

February 2023 Counseling Newsletter

Auburn High School

Career Quest Field Trip

All 10th grade students will be attending a Field Trip on February 14th, 2023 to the Salem Civic Center for CareerQuest, a career exploration expo. Click this link for detailed information about the field trip!

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdm8gGQ-xOTQnoMj7IV2-20wV26Q3-3JKXlecl4O2wH6R0HA/viewform>

Please complete the [google form](#) to acknowledge permission of your students participation on this trip!

AP STUDENTS:

Payment for your AP exam is due by MARCH 14th! Pay online at

<https://user.totalregistration.net/AP/471925>

You are also welcome to bring a check to school counseling. The cost is \$97 per AP Exam, \$54 if eligible for free and reduced lunch.

If payment is not received, your AP Exam will be canceled. More information on how your AP Exam will be administered in May will be coming soon.

Science Camps at Virginia Tech Summer 2023

Campers will get a sneak peek at college life and a chance to explore a variety of up-and-coming science careers! The camps will be super interactive, fun, and informative. Campers will get to hang out with like-minded peers and talk with advisors and faculty about college and career options.

The camps are:

- Explore Science for rising 9-10th graders. Campers will explore most of the majors in the college, from economics to physics to biology to nanoscience. July 6-8, 2023.
- Explore Data Science for rising 11th-12th graders. Campers will explore ways that data are being used to revolutionize all fields, from medicine to logistics to physics. July 12-15, 2023.
- Explore Physical Science for rising 11th- 12th graders. Campers will explore physics, chemistry, geosciences, quantum computing, and nanoscience. July 19- 22, 2023

- Explore Life Sciences for rising 11th-12th graders. Campers will explore all things related to life sciences, from nanomedicine to neuroscience to ancient life forms to disease tracking to psychology! July 26-29, 2022.

Scholarships are available!

<https://sites.google.com/vt.edu/summer-camps/home/general-information>

The Sorensen Institute's High School Leaders Program (HSLP) offers concentrated study in Virginia politics and government for high school students from across the state over the course of two weeks. The HSLP is based on a firm belief that young people not only can make a positive difference in their communities, they should be strongly encouraged to do so.

The 2023 HSLP will take place at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville from July 15-19th. More information, including program costs and a sample program schedule, can be found on our website.

<https://sorenseninstitute.org/programs/hslp/apply>

Application closes: March 20th, 2023

Entrepreneurship Summer Program for HS Students

LaunchX summer program helps students grow their skills to become real entrepreneurs and innovators. We provide the hands-on education of top resources, community, and a cutting-edge curriculum that equips students with the knowledge and mindset that allow students to solve real problems, create successful businesses, and enhance their design thinking skills. We challenge students to grow to the demands of what it takes to create a real startup and innovate for the future.

The LaunchX 2023 summer program options are:

- Online Entrepreneurship Summer Program
- Campus Entrepreneurship Summer Program
- Innovation Summer Program

Key program components of the Entrepreneurship Summer Program:

- Your startup: You develop a real startup!
- Course materials: You follow the LaunchX methodology that includes daily interactive classroom sessions, sprinkled with simulations, activities, and speakers.
- Mentorship: You are supported throughout by peer discussion groups, a team of mentors, and your instructors and interns.

This isn't a business plan competition - students start real companies. These startups are driven by using the design thinking process to discover innovative opportunities, backed by extensive market research, multiple iterations of prototypes and user testing, and gaining traction through getting real customers and partnerships.

Key program components of the Innovation Summer Program:

- Find and assess business opportunities
- Evaluate market landscape and attractiveness
- Identify capabilities required to enter a market
- Determine the financials of a market
- Develop and test an initial prototype
- Outline a business plan for a product launch

We look for students who display initiative, impact, resilience, and collaboration. Let your entrepreneurial and innovative spirit show through in the application.

The application materials we ask for are as unique as the LaunchX program itself: you will put together a short video, answer some questions that give us a profile of your propensity as an individual and how you'd contribute to a team and our community, plus your previous experience in activities and innovating. We're excited to get to know you through this process, and we hope you enjoy it as well!

Questions about the process? Check out [our website](#) or for questions not answered there, email us at info@launchx.com.

Gettysburg College Opportunities:

Gettysburg College is excited to offer several opportunities for high school juniors and sophomores to attend academic programs and athletic camps over the summer months. Learn more about our summer programming below or take a moment to explore [our website](#).

