

# Career and Guidance Newsletter

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**Explore all post-secondary career options: apprenticeships, trade/technical schools, college, community college, military, or workforce.**

**Juniors:** Work with your counselor to develop a preliminary college list. Consider becoming a leader in a few extracurricular activities – run for an office, lead a team, or head an organization. Plan college visits whenever possible. This is a good time for you and your family to plan for college costs.

**Seniors:** If you're applying to college under an early decision or early action plan, be sure to mail all necessary forms this month. Go visit those schools on your list of potential colleges. Create a financial plan to pay for college. Talk to high school alumni who are home for the holidays about their college experiences. Get all your application forms organized.

Don't procrastinate. You don't want to scramble for recommendations, application essays, and financial aid forms at the last minute.

**Maryland Higher Education Center's** Junior/Senior MDgo4it Calendar is available online at [www.MDgo4it.org](http://www.MDgo4it.org). Click on Get Ready for College, click on College Calendar and then scroll down and click on a month. Click on the Agenda tab to see events for the month.

Various representatives from colleges, the armed services, technical schools and apprenticeship programs will be in the Career Center throughout the year. In order to hear these representatives you must sign up in the Career Center before the presentation. Passes will be issued through homeroom teachers or first period teachers on the morning of a presentation. Please sign up early!

**The Career Center will be open for student access daily 7 am – 3:30 pm. Please take advantage of this new time. The Career Center will be available during Charger Time also.**

**GET ORGANIZED AND KEEP TRACK OF ALL DEADLINES AS YOU PREPARE FOR COLLEGE!!**

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## NEWS BRIEFS

Henry E. Lackey High School will be hosting its **Annual Financial Aid Night**, sponsored by the Career and Guidance Department on Monday, December 7, 2009 at 7 pm.

**College Goal Sunday** – January 23, 2010 at 9:30 am - noon at Calvert Library – Prince Frederick – General Financial Aid information.

**Lincoln Technical Institute in Columbia, MD** is proud to announce the Grand Opening of their new Culinary Arts Program. Interested? Call 1-800-924-9325.

**Plumbers and Gasfitters Apprenticeships – Washington, D.C. Plumbers Local Union #5** located at 8509 Ardwick-Ardmore Road, Landover, MD. Apply in person on the first Tuesday of each month between the hours of 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. You must be 18 years old to apply. Earn up to \$14 an hour.

**EDU. Inc. – Common Black College**  
**Application:** Apply to 34 member institutions with one \$35 application fee at [www.eduinonline.com](http://www.eduinonline.com) or call 770-716-0616.

There will be a **Scholarship Workshop** at North Point High School on Saturday, November 21, 2009 at 9:00 am to noon.

**Science and Engineering Apprentice Program (SEAP) – For:** High school students who have completed at least Grade 9. This program provides an opportunity for students to participate in research at a Department of the Navy (DoN) laboratory during the summer. For more information visit [www.asee.org/SEAP](http://www.asee.org/SEAP).

**Towson University** – Spring 2010  
 Application Deadline: November 15, 2009. Fall 2010 Application Deadline: February 15, 2010. Apply for admission by December 1, 2009 to be considered for Admissions scholarships.

**The Christian Connector** provides a FREE Christian college information service as well as a \$2,500 Christian college scholarship drawing. Log onto [www.christianconnector.com](http://www.christianconnector.com).

**Seniors planning to major in one of the STEM Programs** – There are new 4-year aerospace and mechanical engineering Bachelor of Science degree programs that have been

established in Southern Maryland through a cooperative effort of the University of Maryland, College Park, College of Southern Maryland, Southern Maryland Higher Learning Center and NAWCAD at NAS Patuxent River. Visit [www.itc.csmd.edu/mth/coopbriefing-NAWCAD.ppt](http://www.itc.csmd.edu/mth/coopbriefing-NAWCAD.ppt)

*Students who would like to visit different colleges and universities need to have written permission from Mr. Short if you would like to be considered for an excused absence.*



## OPEN HOUSES

**Pennsylvania College of Art & Design, Lancaster, PA** – Saturday, November 14, 2009 at 11 am – 2:30 pm. Register online at [www.pcad.edu](http://www.pcad.edu).

**Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, VA** – Open House – November 14, 2009, and January 20 and February 20, 2010. Register online at [www.bridgewater.edu/admissions](http://www.bridgewater.edu/admissions).

**Quinnipiac University, Hamden, CT** - Open House – November 14. Register online at [www.quinnipiac.edu/visit](http://www.quinnipiac.edu/visit).

**Lebanon Valley College, Annville, PA** – Day at the Valley – November 18, 2009. Open House – November 21, 2009. To visit this fall, call 1-866-582-4236.

**University of Maryland – Eastern Shore** – November 10, December 11, 2009, February 15, March 26 and April 23, 2010. Call 410-651-6178 or email at [recruitment@umes.edu](mailto:recruitment@umes.edu).

