News Briefs

The College of Southern Maryland representatives will be here on March 17 to test Seniors enrolling at CSM for the fall of 2020. The testing will take place during periods 1 – 5. **Reminder: You must apply online to CSM before February 17** so that you receive your student ID number in time to use with the computer testing. Application and testing are free of charge. See Mrs. Jones for more information. Go to [www.csmd.edu](http://www.csmd.edu) to apply online. Practice for the placement test at [www.collegeboard.org/accuplacer](http://www.collegeboard.org/accuplacer).

Seniors, please remember to bring in a copy of all your college acceptance letters and your notifications of any scholarships, grants, and other awards you have been offered. Please bring copies to Mrs. Jones for use in the graduation program and other reports.

The Charles County Scholarship Fund application window is now open. It offers more than 50 scholarships to Charles County high school seniors. Interested students can visit the CCPS website at [https://www.ccboe.com/ss/charles-county-scholarship-fund-inc/](https://www.ccboe.com/ss/charles-county-scholarship-fund-inc/) for eligibility criteria and additional requirements. Deadline is March 1st.

**Lackey's Senior Portfolio Interviews**, will be held by appointment, from March 9 to March 12, 2020. Make sure your portfolio gives a good impression of you! Don’t forget to **Dress for Success!**

### Applying for Scholarships and the Charles County Scholarship Fund, Inc.

#### Types of Financial Aid

There are four main types of financial aid students can receive to help fund their education. Grants, scholarships, student loans, and work study. Of those four options, applying for scholarships that do not have to be repaid is a priority on the college-bound student’s to-do list. Few students receive scholarships out of the blue. Maximizing your chances of receiving a scholarship requires research. Applying for scholarships can be a daunting task. However, by following some basic guidelines in applying, students can reap some valuable awards.
Scholarships
Each year there are literally hundreds of thousands of scholarships available for students transitioning to higher education. The Maryland State Department of Education recently announced that Maryland’s class of 2015 received a record dollar amount of scholarship offers. Students received more than $1.32 billion in scholarship offers, surpassing the class of 2014’s record total of $1.17 billion. Amazingly, this staggering amount was directed to MARYLAND students. Scholarships and grants are offered by individuals, corporations and foundations as well and state and federal aid. Scholarships can be searched for on the Internet under hundreds of scholarship databases.

The first stop for the scholarship search should be the financial aid office of the colleges or institutions that interest you. The financial aid office of prospective colleges is the best source of scholarship information for students. Ask about merit and non-need-based scholarship applications that may be available. Colleges differ in the number of awards offered, award type and requirements for merit scholarships. Some merit scholarships require a nomination from a school counselor or administrator to be considered for a particular merit scholarship. Many of these have early fall deadlines for nominations to be submitted. Colleges offer scholarships based on talents, like music, athletic abilities, and technical skills involving science and math. Be sure to find out how you can apply for these scholarships from prospective colleges.

Local Scholarships
Applying for local scholarships through civic organizations, like the Rotary Club, religious affiliations, or local companies is an excellent way to increase your chances of being selected for an award. Local scholarships are not as competitive as those scholarships offered at the national level through many internet database searches.

The Charles County Scholarship Fund, Inc.
One of those local sources is the Charles County Scholarship Fund, Inc. Graduating seniors who live in Charles County can apply for various local scholarships with one application. The application is available to complete online at: https://www.ccboe.com/ss/charles-county-scholarship-fund-inc/

The application form does not save progress when working on the document. Seniors need to review the requirements and have their letters of recommendations, essay, additional comments, Student Aid Report from their FAFSA account, and any other required documents ready for upload when they start the application. The application will close and no submissions will be taken after the deadline of March 1. Recipients of the scholarship awards are notified during Senior Awards Night at each high school. Please see Mrs. Jones in the College & Career Center if you have questions or need assistance.

Researching Scholarships on the Internet
When researching scholarships outside your local area, directories of scholarships are available in the College & Career Center, libraries, and bookstores. Publication guides providing information on scholarships and scholarship searches are available for student/parent use in the College & Career Center or can be purchased through bookstores.

Finally, using the plethora of internet websites of scholarship databases can reveal an enormous number of scholarships for which you may be eligible to apply. Some may require an essay along with specific grade point average, gender, grade level, or ask for students who volunteer, students whose parents are in the military, or students with disabilities. To date, recommending any one particular internet scholarship matching service as the best is not possible. However, there are many links on the College & Career Center webpage and many more in the College & Career monthly newsletter.
In conclusion, one thing is sure. You have to apply to win! But please be advised that companies are out there that will try and get you to pay for scholarship searches. Please do not fall for the scam. Most likely you will receive mail from organizations with official-sounding names that offer to find merit scholarships for you, but will charge a fee. Unfortunately, these companies offer false hope and use the student’s high school as if the student has been recommended for the award. Don’t pay for the scholarship searches with all the free services available online!

Avoiding Scams

More Links to Connect with Scholarships, Grants, and Loans:
www.scholarships.com
www.finaid.org/scholarships
www.scholarshipamerica.org
www.fastweb.com
www.mycollegescholarship.org/
www.gocollege.com
http://www.scholarshipsonline.org
www.mhec.state.md.us

Student Grant and Loan Resources:
studentaid.ed.gov/sa/home
www.ncher.us
www.nasfaa.org
www.wellsfargo.com/student/planning/steps
www.wellsfargo.com/student/planning/steps

ALL Seniors who are planning to attend a 4- or 2- year college, community college, technical, professional or trade school should complete the FAFSA!!!

The FAFSA was available starting OCTOBER 1st – please complete your FAFSA now!

The FAFSA helps to determine whether students are eligible for federal loans, grants or work-study programs. Many colleges also require it for their own need-based or merit-based aid packages.

According to financial aid advisors, “Everyone should fill out the FAFSA because everyone is eligible for some form of financial aid, no matter their circumstance. There is a lot of financial aid awarded by universities/colleges, and you usually can’t qualify for need-based or merit-based aid from universities/colleges without a FAFSA on file. It’s important to be aware that many universities/colleges offer merit-based aid that doesn’t even consider financial need; it’s based on achievements such as SAT/ACT scores, GPA or athletics. In other words, the amount of money your parents make doesn’t matter for this type of aid, but you can’t get the aid if you don’t fill out the FAFSA

For more information and how to complete https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/filling-out
CSM Placement Testing is scheduled for Lackey Seniors on March 17th.

The CSM English, reading, and mathematics placement tests assess students' entry-level academic skills and provide options to strengthen those skills. Students have a better chance for success in college if their basic skills are strong enough to meet the rigors of college-level classes. All courses in English and mathematics require that students have completed the appropriate placement tests prior to enrollment, as do many other courses in a variety of disciplines (for example: biology, chemistry, early childhood education, and information technology services). For all of these reasons, students should make it a priority to complete the placement tests as early as possible after admission but no later than the point at which they have accumulated nine credits. For more information and to prepare, visit: http://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students.

Application Process
2. Select "Apply Now to Become a Credit Student".
3. Create your account to access the admissions application. Be sure to write down your password in case you need to log in again!
4. Select "Submit Your Application."
5. The last part of the application asks for high school information. You must include the high school you are attending as well as the year you started and the year you anticipate graduating.
6. Your application will be processed within 2 business days and your acceptance letter will be emailed to you in 2-3 business days.

Financial Aid Process
** Priority Deadline for your FAFSA: March 1, 2019 CSM Federal School Code for FAFSA: 002064
At the College of Southern Maryland, the Financial Assistance Department staff members are there to help you meet your educational goal. Their mission is to offer you the information and services to make college affordable for you. The financial aid office is located at the La Plata Campus in the Administration Building, Room 110. Their regular office hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:30 am to 7 pm and on Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. You can reach them by telephone at 301-934-7531, or send an email to finaid@csmd.edu.

CSM’s Scholarship Finder:
For general questions you can contact the Financial Assistance Department at the La Plata Campus at 301-934-7531.
Grade Level Reminders

Freshmen: CLASS OF 2023
- Remember to read and keep up your grades. Freshman year DOES count.
- Keep a list of volunteer experiences, extracurricular activities, awards, etc. to create a high school resume. A student involved is a productive student.
- Think about colleges you are considering attending and use your Career Cruising account to explore their entrance requirements and other specifics.
- Take advantage of Charger time and get tutoring, connect to a club or activity.

Sophomores: CLASS OF 2022
- Use your PSAT Score Report to set up an account with College Board to create a personalized PSAT study plan to improve your skills for the October 2020 PSAT that will count towards National Merit Scholarships.
- Use your PSAT Score Report to start My College QuickStart and search college majors that fit your results from the My Road Personality Test (see collegeboard.org). Search for college matches and research career options.
- Use CareerCruising.com to investigate colleges and continue to work on a list of possible colleges based on results from your PSAT.
- Update your academic resume with volunteer experiences, extracurricular activities, awards, etc.

