications in the Career Center TBA*

**DeAndre Lorenzo White Memorial Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** 2.5 GPA or higher, community service or church service

**Award:** \$1,500

**Deadline:** 5/15 [www.deandrewhitescholarshipfund.com](http://www.deandrewhitescholarshipfund.com)

**University of Maryland Eastern Shore Washington Metropolitan Area Alumni Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors attending UMES

**Criteria:** 3.0 GPA, essay on career and academic goals, community service, letters of recommendation

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 5/ <http://www.umes.edu/financialaid/Default.aspx?id=20942> (incoming freshmen)

**June Deadline:**

**Abbott and Fenner Business Consultants Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Juniors & Seniors

**Criteria:** essay on “What have you done outside the classroom that demonstrates qualities sought after by the post-secondary institution that you are hoping to attend? Also, which of these qualities means the most to you?”

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 6/15 [www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm](http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm)

**Aspiring Pharmacy Technician Scholarship Program**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** interested in pursuing a pharmacology career path at an accredited post-secondary school or college

**Award:** \$1000

**Deadline:** 6/1, apply: <http://www.pharmacytechnicianreview.com/>

**Aspiring Fashion Professional Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** interested in pursuing a fashion degree at an accredited post-secondary school or college

**Award:** \$1000

**Deadline:** 6/1, apply: <http://www.fashion-schools.org/>

**Aspiring Animation Professional Scholarship Program**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** interested in pursuing an animation career path at an accredited post-secondary school or college

**Award:** \$1000

**Deadline:** 6/1, apply: [www.animationcareerreview.com](http://www.animationcareerreview.com)

### **Aspiring Nurse Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Senior

**Criteria:** Pursue college education in nursing, including LPN/LVN, ADN and BSN Programs

**Award:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** 6/30 [www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com](http://www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com)

### **Big Sun Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors

**Criteria:** student involved in a sport in high school or the community

**Award:** \$500

**Deadline:** 6/19 [www.bigsunathletics.com](http://www.bigsunathletics.com)

### **July Deadline:**

#### **Console & Hollawell Legal Leaders Scholarship - \$1,000**

The Console & Hollawell \$1,000 Legal Leaders Scholarship 2016 is available to students who are planning on or currently pursuing a career in law. Applicants must be pursuing a degree in the following areas: pre-law, paralegal studies, or working towards their Juris doctorate in any concentration of the law.

**<http://www.consoleandhollawell.com/pages/legal-leaders-scholarship/> **Deadline: 7/15****

#### **Console & Hollawell Paralegal Scholarship - \$500**

The Console & Hollawell Paralegal Scholarship is open to students attending community colleges, technical schools or business schools in the United States pursuing degrees or certifications in paralegal studies, legal assistant, court reporting or other law-related field. **Deadline: 7/15**

**<http://www.consoleandhollawell.com/law-scholarship-2015/>**

### **Ongoing:**

**<https://www.raise.me/>** Over 130 colleges are participating in this scholarship program beginning in 9<sup>th</sup> grade year. **Introducing Micro-Scholarships--**Get scholarships from colleges for your achievements in high school.

### **Kids' Chance of Maryland, Inc.**

**Eligible:** Student with a parent or guardian who has suffered a catastrophic or fatal accidental injury or occupational disease while working for a Maryland employer

**Award:** Varies, depending on need and educational expenses, covers tuition and books, may also include housing and meals

**Apply:** [www.kidschance-md.org](http://www.kidschance-md.org)

### **Medical Condition Scholarships**

This is a listing of scholarships that are offered for students with specific medical conditions. There are also some for students who have a parent or a family member with a specific diagnosis. Most can be used at any school. Some cover one specific condition, while others cover whole types of diagnoses (such as all types of cancers) or even all chronic diseases. Most have some type of eligibility requirements, usually financial ones.

**How to Search for Scholarships:** The scholarships are sorted several ways:

**By Medical Condition/Diagnosis** (specific conditions such as brain cancer or general categories like cancer)

**By Non-Medical Condition** (social, emotional, psychological or educational issues and disabilities. This includes such categories as bereavement, bullying victims, family issues and children whose family has or is in the Armed Forces).