**Gannon University, Erie, Pennsylvania** – Fall Open House – November 8, 2009. Go to <http://www.gannon.edu/admiss/undergrad/event/s/fallopenhouse.asp>

**Marshall University, Huntington, WV** – Department of Music – A schedule of all events is available at [www.marshall.edu/cofa/music](http://www.marshall.edu/cofa/music) or call 304 - 696-3117.

**Stevenson University – Open House** – November 21, 2009 and February 6 and April 24, 2010. For more information, go to <http://www.stevenson.edu/admissions/visiting/openhouse.asp>

**Wesley College, Dover, Delaware** – November 14 and December 12, 2009. Call 800-937-5398, ext. 2400 or 302-736-2400 to register. Visit website at [www.wesley.edu](http://www.wesley.edu).

**Virginia Commonwealth University- VCU** Arts Open House – Saturday, November 7, 2009 and February 6, 2010. Visit [www.vcu.edu/arts/visit](http://www.vcu.edu/arts/visit).

**York College of Pennsylvania** – November 14, 2009. Register online at [www.ycp.edu](http://www.ycp.edu)

**Kettering University, Flint, Michigan** – Saturday, November 14, and Saturday, March 13, 2010. Engineering, Math & Science and Business. Register online: [www.admissions.kettering.edu/visit](http://www.admissions.kettering.edu/visit).

**St. John's University, Queens, New York** – Queens Campus – November 15<sup>th</sup>. Staten Island Campus – Sunday, November 15, 2009. Register online at: [www.stjohns.edu/open\\_house](http://www.stjohns.edu/open_house).

**Guilford College, Greensboro, NC** - Saturday, Nov. 7, 2009 – 9 am – 1 pm.

**Coppin State University, Baltimore, MD – Academic Departments: Overview of Schools** – Friday, Nov. 20 – School of Education, Nov. 20 – School of Management Science & Economics, Nov. 20 – School of Professional Studies, Dec. 4 – School of Arts & Sciences, Dec. 4 – Helene Fuld School of Nursing. Visit [www.coppin.edu/admissions](http://www.coppin.edu/admissions).

**Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri** – Monday, December 7, 2009. Cunningham/Quill Architects – visit [www.cunninghamquill.com](http://www.cunninghamquill.com). See Mrs. Walls for more info.

**University of Buffalo, NY** – Fall Discovery Day on Wednesday, November 11, 2009. Visit at <http://admissions.buffalo.edu/discoveryday>.

## SCHOLARSHIPS & COMPETITIONS

The following is presented for your information. The staff of Charles County Public Schools and Henry E. Lackey High School does not rate the quality or value of any of these. For more information on any of these programs or scholarships, please see Mrs. Walls in the Career Center.

If you have not registered with **FastWeb**, please do so as soon as possible. Start a free search now to access the internet's largest database of over 600,000 scholarships worth more than \$1 billion. FastWeb is recommended by over 20,000 colleges and high schools. Go online to [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com).

Visit [SallieMae.com/scholarships](http://SallieMae.com/scholarships) to start your search for free money today!

### By School

**Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD** – Full scholarships will be available. For application materials visit the website at [www.mica.edu](http://www.mica.edu)

**The RN Stat Nursing Scholarship and Mentoring Program** - provided by Civista Medical Center –The College of Southern MD offers courses that prepare a student for a career as a registered Nurse through an Associate

Degree Nursing program. You must complete a CSM application, have a minimum GPA of 2.0 GPA. Deadline: March 30.

**University of Maryland – College Park – Maryland Media, Inc. – For:** Seniors.

**Criteria:** Recruit and retain talented student journalists for MD Media Inc.'s publications.

**Award:** Full cost of in-state tuition. **Deadline:** December 1, 2009.

**Davis & Elkins College, Elkins, WV – For:** Seniors. **Criteria:** Teachers nominate talented art, music and theatre students. **Award:** \$500 to \$3,000.

**University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT –** Have a series of renewable scholarships for high school seniors with a record of high academic achievement and leadership.

**University of Maryland, College Park – Dance Scholarships** for gifted and talented. Applications due: February 17, 2010 and Auditions on March 2, 2010. For application forms contact: Scholarship Committee Dept of Dance, at 301-405-3180.

**Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD – The Gordon Croft Scholarship – For:** Graduating seniors from La Plata High School, Henry E. Lackey High School and McDonough High School. **Criteria:** Plan to enroll in the Whiting School of Engineering and the Krieger School of Arts & Sciences. **Award:** Up to \$22,000 a year (based on financial need) to attend Johns Hopkins. **Deadline:** Before January 1, 2010.

**Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia** is seeking nominations for their scholar program. You must have a strong interest in business. Emory is listed in the top 10 U.S. undergraduate business schools. If interested – contact your counselor.

