



**ROCKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL  
COLLEGE/CAREER CENTER NEWS**

**February 1, 2012**

**The Career Center is open daily from 7:00am to 3:30pm. Please call and schedule an appointment with Ms. Harris at 301-517-8297.**

**TESTING INFORMATION**

**SAT Test Dates**

<b>March 10, 2012</b>	<b>Regular Registration:</b>	<b>February 10, 2012</b>
	<b>Late Registration:</b>	<b>February 24, 2012</b>
<b>May 5, 2012</b>	<b>Regular Registration:</b>	<b>April 6, 2012</b>
	<b>Late Registration:</b>	<b>April 20, 2012</b>
<b>June 2, 2012</b>	<b>Regular Registration:</b>	<b>May 8, 2012</b>
	<b>Late Registration:</b>	<b>May 22, 2012</b>

Register online at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

**ACT Test Dates**

<b>February 11, 2012</b>	<b>Regular Registration:</b>	<b>January 13,, 2012</b>
	<b>Late Registration:</b>	<b>January 14 – 20, 2012</b>
<b>April 14, 2012</b>	<b>Regular Registration:</b>	<b>March 9, 2012</b>
	<b>Late Registration:</b>	<b>March 10 – 23, 2012</b>
<b>June 9, 2012</b>	<b>Regular Registration:</b>	<b>May 4, 2012</b>
	<b>Late Registration:</b>	<b>May 5 – 18, 2012</b>

Register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

TOEFL Tests: This test is for students whose first language is not English. You may register online at [www.toefl.org](http://www.toefl.org), or check in the Career Center for more information. The Free TOEFL Practice Test is available online at [www.ets.org/toeflpractice](http://www.ets.org/toeflpractice).

Fee waivers are available for students wishing to take Test whose family income meets certain guidelines. Please see Ms. Harris for further details.

### SAT/ACT PREP RESOURCES

- \*\*\*\*\* New Codes beginning January\*\*\*\*\*Kaplan has partnered with Rockville and is providing our students with a FREE SAT/ ACT/ PSAT Online Prep Course. To register visit their website at [www.kaptest.com/kas](http://www.kaptest.com/kas). Under “Free Resources” select “ SAT On Demand”; “PSAT On Demand”or “ACT On Demand”. Enter the Discount Code for the course you wish to take: SAT --- KAS1211SAT / PSAT---KAS1211PSAT / ACT---- KAS1211ACT ... on the Payment and Confirmation page when you check out online. Remember this online prep is FREE.
- Kaplan will be partnering with Rockville once again this year and will be providing an SAT / ACT Prep class. Scholarships are available for students who are on Free and Reduced lunch. Please see Ms. Harris for a scholarship application (The course will be FREE).
- The Free Online Study Guides from Triumph (TCA) for the SAT /ACT / PSAT Exams is available by accessing the MCPS website for students. Locate the tab for Rockville on the left, click and enter your 6 digit School ID for your user name and password to log into the program. This program will help prepare you for the upcoming SAT/ACT and or PSAT Exams. It even provides a Final Prep for your upcoming SAT/ACT/and PSAT Exams.
- A list of SAT Prep resources is available in the College/Career Center.

## **COLLEGE FAIRS OPEN HOUSES INFORMATION SESSIONS**

St. Mary’s College of Maryland will host an Open House on the following Saturday’s beginning at 10:00am: February 4<sup>th</sup> / April 21<sup>st</sup> / July 14<sup>th</sup> / August 18<sup>th</sup>. For further information and to register please contact them at 1-800-492-7181 or visit them at [www.smcm.edu/admissions](http://www.smcm.edu/admissions) .

Bridgewater College located in Bridgewater, Virginia will host an Open House on February 11, 2012. Please register online at [www.bridgewater.edu/Admissions](http://www.bridgewater.edu/Admissions) or contact them at 800-759-8328.

**Christopher Newport University will have several Open House Events:**

**President's Leadership / Honors Days.....Invitation Only**

**February 11<sup>th</sup> / February 17<sup>th</sup> / March 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Open House... February 18<sup>th</sup> / March 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Admitted Freshman Days.....Invitation Only**

**March 31<sup>st</sup> & April 14<sup>th</sup>**

**For further information visit their website at [www.admissions.cnu.edu](http://www.admissions.cnu.edu). (CNU is now a part of the Common Application)**

**The HBCU College Fair will be held at Blair High School on February 15, 2012, from 6:00pm – 8:00pm (Snow date is February 16<sup>th</sup>). The College Fair is FREE and open to All students in grades 9 – 12. Seniors will have an opportunity to participate in “On The Spot” admission sessions with the following colleges and universities: Allen University, Claflin University, Coppin State University, Dillard University, Elizabeth State University, Fisk University, Hampton University, Johnson C. Smith University, Lincoln University, Livingstone College, Norfolk State University, Saint Augustine’s College and the University of the District of Columbia. To register for this event and further information and to see the extended list of schools that will be in attendance, visit the HBCU website at <http://hbcucf.mbhs.edu>.**

**The University of Akron, located in Ohio, is hosting their Discovering Diversity Day on February 17, 2012. For further information and to register online, visit their website at [www.uakron.edu/visitUA](http://www.uakron.edu/visitUA).**

**The Western New England University will host several Open House Events on the following dates:**

**February 18<sup>th</sup> / March 10<sup>th</sup> / April 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Please RSVP at [www.wne.edu/admissions](http://www.wne.edu/admissions) or contact them at 1-800-325-1122 ext. 1312.**

**Bryn Mawr located in Pennsylvania will host their Bryn Mawr In View on February 20<sup>th</sup> March 19<sup>th</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup>. These sessions are open to high school sophomores and juniors giving them the chance to shadow a Bryn Mawr for the day. If interested in attending please register at [www.brynmawr.edu/admissions/in-view](http://www.brynmawr.edu/admissions/in-view).**