Juniors: CLASS OF 2021
- Go over the results of your PSAT Report or your other practice test scores with your Counselor (Ms. Sanders) or College Advisor (Mrs. Jones) to work to improve college entrance exam scores.
- Consider test prep classes and map out what testing you need for your college admissions applications. College Board offers www.khanacademy.org/sat for free, online instruction. Please make sure you register for these exams and don’t miss the deadlines as expensive late fees apply. Register online five weeks prior to the exam date, credit card required.
- Some colleges require additional exams such as SAT Subject Tests in specific areas. Be sure to check the admissions requirements online or stop in the College & Career Center and use the College Handbook.
- Make plans to visit colleges, attend college fairs, and take advantage of virtual opportunities at www.collegeweeklive.com. Use your Career Cruising account for the college search process.
- Start thinking about the courses you want to take in your Senior year, making sure you meet your colleges’ expectations for admissions.
- Update your academic resume with volunteer experiences, extracurricular activities, awards, etc.
Seniors: CLASS OF 2020

- College applications should be completed this month for fall admission. Don’t miss deadlines and make a copy of your paperwork. Check the status of your applications to make sure the admissions office has all paperwork. Test scores have been sent directly from testing agencies, transcripts, letters of recommendation, and essays have been submitted electronically or mailed with sufficient postage. Be assertive as paper can be lost in the process.

- All Seniors received information concerning the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Be sure to file your FAFSA as soon as possible as funding is distributed as forms are processed. See Mrs. Jones in the College and Career Advisor for more information about financial aid. Some colleges require the CSS/Profile (collegeboard.org) for financial aid consideration. Be sure you submit the appropriate forms for your prospective colleges. **February 15** is a target date for submission. Be sure to include a Maryland college whether you plan to stay in state or enroll out of state.

- Colleges expect to see your mid-year grades. Be sure to submit the mid-year report requested by your prospective colleges. Sending additional information about any accolades or awards you have received since submitting your admissions application is appropriate as well as informing the admissions staff of any special projects or events you worked.

- Seniors attending CSM in the fall need to apply online at www.csmd.edu and receive your student identification number before taking the placement test on March 17th. All Seniors planning to take the CSM Placement Test should be preparing now. Practice can be found at www.csmd.edu/student-services/testing-services/placement-testing

- Check the College & Career Center often for scholarship applications and updates. The College & Career Center Newsletter will list scholarships. Don’t forget the Charles County Scholarship Fund application is available with nearly 50 scholarships.

- **Senior Portfolios** – All Seniors will complete a Senior Portfolio before graduation. The culmination of this Portfolio project is the Interview. English teachers will arrange for each Senior to present his or her portfolio in a mock interview situation. The Senior Portfolio Interviews will be held March 9th – March 12th. Parents may participate in this project by volunteering to be involved in the mock interviews. If you as a parent are responsible for interviewing prospective employees at your office or would like to help us, please contact Mrs. Jones in the College & Career Center. Thank you, in advance, for taking the opportunity to help our students be successful.

- Maryland state scholarships and grants can be researched and applied for at www.MHEC.state.md.us

- Applications for the guaranteed access grants are now available and require you to create your MDCAPS account. This is the system that processes financial aid for Maryland students at http://mhec.maryland.gov/preparing/Pages/FinancialAid/osfamdcapslive.aspx. Do not miss deadlines and submit all paperwork. Check your e-mail!!!

- **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 or a considered major, yet pay in-state rates. **Criteria:** select an eligible program for residents of your state, be admitted to the institution offering the program; certify residency in your state. For more info, go to: www.sreb.org/page/1304/academic_common_market.html

- Please remember to bring in a copy of ALL letters of acceptance, scholarships, grant awards or military commitments to Mrs. Jones in the College and Career Center as that information is used to create the graduation program.
Financial Aid for Veterans and their Dependents

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Education Benefits
The Department of Veterans Affairs (www.va.gov/) provides information on educational benefits (https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/) for veterans and their dependents. Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program (DEA) Of particular interest is the Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program (DEA). It provides up to 45 months of education and training opportunities to eligible dependents of certain veterans. To be eligible, you must be the son, daughter, or spouse of a veteran who died or is permanently and totally disabled as the result of a service connected disability, or who died while such a disability was in effect, or is MIA or captured in the line of duty by a hostile force, or is forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a foreign government or power. Sons and daughters must be between the ages of 18 and 26. Spousal benefits end 10 years from the date the VA finds the spouse as eligible or from the date of death of the veteran. To apply, complete VA Form 22-5490, Application for Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance. For more information, call 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551).

Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents
Updated annually by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the publication Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents contains information about education and training benefits available to veterans and eligible dependents. For more information go to: www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book.asp or call 1-800-827-1000.

GI Transferability Bill
Post 9/11 GI Bill family transfer option allows service members to shift their benefits to their families. For more information, see www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book/benefits_chap05.asp.

Military Officers Association of America (MOAA)
MOAA offers several educational assistance programs, including interest-free loans, grants and the American Patriot Scholarship. For more information, go to: www.moaa.org/Content/Benefits-and-Discounts/EducationAssistance/Education-Assistance.aspx.

Other organizations that offer educational assistance to military personnel, veterans and their dependents include:

- **Army Emergency Relief** – Offers Dependent Children Education Program and Spouse Education Program.
- **Air Force Aid Society** – Offers General Henry H. Arnold Education Grant Program and General George S. Brown Spouse Tuition Assistance Program (STAP).
- **Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation** – Offers more than 1,600 scholarships a year totaling about $5 million to children of members of the Marine Corps who have been killed or wounded in combat or who demonstrate financial need.
- **Navy Marine Corps Relief Society** – Offers VADM E.P. Travers Scholarship and Loan Program, USS Tennessee Scholarship Fund, Dependents of Deceased Service Members Scholarship Program, Admiral Mike Boorda Scholarship Program, Bridge Loans for Tuition Assistance Program and GI Bill and Spouse Tuition Aid Program (STAP).
**Coast Guard Mutual Aid** – Offers the CGMA Supplemental Education Grant (SEG) Program, Stafford/PLUS Loan Origination Fee Refund Program and CGMA Supplemental Student Loans. See also the USCG Foundation Education Grant Program.

**National Association for Uniformed Services (NAUS)** – NAUS offers several undergraduate scholarships annually. For more information, see www.NAUS.org/scholarship.

**ThanksUSA Scholarship Program**
ThanksUSA is a non-profit tax exempt charitable organization focused on thanking American troops. ThanksUSA “thanks” the men and women of the United States Armed Forces by awarding scholarships for their children and spouses. As many as 500 scholarships are available for undergraduate study at accredited two and four year institutions of higher education. A minimum GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale is required. Active duty US military personnel is defined as having served on active duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard for at least 180 days since September 11, 2001, including all members of the Armed Forces who were killed or wounded in action. (Members of the reserves who have been activated to full-time duty and federalized members of the National Guard are eligible.) Dependent children (including adopted and stepchildren) must be age 24 and under as of the deadline. The scholarship program opens on April 1 and the deadline is May 15. Recipients are selected based on financial need, academic performance, leadership and community service. Preference is given to the families of military personnel who are wounded or killed during active duty. For more information, go to: www.thanksusa.org.

**2020 Scholarships for Military Children**
For more information and to apply visit: www.militaryscholar.org. Students must be enrolled in college full time and be dependents of active duty, reserve, Guard and retired military members.

**DOD Provides Website for Career Pathways**
Visit www.Myfuture.com and explore the benefits of a military career. More than 1,000 civilian and military career fields and nearly 7,000 accredited colleges and trade schools are featured.

**Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)**
Lackey’s next ASVAB will be administered in Thursday, March 26th. The test is scheduled from 7:30am-11:00am. Juniors and Seniors who would like to take the ASVAB, please sign-up in the College & Career Center with Mrs. Jones.

**Registering with Selective Service**
Attention all 17 and 18 year old male students: If you are not registered with Selective Service, you must do so within 30 days of turning 18. You MUST register. This is not a school requirement, it’s the law. If you fail to register, it will affect your ability to receive Federal college loans, grants and student aid. In addition, it will affect your ability to receive job training or to gain citizenship. It will even curtail opportunities to get many good jobs in the future. Register online at www.sss.gov or fill out a registration card at any U.S. Post Office.
Military Academy Summer Programs

United States Air Force Academy
Summer Seminar

This program offers a unique opportunity to get the Academy experience first-hand. Specially designed for high school Juniors heading into their Senior year, this fun yet demanding program will give you a solid understanding of the challenges and rewards of life as a cadet, as well as insights into what it means to serve as an officer in the United States Air Force. You will leave Summer Seminar more informed, prepared and motivated to excel! Questions? Email mailto:USAFA_Summer_Seminar@USAFA.edu.

Historically, the registration fee for Summer Seminar is approximately $300. Lodging, meals, workshop supplies, as well as seminar “uniforms” and accessories will be provided to attendees. If selected, you are responsible for funding and arranging your own transportation to and from Colorado Springs and the Academy.

2020 Summer Seminar Dates
Session “A”: 8-12 June 2020
Session “B”: 15-19 June 2020

For more information, go to www.academyadmissions.com/admissions/outreach-programs/summer-seminar/

United States Coast Guard Academy
Summer Program for Juniors – Academy Introduction Mission (AIM)

It is important that you make an informed decision about applying to and attending the Coast Guard Academy. Our Academy Introduction Mission (AIM) is a one-week summer program that gives you the chance to see if the Academy is right for you, and if you have what it takes to succeed. If you are selected, you will experience the rigor, discipline, and rewards of the Coast Guard Academy personally, just like a cadet, for one week in July following your Junior year in high school. You meet faculty and staff, learn about our academic, military, and athletic programs, talk with cadets who have sailed the Eagle, flown aircraft, and started their leadership journey, and meet with Coast Guard professionals who are protecting our nation right now. Success at AIM is a good indicator of success at the Coast Guard Academy. Typically, 50% of AIM grads earn appointments to the Academy.

Application dates: February 1, 2019 – April 1, 2019.

