



# College & Career Corner

February 19, 2021

Translations in Spanish, Korean and Chinese now available on the CVHS [website](#)

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Feb. 20 Alfred Street Baptist Church HBCU Festival, 8am -3:30pm – register at [www.alfredstreet.org](http://www.alfredstreet.org)
- Feb. 22 NOVA Major Exploration Workshop by Counselor Jocelyn Hanly, 10am – pre-register [here](#)
- Feb. 22 NOVA Pathway Financial Planning Workshop by Counselor Monica Gomez, [10am](#) or [2pm](#)
- Feb. 22 HBCU College Fair, 9am-3:30pm – <https://sites.google.com/fcpschools.net/ehshbcu2021/home>
- Feb. 28 NACAC Virtual College Fair - <https://virtualcollegefairs.org/events>
- March 1 Paul Mitchell career information [session](#), 11:30am
- March 1 Navy info session, 2pm – email [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) to attend
- March 2 Junior Panel, 7pm – register [here](#)
- March 13 Teen Job Fair, 2pm to 5pm - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/teenjobfairs>
- March 15 NOVA Pathway Workshop, 10am and 2pm – Understanding English & Math Placement – link TBD
- March 19 College Partnership Program application due – information and application [here](#)
- March 20 Teen Job Fair, 11am to 2pm - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/teenjobfairs>
- March 22 ASVAB for seniors intending to enlist in the US Military, 9am at West Springfield HS – register by Feb. 26 using this [Google form](#)
- April 21 Deadline for seniors to have approved [service hours](#) logged in X2VOL

## NEWS & INFORMATION

The **Common App essay prompts** will remain the same for 2021-22 with one exception. A seldom used option about solving a problem will be replaced with a **new prompt inspired by research on gratitude and kindness**, specifically the benefits of writing about the positive influence of other people in our lives.

**James Madison University** has announced that they will be **joining the Common App** for the 2021-22 admissions cycle.

**Over 1,330 colleges and universities have already implemented ACT/SAT optional testing policies through the fall admissions cycle.** Experts estimate the final total of schools offering a test optional policy will approach 70%. Continue to check <https://www.fairtest.org/university/optional> for the most updated list as well as university websites for admissions requirements.

For any questions regarding technology, contact the **Parent Technology Help Desk** at 1-833-921-3277. It will be answered by staff members 7am to 11pm, seven days a week. In addition, FCPS has set up an [online portal](#) to allow older students and parents and guardians to request technology help directly. FCPS also has [parent information phone lines](#), available in eight different languages, that can assist with general questions about FCPS.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES** – FCPS is encouraging students to participate in safe forms of service learning this school year. Virtual service learning examples, along with other support resources, can be accessed on the [FCPS Service Learning Google Site](#).

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

### CVHS SCHOLARSHIPS:

- VHSL Vito E. Perriello Citizenship Award – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 3, 2021
- VHSL Allstate Achievement Award – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 3, 2021
- Granville P. Meade Scholarship – apply via <https://vastudentservices.smapply.org/> by March 5, 2021
- William J. Foreman Memorial Scholarship – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 9, 2021

- Donna Sweeney Memorial Scholarship – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 9, 2021
- Juwaan D. Espinal Memorial Scholarship – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 11, 2021
- Courtney Charneco Scholarship Award – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 15, 2021
- Susan Thorpe Cestare Memorial Scholarship – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 18, 2021
- JB Bierwirth Memorial Scholarship – due to Clifton Lions Club by March 19, 2021
- Jeffrey J. Kaylor Memorial Scholarship – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 23, 2021
- W. Harold Ford Foundation Scholarships – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 23, 2021

