



Career Center Corner

May 15, 2020

IMPORTANT DATES

May 15 Senior Survey is due – check your email for instructions or reach out to your counselor. This is a mandatory survey for all graduates in the Class of 2020!

NEWS & INFORMATION

Helpful websites: [Class of 2020 Next Steps](#), [Class of 2021 Rising Seniors' Next Steps](#), [SwiftStudent](#)

[Class of 2021 Google Site](#) uploaded a terrific video at the end of April with Admissions Directors from Washington, Swarthmore, and Notre Dame. There is also [this great video](#) from the Derryfield School from last week with Tulane, U of Oregon and Hamilton Admission's Directors has some great advice on the subject of activities for Juniors with regard to admissions at minute mark 49:12 – although the entire hour has some wonderful tips for students and families.

Students who have limited financial resources may use the **NACAC Request for Admission Application Fee Waiver** form when applying for college. The purpose of this form is to ensure equitable postsecondary access and thus is intended for first-time undergraduate applicants who meet one or more of the economic need criteria identified on the form. For more information visit <https://www.nacacfairs.org/learn/fee-waiver/>

The University of California [president is recommending](#) the suspension of ACT/SAT tests as an admissions requirement until 2024: <https://www.cnn.com/2020/05/11/us/uc-president-suspend-sat-act-for-admissions/index.html>

California State University, the nation's largest 4-year university system, announced it will keep classes online in the fall: <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/05/12/us/cal-state-online-classes.html>

NOVA's Scholarship Site for the 2020-21 year is open - <https://nvcc.academicworks.com/>. The deadline for filing is June 1, 2020. If you have any questions please contact Darryl Shell, Scholarship Coordinator, at dshell@nvcc.edu.

The **ASVAB Career Exploration Program** is offering free webinars for students, parents, and educators. This recent article highlights the benefits of the ASVAB Career Exploration Program: <https://yourteenmag.com/teens-college/admissions/what-is-asvab>. If you are interested in attending, register using the links below:

May 19 at 1pm - <https://www.asvabprogram.com/training-registration-form/13>

May 26 at 1pm - <https://www.asvabprogram.com/training-registration-form/14>

The Common Application will be providing opportunities for both counselors and students to inform colleges on their COVID-19 experience. Students can submit an OPTIONAL 250 word essay within their application. For more information, visit <https://www.commonapp.org/blog/COVID-19-question-common-app>. Also note that **the University of Georgia and Clemson University are the two most recent additions to the Common App.**

College Fairs are being offered online targeting the U.S. North East region May 18-23. Students and parents can [register here!](#)

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The **Amazon Web Services (AWS)** work-based learning (WBL) summer program is **STILL** accepting student applications to be considered for the two available positions. As a reminder, the program consists of on-the-job training during a 12 week time period, where trainees will work in data centers. Additional information about the AWS WBL program and recorded virtual session from last month can be found on the [Virtual Registered Apprenticeship and Career Fair Google](#)

[Site](#). Please direct any questions about this event and the work-based learning opportunities with AWS to [Matt Bechtel](#), the educational specialist for WBL in FCPS.

CURRENT SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES – **Check Naviance Student** for scholarship opportunities vetted by FCPS. From the home page, go to Colleges< Scholarships & Money< Scholarship List. Recent additions include:

NEW

- GMIS Scholarship – deadline extended May 22, 2020
- Crew Scholarship Fund – deadline extended June 1, 2020
- College Access Fairfax -Leslie Kent Memorial Community College Scholarship – deadline extended June 30, 2020
- Epiphany Video Scholarship - deadline July 15, 2020
- Los Hermanos de Stanford Scholarship – deadline extended to Fall 2020 - TBD
- Joyce E Dawkins Memorial Scholarship – deadline Nov. 1, 2020
- Ashoori Law Good Deeds Scholarship – deadline May 1, 2021
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- Chantilly Pyramid Minority Student Achievement Committee (CPMSAC) Scholarships – <http://cpmsac.org/> includes CVHS students - deadline extended to May 22

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO NOTE – **Check Naviance Student** for enrichment opportunities vetted by FCPS. From the home page, go to Colleges< Research Colleges< Enrichment Programs. Search by category, date, and location. Recent additions include:

**** Please know that these events are subject to change/cancellation due to current conditions ****

Varsity Tutors virtual summer camps - <https://www.varsitytutors.com/virtual-summer-camp-catalog>

K12 Destination Careers Academy - <https://www.k12.com/virtual-school-offerings/dca-summer-programs.html>

Coursera Free Online Courses - <https://www.coursera.org/courses?query=free>

EDx - <https://www.edx.org/>

Our Kids - <https://www.ourkids.net/camp/virtual-programs>

Embolden Webinars – event date May 20, June 3, June 17, July 1, 2020 - <https://www.emboldenme.org/webinars>

Student Leadership Program (SLP) – event date winter 2020 or early 2021 - <https://www.emboldenme.org/winter-2020>

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