**By All Conditions**

**By Residency of Applicant**       **By Scholarship Name**

Visit: <http://www.needymeds.org/scholarships.taf>

### **Nursing Scholarships:**

[www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com](http://www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com)

**Academic Common Market:** is a tuition savings program especially for college students who live in the 16 states that are members of the Southern Regional Education Board and want to **pursue a degree not available in your home state yet pay in-state rates.**

Criteria: select an eligible program for residents of your, state be admitted to the institution offering the program, and certify residency in your state. For more info go to [www.sreb.org/acm.asp](http://www.sreb.org/acm.asp) or visit [www.mhec.state.md.us](http://www.mhec.state.md.us).

### **By School**

*To be eligible for scholarships offered by individual schools, the student must apply and be planning to attend that particular college or university.*

**Black Male Teachers needed.** Are you a Black Male who is a senior in high school and want to go to college out of state for FREE and want to become teacher? The CALL ME MISTER program is offered by 4 historical black colleges in South Carolina, Benedict College, Claflin University, Morris College and South Carolina State University. Other colleges participate as well from across the nation for details online visit [www.callmemister.clemson.edu](http://www.callmemister.clemson.edu) or call 1-800-640-2657.

**Harvard University is offering free tuition** to families of HONOR STUDENTS if their income is less than \$60,000 per year. Visit [www.fao.fas.harvard.edu](http://www.fao.fas.harvard.edu) or call 617-495-1581.

### **Architecture Scholarships to Syracuse University**

Ten full ride scholarships for African-American men and women studying architecture at Syracuse University in New York is available for qualified students. Contact Mr. Mark Robbins, Dean of Architecture, at 315-443-2256 for more information or visit <http://soa.syr.edu/index.php>.

**Washington College of Maryland: Juniors:** The Washington College Academic Achievement Award and The Washington College Leadership and Community Service Award are given to juniors achieving success in rigorous course load and active in community service. See your counselor if you wish to be nominated. Visit [www.washcoll.edu/hsaward](http://www.washcoll.edu/hsaward) for more details.

### **Check out CSM's Online Scholarship Finder!**

Did you know that you can now apply for CSM scholarships online? It's easy! It's free! Check it out!

Visit: <http://www.csmd.edu/costs-aid/index.html> for the most up-to-date information and eligibility requirements. Remember to apply early for best consideration! Contact the Financial Assistance Department at (301) 934-7531 for additional information.

## **SCHOLARSHIP and COLLEGE Information Online**

[www.mhec.state.md.us](http://www.mhec.state.md.us)

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)

[www.MDgo4it.org](http://www.MDgo4it.org)

[www.petersons.com](http://www.petersons.com)

[www.finaid.com](http://www.finaid.com)

[www.blackstudents.blacknews.com](http://www.blackstudents.blacknews.com)

[www.collegedata.org](http://www.collegedata.org)

[www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov](http://www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov)

[www.going2college.org](http://www.going2college.org)

**Student Scholarships.org** An internet scholarship database, quality & depth information, huge time saver, free newsletter option, privacy policy [www.studentscholarship.org](http://www.studentscholarship.org) Multiple Scholarships!

### **Merit Scholarships**

Contact the Financial Aid Office of your prospective colleges to see if separate applications for aid are due this fall. Some scholarships require a counselor or principal nomination. Ask your prospective colleges' financial aid office for merit scholarship applications. Online:

[www.meritaid.com](http://www.meritaid.com)

**Central Scholarship Bureau** seniors planning to attend college full time who meet other eligibility requirements may apply for scholarships and loans through this Maryland agency.

[www.central-scholarship.org](http://www.central-scholarship.org) **Deadline: April 1**

Looking for website to learn about majors and be recruited by top colleges: visit

[www.collegemajors101.com](http://www.collegemajors101.com). This is another cool look at what major best suits your passion!

## **Opportunities:**

**Washington University in St. Louis:** Is offering an **Admissions Information Session** on Sunday, April 17 from 2pm to 3pm at the Hyatt Regency Bethesda, MD. Call 301-657-1234 for directions. For more information about the event call 800-638-0700. Flyer in the cafeteria.

**Banson of New York City** is offering summer tours and Fashion Summer camps for students interested in the fashion industry. Visit [www.bansonnyc.org](http://www.bansonnyc.org) or call 917-328-1469 for more information and costs. Or e-mail [hollandg@bansonnyc.org](mailto:hollandg@bansonnyc.org) for applications.