AIM 2020
Session 1: July 5 – 10
Session 2: July 12 – 17
Session 3: July 19 – 24

For more information, go to https://www.uscga.edu/aim/ or call 1-800-883-USCG.
Military Academy Summer Programs

The United States Naval Academy
Summer Seminar

This program is a fast-paced, six-day experience for high achievers who have completed their Junior year in high school. Summer Seminar teaches you about life at the Naval Academy, where academics, athletics, and professional training play equally important roles in developing our nation's leaders. If you think that you may be interested in pursuing an appointment to one of the nation's service academies and serving your country as an officer, you should seriously consider attending the Naval Academy's Summer Seminar.
Application will open January 3, 2019.

2020 Summer Seminar Dates
Session 1: May 30 – June 4
Session 2: June 6 – 11
Session 3: June 13 - 18

For more information, go to www.usna.edu/Admissions/Programs/NASS/index.php

West Point United States Military Academy
Summer Leaders Experience

The Summer Leaders Seminar (SLS) program gives high school juniors a week to experience life as a cadet in their college decision process. It is a fast-paced program of academic classes, military training, physical fitness training and intramural athletics conducted during the couple of weeks in June each year. Juniors must have a valid PSAT, PLAN, SAT or ACT test score to apply.
Application window: January 15, 2020 – March 15, 2020

2019 SLE Dates
Session 1: May 30 – June 5
Session 2: June 6 – June 12

For more information, go to https://westpoint.edu/admissions/summer-program.
Testing

SAT Subject Tests
Some colleges require SAT Subject Tests to get a stronger sense of a student’s strength in specific areas such as math, science, history, literature, and languages. To find which colleges require these tests, visit the colleges’ websites and look at the application requirements. To find more information about the tests including available subject areas, test dates, cost of tests etc., please go to www.SATSubjectTests.org. SAT Subject tests are flexible. Each test is one hour long, and you can choose to take up to three in a sitting. Not all Subject Tests are administered on every SAT test date. Be sure to map out your testing requirements in order to meet the admissions requirements for your prospective colleges.

Seniors, if you are planning to go to a 4-year college in Fall 2020 and you have not taken the SAT or ACT yet, you should see your counselor for advice about which test you should take and then you will need to register online (you will need to pay online at the time of registration). This should be done immediately!

If you are going to a trade, technical, art or music school, you need to check the website of the school to see if you need to take any tests. Many require you take their test only or sometimes no test is needed at all.

If you are going to a Community College, you do not need to take the SAT or ACT, unless you are going into the Nursing program, in which case the ACT is required with a composite score of 21 or higher.

Students are reminded to use www.khanacademy.org to brush up on Algebra, Geometry, and Trig as well as other disciplines before ACT and SAT exams. Use the free online service for tutoring and take advantage of other free classes being offered including Financial Literacy.

SAT/ACT Test Dates

Did You Know???

**FairTest**
This list includes institutions that are “test optional”, “test flexible” or otherwise de-emphasize the use of standardized tests by making admissions decisions about substantial numbers of applicants who recently graduated from U.S. high schools without using the SAT or ACT: [www.fairtest.org/university/optional](http://www.fairtest.org/university/optional)

**Khan Academy**
A personalized learning resource for all ages
Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and a personalized learning dashboard that empower learners to study at their own pace in and outside of the classroom. We tackle math, science, computer programming, history, art history, economics, and more. Our math missions guide learners from kindergarten to calculus using state-of-the-art, adaptive technology that identifies strengths and learning gaps. We’ve also partnered with institutions like NASA, The Museum of Modern Art, The California Academy of Sciences, and MIT to offer specialized content. For more information go to: [http://www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)

**SAT Prep from Khan Academy**
For the first time ever, the creators of the SAT have given Khan Academy exclusive access and advice to build a personalized practice program for any students anywhere to practice for the SAT. These tools are FREE and available now for every student to take ownership of their learning and their future!!!

SAT Prep for CURRENT SAT – Go to: [www.khanacademy.org/test-prep/sat](http://www.khanacademy.org/test-prep/sat)

SAT Prep for REDESIGNED SAT – Go to: [www.khanacademy.org/sat](http://www.khanacademy.org/sat)

**PSAT Score Report**
Students who took the PSAT in October have received their PSAT score reports. Students should go online to: [https://studentscores.collegeboard.org](https://studentscores.collegeboard.org) - to check out not only PSAT scores but also the resources that the College Board offers for free as you prepare to take the SAT. Using their score report, you will learn how ready you are for college, explore which AP courses are a good match, and get insight into which skills to focus on in order to prepare for the SAT. You can also link to the College Board and Khan Academy accounts to access FREE, personalized SAT practice based on their PSAT/NMSQT results. Soon you will meet with your school counselors and administrators and will have a chance to ask any questions pertaining to your scores and what it means as you start to plan out your academic future.

**EDU, Inc.**
Common Black College Application: Apply to 50 member institutions with one $35.00 application fee- [www.eduinconline.com](http://www.eduinconline.com) or call (770)716-0616 Application includes 4 Maryland schools – Bowie State University, Coppin State University, Morgan State University, and University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

**Coalition for Access, Affordability, and Success** [www.mycoalition.org](http://www.mycoalition.org)
- This is an online college application system that allows high school students, grades 9-12 to set up an account and begin learning about the application and financial aid processes.
- There are 95 public and private universities across the U.S. that comprise the Coalition for Access, Affordability, and Success. [http://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/alert.html](http://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/alert.html)
The University of Maryland, College Park will use the application provided by the Coalition for Access, Affordability, and Success beginning in mid-August 2017 for students seeking freshman admission to the university Fall 2018.

**Common Application**
Over 500 schools, in 47 states and the District of Columbia, as well as ones overseas accept this application. For more information and to see which colleges and universities accept the Common Application, to go: [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)
College Fairs and Tours

Southern Maryland Spring HBCU College and Career Fair
Friday, January 24, 2020
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
University System of Maryland at Southern Maryland
44219 Airport Road, California, MD  20619
Register to attend this College Fair at www.stmarysnaacp.org

HBCU FESTIVAL
Saturday, January 25, 2020
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center
For more information, go to www.alfredstreet.org
MTM Foundation Historically Black Colleges & Universities Tour

Spring Break 2020 April 7 – 11, 2020

Bowie State University ● Howard University ● Hampton University ● Norfolk State University ● North Carolina Central University ● Morgan State University ● North Carolina A&T University ● Clark Atlanta University ● Morehouse College ● Spelman College

Cost: $700.00 per person

To register and more information: www.mtmcollegetours.org

Contact Mr. James Henderson 443-768-6939 or email: MTM1Foundation@gmail.com

MTM Foundation Ivy League College Tour 2020

April 2 – 6, 2020

Brown University ● Columbia University ● Cornell University ● Massachusetts Institute of Technology ● Princeton University ● Harvard University ● Yale University ● University of Pennsylvania

Cost: $700.00 per person

To register and more information: www.mtmcollegetours.org

Contact Mr. James Henderson 443-768-6939 or email: MTM1Foundation@gmail.com
Any Junior that would like to play collegiate sports at the Division I or Division II level must register with the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Initial-Eligibility Center at this time. Visit www.eligibilitycenter.org for all the pertinent information you will need to compete in college.

Remember, ACT/SAT test scores are reported directly from the testing 23 agencies to the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Center. When registering for the exams, include “9999” in the Send Score Reports section.

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. CoreCourseGPA.com calculates core course GPA for both Divisions I and II, provides corresponding minimum SAT/ACT scores and a detailed report of core course credits earned and needed.

ALL STUDENT-ATHLETES are encouraged to activate your FREE membership to begin tracking your core course GPA and learn about the recruitment process. The sooner, the better – EVERY SEMESTER COUNTS!

To activate your FREE Membership, go to www.CoreCourseGPA.com. In the “New Member Account Creation” box, enter: School ID: 210675 and School Code: 725801167.

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

Don’t have the GPA or college entrance exam scores needed for a four-year college? Think junior colleges! Think community colleges! Many community and junior colleges across the country have full athletic programs including tackle football. Visit the National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association’s website at www.njcaa.org and find out where you can use your talents while building your academic skills for transfer to a four-year college or university program.

Maryland Resources

College Resources & Financial Aid Programs:
The state as an extensive range of college resources and financial aid programs in the form of grants, scholarships, and other awards for students who want to further their education beyond high school. For more information, please go to: www.mhec.state.md.us/preparing/Pages/default.aspx

Artsys:
The Articulation System for Maryland Colleges and Universities ARTSYS is intended to aid the transfer of students from Maryland community colleges to the University System of Maryland institutions and other participating institutions. For more information go to: www.artsys.usmd.edu.

Academic Common Market:
The Academic Common Market is a tuition-savings program that enables students who live in the 15 states that are members of the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) to pursue a degree not available in the student’s home state at an out-of-state college at discounted tuition rates. To find out more information visit: http://mhec.maryland.gov/institutions_training/Pages/acadaff/commonmarket.aspx

Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC)
The Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) is the State of Maryland’s higher education coordinating board responsible for establishing statewide policies for Maryland public and private colleges and universities and for-profit career schools. MHEC also administers state financial aid programs. Their website provides information and numerous resources for students and parents. For more information, please go to: www.mhec.state.md.us
MHEC Handouts in the Career Center

- Guaranteed Access Grant – Up to $19,100
- Educational Assistance Grant – Up to $3,000
- Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship - Up to $5,000
- Maryland Legislative – Senatorial & Delegate Scholarships Guide – Up to $11,800

Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship:
The Promise Scholarship creates opportunities for students to attend one of Maryland’s public community colleges by providing tuition assistance for any student eligible for in-state tuition. Visit https://mhec.maryland.gov/Pages/Community-College-Promise-Scholarship.aspx more information How to Apply, Eligibility Criteria, Award Amount, Renewing an Award, Service Obligation Requirements.