- **Civil War Era Studies (CWES)** - Students will immerse themselves in historic Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, while studying American Civil War History through lectures, field trips, and unique learning experiences. The program will explore the circumstances leading to the war, investigate significant battles during the war, and explore the condition of the United States after the war.
- **Camp Psych** - Students will get hands-on experiences that introduce them to research in psychology during this interactive and engaging introduction to the field.
- **Eisenhower Institute's Civic Engagement Camp** - Built on the tradition of Dwight D. Eisenhower's commitment to public service, this program is designed for highly motivated high school students who have a passion for understanding the importance of civic engagement within the American political system and advancing the "unfinished work" of American democracy.
- **Young Writers' Workshop** - Students gain an in-depth introduction to all four genres of creative writing: fiction, poetry, nonfiction, and writing for stage and screen.
- **Athletic Camps** - Gettysburg College coaches share their knowledge as they work with students interested in playing athletics at the college level. Camps include football, swimming, women's soccer, and men's lacrosse.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Please note: Colleges are the best sources for scholarships and financial aid. You can receive information about a college's specific scholarships and financial assistance by contacting the college Admissions Office or Financial Aid Office. You can also go online and search for scholarships by type such as academic, art, music/drama, sports or ROTC.

NEW RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE Educational Foundation Scholarships: DEADLINE: February 15th, 2023

- o Applicant must be a Virginia citizen living in Giles, Floyd, Pulaski, Montgomery County or
- o Radford
- o Applicant must enroll in a program of study at NRCC
- o Applicant must apply online
- o Applicant must provide an official high school transcript
- o Once enrolled, applicant must maintain a minimum class load of 9 credit hours
- o Applicant must furnish a completed scholarship application and 2 letters of recommendation (from teacher or employer)
- o Once enrolled, must maintain a GPA of at least 3.0

Scholarship recipients may be considered for a second year of support if requirements are met.

Go to www.nr.edu/sa to complete the application online.

Amount: **1500 (per year)**

Junior League of Roanoke Valley

Mary Terry Goodwin Kuyk Volunteer Scholarship-DEADLINE: Mar 4, 2022

-Provide outstanding volunteer service to their communities

-receive up to \$2,000

-Application can be found at <https://www.jlrv.org/mary-terry-goodwin-kuyk-scholarship/>

-Completed applications must be emailed to info@jlrv.org

Shelor Motor Mile- Due by March 17th, 2023

- **\$1,000**
- 2023 Graduates of AHS, BHS, CHS, Craig, EMHS, Floyd, Fort Chiswell, George Wythe, Giles, Narrows, Radford, or Rural Retreat.
- Open to all seniors regardless of career ambitions
- Essay about why you should receive the scholarship and career plans
- **Paper application in counseling office or online in School Counseling Google Classroom**

Auburn High School Eagle Pride Scholarship: DEADLINE- Apr 1, 2022

This scholarship fund was established by the AHS Eagle Pride PTO Organization. The purpose of this scholarship is to provide merit-based financial assistance to graduating seniors who wish to further their education at a technical school or college/university.

3 Scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$500. A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required.

Come to school counseling to pick up your application. Applications are due by April 1.

Frank E. Page- DEADLINE: April 14th, 2023

The Frank E Page Educational Fund was established to give financial assistance to "deserving students who shall be graduated from the public high schools of Montgomery County, Virginia." Criteria for selection includes financial need and academic success. This scholarship is available for 4 year institutions and community colleges. Applicants must complete an application, have two letters of reference, and a high school transcript to apply.

Application is available in school counseling or posted online on Senior Google Classroom and due back to Ms. Sullivan by April 14th. (email elizabethsullivan@mcps.org or drop off at counseling office by April 14th)

Montgomery County Retired Educators Association (MCREA) Scholarship-DEADLINE: March 31, 2023

I. The applicant must be a graduating senior from a Montgomery County public high school.

II. The applicant must be admitted as a full-time student to an accredited institution of post-secondary education.

III. THE APPLICANT MUST PLAN TO ENROLL IN A PROGRAM THAT WILL LEAD TO A DEGREE IN THE FIELD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION.

MAIL APPLICATION TO:

Pat Brown, c/o MCRTA

P.O. Box 1401

Christiansburg, VA 24068

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY: MARCH 31, 2022

VIRGINIA STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP-DEADLINE: February 16th, 2023

Eligibility criteria:

- Virginia high school senior in good standing
- Does the candidate play golf or have an interest in any activity associated with golf

- o (Skill and ability are neither requirements nor considerations.)
- Academic achievement (GPA and standardized test scores)
- Character (activities outside the classroom including work, community service, school clubs, etc.)
- Essay to the VSGA Scholarship Foundation (See #4 on application.)
- Financial need will be reviewed in the evaluation of scholarship applicants.
 - o All applications must be made on behalf of the candidate by a representative of a member club of the Virginia State Golf Association, Inc.