**Boston University Summer Term High School Programs** Earn college credits, Research Internship in Science and Engineering, Summer challenge and Summer Preview, apply: [www.bu.edu/summer/highschool](http://www.bu.edu/summer/highschool)

**LeBow Summer Institute** Drexel University LeBow College of Business, for current high school sophomores and juniors, apply: [lebow.drexel.edu/camplebow](http://lebow.drexel.edu/camplebow)

**Georgetown University Summer Medical Program** - for high school students, apply online: [summer.georgetown.edu/hoyamed2016](http://summer.georgetown.edu/hoyamed2016)

**Hollins Summer Program 2016:** Hollins University in Virginia, [www.hollins.edu/hollinsummer](http://www.hollins.edu/hollinsummer)

**Maryland Summer Centers:** Summer Centers for Gifted and Talented Students in the fine and performing arts, environmental science, technology, computer science, space science, physics, engineering, world languages, creative writing and digital filmmaking. Application deadlines vary but most are due April 15. Visit [www.marylandpublicschools.org/summercenters](http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/summercenters) to register.

**Maryland Leadership Workshops:** Senior High Workshops, grades 9-12, [www.mlw.org](http://www.mlw.org)

**NYU Precollege Summer Programs:** for high school students, [www.nyu.edu/precollege](http://www.nyu.edu/precollege)

**Pratt Institute Pre-College Summer 2016:** for high school students, art, design, architecture or creative writing, [www.pratt.edu/precollege](http://www.pratt.edu/precollege)

**Summer School Phillips Exeter Academy:** Five weeks of academic exploration and discovery for high school students, located in Exeter, New Hampshire, [www.exeter.edu/summer](http://www.exeter.edu/summer)

**2016 College Tours with College Visits,** [www.college-visits.com](http://www.college-visits.com)! A company offering the complete USA College Tour Schedule. 1-800-944-2798 or (843)853-8149 or e-mail at [info@college-visits.com](mailto:info@college-visits.com).

**Camp Accomplish** may be able to use you as a camp assistant to work with children with disabilities in their day and overnight camps. Visit [www.campaccomplish.com](http://www.campaccomplish.com) or call 301-870-3226 to enquire about positions, both paid and volunteer. A Melwood program.

Want to be a camp helper for a nonprofit summer camp for blind, deaf, and diabetic persons along the Potomac River? **Call (301) 246-9117 or visit [www.lionscampmerrick.org](http://www.lionscampmerrick.org) to see if you can assist.** **Lion's Camp Merrick** offers a schedule of summer programs.

**Union Carpenters Wanted!** The Mid-Atlantic Carpenters' Training Centers will be accepting applications for an Apprenticeship Program **from 8am to 1pm Monday through Friday**. Applications being taken for carpenters, pile driver, millwright or floor layer. You must bring an application fee of \$20 in the form of money order and a valid state issued identification. The office is located at **8510 Pennsylvania Avenue, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772**. Visit the website for more details at [www.mactc.net](http://www.mactc.net) or call 410-737-9670.



**Use your Getin2College.com from the Career Center webpage for more summer programs and internship opportunities. Many more programs are out there!**

**Career One Stop** Search more than 7,000 scholarships, fellowships, loans, and other financial aid opportunities: [www.careeronestop.com](http://www.careeronestop.com)

**Employment Information:** Use [www.snagajob.com](http://www.snagajob.com) for finding a local job and learn how to find a job. The Maryland Department of Labor on 175 Post Office Road in Waldorf provides job services from 8am to 3pm Monday through Friday. Visit:

<http://www.dllr.state.md.us/county/charles> or use: <https://mwejobs.maryland.gov>.

Telephone: 301-645-8712 for the Workforce Exchange.