Research Jobs & Careers

- **CareerOneStop** – Sponsored by the US Department of Labor. Learn about careers, find career information, and locate career resources and advice. Visit www.careeronestop.com

- **Career Coach** – College of Southern Maryland has a website that is available for students to use as they prepare for their future. It is designed to help you find a good career by providing the most current local data on wages, employment, job postings, and associated education and training. Visit the website at: www.csmd.edu/student-services/advising/career-services/explore-your-options/

- **Wondering what you can do with a major??** – Visit the following website: www.collegemajors101.com

- **BrainTrack's Career Guide** – www.braintrack.com. This guide offers in-depth career profiles as well as degree and wage statistics for over 300 occupations that commonly require college or university education.

- **Employment Information** –
  - There are many websites available for you to be able to browse jobs that are available in a certain area and/or use their resources to learn some tips to help you when you are finding a job. Go to: www.indeed.com, www.glassdoor.com, www.careeronestop.org, www.snagajob.com, www.onetonline.org
  - The Maryland Job Service is located at 175 Post Office Road in Waldorf, Maryland. Office hours for Job Service referrals are from 8:00 am-4:00 pm daily. Maryland Job Service: 301-645-8712 or go online at: www.dllr.state.md.us/county/smd/ OR the Maryland Workforce Exchange website at: https://mwejobs.maryland.gov.
  - Federal Jobs & Internships – Students and recent graduates may be eligible for federal internships and job opportunities through the Pathways and other student programs: www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/unique-hiring-paths/students

- **DOD Provides a Website to Help Youth Explore Pathways for Their Future:**
  Figure out what’s next! This website presents career, college and the Military as options, allowing students to explore all possibilities and gain insight into each option. More than 1,000 civilian and military career fields and nearly 7,000 accredited colleges and trade schools are featured. Go to: www.myfuture.com.
• **Career Cruising** – This website provides a wealth of information for students. Students are able to take Interest and Skills Assessments, look at Career Profiles, watch Multimedia Interviews, research College and Financial Aid Information, save items to the Electronic Career Portfolio and create a resume using the Resume Builder. To access the website go to: www.careercruising.com. Students have their own individual accounts they can access with their own username and password that allows them to save items to their account. Students who do not remember their password can see their counselor or Mrs. Jones in the Career Center.

• **Work Permits** – Students who are between 14 – 17 years of age and would like to work are required to get a work permit. For more information and to apply online, go to: https://www.dllr.state.md.us/labor/wages/empm.shtml

• **O*NET OnLine** – This is a tool for career exploration and job analysis! This site has detailed descriptions of the world of work! Build your future with O*NET OnLine: http://www.onetonline.org/

• **My Next Move** – U.S. Department of Labor’s Career Search Tool: www.mynextmove.org

• **Maryland Natural Resources Police** – Natural Resource Cadet, high school graduate (men and women) between ages of 18 and 20, full-time position. Apply at: www.dnr.state.md.us/nrp

• **Security Professional Development Institute** – Training and development of security practitioners for the security industry. Training academy information available at: www.spditraining.com

• **STEM Jobs** – Discover your career, do what you love, go to www.STEMjobs.com click on “Find Your STEM Type”, take a quiz and get results, see which jobs match your type.

• **Federal Government Jobs and Internships** – Opportunities for jobs with the Federal Government: www.USAJOBS.gov Under “Explore Hiring Paths” CLICK on “Students and recent graduates.”

• **Marine Trades Association of Maryland** – Career opportunities in the boating industry. www.mtam.org

• **Lundeberg Maryland Seamanship School, Inc.** – A vocational school dedicated to preparing students for successful careers as U.S. merchant mariners. Tuition-free training, no prior experience necessary, www.seafarers.org Located on the campus of the Paul Hall Center for Maritime Training and Education, 45353 St. Georges Ave., Piney Point, MD 20674

• **Maryland Dental Assistant School** – 10 weeks, entry-level dental assistant program, Dr. Evelyn Leach, 888-401-4555, fax 240-253-2673, 15638 Livingston Road Unit 9, Accokeek, MD 20607

• **Dental Assistant Training** – Contact Dr. Coleman at 703-963-8969

• **Divers Academy International** – Career opportunities in commercial diving and underwater welding, hands-on learning, comprehensive certifications, 5 month program, career assistance, high job placement, high income potential. www.diversacademy.edu

• **United States Intelligence Community Intelligence Careers** – The Intelligence Careers (IC) offers students a wide variety of excellent programs to get a jumpstart on a career in intelligence. Choose your agency, education level, field of study and the type of opportunity you’re looking for, and match your needs to theirs. For more information go to: https://www.intelligencecareers.gov/icstudents.html?Agency=NSA
Researching Colleges

**Arrow Collegiate Tours**: This organization was formed to introduce students to the heritage of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU’s). They offer a week-long HBCU tour twice a year and One-Day tours at various times throughout the year. For more information and to register, go to: www.arrowcollegiatetour.com

**College Navigator**: From the US Department of Education, this website gathers admission, retention, graduation, and financial aid data for every college in the country. Go to: www.nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator.

**Big Future**: The College Board: Choosing a college is a big and exciting decision. Explore your interests and take the time to find a college that will put you on the path to a bright future!!! Go to: www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org

**CappexConnect Online**: Connect with colleges, faculty and admissions, watch live presentations from a variety of institutions on your computers and learn more about specific colleges or college in general. Go to: www.cappex.com

**Career Cruising**: This website provides a wealth of information for students. Students are able to take Interest and Skills Assessments, look at Career Profiles, watch Multimedia Interviews, research College and Financial Aid Information, save items to the Electronic Career Portfolio and create a resume using the Resume Builder. To access the website go to: www.careercruising.com. Enter the school’s Username: henry / Password: lackey Students have their own individual accounts they can access with their own username and password that allows them to save items to their account. Students who do not remember their password can see their counselor or Mrs. Jones in the College & Career Center.

**College Majors 101**: There are so many majors to choose from! College Majors 101 provides information and videos about college majors, lists of accredited schools, student/professional associations, examples of employers, industry publications and more! Go to: www.collegemajors101.com

**College Results Online**: This is an interactive, user-friendly Web tool designed to provide parents and students with information about graduation rates for nearly any four-year college or university in the country or to compare colleges. Go to: www.collegeresults.org

**College Simply**: College Simply provides clear, easy to understand admission chances, rankings and tools to help simplify the college search process. Go to: www.collegesimply.com

**College Visits Tours**: Tours are led and supervised by trained staff. Tours are set up across the United States and Canada. Call 843-853-8149 for details. View a complete list of the tours and register at www.collegevisits.com.

**CollegeWeekLive**: This is a free, online event designed to connect prospective students with colleges and universities in a live, interactive environment. Visit www.CollegeWeekLive.com.

**Exploring College Options**: Student/Parent Information Sessions – Duke, Georgetown, Harvard, Penn, and Stanford – in the Metro DC area, go to: www.exploringcollegeoptions.org

**Exploring Educational Excellence**: Information sessions presented by Brown University, Columbia University, Cornell University, Rice University, and the University of Chicago. For more information visit: www.exploringeducationalexcellence.org

**Petersons**: This website provides information and tools to help you find, get in, and pay for school. Go to: www.petersons.com

**The online Dramatics College Theatre Directory**: This online directory makes it easier for students to find and apply to hundreds of colleges with performing arts programs. Go to: http://collegedirectory.schooltheatre.org

**Virtual tour**: Ideally, touring the college campuses you are considering is the best way to find out if a college is for you. However, just because you may want to attend a school out of state doesn’t mean you have to spring for plane tickets to every university on your Top 10 list. To help whittle down the choices, take a virtual tour at www.campustours.com to get started. Many of the college websites also provide a virtual tour of their campus....be sure to check it out!
SCHOLARSHIPS

January Deadline:

**Coolidge Scholarship**
Eligible: Juniors
Criteria: Academic excellence, Interest in public policy and appreciation for Coolidge values, displays a sense of service and care for the well-being of others, leadership credentials in high school.
Award: Full-ride that covers 4 years undergraduate study tuition, room, board, and expenses
Deadline: 1/16; [www.coolidgescholars.org](http://www.coolidgescholars.org)

**Distinguished Young Women Scholarship Program**
Eligible: Junior females, 3.0+ GPA
Criteria: Scholastic, Interview, Talent, Fitness, Self-Expression
Award: $2,000
Deadline: 1/17; [www.DistinguishedYW.org](http://www.DistinguishedYW.org), Questions? Email southernMD@DistinguishedYW.org

**Foot Locker Athlete Scholarship**
Eligible: Senior Athletes
Criteria: U.S. Citizen or permanent resident, Athlete, 3.0+ GPA
Award: $20,000
Deadline: 1/3 [https://footlocker.smapply.io/prog/athletes/](https://footlocker.smapply.io/prog/athletes/)

**GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship**
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Leadership, Drive, Integrity, Citizenship, GPA 3.0+ on 4.0 scale, plan to enroll in four-year college
Award: $10,000-$40,000
Deadline: 1/3; apply online at: [https://www.reaganfoundation.org/education/scholarship-programs/ge-reagan-foundation-scholarship-program](https://www.reaganfoundation.org/education/scholarship-programs/ge-reagan-foundation-scholarship-program). For more information: [www.reaganfoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.reaganfoundation.org/scholarships)

**LaPlata Rotary Club Trades & Energy Scholarship**
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Charles County resident, financial need, enroll in a certificate program at the CSM Trades and Energy Training Center.
Award: Up to $1,500
Deadline: 1/31; apply online at: [https://csmd.academicworks.com/opportunities/1912](https://csmd.academicworks.com/opportunities/1912)

**Maryland JCI Senate Scholarship**
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Leadership, community service, transcript, letters of recommendation
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 1/24; [www.uscjsenate.org](http://www.uscjsenate.org), [www.uscjsenate.org/scholarship-program](http://www.uscjsenate.org/scholarship-program) Questions...contact Patrick Allison at 410-320-5509 or email JCI64624@comcast.net

**Maryland Mensa Scholarship Essay Contest**
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Essay
Award: Up to $1,000
**Princeton Prize in Race Relations**

*Eligible:* 9-12th graders  
*Criteria:* actively involved in a volunteer activity within the last 12 months that has a significant positive impact on race relations  
*Award:* $1,000  
*Deadline:* 1/31; [www.princeton.edu/PrincetonPrize](http://www.princeton.edu/PrincetonPrize)

**Ron Brown Scholar Program**

*Eligible:* African American Seniors  
*Criteria:* Academic achievement, leadership, community service, financial need  
*Award:* 10,000 for 4 years  
*Deadline:* 1/9; [www.ronbrown.org/section/apply/program-description](http://www.ronbrown.org/section/apply/program-description)

**TMG Space Camp Scholarship**

*Eligible:* Must be between the of 15-17 as of July 1, 2020  
*Criteria:* Must be on the Free/Reduced Lunch program, be able to attend Space Camp the week of July 12-17, 2020, never attended Space Camp in the past, Essay, Letter of Recommendation  
*Award:* Scholarship to attend Space Camp  
*Deadline:* 1/15; [www.themarsgeneration.org/programs/space-camp-scholarship](http://www.themarsgeneration.org/programs/space-camp-scholarship)

**USDA 1890 National Scholars Program Scholarship**

*Eligible:* students must be U.S. citizens, have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better, have been accepted at one of the 1890 HBCUs, study agriculture, food, natural resource sciences, computer science or other related academic disciplines, demonstrate leadership and community service. Please visit the USDA 1890 National Scholars Program website for more information  
*Award:* Full Scholarship  
**DEADLINE:** 1/31; More information and an application can be found at: [www.outreach.usda.gov/education/1890/](http://www.outreach.usda.gov/education/1890/)

**Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarships** *Eligible:* Seniors  
*Criteria:* Plan to pursue a career in government service, essay, letter of recommendation, transcript  
*Award:* $500 to $5,000  
*Deadline:* 1/15; [http://www.gwcf.org/SchlProgram.html](http://www.gwcf.org/SchlProgram.html)

**February Deadline:**

**Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship**

*Eligible:* Minority Senior  
*Criteria:* leadership, community service, financial need, minimum SAT score of 1,000 math & reading or ACT composite score of 21.  
*Award:* varies - up to $30,000 over four years  
*Deadline:* 2/1; [www.jackierobinson.org](http://www.jackierobinson.org), [www.jackierobinson.org/apply/](http://www.jackierobinson.org/apply/)

**Jimmy Rane Foundation Scholarship**

*Eligible:* Senior  
*Criteria:* 3.0+, U.S. Citizen or permanent resident  
*Award:* $500-$5,000  
*Deadline:* 2/7; [www.jimmyranefoundation.org](http://www.jimmyranefoundation.org)
**Maryland Farm Bureau Scholarship**

**Eligible:** High school students  
**Criteria:** Applicants or their parents/guardians must be members of the Maryland Farm Bureau. Application and essay required.  
**Award:** $2,000  
**Deadline:** 2/10; [www.mdfarmbureau.com/scholarships](http://www.mdfarmbureau.com/scholarships), [http://mdfarmbureau.com/](http://mdfarmbureau.com/)

**National Co-op Scholarship Program**

**Eligible:** Seniors  
**Criteria:** GPA 3.5+, one-page essay; to qualify for the merit co-op scholarship, must complete all the required admissions material and must apply for the 2020-2021 academic year at one or more of the ten NCCE Partner Colleges & Universities.  
**Award:** $6,000 renewable  
**Deadline:** 2/15 – Deadlines vary depending on the institution. [https://waceinc.org/scholarship/index.html](https://waceinc.org/scholarship/index.html)

**Northrop Grumman Engineering Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Graduating High school senior who is a resident of MD & planning to attend a public or accredited university in an approved engineering program  
**Criteria:** 3.5+ GPA un-weighted, 1150+ SAT or 27+ on the ACT  
**Award:** $10,000  
**Deadline:** 2/5; [www.northropgrumman.com/CorporateResponsibility/Community/Pages/engineerscholars.aspx](http://www.northropgrumman.com/CorporateResponsibility/Community/Pages/engineerscholars.aspx),

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**National Society DAR Scholarships**

**NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (NSDAR) SCHOLARSHIPS**

Multiple scholarships, pursuit of degrees in diverse disciplines including history, law, nursing, and education. For information and applications: [www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships](http://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships)  
**Deadline:** 2/15

**General Scholarship**

**RICHARD AND ELIZABETH DEAN SCHOLARSHIP**—The Richard and Elizabeth Dean Scholarship is a preferred amount of $5,000 each year for up to four consecutive years to graduating high school students. The selection process shall be based on academic merit with an initial minimum GPA of 3.75. Renewal is conditional upon maintenance of a GPA of 3.25. This scholarship is renewable only after review and approval of the annual official transcript. Renewal transcript must be submitted to the Office of the Reporter General by July 1 of the year of renewal or the scholarship is forfeited.

**Political Science, History, Government, and Economics Scholarships**

A separate application must be submitted for each scholarship in this group.

**DR. AURA-LEE A. PITTENGER AND JAMES HOBBS PITTENGER AMERICAN HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP**—A scholarship in the amount of $2,000 each year for up to four consecutive years to a graduating high school senior who will have a concentrated study of a minimum of 24 credit hours in American History or American Government, while in college. This award is intended to promote the study of history among our finest students. United States citizens residing abroad may apply through a Units Overseas Chapter. Renewal is conditional upon maintenance of a GPA of 3.25.

**THE LUCINDA BENEVENTI FINDELEY HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP**—A one-time $2,000 scholarship awarded to graduating high school seniors who have demonstrated advanced interest in history and are planning to major in, or pursue the study of, history in a full-time, accredited college or university in the United States. The applicant must have a GPA of 3.25.
### Nursing School Scholarships
These are one-time awards of $1,000. It is only necessary to submit one application for consideration for any award in this group or for the Madeline Picket Halbert Cogswell Nursing Scholarship listed under Special Scholarships.

**CAROLINE E. HOLT NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**—One-time $1,000 scholarship for students who are in financial need and have been accepted or are currently enrolled in an accredited school of nursing. A letter of acceptance into the Nursing Program or the transcript stating that the applicant is enrolled in the Nursing Program must be included with the application.

**MILDRED NUTTING SCHOLARSHIP**—One-time $1,000 scholarship for students who are in financial need and who have been accepted or are currently enrolled in an accredited school of nursing. A letter of acceptance into the Nursing Program or the transcript stating that the applicant is in the Nursing Program must be enclosed with the application. Preference will be given to candidates from the Lowell, MA area.

**OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SCHOLARSHIP**—One-time $1,000 scholarship for students who are in financial need and have been accepted or are attending an accredited school of Occupational Therapy including art, music, or physical therapy. A letter of acceptance into the Occupational Therapy Program or the transcript stating the applicant is in the Occupational Therapy Program must be included with the application.

### Specific Scholarships
A separate application must be submitted for each scholarship in this group.

**MARGARET HOWARD HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP**—A $1,000 scholarship awarded for up to four years to a graduating high school senior who has been accepted into the Harvey and Bernice Jones Learning Center, housing the Ben D. Caudle Learning Program, University of the Ozarks, Clarksville, Arkansas. Applications must be requested directly from the Learning Center upon acceptance into their program for learning disabled students.

**LILLIAN AND ARTHUR DUNN SCHOLARSHIP**—A $2,000 scholarship awarded for up to four years to well qualified, deserving sons and daughters of members of the NSDAR for four years of college. Renewal is conditional upon maintenance of a GPA of 3.25. Outstanding recipients will be considered for an additional period of up to four years of study. DAR member number of mother (who is a current, dues paying member) must be on the application.

**MADELINE PICKETT HALBERT COGSWELL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**—One-time $1,000 scholarship for students who have been accepted or are currently enrolled in an accredited school of nursing, who are members of NSDAR, descendants of members of NSDAR, or are eligible to be members of NSDAR (must be established). A letter of acceptance into the Nursing Program or the transcript stating that the applicant is in the Nursing Program must be included with the application. DAR member number must be on the application.

**NELLIE LOVE BUTCHER MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP**—Given annually to a male or female music student who is pursuing an education in piano or voice. Special consideration shall be given to students currently attending the Duke Ellington School of the Performing Arts, Washington, DC. This substantial scholarship is for one year, and is not automatically renewable; however, recipients may reapply for consideration each year for four years based on maintaining a 3.0 grade point average. Special CD submission instructions available upon request.