Applications are available online :

<https://vsga.org/learn/vsga-vip-scholarship-foundation/scholarship-application/>

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, February 16, 2023.

Automotive Women's Association Scholarships - \$2,500 – 15 Awards- DEADLINE:

Varies

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Be accepted to a college or university and have a minimum 3.0 GPA during your last school year.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/14064/automotive-women-s-association-scholarships-scholarship.php>

NATIONAL MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS-DEADLINE: Varies

High school seniors who have MS or who have a parent who has MS

Plan to attend a 2-year or 4-yr. college or trade/technical school

Be a legal citizen of the U.S.

To apply, go to

<https://www.nationalmssociety.org/Living-Well-With-MS/Work-and-Home/Insurance-and-Financial-Information/Financial-Resources/Scholarship-Program/Scholarship-Resources>

AMOUNT: Most awards are between \$1,000 and \$3,000

TRADE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP DIRECTORY: DEADLINE: Varies

- Must be planning to attend a vocational, trade, or technical school
- Must have a 2.5 GPA
- Must APPLY ONLINE

AHS must verify accuracy of your application

<https://www.imagine-america.org/high-school-scholarships-trade-schools-virginia/>

- If you meet the minimum criteria, this is almost a sure thing!

USDA Scholarships: DEADLINE: February 15th, 2023

The USDA has two Scholars programs that offer scholarships for students seeking a bachelor's degree at an eligible 1890 and 1994 Land-Grant Universities in the field of agriculture, food, natural resource sciences or other related. High school and current college students are eligible to apply for

these two programs which provide full tuition, fees, books, room and board, and a summer internship which may convert to full-time employment with USDA after graduation.

Below are the online links to the programs and applications referenced

USDA 1890s Scholars Program:

- Program Webpage <https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/1890NationalScholars>
- 2022 USDA/1890 National Scholars Program High School Application
<https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2022-1890-scholars-high-school-application.pdf>
- 2022 USDA/1890 National Scholars Program College Application
<https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2022-1890-scholars-college-application.pdf>
- Questions: 1890@usda.gov

USDA 1994s Scholars Program:

- Program Webpage <https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/1994-program>
- 2022 USDA 1994 National Scholars Program Application
<https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/usda-1994-tribal-scholars-program-student-application.pdf>
- Questions: 1994@usda.gov

Vegetarian Resource Group Scholarships - \$10,000 – 3 Awards-DEADLINE Feb 20, 2023

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a senior in high school in the United States.
- B) Have promoted vegetarianism in their schools and/or communities Applications can be found by going to:
https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9544/vegetarian_resource_group_scholarships_scholarship.php

Bridging the Dream Scholarship- DEADLINE: February 28th, 2023

Awarded by Sallie Mae®, The Bridging the Dream Scholarship for High School Seniors will award (25) \$10,000 scholarships to high school seniors who plan to enroll in a two- or four-year degree professional certificate, or vocational training program. Seniors who excel inside and outside of the classroom and demonstrate financial need can apply now through **February 28** at: <https://www.salliemae.com/landing/bridging-the-dream/>

Mental Health System Reform Scholarship- DEADLINE: February 28th, 2023

Dayne Phillips is proud to introduce the Mental Health System Reform Scholarship to bring awareness to this topic and give students an opportunity to voice their opinion on how to improve the mental health system within the United States.

This scholarship will award one student with one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be used in the pursuit of their educational goals.

Scholarship Eligibility High school seniors who are graduating and will be enrolled in college before the scholarship deadline are also eligible to submit an essay. Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher for consideration.

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/15116/mental_health_system_reform_scholarship_scholarship.php

KnowBe4 Women's Scholarship- DEADLINE: February 28th, 2023

KnowBe4, Inc. is the provider of the world's largest security awareness training and simulated phishing platform. The recipient of the KnowBe4 Women's Scholarship will receive:

A) A \$10,000 Scholarship to be applied to tuition, fees, books, required electronics and up to \$3,000 may be applied to on-campus housing. Award may be used for Fall, Spring or Summer Semesters.

B) A (ISC)2 Certification Education Package:

- 1) One (ISC)2 certification exam voucher (for the (ISC)2 certification exam of your choice)
- 2) Hard copy or digital study materials
- 3) Practice exams
- 4) (ISC)2 Direct training seminar: in person, Instructor-led live online or self-paced (travel & lodging expenses not included).
- 5) First year membership fees paid upon passing the exam and becoming endorsed.
- 6) Exam Voucher and education package may be claimed upon graduation and will be good for one year from date of issue.