### **More for McDonough Students:**

*Be sure to check out the McDonough Career Center webpage's "What Can I Do with this Major?" Using this program developed by the University of Tennessee, students can explore different college majors and find out what careers are associated with them and the level of education needed to achieve those careers. Students can even get a list of possible employers! Also more links have been added to research scholarship opportunities. Check it out!*

**Seniors, please turn in the green survey form that will be used to produce the graduation program. Don't be left out of the graduation program; turn in the senior survey form. Those college acceptance letters and scholarship/grant awards need to be recorded in our database for the graduation program. Please bring a copy of your acceptance letters and awards to the Career Center to be included in the graduation program.**

**Get charged up with career options in the electrical industry! Visit [www.getchargedup.org](http://www.getchargedup.org) and explore the possibilities or call 301-429-2575. Apprenticeships open many doors to great careers. Excellent wages and benefits!**

**More apprenticeships at [www.dol.gov/apprenticeship](http://www.dol.gov/apprenticeship) or [www.dllr.state.md.us/labor/approcc/approcclinks.shtml](http://www.dllr.state.md.us/labor/approcc/approcclinks.shtml).**

**CareerBuilder and Economic Modeling Specialists' list of most lucrative jobs: petroleum engineer; airline pilot, copilot and flight engineer; aerospace engineer; nuclear engineer; computer hardware engineer; software developer, systems software; chemical engineer; electronics engineer; actuary; atmospheric and space scientists. These jobs start at \$90,000 plus with a Bachelor's Degree.**

**Become a Lifeguard!** American Pool is hiring lifeguards and offer discounted American Red Cross lifeguard training. Contact: **1-877-705-7665** or [www.guardforlife.com/apcol](http://www.guardforlife.com/apcol)

**LIFEGUARDS + POOL MANAGERS wanted:**  
HURRY!! NOW HIRING FOR 2014 SUMMER SEASON! No experience necessary, training provided, excellent wages up to \$16 per hour. **Call 1-877-248-1872 or apply online:**  
[www.usamanagement.com](http://www.usamanagement.com)

**Nursing and Healthcare career exploration opportunity: VolunTeens Program** at the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center hospital for students wishing to learn how a hospital really operates and assist staff and patients. A great career exploration opportunity awaits those who apply. Students must be 14 to 17 years of age. Call UMDCRC's Human Resources Department, Nickeisha Hamilton at 301-609-4446 for more details. Students will be called in for an interview after the application is completed. The VolunTeens Program begins in June. Application opens online at [www.charlesregionalcareers.org](http://www.charlesregionalcareers.org) in Mid-March.

## **Grade Level Reminders:**

### **Freshmen:**

- **Plan a productive summer – community service, volunteer work, extra classes, sports camp, summer school, unusual experience, leadership workshops, job, etc.**
- **Use your [www.CareerCruising.com](http://www.CareerCruising.com) account to look at colleges that interest you and the summer programs they offer high school students.**
- **Stop in the Career Center to use the resource books and computers for additional summer options.**
- **Complete your Student Service Learning Graduation Project.**
- **Save money for college. Your senior year is very expensive, too! Ask your parents to open a savings account in your name where you can start saving money now!**

### **Sophomores:**

- **AP U.S. History students should consider registering for the SAT Subject Test at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) for the June SAT Subject Test in U.S. History.**
- **Look for summer programs, get a summer job, and find activities that will beef up your resume. Start saving money! You'll need lots of it your senior year!**

- Use your Career Cruising.com account and Study Island to continue the college search process and preparing for the fall PSAT. Stop in the Career Center and search additional resources.
- Contact your target colleges and ask for information from them about their programs. Try to make college visits or attend college fairs.
- Be sure community service is part of your summer program! Volunteering demonstrates leadership and community involvement.
- Use the Career Center for researching and gathering information on colleges.

### **Juniors:**

- Four-year, college-bound juniors need to register for a college entrance exam. The last date to register for the June 11 ACT is May 6 at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). The June SAT deadline is May 5. Register at [www.sat.org/register](http://www.sat.org/register). Late fees apply for missed deadlines. Highly selective colleges may require SAT Subject test scores in addition to SAT.
- Plan an interesting and challenging summer...last chance to beef up the resume. Get involved!
- Prep for AP exams if applicable.
- Get into the many databases for scholarships, college information, and other financial aid. Use the Career Center's webpage for many scholarship links. Stop in the Career Center for much more!
- Use your CareerCruising.com account to register for the financial aid database and to perform college searches. Use [www.CollegeWeekLive.com](http://www.CollegeWeekLive.com) to find a plethora of information and scholarships.
- Use Study Island to practice for the college entrance exams. Use Khanacademy.org to review your Algebra and Geometry for college exams and the free SAT Prep! Keep up your grades, too.
- Be sure your Student Service Learning graduation project is completed and signed off on your report card. Speak to your counselor if the report card does not reflect completion.
- Student athletes wishing to play college sports at the Division I and Division II level need to register with the NCAA at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org). Use a credit card.
- Visit the Career Center and take advantage of all the detailed resources available.