**Washington & Jefferson College will host their Campus Visit Day on February 20<sup>th</sup> and the Senior Overnight Visit on April 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>. For further information on these events and others, please visit their website at [www.washjeff.edu/oncampusevents](http://www.washjeff.edu/oncampusevents).**

**American University will host their “Preview Days” for prospective students and their parents on February 20<sup>th</sup> / and August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Families will meet current AU students and faculty, tour the campus and learn about academic programs, financial aid, study abroad and much more. Students may register at [www.american.edu/admissions/previewday.cfm](http://www.american.edu/admissions/previewday.cfm) or contact them at 202-885-6000.**

**Stevenson University will host their Open House events on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup>. Please register online at [www.stevenson.edu](http://www.stevenson.edu).**

**Shippensburg University will host will host several Open House Programs on the following Saturday's:**

**March 24<sup>th</sup> / April 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Please schedule a visit at [www.ship.edu/Admissions](http://www.ship.edu/Admissions).**

The University of Charlotte will host their “Explore UNC Charlotte” March 24<sup>th</sup> and April 21<sup>st</sup>. For further information please visit them at [www.admissions.uncc.edu](http://www.admissions.uncc.edu).

Towson University will host their Open House for Juniors on the following Friday’s from 9:00am – 3:00pm April 20<sup>th</sup> & May 4<sup>th</sup>. Students and their families are encouraged to contact them or make a reservation for a campus tour or attend an Open House at 1-410-704-2113 or online at [www.towson.edu](http://www.towson.edu).

The Mid-Atlantic Association of IB World Schools in association with American University will host their 2012 IB-MA College Fair on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012, from 5:30 – 8:30pm at the Bender Arena, American University, Washington, D.C. Students and Coordinators can register online at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/IBMAcollegefair>. For updated information visit their website at [www.ibmidatlantic.org](http://www.ibmidatlantic.org)

Hofstra University will host their Spring Open House for High School Juniors on Sunday, April 29, 2012 from 8:30am – 1:00pm and Preview Day for High School Sophomores on Sunday, June 3, 2012, from 9:00am – Noon. For further information and to register please visit [hofstra.edu/admissionevent](http://hofstra.edu/admissionevent) or contact them at 1-800-HOFSTRA.

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Consult MCPS’ College/Career Center website at [www.mcps.k12.md.us/curriculum/careercenter](http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/curriculum/careercenter) for links to financial aid information and [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/careercenter/ScholarshipUpdate2.shtm](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/careercenter/ScholarshipUpdate2.shtm) for updated scholarship databases as well as through your Naviance Accounts. You can also search for further scholarship information at the following FREE websites:

<a href="http://www.fastweb.com">www.fastweb.com</a>	<a href="http://www.schoolsoup.com/link">www.schoolsoup.com/link</a>
<a href="http://www.CollegeAnswer.com">www.CollegeAnswer.com</a>	<a href="http://www.ParentAnswerService.com">www.ParentAnswerService.com</a>
<a href="http://www.srnexpress.com">www.srnexpress.com</a>	<a href="http://www.gocollege.com">www.gocollege.com</a>
<a href="http://www.collegebound.com">www.collegebound.com</a>	<a href="http://www.studentaid.ed.gov">www.studentaid.ed.gov</a>
<a href="http://www.scholarship.com">www.scholarship.com</a>	<a href="http://www.scholarshipexperts.com">www.scholarshipexperts.com</a>
<a href="http://www.unusualscholarships.com">www.unusualscholarships.com</a>	<a href="http://www.e-Scholar.com">www.e-Scholar.com</a>
<a href="http://www.collegenet.com">www.collegenet.com</a>	<a href="http://www.mhec.state.md.us">www.mhec.state.md.us</a>
<a href="http://www.centrlsb.org">www.centrlsb.org</a>	<a href="http://www.scholarships4students.com">www.scholarships4students.com</a>
<a href="http://www.Wiredscholar.com">www.Wiredscholar.com</a>	<a href="http://www.FinAid.org">www.FinAid.org</a>
<a href="http://www.College-Scholarships.com">www.College-Scholarships.com</a>	<a href="http://www.zinch.com">www.zinch.com</a>
<a href="http://www.supercollege.com">www.supercollege.com</a>	<a href="http://www.brokescholar.com">www.brokescholar.com</a>

\*\*\*\*\* [For Military Families .....www.militaryscholar.org/](http://www.militaryscholar.org/)

\*The Academic Common Market is a tuition savings program for students wishing to study in certain states and pay in-state tuition. For further information please visit their website at [www.sreb.org/acm.asp](http://www.sreb.org/acm.asp) or contact Genny Segura/ACM State Coordinator for Maryland at [gsegura@mhec.state.md.us](mailto:gsegura@mhec.state.md.us) or contact her at 1-410-266-7667.

## NEW Scholarships for the 2011/2012 Academic Year

**\*\*\*\*\*In addition to the Scholarships listed below please come to the Career Center to search from Scholarship list located in the Center. Also be sure to check your Naviance list for scholarship information as well as search each individual college that you are applying to for their OWN Scholarships!!!!**

**\*The Howard P. Rawlings Educational Assistance (EA) Grant is available to students wishing to apply to a 2-year or 4-year college or university in Maryland. Awards are based on NEED. Students with the lowest Expected Family Contribution (EFC) will be awarded first. Award amounts will vary from \$400 to \$3,000. Applications will be accepted January 1<sup>st</sup> through March 1<sup>st</sup>. Late applicants will be placed on a waiting list. These awards will be automatically renewed if you maintain satisfactory academic progress at the college you are attending and submit your FAFSA before March 1 each year. For further information please visit their website at [www.MDgo4it.org](http://www.MDgo4it.org) or contact them at 1-800-974-0203.**