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**Black College Expo Essay Contest**

**Eligible:** Juniors and Seniors, US citizen or lawful resident  
**Criteria:** 500 word essay, “Why is a College Education Important to ME” or “Why should students think STEAM in the New Millennium” (only applies to the STEAM EXPO)  
**Award:** multiple, must attend an NCRF college expo to win  
**Deadline:** varies based on EXPO city; [https://www.thecollegeexpo.org/students/scholarships](https://www.thecollegeexpo.org/students/scholarships)
**TeenDrive365 Video Challenge**

**Eligible:** High school students  
**Criteria:** Create a 30-60 second video to end distracted driving  
**Award:** multiple up to $15,000 and a reshoot with a Discovery film crew  
**Deadline:** 2/26  
www.teendrive365inschool.com/teens/video-challenge

**March Deadline:**

**ACS (American Chemical Society) Scholars Award**

**Eligible:** Senior  
**Criteria:** Student must be African-American, Hispanic/Latino or American Indian, accredited college or university or community college, GPA 3.0+ in chemistry or science, major in a chemically-related science or chemical technology.  
**Award:** Up to $5000  
**Deadline:** 3/1,  
www.acs.org/content/acs/en/funding-and-awards/scholarships/acsscholars.html

**Air Force Officers’ Spouses’ Club of Washington D.C.**

**Eligible:** Graduating college-bound seniors who are dependents of an active duty, retired, MIA/POW, or deceased Air Force member residing in the Washington, D. C. area  
**Criteria:** 3.25+ unweighted GPA, standardized test scores, extracurricular activities, leadership  
**Award:** varies each year  
**Deadline:** 3/2;  
www.afoscdc.com;  
www.afoscdc.com/scholarships/

**American Legion Auxiliary Scholarships National President’s Scholarship**

**Eligible:** High School Seniors  
**Criteria:** Scholarships for high school students who are direct descendants, step-children, step-grandchildren of U.S. wartime veterans.  
**Award:** Three $5,000  
**Deadline:** 3/1; Application available at:  
www.alaforyourveterans.org/Scholarships/Children-of-Warriors-National-Presidents--Scholarship/

**American Welding Society District Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Seniors  
**Criteria:** Students seeking an undergraduate degree in welding engineering, welding technology, or a welding related field, must be accepted into a welding related educational or training program  
**Award:** $1,000 and up, renewable  
**Deadline:** 3/1;  
www.aws.org/foundation/page/district-scholarships

**Automotive Scholarship Gateway**

**Eligible:** Seniors  
**Criteria:** Career in the automotive industry, one-page essay about your career goals, letter of reference, transcript.  
**Award:** Varies  
**Deadline:** 3/31;  
www.automotivescholarships.com

**Carter Marohn-Johnson Memorial Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Graduating High School Seniors in Charles County, MD who are pursuing their career, trade school, or college dreams  
**Criteria:** Narrative essay, video submission, or a visual portfolio of no more than $1,000 words (essay) or no longer than four minutes (video) sharing what you plan to do after high school and how the scholarship would help make those post-graduation dreams a reality.  
**Award:** Two to Five individual scholarships - $500 - $1,500 each  
**Deadline:** 3/15;  
www.cartermjscholarship.com
Charles County Arts Alliance Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: 3.0+GPA, accepted to continue in an arts program of study (major) at a four-year college or university, resume, essay, letter of recommendation, transcript
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 3/5; Applications available in the College & Career Center

Charles County Scholarship Fund
Eligible: Charles County High School Seniors
Criteria: Varies
Award: Varies
Deadline: 3/1; https://www.ccboe.com/ss/charles-county-scholarship-fund-inc/

Colonial Farm Credit (Financial Institution) - Colonial Agricultural Education Foundation, Inc.
Eligible: Student who resides in one of the counties served by Colonial Farm Credit, which includes Charles County
Criteria: Varied but includes scholastic ability, leadership, financial need & educational goals
Award: Varies

Create-A-Greeting-Card Scholarship
Eligible: High school students in ALL grade levels
Criteria: Applicants must be at least 14 years old
Award: $10,000 scholarship
Deadline: 3/2; www.gallerycollection.com/greetingcardscontests.htm

Credit Union(CU) Foundation MD/DC
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Member of a credit union, essay
Award: $1,000 scholarship
Deadline: 3/31; www.cufound.org/scholarship

Dwight P. Jacobus Scholarships
Eligible: High School Seniors
Criteria: Resident of Maryland for at least one year preceding the date of award, been accepted for admission as a full time student (as defined by the recipient’s attending school), demonstrated financial need, GPA 2.0+, transcript, essay, SAT/ACT results
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 3/1; https://asbo.org/Jacobus_Scholarships

FEFA Federal Employee Education & Assistance Fund
Eligible: Seniors who are children of Federal Employees or postal workers
Criteria: Academic Record, Community Service
Award: $1,000-$5,000
Deadline: 3/25; www.feea.org/scholarships

Masonic Charities of Maryland Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Leadership, extracurricular activities, resume, academics, financial need, letters of recommendation, neatness of application
Award: $500 - $7,000
Deadline: 3/1; Applications available in the Career Center! Submit completed applications to Mrs. Jones in the Career Center no later than 3/1.
**RN STAT**
*Eligible:* Seniors  
*Critera:* GPA 2.5+, essay, transcripts, letters of recommendation, completed College of Southern Maryland (CSM) application, personal interview  
**Deadline:** 3/28; Applications available in the College & Career Center

**Washington Regional Transplant Consortium**
*Eligible:* Seniors  
*Critera:* Write a 1,000-word persuasive argument or produce a video for a selected audience (see scholarship info. for specific details) that will convince them to register to be organ, eye and tissue donors.  
**Award:** $1,000-$5,000  
**Deadline:** 3/31; [www.beadonor.org/news-a-events/scholarship-information](http://www.beadonor.org/news-a-events/scholarship-information), [www.beadonor.org](http://www.beadonor.org)

**April Deadline:**

**American Foreign Service – National High School Essay Contest**
*Eligible:* 9th-12th grade  
*Critera:* Essay, US Citizen  
**Award:** $1,250 - $2,500  
**Deadline:** 4/6; [http://www.afsa.org/essay-contest](http://www.afsa.org/essay-contest)

**Bill of Rights Institute**
*WE THE STUDENTS ESSAY CONTEST*  
*Eligible:* 9-12 graders  
*Critera:* Essay – To see the essay topic, go to: [http://www.billofrightsinstitute.org/](http://www.billofrightsinstitute.org/)  
**Award:** $500-$5,000  

**Charles County Master Gardener Scholarship**
*Eligible:*  
*High School Seniors*  
*Critera:* GPA 3.0+, Letter of Recommendation, resume, major in science (animal, earth, physical, environmental, life, marine, plant), essay, transcript  
**Award:** $1,000  
**Deadline:** 4/20; Applications available in the College & Career Center

**Chesapeake Language Project Scholarship**
*Eligible:*  
*Seniors*  
*Critera:* Current or former English learner, GPT 3.0+, extracurricular activities or work experience, applying to college/university  
**Award:** $1,000 scholarship  
**Deadline:** 4/15; [http://thechesapeakelanguageproject.org/scholarship-program](http://thechesapeakelanguageproject.org/scholarship-program)

**Educational Systems Federal Credit Union**
*Rosemary Brinkley Business and Finance Scholarship*  
*Eligible:* Seniors who are members of Educational Systems Federal Credit Union *(You can open an account and become a member.)*  
*Critera:* Plan to pursue a career in business, finance or related field; essay  
**Award:** $3,000  
**Deadline:** 4/1; [https://supporteducation.org/helping-college-bound-students/](https://supporteducation.org/helping-college-bound-students/)
**Educational Systems Federal Credit Union**

**Eligible:** Seniors who are members of Educational Systems Federal Credit Union *(You can open an account and become a member.)*

**Criteria:** GPA 2.75+ and essay

**Award:** $3,000

**Deadline:** 4/1; [https://supporteducation.org/helping-college-bound-students/](https://supporteducation.org/helping-college-bound-students/)

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**Maryland Senatorial & Delegate Scholarships**

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.

**Senator Arthur Ellis**

Contact: 301-858-3616

**DEADLINE:** April 1, 2020.

Application available online at: [https://arthurellis.us/scholarship.html](https://arthurellis.us/scholarship.html) Application Information is available in the College & Career Center!

**Delegate Debra Davis**

Contact: 301-858-3337

**DEADLINE:** April 1, 2020. Application Information is available in the College & Career Center! Applications can be completed ONLINE at: [www.bit.ly/DelDavisScholarship2020](http://www.bit.ly/DelDavisScholarship2020)

**Delegate Edith J. Patterson**

Contact: 301-858-3247

**DEADLINE:** April 1, 2019. Applications are available in the College & Career Center!

Additional Delegate Scholarship information coming soon!!!

You must live in the 28th District.

To verify, go to [http://mdelect.net](http://mdelect.net) and type in your address.

If you do not have a MDCAPS Account, you MUST create one at: [https://mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us/MDCAPS/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fMDCAPS%2fint%2fFinAid%2findex.aspx](https://mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us/MDCAPS/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fMDCAPS%2fint%2fFinAid%2findex.aspx)

You must file a FAFSA by February 1ST to be considered for any of the Maryland Senatorial, Delegate, or State Scholarships

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**Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative (SMECO) Scholarship**

**Eligible:** Graduating high school seniors residing within the SMECO service area

**Criteria:** Must have a cumulative 3.0+ GPA, Based on Scholastic Achievement (40%); Financial Need (50%); Interview, Community Involvement & School Involvement (10%); essay and letters of recommendation. See application for essay topic.