**NEW:**

- Virginia PTA/PTSA Scholarships – deadline March 1, 2021
- Jeffrey J. Kaylor Memorial Scholarship – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 23, 2021
- W. Harold Ford Foundation Scholarships – due to [kastamper@fcps.edu](mailto:kastamper@fcps.edu) by March 23, 2021
- Women in Technology – deadline March 31, 2021
- Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District Scholarship – deadline April 2, 2021
- [Ashworth Grogram Scholarship Fund](#) - \$5,000 per year, renewable for up to 2 years, for full-time students at Northern VA Community College – deadline April 2, 2021
- New Dominion Section of National Council of Negro Women Scholarship – deadline April 9, 2021
- Federal Water Quality Association, Natl/ Capital Environmental Scholarship – deadline April 12, 2021
- AMVET Children and Grandchildren Scholarship – deadline April 30, 2021
- Iota Epsilon Sigma Book Scholarship – deadline April 30, 2021
- Providence Players of Fairfax Scholarship – deadline April 30, 2021
- Alpha Phi Alpha, Theta Rho Lambda Chapter Scholarship – deadline May 1, 2021
- Ashley R. Thompson Memorial Scholarship – deadline May 7, 2021
- The Crew Scholarship Fund – deadline May 15, 2021
- Review It Scholarship – deadline May 15, 2021
- Full Circle Scholarship – deadline May 31, 2021
- Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Survivor Scholarship – deadline June 15, 2021

**OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO NOTE** – [Check Naviance](#) for new opportunities vetted by FCPS. From the home page, go to Colleges< Research Colleges< Enrichment Programs. Search by category, date, and keyword.

UVA School of Architecture Virtual Opportunities – event date Feb. through April 2021 -

<https://www.arch.virginia.edu/apply/visit-us>

European Universities Consortium (EUC) North America Tour – event date March 2, 2021 from 5pm to 7pm and March 3, 2021 from 8pm to 10pm - <https://europeanuniversities.eu/contact-us/tour-schedule/>

High School Girls Only STEM Night and Astronaut Convocation – event date March 4, 2021 from 5pm to 8pm - <https://www.usna.edu/STEM/>

Knackathon – event date March 15-19, 2021 - <https://knackathon.org/>

Global Summer Learning Institute (GSLI) – deadline date March 1, 2021 – event date June 21 – July 9, 2021 - <https://www.leadprogram.org/gsli>

Real Estate Exchange Council (REEX) – deadline March 1, 2021 – event date Session 1: June 21 – July 2, 2021 Session 2: July 12 – 23, 2021 - <https://www.leadprogram.org/gsli>

Inspiring Minds Seminar – deadline March 5, 2021 – event date March 17, 2021 from 4pm to 5:30pm - [https://ncat.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6imYrytcIMZhrQF](https://ncat.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6imYrytcIMZhrQF)

Women in Science and Technology Day – deadline March 5, 2021 – event date March 19, 2021 from 9:30am to 12pm - [https://ncat.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6imYrytcIMZhrQF](https://ncat.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6imYrytcIMZhrQF)

Young Scientists & Technologists Day – deadline March 5, 2021 – event date March 15, 2021 from 10am to 1pm - [https://ncat.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6imYrytcIMZhrQF](https://ncat.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6imYrytcIMZhrQF)

McLean Community Center Board Member – deadline March 12, 2021 – event date June 2021 – 2022 - <https://www.mcleancenter.org/call-for-candidates>

Virtual High School Visitation (UVA – Society of Women Engineers) – deadline April 9, 2021 – event date April 24, 2021 - <https://www.virginiaswe.org/copy-of-hsv>

Summer Leaders Experience – deadline April 15, 2021 – event date Session 1: May 29 – June 4, 2021 Session 2: June 5 – 11, 2021 - <https://www.westpoint.edu/admissions/summer-program>

Pre-College Programs (Bowling Green State University) – event date June and July 2021 -<https://www.bgsu.edu/pre-college-programs/summer-academic-and-youth-programs/academic-summer-programs.html>

Virtual Spring & Summer Enrichment Programs – event date June 28 – July 2, 2021 or July 12-16, 2021 - <https://education.wm.edu/centers/cfge/precollegiate/sep/>

Health and Biomedical Sciences Summer Camp – event date July 26 – 28, 2021 - <https://www.lvc.edu/life-at-lvc/summer-community-programming/health-biomedical-sciences-camp/>

Academic Connections – deadline June 28, 2021 – event date July 5-30, 2021 - <https://academicconnections.ucsd.edu/>

Principia Perspectives Writing Contest – deadline April 30, 2021 - <https://www.principiatutors.com/principia-perspectives-contest>

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