**\*The Foster Care Tuition Waiver is available to certain students who reside in or have resided in an out-of-home placement in Maryland and plan on attending a Maryland public college or university. Students will be exempt from paying tuition and mandatory fees. Students must apply January 1<sup>st</sup> – March 1<sup>st</sup> each year and should contact the Financial Aid Office at the institution in which they plan to enroll for the Waiver. For further information visit their website at [www.MDgo4it.org](http://www.MDgo4it.org) or contact them at 1-800-974-0203.**

**\*The Howard P. Rawlings Guaranteed Access (GA) Grant is available to students who have completed a college preparatory program. Students must have an unweighted 2.5 GPA and must enroll in a 2-year or 4-year college or university in Maryland. Students must also meet certain income requirements, which change yearly and are posted on MHEC's webpage and at [www.MDgo4it.org](http://www.MDgo4it.org). The GA Grant equals 100% of financial need, ranging from a minimum of \$400 up to a maximum amount \$15,500. Students must complete the FAFSA which can be accessed at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) and submit the Guaranteed Access (GA) Grant online through MDCAPS at <https://mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us>. Students are encouraged to apply by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications received after March 1<sup>st</sup> will be considered upon availability of funds. For further information please visit their website at [www.MDgo4it.org](http://www.MDgo4it.org) or contact them at 1-800-974-0203.**

**\*The Senatorial and Delegate Scholarships are available to students planning on enrolling either part time or full time in a two- year or four- year college or university in Maryland or who plan on attending certain private career schools. Awards may also be used at out-of-state institutions if the students' major is not available in Maryland. Students must also demonstrate financial need. The minimum award for the Senatorial Scholarship is \$400 and is renewable automatically if students maintain satisfactory academic progress at their college. The minimum award for the Delegate Scholarship is \$200, however these awards are not automatically renewed and students must reapply each year to the delegate. Students should contact their Senator or Delegate in February for further instructions. If you are unsure of your State Senator or Delegate you can call the Board of Supervisors of Elections for Montgomery County at 240-777-8500.**

**The Central Scholarship Bureau (CSB) will begin accepting online scholarship applications beginning January 1, 2012. The Applications will be available to high school seniors, undergraduate, graduate students and those students attending career training institutions. Each scholarship has its own eligibility requirements. Specific details for each program will be found on the drop-down menus on their website. Applications will be available online at [www.centuralsb.org](http://www.centuralsb.org) beginning January 1, 2012 and ending April 1, 2012.**

**The Hispanic Scholarship Fund is now available online at [www.hsf.net](http://www.hsf.net). Looking under scholarships for graduating high school seniors you will find application dates, information and availability.**

**The I Empower Scholarship Fund is now available for students wishing to attend a 4 year college or university in the United States. This \$2000 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior with high academic achievement and a demonstrated commitment to community service. Applications can be downloaded from <http://www.thursdaynetwork.org/volunteer.html> . Applications are also available in the Career Center. All applications must be received by February 3, 2012.**

**The KFC Scholars program is available for high school seniors who plan on enrolling in a public (state funded) college or university within your state of legal residence. Applicants must have a minimum 2.75 GPA, be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and demonstrate financial need. This is a renewable scholarship valued at up to \$20,000. For further information and to apply online visit their website at [www.kfcscholars.org](http://www.kfcscholars.org) . All applications must be completed by February 8, 2012**

**The American Foreign Service Youth Scholarship is available to high school seniors who ARE children of US Government Foreign Service employees. These scholarships are Need Based and Merit. All applications must be received by February 6, 2012. For further information and an application please visit their website at [www.afsa.org/Scholarships](http://www.afsa.org/Scholarships) . Also See below for other scholarship information:  
For those who are connected with the federal government or Foreign Service, below lists other resources to investigate:**

- **State Dept Credit Union offers scholarships to its members. Contact 703-706-5019 or go to <https://www.sdfcu.org/youthcenter>**
- **Federal Employee Emergency Assistance (FEEA) Fund offers scholarships to children of civilian government employees. Contact 303-933-7580 or <http://www.feea.org/programs/scholarships>**
- **DACOR Bacon House Foundation - Dreyfus Award for Foreign Service dependents who are attending Yale University. Contact 202-682-0500 or [http://dacorbacon.org/?page\\_id=142](http://dacorbacon.org/?page_id=142).**

**\*\*\*\*\*College Goal Sunday will take place on February 12, 2012 from 2:00pm – 4:00pm at Montgomery College located at 7625 Fenton St., Takoma Park, MD 20912. This FREE event will assist students and their families in completing their FAFSA applications. For further information and a list of forms and financial records needed to be brought to the session visit [www.CollegeGoalSundayMD.org](http://www.CollegeGoalSundayMD.org) . or contact Wendy Maldonado at [wendy.maldonado@montgomerycollege.edu](mailto:wendy.maldonado@montgomerycollege.edu) . Spanish interpreters will also be available. (Snow date is February 19, 2012).**

**The National Co-op Scholarship Program is now accepting Scholarship Applications from students who have been accepted to attend one of the following WACE partner institutions: Drexel University, Johnson & Wales University, Kettering University, Rochester Institute of Technology, University of Cincinnati, University of Toledo and Wentworth Institute of Technology. Scholarship awards will vary from \$6,000 up to \$30,000 and are renewable. Students must have a minimum 3.5 GPA. Applications are available online at [www.co-op.edu](http://www.co-op.edu) and must be postmarked by February 15, 2012. For any additional information please contact Danielle Perry at 978-934-1870.**