**Award:** $1,500

**Deadline:** 4/3; Applications available in the Career Center OR can be downloaded at: [www.smeco.coop/community/schools/scholarships OR by calling 1-888-440-3311.](http://www.smeco.coop/community/schools/scholarships OR by calling 1-888-440-3311.)
State of Maryland Literacy Association
Joseph Fox, Jr. Memorial Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors majoring in Education with the intent to pursue teaching as a career
Criteria: GPA 3.2+, Must major in education and intend to pursue teaching as a career, community service in education-related activities or organizations/clubs
Award: $2,000
Deadline: 4/15; www.somla.online/scholarship-opportunities.html

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Eligible: Female Senior
Criteria: GPA 2.5+, accepted to 4-year school, transcript, letters of recommendation, school and community involvement and/or participating in Zeta Phi Beta Sorority programs, essay
Award: $500
Deadline: 4/1; www.phialphazeta.org

May Deadline:

B. Davis Scholarship
Eligible: Juniors and Seniors
Criteria: 1000-word essay
Award: $1000
Deadline: 5/22; www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm

Society of Women Engineers
Eligible: 12th Grade Female Students – Financial assistance to women studying community college or a 4-Year college (ABET-accredited programs) in preparation for careers in engineering, engineering technology, or computer science
Criteria: Resume, letters of reference/recommendation, transcripts attend 2- or 4-year school
Award: Varied
Deadline: 5/1 for Freshmen Application (Freshmen Application opens March 1); https://scholarships.swe.org/applications/login.asp

June Deadline:

Abbott and Fenner Business Consultants Scholarship
Eligible: Juniors & Seniors
Criteria: To apply for this scholarship you will need to write an essay on the topic below. The essay should be between 500 and 1000 words. "Describe your educational career and life goals. Explain your plan for achieving these goals. Include your degree/major, why you selected it, and how this degree/major will help you achieve your goals."
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 6/12; http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm

The 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

ACT Scholarship Giveaway
Register for a chance to win a $40,000 scholarship and a $5000 tech package when you take the Act test!!!
Ongoing:

**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)

**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. Always go to the college’s website to check for more scholarship opportunities.

**Clemson’s “Call Me MISTER” Program (Mentors Instructing Students Toward Effective Role Models).**
This initiative is to increase the pool of available teachers from a broader more diverse background. The program is contributing to the talent pool of excellent teachers by identifying and supporting them. The project provides:
- Tuition assistance through Loan Forgiveness programs for admitted students pursuing approved programs of study in teacher education at participating colleges.
- An academic support system to help assure their success.
- A cohort system for social and cultural support.
- Assistance with job placement.

The “CALL ME MISTER” program is offered by four historical black colleges in South Carolina: Benedict College, Claflin University, Morris College and South Carolina State University.
For more information, go to: [www.clemson.edu/education/callmemister](http://www.clemson.edu/education/callmemister) for details online or call 1-800-640-2657.

**Child Care Career and Professional Development Fund**
MSDE tuition assistance program for childcare providers to obtain a college education at participating colleges/universities in Maryland. Funding is available in the following areas: Early Childhood Education, Child Development, Elementary Education, and Special Education. For additional information: [Southern Tri-County (Calvert, Charles and St Mary’s Counties)](http://earlychildhood.marylandpublicschools.org/funding-opportunities/family-child-care-provider-grant-program)

**College Board Opportunity Scholarship**
A new scholarship program with $5 million of scholarships each year starting with the class of 2020. This program guides you through the college application process, complete key steps along your path to college for a chance to earn a scholarship. The more effort you put in, the more opportunities you have to earn a scholarship. Complete all six, and you are eligible to earn $40,000. Scholarships will be awarded through monthly drawings to students who complete each action. [https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/](https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/)

**Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising (FIDM)**

**Frostburg State University**
Music Scholarship Audition days are Saturday, January 25, 2020 and Thursday, February 13, 2020. For more information and the Music and Marching Band Scholarship Applications, please visit: [www.frostburg.edu/music/scholarships](http://www.frostburg.edu/music/scholarships)
Harvard University (DC)
Harvard University (DC) is offering FREE tuition to families of HONOR STUDENTS if their income is less than $65,000 per year. Visit www.fao.fas.harvard.edu or call 617-495-1581

McDaniel College (MD) – Educator’s Legacy Scholarship
Seniors with at least a 2.5 GPA and who are children of current K-12 educators who have at least four years of continuous full-time employment in a school setting are eligible to receive a scholarship valued at up to $25,000 per year ($100,00) over 4 years) to help fund your college education at McDaniel College. (Any service in a K-12 school qualifies – teachers, counselors, nurses, support staff, administrator.) Visit www.mcdaniel.edu/EduLegacyEligibility to apply. For information about McDaniel College and the application process, visit www.mcdaniel.edu.

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

United Negro College Fund (UNCF) Scholarships
UNCF manages various scholarship programs and each program has its own eligibility criteria, open/close dates and required documentation. To apply for a UNCF scholarship, you must apply through the on-line application process. For more information about deadlines and the award amounts, go to: https://scholarships.uncf.org/

Washington College (MD) National Honor Society
Eligible: High school senior who is a member of the National Honor Society.
Award: $12,500- $50,000
Deadline: For more information, call 800-422-1782x7700.

Williamson College of the Trades (PA)
Private 3-year technical college for men, residential campus, need-based financial aid available for full-time students, 8 varsity sports in the Junior Athletic Association. Go to: www.williamson.edu
THE CAROL CROFT LINDE SOUTHERN CHARLES COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY

- must be incoming freshman who are graduates of Charles County, Maryland public high schools and who enroll in the A. James Clark School of Engineering at the University of Maryland, College Park

- must be residents in southern Charles County, defined as south of Rt. 225 from La Plata to Mason Springs and south of Rt. 6 from La Plata to the St. Mary’s County line and south of La Plata only

- must demonstrate financial need

If you are interested, please email engrmoney@umd.edu with the subject “Carol Croft Linde S.C.C Scholarship”
THE KENT GORDON CROFT SOUTHERN CHARLES COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY

- must be incoming freshman who are graduates of Charles County, Maryland public high schools and who enroll in the A. James Clark School of Engineering at the University of Maryland, College Park

- must be residents in southern Charles County, defined as south of Rt. 225 from La Plata to Mason Springs and south of Rt. 6 from La Plata to the St. Mary’s County line and south of La Plata only

- must demonstrate financial need

If you are interested, please email engrmoney@umd.edu with the subject “Kent Gordon Croft S.C.C Scholarship”

RENEWABLE FOR UP TO SEVEN (7) CONSECUTIVE ACADEMIC SEMESTERS

*PROVIDED THAT THE RECIPIENT REMAINS IN SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC STANDING AND IS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS TOWARD A BACHELORS DEGREE IN ENGINEERING AT THE UNIVERSITY
THE RUSSELL GORDON CROFT SOUTHERN CHARLES COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY

- must be incoming freshman who are graduates of Charles County, Maryland public high schools and who enroll in the A. James Clark School of Engineering at the University of Maryland, College Park

- must be residents in southern Charles County, defined as south of Rt. 225 from La Plata to Mason Springs and south of Rt. 6 from La Plata to the St. Mary’s County line and south of La Plata only

- must demonstrate financial need

If you are interested, please email engrmoney@umd.edu with the subject “Russell Gordon Croft S.C.C Scholarship”

RENEWABLE FOR UP TO SEVEN (7) CONSECUTIVE ACADEMIC SEMESTERS

*PROVIDED THAT THE RECIPIENT REMAINS IN SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC STANDING AND IS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS TOWARD A BACHELORS DEGREE IN ENGINEERING AT THE UNIVERSITY
Opportunities

Girls State Program:
Junior girls may apply for this all expenses paid summer program sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary to be held from June 21-26, 2020. Salisbury University will host this event providing leadership training, learning principles of governmental affairs, and enriching your knowledge of American citizenship. Junior girls who are interested, must complete an ONLINE Interest Form and Application at www.facebook.com/alamdgs. “SCROLL” down on the POSTS and find the POST about the INTEREST FORM and the CITIZEN APPLICATION. “CLICK” on the links to access the Interest Form and Application. Application must be received by the unit on or before April 29, 2020. For questions, please call 410-242-9519 or email alamdgs@gmail.com.