ELIGIBILITY:

A) Must be a female pursuing, or plan to pursue, a degree with a focus on cybersecurity, information assurance or similar field.

B) You must be a high school senior, undergraduate student or graduate student to be eligible. PhD students are not eligible.

C) GPA must be at least 3.3 on a 4.0 scale (or an analogous rank based on a comparable scale).

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/16251/knowbe4_women_s_scholarship_scholarship.php

Women's Cyber Security Scholarships-DEADLINE: February 28th, 2023

Up to ten scholarships will be awarded. Each scholarship award will be between \$1,000 - \$6,000

ELIGIBILITY

A) Must be pursuing, or plan to pursue, a degree with a focus on cybersecurity or information assurance."

B) You may be a senior in high school, an undergraduate student, graduate or post graduate student to be eligible."

C) GPA must be at least 3.3 on a 4.0 scale (or an analogous rank based on a comparable scale).

[https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/13483/women s cyber security scholarships scholarship.php](https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/13483/women-s-cyber-security-scholarships-scholarship.php)

EEQUAL Scholarship Opportunity 2022- DEADLINE: Mar 1, 2023

- Be at least 16 years of age and no older than 23 years of age and in your last year of high school.
- Students experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity as defined under the McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program (MV).
- Pursuing Post Secondary Education.
- Apply Here: www.eequal.org/scholarships
- The scholarship application opens on November 1, 2021 and **will close on March 1st, 2023**. Awardees will be notified of their selection in May 2023.

The Gloria Wille Bell and Carlos R. Bell Charitable Trust-DEADLINE: March 1st, 2023

Interested in pursuing a degree in Engineering, Mathematics, Physics, or Computer Science at the University of Michigan? This scholarship provides a student from Virginia with up to \$80,000 to cover tuition. Visit bellscholarship.org to apply and for additional information.

Deadline: March 1st, 2022

Education Matters Scholarship-DEADLINE: March 1st, 2023

This year, The Law Offices of Kevin J Roach, LLC is proud to continue our Education Matters Scholarship. This scholarship was created to encourage students to delve into America's education system and gain a better understanding of it's strengths and weaknesses. Applicants are asked to use their personal experiences to discuss both the issues and the successes in the American education system. Students should also detail realistic ways in which the education system could be improved and why those improvements would be beneficial to people across the country.

The scholarship winner will be chosen based on the criteria outlined below and will be awarded \$1,000 to go towards their higher education.

Scholarship Eligibility

The eligibility requirements for The Education Matters Scholarship are as follows:

A) Applicants must be currently enrolled in or about to attend an accredited community college, undergraduate, or graduate program within the United States

B) Applicants must have a current GPA of 3.0 or higher

C) A 1,000-word essay discussing the strengths and weaknesses of the American education system based on your own experiences. Include realistic ways in which the education system could be improved and explain how and why it would benefit a wide range of students.

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/17625/education_matters_scholarship_scholarship.php

Aviation Scholarship Program-DEADLINE: March 4th, 2023

Visit <https://doav.virginia.gov/programs-and-services/education/> to apply

- High School Senior
- 3.5 GPA
- Planning a career in the field of aviation
- Must be enrolled into an aviation related program

Deadline: March 4th, 2022

Granville Meade Scholarship-DEADLINE: March 7th, 2023

The Granville P. Meade Scholarship provides financial assistance to students who have achieved academically but who are financially unable to attend college. The Granville P. Meade fund awards scholarships to eligible Virginia high-school seniors to attend one of Virginia's public or private colleges or universities.

Beginning on February 1, 2023 through March 7, 2023 students can apply for the scholarship using the [Office of Student Services Application Portal](#). All applications will be completed, submitted, and reviewed via the online application portal. All students interested in applying must create an account to access the application, request letters of recommendation, and upload academic records. <https://vastudentservices.smapply.org/>

For more information on application procedures, please reference the VDOE [Granville P. Meade Scholarship web page](#).

Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Scholars - DEADLINE : Mar 15, 2022

ATTENTION JUNIORS: The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Scholars has been opened for Juniors to apply for!