**The GE –Reagan Foundation Scholarship is now open and is accepting scholarship applications until February 17, 2012. Applicants must demonstrate exemplary leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship at school, at home in the workplace and or community. Students must have a minimum 3.0GPA , be a U.S. citizen, be nominated by a community leader, such as a high school principal, or an executive director of a nonprofit organization. Applicants should also demonstrate financial need. Applications can be downloaded at [www.reaganfoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.reaganfoundation.org/scholarships). Recipients of this scholarship will receive a renewable scholarship of \$10,000 a year for four years.**

**The Xi Sigma Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. has announced their 2012 Scholarships. These 3 distinct scholarships vary in eligibility, so please read carefully. The Golden Soror, the Ola Carter Berry and the Bernadine M. Pindell Scholarships all require the applicants to have a minimum 2.5 GPA. The Golden Soror Scholarship will be awarded to students attending an HBCU; the Ola Carter Berry Scholarship is Need Based And the student may attend Any college or university; and the Bernadine M. Pindell Scholarship will be awarded to students planning on majoring in mathematics. Each scholarship has the value of \$1,000. Additionally they will award the Clive Jackson, Beatrice Crutchfield and Ola Berry Book Scholarships for \$500 each. To be eligible, students must reside in Montgomery County. For further information and to download an application visit their website at [www.xisigmaomega.com](http://www.xisigmaomega.com). (Applications are also available in the Career Center). All applications must be received by February 24, 2012).**

**The STAR Scholarship Foundation is now accepting applications for their 2012 scholarship program. The scholarship is open to African American students in grades 9- 11 with a minimum weighted 3.1GPA. Applicants could receive up to \$3,000 towards their college tuition. Applications are available in the Career Center and must be completed and returned to Ms. Harris by 1:00pm on February 24<sup>th</sup>.**

**The Armed Forces Communications & Electronics Association, Northern Virginia (AFCEA NOVA), has announced their 2012 Scholarship Program for students who plan on studying Math / Science / Technology / Engineering / and other related technology – related fields supportive of our National Security. This scholarship is available to students who plan on attending a 2 or 4 year institution anywhere in the United States. Scholarship recipients will receive a one-time \$4,000 scholarship award if they are attending school full time or a \$2,000 award if they are attending school part-time. For further information and an application, which can be completed online, visit their website at <http://www.afceanova.org/committee/scholarship-committee>. Transcripts, test scores and letters of recommendation may be submitted separately. All applications must be received by February 29, 2012.**

**The Drive 2 Life Student PSA Contest sponsored by Scholastic is open to students in grades 6 – 12. Applicants are asked to create an exciting storyboard or script depicting the dangers of distracted driving. The grand prize winner will receive \$1,000 and will go to New York City where he/she will watch their entry be transformed into a 30 second commercial. There will also be 4 runners up who will receive \$500 each. For further information, contest rules, and an application visit their website at [www.scholastic.com/drive2life/](http://www.scholastic.com/drive2life/). All entries must be received by February 29, 2012.**

**The National Society of Black Engineers – Alumni Extension has announced their 2012 Future Innovators Scholarship to African American high school seniors wishing to pursue a degree in the science, technology, engineering or math (STEM) field at an accredited college or university. This \$1,000 merit based scholarship is non- renewable and only applies to the winners first year in college. Applications are available in the Career Center and must be submitted by February 29, 2012.**

The Society of Women Engineers (SWE) / in the Baltimore -Washington Section (BWS) has announced their 2012 Scholarship Program for young women interested in majoring in engineering. Applications are available online at [www.baltwashwe.org/scholarships](http://www.baltwashwe.org/scholarships) and must be received by March 1, 2011. There is also a national SWE scholarship program with additional funding on the national level. Applications are available online at <http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org/>.

The SEIU Scholarships are available online and must be completed by midnight March 1, 2012. Each Scholarship varies by amount, eligibility and criteria:

- SEIU Lottery Scholarships \$1,000 renewable for 4 years at a 2 year, 4 year college or university, technical or trade school.
- Moe Foner Scholarship for Visual and Performing Arts \$5,000 non-renewable. Students must be pursuing visual or performing arts at a 2 year, 4 year college or university, community college, technical, or trade school in the arts-related field.
- Jesse Jackson Scholarship \$5,000 renewable for 4 years at a 2 year, 4 year, college or university or a community college.
- Bonnie Ladin Scholarship is for students who are attending the National Labor College.
- Nora Piore Scholarship is \$4,000 and renewable for 2 years.
- Visit <http://www.seiu.org/a/members/fulfill-your-college-goals-with-an-seiu-scholarship.php> to apply for these scholarships.

The Air Force Officer's Wives' Club has announced their 2012 Scholarship Program for high school seniors who are a United States Air Force military dependent (active duty, reserve, guard, ,retired, deceased, officer or enlisted. The award for this scholarship is \$4,000. Additional scholarships will be awarded to students majoring in Science, Engineering, Technology or math and will be awarded from Lockheed Martin. For further information visit their website at [www.afowc.com/scholarships](http://www.afowc.com/scholarships). Applications are available in the Career Center and must be postmarked by March 1, 2012.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People 2012 Scholarship Program is now open and accepting applications from ALL graduating seniors with a minimum weighted or unweighted GPA of 3.0. Applicants must participate in extracurricular activities as well as participate in faith-based, religious-based or volunteer activities. (If this is not possible because of paid employment, please explain). All applications must be completed and returned by March 1, 2012. Applications are available in the Career Center.

The Dwight P. Jacobus Scholarship is now available in the Career Center. Applicants must be a senior, have financial need, with a minimum 3.0 GPA. The \$1,000 scholarship is renewable for up to four years. All applications must be completed by March 1, 2012.

The Sherry S. Hintz Scholarship Fund is now available to high school juniors or seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA who have lost a parent or primary guardian to breast or ovarian cancer. Applicants must be a resident of Montgomery County, have demonstrated financial need, be involved in a school, community, or athletic activity and have a desire to attend college. Awardees of this scholarship may be eligible to receive up to \$20,000 per year for four years. For further information please contact Stefanie Moreno at [smoreno@mhamc.org](mailto:smoreno@mhamc.org) or call 301-424-0656. (There are also paper applications in the Career Center)... All applications must be received by March 5, 2012.