Boys State Program:
Junior males with an interest in Political Science or attending one of Military Academies after graduation may apply for this all expenses paid summer program sponsored by the American Legion to be held from June 21-27. McDaniel College will host this event providing leadership training, learning principles of governmental affairs, and enriching your knowledge of American citizenship. For more information and an application, go to: www.mdlegion.org/boysstate. Application deadline: April 15, 2020

**Girls State and Boys State are great additions to put on your resume and college/scholarship applications!!!

Bank of America Student Leaders Program - 2020 – A unique opportunity for high school juniors & seniors to earn an 8 week, 35 hours a week, paid internship at a local non-profit organization and participate in a national leadership summit in Washington, D.C. You will learn valuable civic, social and business leadership skills. The application period is November 4, 2019 – January 31, 2020. The application and more details about the program can be found at: www.bankofamerica.com/studentleaders

Banson NYC Fashion Summer Camp - For teens grade 9-12, week long session to teach students fundamentals of the fashion industry. More information can be found at: www.bansonnyc.org or 917-328-1469

Capitol Technology University – Cyber Saturday Camps – Are you a high school student interested in computers, coding, gaming and cybersecurity? Capitol Technology University offers a series of Cyber Saturdays that will provide you with the opportunity to explore those activities in a fun, game-like environment. CyberSaturdays are scheduled for the following dates: February 8, 2020 and April 4, 2020. For more information and to register, go to: www.captechu.edu/degrees-andprograms/cyber-saturday

United States Summer Internships - USAJOBS posts summer internship positions frequently for students, under “Explore Hiring Paths” click on “Students and recent graduates” at http://www.usajobs.gov/GETJob/

Marine And Maritime Career Expo
Event Date: 02/19/2020 for 10th & 11th grade students:
Do you have a passion for...
Marine Trades
Marine Science
Boating Technology
Maritime Shipping
Marine and Ocean Engineering
And more....
For more information and registration, go to: http://eycfoundation.org/events/marine-and-maritime-expo/
HIGH SCHOOL SCIENTIFIC TRAINING AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAM (HiSTEP) INTERNSHIPS

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Intramural Training & Education and Office of Scientific Workforce Diversity are proud to host the High School Scientific Training and Enrichment Program (HiSTEP). The goal of HiSTEP is to expand the pipeline of students interested in biomedical and healthcare careers by providing opportunities for high school students from schools with a large population of financially-disadvantaged students. We encourage current high school juniors interested in STEM-M (science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medically-related) fields to apply.

HiSTEP students will take part in a six-week, full-time summer internship located on the main NIH campus in Bethesda, MD from June 29th to August 6th, 2020. HiSTEP students will explore the breadth of the scientific enterprise, the importance of biomedical research, and many STEM-M careers. They will participate in workshops, lectures, and hands-on activities. Students will receive Transhare benefits to cover the cost of public transportation and a stipend determined by their education level completed prior to starting at the NIH.

The HiSTEP Program includes activities on the following topics:

- **Basic Science Skills**: Students conduct hands-on science experiments to learn and develop basic skills that scientists use in a laboratory setting.
- **Current Topics in the Health Sciences**: Students discuss case studies, engage in group projects and examine current topics in human health.
- **Exploring STEM-M Careers**: Students experience the scientific enterprise and learn about the roles played by scientists, health care workers, and public health experts.
- **Career Readiness and Leadership Development**: Students are aided in the development of self-awareness, assertiveness, and interpersonal and resiliency skills. Success in college and in STEM-M careers depends on these skills.
- **College and Career Advising**: Students are provided with resources to help them understand the college application process, find scholarships and mentors, and make a successful transition to college. HiSTEP staff facilitate discussions about exploring careers, finding internships, writing resumes and cover letters, interviewing, and professionalism.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

HiSTEP welcomes applications from current high school juniors eager to explore science and health-related careers. We encourage students from diverse backgrounds to apply. Applicants must commit to complete the entire six-week internship experience. HiSTEP applicants must also:

- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the U.S.
- Be 17 years or older on June 15th, 2020. No exceptions will be made.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale). Students with a GPA between 2.75 and 3.0 should apply if their grades have shown steady improvement.
- Attend a school where 30% or more of the student body participates in the Federal Free/Reduced Lunch Program. Please talk to your principal or school counselor to find out if your school is eligible.
- Live in Virginia, Maryland, or Washington DC within 40 miles of the main NIH campus in Bethesda, Maryland. Only students living with their parents or legal guardians with primary residence in the DMV area are eligible.

Students should talk with their principal or guidance counselor to make certain they fulfill all eligibility criteria.

For more information and to apply, go to: [www.training.nih.gov/histep](http://www.training.nih.gov/histep)

HiSTEP Application DEADLINE is January 17, 2020
Apprenticeships

Maryland and U.S. Apprenticeship and Training Program - Apprenticeships combine supervised, structured, paid on-the-job training and related technical instruction to teach apprentices the skills necessary to succeed in a specific occupation. The apprentice works full time and receives training from the sponsoring organization. :

U.S. Apprenticeship and Training Program www.apprenticeship.gov
MD State Apprenticeship and Training Program www.dlr.state.md.us/employment/appr/
Baltimore DC Building Trades https://www.bdcbt.org/

Boilmakers: Fabrication (and repairs) of steel, iron or copper into boilers. Local #45- Zone 193, (410) 355-2344 www.boilermakers.org

Bricklayer: Laying and binding of building materials, such as brick, structural tile, concrete block, cinder block, glass block and terra-cotta block, with mortar and other substances to construct or repair walls, partitions, arches, sewers and other structures. Local #1, (240) 695-9463 www.bacweb.org

Carpenters: Fabrication, building and installation of a variety of materials. KML Carpenters Local #197, (301) 736-1696 www.mactc.net

Pile Drivers: Specialize in earth retention. Local #441, (301) 735-6660 ext. 123 www.mactc.net


Plasterers and Cement Masons: Work primarily with concrete and plaster materials to conduct the “finishing” work such as curbs, sidewalks, decorative molding, etc. Local #891, (202) 398-5859 www.opcmia.org

Electricians and Telecommunications Technicians: Electricians install and repair the wiring that brings electrical power into any type of building or structure. Telecommunications install and repair the wiring for telecommunications (phone, cable, internet) into a building. Local #26, (301) 429-2575 www.ibewlocal26.org; www.getchargedup.org

Elevator: Repair, install, maintain, and modernize systems that move us such as elevators, escalators, moving walkways, home lifts and wheelchair and handicap lifts. Local #24, (301) 498-9162 www.insulators24.org

Heat and Frost Insulators: Installs, repairs, and maintains insulating material to prevent or reduce the passage of heat, cold, vapor, moisture, sound, or fire. Local #24, (301) 498-9162 www.insulators24.org

Ironworkers: Construct and reinforce iron or steel components outlined in a structures plans. Local #5, (301) 599-0940 https://www.ironworkerslocal5dc.com/

Plumbers and Gasfitters: Install, remove, and maintain plumbing and gas systems for piped fixtures, fixed appliances and accessories. Local #5, (301) 552-3505 https://local5plumbers.org/

Sheet Metal Workers: Designs, fabricates, installs, air balance, repairs, and alters sheet metal products. Local #100, (301) 5688655 ext. 3 http://www.smart100trainingcenter.org/

Sprinkler Fitters: Sprinkler fitters are pipefitters who specialize in the repair and installation of sprinkler systems that help prevent the spread of fires in residential and commercial buildings. Local #669, (410) 312-5202 http://www.sprinklerfitters669.org/

Steamfitters: Maintain, repair, assemble, and even create pipe and piping systems. Local #602, (301) 341-1555 http://www.steamfitters-602.org/
Financial Aid Information

Seniors! Planning on going to college? Wondering how to pay for it? Don’t know where to start? Check out this link from the U.S. Department of Education to get a cost estimate: [http://collegecost.ed.gov/netpricecenter.aspx](http://collegecost.ed.gov/netpricecenter.aspx)

It cannot be said enough: There is plenty of FREE information and help, do not pay for scholarships, scholarship searches or FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) application completion.

For FAFSA the only website to go to is [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). On this site you can access help by clicking Contact and then you have three choices: you can email, call toll free, or live chat. Some general questions can be answered by Mrs. Jones, College & Career Advisor in the College & Career Center, or you can contact the local community college, the College of Southern Maryland, for assistance ([www.csmd.edu](http://www.csmd.edu)).

Don’t fear the FAFSA! Go to [http://www.mpt.org/ycac](http://www.mpt.org/ycac) Learn tips for navigating the financial aid maze of paying for college. Meet experts who explain how to navigate public and private grants and scholarships, plus tax forms and loan applications. Meet students from college campuses across Maryland who have found simple and creative ways to pay for school.

Don’t forget to use the College & Career Center webpage to gain access to financial aid information such as the Academic Common Market (paying in-state tuition at an out-of-state college) on the Maryland Higher Education website link, Statewide Programs, Getin2College.com and CareerCruising.com with log-ins posted. See Mrs. Jones in the College & Career Center for additional details.

How is Financial Need Calculated?

- Financial need is determined by Cost of Attendance (COA) and Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
- COA is tuition, fees, room and board, transportation, etc. established by the school
- EFC comes from what you report on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

The Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is a measure of your family’s financial strength and is calculated according to a formula established by law. Your family’s taxed and untaxed income, assets, and benefits (such as unemployment or Social Security) are all considered in the formula. Also considered are your family size and the number of family members who will attend college during the year.

The information you report on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) or your FAFSA4caster is used to calculate your EFC. Schools use the EFC to determine your federal student aid eligibility and financial aid award. **Note:** Your EFC is not the amount of money your family will have to pay for college nor is it the amount of federal student aid you will receive. It is a number used by your school to calculate the amount of federal student aid you are eligible to receive.
College and Career Center Calendar

January 2  Back to school after Winter Break
January 7  Georgetown University
January 14  Johnson & Wales University
January 16  Second marking period ends
January 17  Third marking period begins
January 20  Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Birthday observed – schools/offices closed
January 21  Semester break – schools closed for students only

These programs and scholarships are provided as a courtesy. Charles County Public Schools and Henry E. Lackey High School do not rate the quality or value of any of these. For more information on items in this newsletter, please see Mrs. Jones in the College & Career Center.

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