<https://scholars.horatioalger.org/about-our-scholarship-programs/state-scholarships/>

New River Community Action Rev. George Ducker Scholarship Award-DEADLINE:
Mar 15, 2022

Competition Guidelines

1. One scholarship award will be given in the amount of \$1,000 to a low-income graduating senior who will be entering college or technical school.
2. General family income: 200% federal poverty guidelines. Income verification is not required.
3. Student must live in the New River Valley.
4. Consideration is given to special challenges or hardships overcome and community service activities as well as academic achievements.
5. Consideration is given to community service activities focused on poverty or early childhood education related activities.
6. Scholarship funds are to be used for educational expenses at the college of student's choice.
7. School may nominate more than one student.

Online Application:

<https://newrivercommunityaction.org/george-ducker-scholarship-application>

Nuts, Bolts and Thingamajigs Scholarship-DEADLINE: Mar 31, 2023

Nuts, Bolts & Thingamajigs provides scholarships up to \$3,500 for students pursuing degrees that will lead to manufacturing careers.

Eligibility Requirements

- A) Currently enrolled in or entering a certificate or degree program which leads to a manufacturing career on a full-time basis (12 or more credit hours).
- B) Have a 2.5 GPA for trade, community, or technical colleges or 3.0 GPA for universities.

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/8955/nuts_bolts_and_thingamajigs_scholarships_scholarship.php

Orchard's Scholarship for Women of Color in STEM

For high school seniors:

- Full-time current students enrolled in a STEM class
- GPA of at least 3.0
- Must provide a transcript
- Interest in pursuing a STEM degree in college

To apply, please submit 2 short essays (300-500 words) addressing the following questions:

What inspired your interest in pursuing a STEM field?

Explain how our scholarship will help in pursuing a career in a STEM-related field.

Please submit your application and supporting documents through our scholarship application form.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdp_iKWz80WvBI_mzEbpoQ2vWOwaL88bTfEXgezHy0MGtyUvtA/viewform

LA FRA Scholarship Program-DEADLINE: April 15th, 2023

Applicants must be the child or grandchild of a Naval, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard service member, active Fleet Reserve, Fleet Marine Corps Reserve, or Coast Guard Reserve, who is retired with pay or deceased.

All applicants are considered for any scholarship the LA FRA is able to offer during a specific year, provided the applicant meets the eligibility requirement for the award (based on the desires of the donor). Scholarship recipients are notified in writing and by telephone. FRA only notifies the applicants who have been selected to receive a scholarship.

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10001/la_fra_scholarship_program_scholarship.php

2022 We the Students Essay Contest-DEADLINE: April 1th, 2023

The grand prize is \$7,500 and a scholarship to the Constitutional Academy summer program in Washington, DC. Submissions are due April 15th at 11:59 p.m. ET.

This year's topic is: *How does an understanding of natural rights and respect build a free society?*

Answering the question requires an understanding of natural rights and how they relate to the principle of respect and how the flourishing of a free society is dependent upon them. To truly explore this question in an essay that is between 500 -800 words, students will need to go beyond "dictionary definitions," and express their understanding and reasoning about the connections among these principles. This reasoning involves a combination of observation, experience, and some pretty "big ideas." What does it take to understand them? To build toward and maintain them? To see them with regard to each other? Why are these relationships important?

We encourage students to bring emotion, creativity, specific examples, and well-researched facts into what they write. A good essay will demonstrate how these principles are not just abstract ideas but are part of people's everyday actions and choices.

https://billofrightsintstitute.org/we-the-students-essay-contest?utm_source=Other+Teachers+Interested+in+Programs+and+Resources&utm_campaign=aa25acbb30-EMAIL_CAMPAI

[GN 2022 01 19 02 24&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f8f8e52ea9-aa25acbb30-438952926](https://www.purelandsupply.com/t-scholarship.aspx)

Pureland Supply -DEADLINE- May 1, 2023

Offers a \$1,000.00 scholarship to students accepted to an accredited trade school, vocational college, technical school, or community college for the study of trade, craft or labor occupations.
<https://www.purelandsupply.com/t-scholarship.aspx>

MyImpact Challenge-DEADLINE May 21st, 2023

On January 1st, the Bill of Rights Institute, a leader in civic education for over 20 years, launched our new national civics contest, **MyImpact Challenge**. This contest is for students and teachers who are making an impact with citizenship projects in their communities. The contest will award \$40,000 in total prizes, including a \$10,000 student Grand Prize and teacher prizes!

https://billofrightsinsitute.org/my-impact-challenge?utm_campaign=4c2213efe1-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2021_10_05_04_36_COPY_01&utm_source=Social%20Studies%20Educators%20Interest%20in%20Resources%20and%20Programs&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_08691296a6-4c2213efe1-437736170

Applications must be submitted by **May 21, 2023**