The Delegate Scholarship / District # 17 sponsored through Delegates Kumar Barve, Jim Gilchrist and Luiz Simmons has announced their Scholarship Program for seniors residing in District 17. Scholarship amounts will be awarded from \$200 to approximately \$4000, with consideration given to financial need, community service and academic performance. All applications must be postmarked no later than March 15, 2012 and are available in the Career Center.

The Maryland PTA Scholarship Committee has announced their 2012 Scholarship program offered to any graduating high school senior planning on pursuing a career in education in the public schools of Maryland. However applicants are free to choose their college or university of study. Each scholarship has a minimum \$500 a year award. All applications must be received by March 15, 2012.

R.I.T. The Rochester Institute of Technology is sponsoring the R.I.T. Spirit Writing Contest for 10<sup>th</sup> – 12 grade students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. There will be a total of 6 winners and only two students per grade per school may enter. Winners have a choice of receiving one of two prizes; \$500 in cash or paid tuition and expenses for you to attend “Explore Your Future”, R.I.T.’s six day summer career exploration program, including an all - expenses - paid, two day visit to EYF for a parent. For further information visit their website at [www.rit.edu/NTID/WritingContest](http://www.rit.edu/NTID/WritingContest) . All applications must be received by March 15, 2012.

The Metropolitan Kappa Youth Foundation has announced their 2012 Scholarship Program. This Scholarship is open to all high school seniors. Applications are available in the Career Center and must be postmarked by March 15, 2012.

The Masonic Charities of Maryland, INC., have announced their 2012 Scholarship Program for graduating high school seniors. All applications are available in the Career Center and must be returned to Ms. Harris in the Career Center by 3:00pm on March 30, 2012. Applicants will be judged by their participation and leadership in the community and school activities, resume, academic records, financial need, written evaluations and organization, appearance and completeness of the application. Again all applications are available in the Career Center and must be returned to Ms. Harris in the Career Center by March 30, 2012.

The Legacy of Life Scholarship / sponsored by the Washington Regional Transplant Community has announced their 2011-2012 essay contest open to All high school Seniors. The essay topic is “Organ & Tissue Donation: Persuade Someone to Give the Gift of a Lifetime”; Write a 1,000 word persuasive argument on the topic, fiction or non- fiction, with sources cited. The first place winner will receive \$5,000, second place winner will receive \$3,000 and \$1,000 each will be awarded to 6 students who are Honorable Mention. All applications must be received by midnight Saturday, March 31, 2012. For further information and an application visit their website at [www.beadonor.org/scholarship](http://www.beadonor.org/scholarship).

The Washington Regional Transplant Community has announced their 2012 Done Vida Scholarship. This scholarship opportunity is only open to Latino high school seniors who must create a 2-3 minute video on the theme “Organ & Tissue Donation: Persuade Someone to become an Organ, Eye, and Tissue Donor. First Place winner will receive \$2,000. Second place winner will receive \$1,000 and third place will receive \$500. For further information and eligibility rules, visit their website at [www.beadonor.org](http://www.beadonor.org). All entries must be received by 11:59pm on Saturday, March 31, 2012.

**The Army Officers' Wives' Club of the Greater Washington Area will be awarding their 2012 Scholarships to children of active duty, retired or deceased Army Officers and enlisted Soldiers. These scholarships are merit based. Applications can be downloaded from their website at [www.aowcgwa.org](http://www.aowcgwa.org) and must be postmarked before March 31, 2012.**

**My Sister's Keeper 2012 Scholarship Program is now open to graduating seniors with a minimum 3.0GPA. who plan on attending a 4 year college or university. Applicants must also provide proof of community service. Applications are available in the Career Center and must be received by March 31, 2012.**

**The National Organization of Professional Hispanics NRCS Employees (NOPHNCSE) has announced their 2012 Scholarship for Hispanic seniors who will be attending an accredited college or university and plan on pursuing a career in Natural Resources Conservation (forestry, soil, science, botany, entomology, ecology, etc.) Seniors must have a minimum 2.7 GPA and must have proof of US citizenship. Applicants may download the application form at <http://nophnrcse.org/index.php/scholarships/62-scholarshipsmain>. Students will then complete, sign, scan and submit the digital application with all documents to [scholarships@nophnrcse.org](mailto:scholarships@nophnrcse.org) . Or students may get a paper application in the Career Center to mail. All applications must be submitted by April 2, 2012.**

**The Baltimore Community Foundation (BCF) has announced their 2012 Scholarships. These 16 scholarships are based on financial need, merit or intended major, ranging in value from \$500 - \$12,500, many are renewable. Applicants can use their common scholarship application to apply for as many scholarships for which they are eligible. From looking at the list of 16, you may be eligible for the following Scholarships based on attending a Maryland public high school / Christa McAuliff; Al Sanders Foundation for Music Studies; WJZ Jerry Turner Broadcast; Ercole Family Nursing; and the Stephanie and Erwin Greenberg Community College. The online application is now available at [www.bcf.org/Scholarships](http://www.bcf.org/Scholarships). All applications, including supporting documents must be received by April 2, 2012.**

**The Absalom Jones Scholarship program is now available to high school seniors who either reside, work, attend school Or is a member of a parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Washington (Montgomery County is included). Applicants should be in need of financial assistance and plan on attending a college/university, seminary, or a vocational/technical institution in the fall. This scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000. For further information please email [absalomjonesfund@stphilipslaurel.org](mailto:absalomjonesfund@stphilipslaurel.org). Applications are available in the Career Center and must be Postmarked by April 6, 2012.**