### Seniors:

- **Prepare for AP tests and finals. Keep up your grades. We are in the final stretch...go for the gold!**
- **If you have not submitted the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and are looking for financial assistance, do so now.**
- **Review your Student Aid Report and submit any needed corrections.**
- **Congrats on all your acceptances. If you have selected a college, please withdraw your application from the other colleges you applied to with a thank you for consideration of my application. Copies go to Mrs. Welch for the database.**
- **Final campus visits may be needed to help make your decision. Stop in the Career Center for additional tips on how to make the best selection.**
- **Scholarships are still available; be sure to stop in the Career Center, and use this newsletter for apps.**
- **Don't miss deadlines and make a copy of your paperwork. Be sure to check the status of applications if you have not received information by designated dates. Don't be afraid to ask questions.**

### NCAA Eligibility Center Information

**Want to play college sports?** You must know your Core Course GPA. The Charles County Public Schools System has teamed up with **CoreCourseGPA.com** to provide custom online software to all student-athletes to assist in tracking their progress towards meeting NCAA initial eligibility requirements. Activate your **FREE membership** to begin tracking your core course GPA and learn about what it takes to be recruited.

**Activate Your FREE Membership:** Go to **[www.CoreCourseGPA.com](http://www.CoreCourseGPA.com)**. In the "New Member Account Creation" box enter:

**School ID: 210823**

**School Code: 725900544**

**\*\*\*Juniors and seniors need to send your ACT and/or SAT scores directly from the testing agencies using the code: "9999" to have your official scores considered for NCAA eligibility.**

### **For a Complete List of NCAA Approved Courses:**

Visit [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) and enter the site as an NCAA College-Bound Student-Athlete. Navigate to the “Resources” tab, click “U.S. Students” and then “List of NCAA Courses.” Follow the prompts to search for your high school’s list.

**Test Scores:** To view the Division I Sliding Scale, visit [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) and enter as an NCAA College-Bound Student-Athlete. Then, click the “Resources” tab, then “U.S. Students” and finally, “**Eligibility Quick Reference Sheet.**”

**Juniors planning to play Division I and Division II sports in college...it is time to register at the Eligibility Center!**

Good Luck....Practice like you play on the field and **in the classroom!**

All students are reminded to take advantage of CollegeWeekLive.com to get the most up-to-date information from college reps across the country and enter scholarship drawings.

Please remember to use the previous newsletters from the McDonough Career Center webpage. Newsletters are archived at the bottom of the webpage.

Don’t forget the McDonough specific scholarships listed previously...the Athletic Boosters’ scholarship, the PTSO scholarship, the Bobby Balint Scholarship. Stop in the Career Center to look for any new scholarships that may not be listed.

### **Washington, D.C. Building & Construction Opportunities:**

If you enjoy working with your hands and are interested in mechanical trades, visit the following websites to gain information about some apprenticeship programs and job opportunities:

[www.dcbuildingtrades.com](http://www.dcbuildingtrades.com) Iron Workers: [www.ironworkerslocal201.org](http://www.ironworkerslocal201.org)

Plumbers: [www.local5plumbers.org](http://www.local5plumbers.org) Asbestos Workers: [www.insulators24.org](http://www.insulators24.org)

Electrical Workers Local Union 26: [www.ibewlocal26.org](http://www.ibewlocal26.org)

Operating Engineers: [www.iuoelocal77.com](http://www.iuoelocal77.com) Elevator Constructors: [www.iuec10.com](http://www.iuec10.com)

### **Career Center Activities in April!**

Juniors in special programs like Educational Talent Search, Free and Reduced Meals Program, Gear Up, etc., should ask for fee waivers for college entrance exams. See your counselor or stop in the Career Center for details. The final Senior Survey for Post-Secondary Plans will be conducted April 5-7 in Senior English classes. We are making sure all seniors have a plan!

**Ready Set Connect:**

Many tools are available to sharpen a student's college and career readiness. Be sure to explore:  
College or Career School: <http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator> This is the National Center for Education Statistics College Navigator.