**The Bill Teel Memorial Scholarship sponsored with through MCT Federal Credit Union is now open to high school seniors who plan on attending an accredited college / university or other institution of higher learning. The scholarship awards will be in the amount of \$1,500. Students Must be a member of the credit union themselves in order to receive the scholarship. Applications must be received by April 9, 2012 and are available in the Career Center.**

**The Maryland Association of Elementary School Principals has announced their 2012 Dr. Kenneth E. Mann Scholarship Award. This Scholarship is open to all high school seniors who plan on majoring in Elementary Education at a college/university or a trade school in the state of Maryland. Applications are available in the Career Center and must be returned to Ms. Harris by April 13, 2012. The scholarship award will be in the amount of \$1,000.**

**The American Foreign Service Association has announced their 2012 National High School Essay Contest to all high school students who are U.S. citizens whose parents are NOT in the Foreign Service. The winner will receive a \$2500 prize, an all-expense paid trip for them and their parents to Washington, D.C. where they will meet the Secretary of State, Hilary Clinton and a Semester at Sea. For further details and an application visit their website at [http://www.afsa.org/essay\\_contest.aspx](http://www.afsa.org/essay_contest.aspx). All applications must be received by April 15, 2012.**

**The Claire and Robert Moore Scholarship fund will award a \$1,000 scholarship to an incoming freshman who will be attending Notre Dame University of Maryland and is planning on majoring in English and or Drama. The scholarship may be applied to tuition, books or educational fees. Online applications can be completed at [www.crmoorescholarship.org](http://www.crmoorescholarship.org) and must be completed by April 15, 2012.**

**The Rotary Club of North Bethesda has announced their 2012 Scholarship Program. The Rotary Club will provide One Year tuition to Two Rockville students who enroll at Montgomery College. Applicants should have a minimum 3.0 GPA; have a demonstrated interest in service to others and / or the community and a financial need. Students will have an informal interview with the Rotary Selection Committee in mid - April here at Rockville. Please see Ms. Harris in the Career Center for an application.**

**The Federal Water Association 2012 National Capital Environmental Scholarship Program is now accepting applications for seniors wishing to pursue environmental sciences or engineering. (Areas of study include environmental sciences, environmental engineering, biology, chemistry, civil engineering, chemical engineering, or natural resource planning; other environmental areas will also be considered). Applications are available in the Career Center and must be received by April 16, 2012. These \$2,000 scholarships May be renewed for up to 4 years.**

**Gram's Promise Charitable Foundation, Inc. has announced their 2012 Elizabeth Ann "Libby" Frist Memorial Scholarship Application. This scholarship is open to any high school senior who is tobacco free and have demonstrated a commitment to anti - smoking. Scholarship awards will vary from \$250 - \$1000. All applications must be received by April 27, 2012. For further information about Gram's Promise, please visit their website at [www.gramspromisefoundation.org](http://www.gramspromisefoundation.org) .Applications are also available in the Career Center**

**The Jewish Social Service Agency (JSSA) has announced their 2012 Scholarship Program. They have eight \$6,000 scholarship awards for which All Montgomery County Seniors may apply. They also have several other awards that are available to students from the Jewish Community. Applications are available in the Career Center and must be received by May 4, 2012.**

**Maryland State Senator Jennie Forehand / District 17 have announced her 2012 Senatorial Scholarships which are available to students living in District 17. (Applicants can verify their district address at <http://mdelect.net> ). Scholarship information and applications are available online at the Senator's website [www.jennioforehand.com](http://www.jennioforehand.com) . Applications must be mailed and received at Senator Forehand's Annapolis Office by May 4<sup>th</sup>. (Applications are also available in the Career Center).**

**The U. S. Hispanic Youth Entrepreneur Education Program (USHYEE) has announced their GenOn / USHYEE Scholars Grant. Applicants must be graduating seniors of Hispanic descent who plan on majoring in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics. Applicants must have a minimum 2.75 GPA and will be attending a Maryland (public or private) college or university. PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP/ RESIDENCY NOT REQUIRED. All applications must be received by 5:00pm Monday, May 14, 2012, and can be downloaded at [www.ushyee.org/educationgrant.html](http://www.ushyee.org/educationgrant.html).**

**Kids' Chance of Maryland, Inc. provides scholarships to help college bound children of catastrophically injured or deceased workers achieve their education goals. Kids' Chance is actively seeking scholarship applications for the 2012 and 2013 academic years. Information and applications are available online at [www.kidschance-md.org](http://www.kidschance-md.org), or by calling 410-832-4702. Applications are being accepted with no deadline date. (Applications are also available in the career Center).**

**Big Sun Scholarship is offering \$500 scholarships to seniors who are athletes regardless of the sport. For further information and an application visit their website at <http://www.bigsunathletics.com>. Application deadline is June 22, 2012.**

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**INTERNSHIPS**

**SUMMER PROGRAM**

Please visit the current website for Government Internship Programs at:  
[www.career.ucsd.edu/sa/GovInternship.shtml](http://www.career.ucsd.edu/sa/GovInternship.shtml).

**\*\*\*\*\*Seniors and juniors wishing to participate in the Dual Enrollment Program at Montgomery College should see Ms. Harris and your counselor ASAP. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to experience college classes and earn college credit while still attending high school. Interested seniors should have a minimum 2.75 GPA while juniors and sophomores should have a minimum 3.0GPA.**

**Harvard Summer School Program is open to students graduating in 2012, 2013, and 2014. Students will earn undergraduate college credits while attending classes, participating in workshops and speaking with admissions officers. For further information and an application visit their website at [www.ssp.harvard.edu](http://www.ssp.harvard.edu).**

**The University of Notre Dame / School of Architecture will offer their Career Discovery for high school juniors and seniors wishing to learn more about architecture prior to enrolling in college. Their program will take place June 17 – 29, 2012. Students will participate in design studios, architecture seminars, and field trips. Students must register online beginning February 1, 2012 at [www.architecture.nd.edu/programs/career\\_discovery.aspx](http://www.architecture.nd.edu/programs/career_discovery.aspx).**

**The STEP-UP Program (The Short –Term Education Program for Underrepresented Persons) is a program that seeks to increase participation for underrepresented groups to learn more about biomedical, behavioral, clinical and social science research. Students will participate in an 8 -12 week program and receive a stipend not to exceed \$2500. Applicants must be a junior or senior with a minimum 3.0GPA. For further information and an online application please visit their website at <https://stepup.niddk.nih.gov> . All applications must be received by February 15, 2012.**

**The Women In Engineering (WIE) Program will host the WIE Dream Conference on Saturday, February 25, 2012. This conference will afford young women the opportunity to learn more about the opportunities available to them in the field of engineering. Students and their families will participate in workshops, forums and demonstrations. As an added bonus, students attending the conference will have an opportunity to apply for DREAM scholarships valued at up to \$2,500. Registration is now open at <http://www.wie.umd.edu/dream/>.**

**The NIH/ Summer Program is now accepting online applications for the Summer Internship Program in Biomedical Research (SIP). Interns will spend eight weeks of training, attending lectures, working with some of the world's leading scientist. For further information and an application please visit their website at <https://www.training.nih.gov/programs/sip> or contact Ms. Winnie Martinez at 301-435-2988. All applications must be received by March 1, 2012.**

**The National Eye Institute (NEI) at the National Institutes of Health is now accepting applications for their Diversity in Vision Research and Ophthalmology Summer Internship Program. Applicants must be a U. S. citizen or permanent resident with a minimum science course grade or GPA of 3.2. Interns will typically work 8 – 12 weeks at the NIH campus in Bethesda, MD or the Twinbrook facility at Fishers Lane in Rockville MD. Interested students must apply through the NIH Summer Internship Program at [www.training.nih.gov/programs/sip](http://www.training.nih.gov/programs/sip) and indicate for Question #9 of the application, Preferred Institute Center (IC) National Eye Institute (NEI). In the cover Letter be sure to indicate your interest in the DIVRO Program. For further information about the DIVRO program, visit their website at [www.nei.nih.gov/training/diversity\\_in\\_research.asp](http://www.nei.nih.gov/training/diversity_in_research.asp) or contact Dr. Cesar Perez-Gonzalez, PhD at [cesarp@nei.nih.gov](mailto:cesarp@nei.nih.gov). All applications must be received by March 1, 2012.**

**AgDiscovery 2012 is an outreach program sponsored by USDA / APHIS and 17 partnering universities (i.e. UMD/College Park, UMES), to introduce students to careers in animal science, veterinary medicine, plant pathology and agribusiness. Participants will live on a college campus and participate in hands-on labs, workshops, field trips and other team experiences. Students must be between the ages of 12 – 17 in order to participate in this program. For further information and to apply online, visit their website at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/agdiscovery/>. All applications must be completed by March 16, 2012.**

**The 2012 Montgomery County Young Professionals Conference “ Challenge Yourself To Achieve “ will be held on Thursday, March 22, 2012, from 8:00am – 1:00pm at the Universities at Shady Grove, Rockville, Maryland. Students will hear from professional and business leaders and participate in interactive business led –breakout sessions and networking opportunities. The cost of the conference is \$10.00 and lunch will be provided. Students may apply for eight \$500.00 college scholarships which will be awarded at the conference. Students should register for the conference and apply for the scholarships online at <http://mcbre.org/programs-students-conferences.shtml> by February 17, 2012.**

**“Choose Respect Give It! Get It!” the Teen Dating Conference to be held on March 24, 2012 from 10:00am – 1:30pm at the Takoma Park / Silver Spring Campus at Montgomery College in the Cultural Arts Center.**

**The American University School of Communication has announced their 2012 Summer “Discover the World of Communication” program. This two, three and four week program will be a hands-on summer workshop for high school seniors. They will offer such courses as Film Production, Animation, Photography, Video Game Design, Sportswriting and Broadcasting, Professional Newswriting, On Camera Acting, and so much more. For further information please visit them at [www.audiscover.org](http://www.audiscover.org). or call 202-885-2019 .The sessions will be held June 18<sup>th</sup> – July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012.**

The Oxbridge Academic Programs are now open to students in grades 9 – 12. The program dates will vary for The Oxford & Cambridge, France & Spain and The New York College Experience which will run from June 29<sup>th</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>. For further information please contact them at 1-800-828-8349.

Carnegie Mellon Summer Pre-Summer College Programs will take place June 30 – August 10, 2012. Students will learn about Advanced Placement / Early Admission; Fine Arts: Architecture / Art & Design Drama / Music and their National High School Game Academy. For further information visit their website at [www.cmu.edu/enrollment/pre-college](http://www.cmu.edu/enrollment/pre-college).

Emory University in Atlanta, invites rising high school juniors and seniors to participate in their 2012 Emory Pre-College Program. Students may earn transferable college credits while taking classes with college students as well as attending seminars and other information sessions about their admissions application process. The sessions will run from July 1 – August 11, 2012. For further information and to apply online visit their website at [www.precollege.emory.com](http://www.precollege.emory.com).

Exploring Engineering at the University of Maryland / A. James Clark School of Engineering will take place on July 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> and July 15 – 21<sup>st</sup>. This program is open to young women in grades 10 and 11 who have a strong interest in Engineering, Math or Science and cost approximately \$800 which will cover the cost of housing, meals, materials and transportation once on campus. For further information and application visit their website at <http://www.wie.umd.edu/precollege/e2umd.html> or contact Bria McElroy, Assistant Director at 301-405-3283. For scholarship applications to the program, email Ms. McElroy at ([bmcelroy@umd.edu](mailto:bmcelroy@umd.edu)). All applications must be received by March 26, 2012. Space is limited so apply early.