One application for applying to over 517 colleges: [www.commonap.org](http://www.commonap.org) Opens August 1!

Occupation finders which provide salaries and projected employment outlook:  
[www.bls.gov/ooh](http://www.bls.gov/ooh); [www.acinet.org](http://www.acinet.org)

O\*Net: [www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org); [www.mynextmove.org](http://www.mynextmove.org)

A little bit of everything: [www.mappingyourfuture.org](http://www.mappingyourfuture.org)

<http://www.collegeandfinance.com/32-weird-scholarships-almost-anyone-can-get/>

The College of Southern Maryland is hosting Open House Dates:

**Learn how CSM goes beyond expectations to provide you with the support you need for the future you want**

**Meet the faculty and ask questions** about the various programs of study

Learn more about **Financial Aid and Scholarships**

**Receive transfer information and learn about guaranteed admissions** to universities and colleges including University of Maryland, College Park

**Talk** to current CSM students

**Find out about athletics** and other CSM clubs and organizations

**April 19 | 5 - 7 p.m.**

Prince Frederick Campus

Building B Multipurpose Rooms 103-105

**April 20 | 5 - 7 p.m.**

La Plata Campus

Fine Arts Center, Theatre

**April 21 | 5 - 7 p.m.**

Leonardtwn Campus

Building A, Room 206

**Plus, there will be door prizes and giveaways.**

**RSVP: [www.csmd.edu/OpenHouse](http://www.csmd.edu/OpenHouse)**

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Reminder for ALL students.....don't waste your summers! Please take advantage of opportunities listed in this newsletter. Researching your favorite colleges and professional organizations in the fields of study you plan to pursue in college is an excellent way to find out about volunteer and paid experiences. GET INVOLVED and plan your future! It's your future look into it! A few more opportunities are listed below:

## FBI Teen Academy

<http://www.fbi.gov/baltimore/news-and-outreach/in-your-community/outreach>

### Teen Academy

The Teen Academy ([view brochure](#)) informs and educates students so they have a greater understanding of the FBI's mission and goals. Through hands-on experiences and case discussions, we explain to our younger generation how the FBI addresses community concerns. The Teen Academy includes high school students—ages 13 to 18—from different areas and from public, private, and parochial high schools in Maryland. This event is held one day each summer at the Baltimore Field Office, at the conclusion of which attendees receive certificates. The academy includes a tour of our facility and presentations on:

- The FBI hiring process;
- Polygraph, SWAT, Evidence Response Team, and forensics;
- Internet safety; and
- Violent crimes/gangs.



Teen Academy participants learn how to dust for fingerprints.

This year's Teen Academy will be held Friday, July 17, 2015, from 7:45 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The application period is now open, and the deadline to apply is June 5, 2015. If you wish to apply, please ensure you submit a [complete application packet](#).

[2016 Teen Academy application packet \(pdf\)](#)

Or click on the following link: <http://www.fbi.gov/baltimore/news-and-outreach/in-your-community/2015-baltimore-teen-academy-application>

## **Arrow Collegiate Tour Hosts Tuesday, April 26 Salisbury University and University of Maryland Eastern Shore Tour:**

University of Maryland Eastern Shore (Spring Fest) and Salisbury State University

**April 26, 2016                      \$45.00 per person                      Mc DONOUGH HIGH SCHOOL ONLY**

### **Trips Includes:**

**Motor Coach Transportation**

**Lunch (Salisbury State University)**

**Presentation (Admission Office)**

**Campus Tour (Admission Office)**

**Acceptance On The Spot (UMES ONLY)**

**Application Fee Waived (UMES ONLY)**

**Payments on the website: [www.arrowcollegiatetour.com](http://www.arrowcollegiatetour.com)**

**Mail Payments:**

**PO BOX 1022**

**Temple Hills, MD 20757**

**ALL PAYMENTS ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE: April 20, 2016**

**Contact Persons: Sabrina Crowder 240-893-1606**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name and Cell:

Departure Location: McDonough High School Staff Parking Lot

**Departure Time: 6:30am**

**Returning Time: 6:30pm**



**Happy Spring!**



*See you in the Career Center,  
Mrs. Wanda N. Welch, College and Career Advisor*

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