The Catholic University of America will offer their “Experiences in Architecture” pre-college summer workshop for students interested in architecture or other design related fields. The three week intensive course will help prepare students for the rigors of architecture as well as acquaint them with campus life at the university. The workshop will take place July 9 – July 27, 2012. For further information contact David Shove- Brown, Director, Experiences in Architecture at 202-319-5786 or <http://architecture.cua.edu/summerprograms/experiences.cfm>.

American University School of International Service Community of Scholars will be hosting their pre-college summer program for high school students. Students will be able to pursue interest in International Relations as well as explore possible career paths while earning 3 college credits. Programs will begin July 9<sup>th</sup> and end August 3<sup>rd</sup>. For further information and an application visit their website at [www.american.edu/sis/communityofscholars](http://www.american.edu/sis/communityofscholars).

Pratt Institute, located in Brooklyn New York, has announced their Pre-College Program for students wishing to learn more about art, design, architecture, creative writing, critical and visual studies, or construction management. For further information and an application to attend this program, which will take placed July 9 – August 3, 2012, visit their website at [www.pratt.edu/prostudies](http://www.pratt.edu/prostudies).

USC Summer Programs is now open and accepting applications for their 4 – week college credit courses or 2 –week non - credit certificates, as well as online courses year –round. For further information visit their website at [summer@usc.edu](http://summer@usc.edu) or contact them at 213-740-5679.

The Kid's College / Youth Programs have announced their 2012 Spring Classes for students in grades 2 – 12. For a complete schedule of classes and to register please visit their website at [www.montgomerycollege.edu/youth](http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/youth). You may also contact Sharon Wolfgang at 240-567-7264 or Karla Espinoza at 240-567-7917 if you have any questions. All courses will be offered after school and on Saturdays and Sundays at their Rockville and Germantown Campus. Assistance in Spanish is also available.

Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County / ReStore is looking for Volunteers to work at their Gaithersburg store assisting customers. Volunteers may earn SSL hours. (Please be sure to contact Ms. Kelli Richards SSL Coordinator / Room 2005 to verify those SSL hours will be approved.) For further information contact Bolanle Ogunmakin at 301-990-0014 ext. 31 or [bolanle.ogunmakin@habitat-mc.org](mailto:bolanle.ogunmakin@habitat-mc.org).

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The government has a website featuring employment in the Intelligence Community. The current website for this information is [www.intelligence.gov/index](http://www.intelligence.gov/index). Also visit [www.studentjobs.com](http://www.studentjobs.com), [www.studentjobs.gov](http://www.studentjobs.gov), [www.usajobs.opm](http://www.usajobs.opm), [www.snagajob.com](http://www.snagajob.com), [www.mycoolcareer.com](http://www.mycoolcareer.com), [www.gazette.net](http://www.gazette.net) and [www.aarjobs.com](http://www.aarjobs.com) to explore other job opportunities. Be sure to stop by the Career Center and check the bulletin board for further information on employment opportunities.

The Washington D.C. Joint Steamfitting Apprenticeship Program will be accepting applications for those students interested in pursuing a career in Process Piping, Heating, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (Construction and Service) and Environmental Systems Trades. Students wishing to apply must have a high school diploma or have earned a diploma by June, 2012. Applications will be accepted from 8:00am to 12:00pm on the following days at the following address:

<u>UA Mechanical Trades School</u>	<u>Wednesday, January, 4, 2012</u>
<u>8509 Ardwick Ardmore Road</u>	<u>Thursday, January, 5, 2012</u>
<u>Landover, Maryland 20785</u>	<u>Friday, January, 6, 2012</u>

For further information please contact their office at 301-341-1555.

The City of Gaithersburg, Department of Parks & Recreation is offering Lifeguard Training Classes. The City of Gaithersburg is currently recruiting and hiring Lifeguards, Swim Instructors, Pool Attendants and Cashiers to work the summer and winter seasons. Students wishing to apply may download an application from [www.gaithersburgmd.gov/aquaticsjobs](http://www.gaithersburgmd.gov/aquaticsjobs) or contact them at 301-258-6445.

Premier Aquatics is hiring Area Supervisors, Managers, Assistant Mangers and Lifeguards to work this summer. For further information and to apply online visit their website at [www.premier411.com](http://www.premier411.com) or contact them at 703-373-0350.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Don't forget to check out MCPS's College/Career Center Website, where you will find a wealth of information relating to post-high school planning. Please visit the following website [www.mcps.k12.md.us/curriculum/careercenter](http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/curriculum/careercenter) for further information about career awareness, testing, colleges, career/trade schools, financial aid, scholarships, and many other useful links.

- Register for free scholarship information at [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com). This is a **FREE SERVICE!** This website is full of valuable information and will answer many of your burning questions about the college search. Again, this is a **FREE SERVICE.**

Did you know that AMTRAK offers special rates for students and their families when traveling by train for college visits? For further information visit their web site at [www.campusvisit.com](http://www.campusvisit.com).

- Are you hoping to participate in Division I or II college athletics? Start your Clearinghouse registration online at [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org). Go to the Parent/Prospect page and click on Guide for the College-Bound Student Athlete.
- Confused about choosing a major? Check out [www.MyMajors.com](http://www.MyMajors.com).
- Do you like helping people? Want to make a difference in your community? Enjoy working with others and solving problems? Find out more at [www.HealthManagementCareers.org](http://www.HealthManagementCareers.org). Find out what a health care executive does, what education and training is required, and what salary you could expect.
- Imagine America has a new website to assist students to explore careers, search for schools, and apply for scholarships to their schools. Check it out at [www.imagine-america.org](http://www.imagine-america.org).