**Washington University in St. Louis-** is seeking nominations for their William H. and Elizabeth Gray Danforth Scholars Program. Criteria include academic excellence, service and leadership. If interested – see your counselor.

**Davidson College, Davidson, NC –** Nominations being accepted for the top senior scholar athlete – up to \$30,000 annually.

**Boston University – Trustee Scholarship Competition –** Deadline December 1, 2009 – for more information:  
[www.bu.edu/admissions/trustee](http://www.bu.edu/admissions/trustee).

**Connecticut College, New London, Connecticut –** Explore Weekend Program – November 14 – 16, 2009. Visit at <http://conncoll.edu>.

**Towson University, Towson, MD –** The Maryland Writing Project – Engage Their Brains – Ignite Their Learning: Part II. To register, email [mstelzig@towson.edu](mailto:mstelzig@towson.edu).

**Princeton University, Princeton, NJ – The Princeton Prize in Race Relations –** If you are involved in an activity that is helping to improve race relations in your school or community, they would like to hear from you. Apply by January 31<sup>st</sup> – cash awards available.

**Rider University, Lawrenceville, NJ –** 30<sup>th</sup> Annual High School Writing Contest – Write an essay or poem. **Award:** Up to \$100. **Deadline:** December 18, 2009.

**Washington College, Chestertown, MD -** \$50,000 Scholarships for National Honor Society Members – The minimum guaranteed merit-based tuition scholarship for admitted NHS members will be \$50,000 (\$12,500 annually for four years). Visit [www.washcoll.edu](http://www.washcoll.edu)

**Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY –** Marist College, through a joint effort with the National Science Foundation (NSF) is awarding 12 full scholarships (tuition, room and board) to highly talented students majoring in Computer Science or information Technology and Systems. Call 1-800-436-5483.

## By Organization

**2009 SAE Engineering Scholarship – For:** Seniors. **Criteria:** Meet minimum requirements with regard to grade point average, SAT and/or ACT scores as outlined in the individual requirements of each scholarship. **Award:** \$500 to full tuition. **Deadline:** December 1, 2009.

**NFIB Young Entrepreneur Award – For:** Seniors. **Criteria:** A young budding entrepreneur, or small business owner. **Award:** \$10,000. **Deadline:** December 31. Apply online at [www.NFIB.com/YEA](http://www.NFIB.com/YEA).

**SunTrust Off To College Scholarship Sweepstakes – For:** Seniors: **Criteria:** Free to enter. Only one entry per person for each drawing, however students can register after each drawing for the next scheduled drawing. **Award:** \$1,000 plus a \$100 SunTrust Visa Gift Card. **Deadline:** Winner will be chosen every two weeks from October 30, 2009 through May 14, 2010. For more details, visit [www.offtocollege.info.com](http://www.offtocollege.info.com) or [www.suntrusteducation.com](http://www.suntrusteducation.com).

**Prom Guide High School Scholarships –** Register for Prom Guide high school scholarships. Each year, Prom Guide awards more than \$20,000 in scholarships and prizes to high school students. They are accepting applications for two of their most popular programs, The Teen Model Search and Junior Producer. For deadline and requirements information on both scholarships, visit [www.promguide.com](http://www.promguide.com).

**AXA Achievement Scholarship – For:** Seniors. **Criteria:** Ambition and drive, determination to set and reach goals, respect for self, family and community and the ability to succeed in college. **Award:** Up to \$25,000. **Deadline:** December 15, 2009. Download an application at [www.axa-achievement.com](http://www.axa-achievement.com).

**Elks National Foundation 2009 Most Valuable Student Scholarship – For:** Seniors: **Criteria:** Applications will be judged on:

scholarship, leadership and financial need. Applications are available Sept 1 at [www.elks.org/enf/scholars](http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars). **Award:** Up to \$15,000 per year. **Deadline:** November 2, 2009.

**First Freedom Student Competition – For:** 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. **Criteria:** Submit an essay; see the website for topic and application at [www.firstfreedom.org](http://www.firstfreedom.org). **Award:** \$750-\$3,000. **Deadline:** November 26, 2009.

**Daughters of American Revolution – DAR Good Citizens** program sponsored by the Port Tobacco Chapter – **For:** Seniors. **Criteria:** Complete application and write an essay. **Award:** \$1,000. **Deadline:** December 1, 2009.

**Marine Option Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) 4 year Scholarship Program – For:** All juniors/seniors who have a minimum of 1000 on their SATs and at least a 3.3 GPA. Applications are being accepted now. Questions? Call T.P. Sudmeyer at 410-379-0800.

**The American Chemical Society Scholars Program – For:** African American, Hispanic/Latino, or American Indian seniors. **Criteria:** Senior intending to or already majoring in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering, or a chemically related science and planning a career in the chemical sciences or chemical technology. You must have a financial need. **Award:** Varies. **Deadline:** March 1, 2010.

**Chesapeake Bay Trust's 2009 Honorable Arthur Dorman Scholarship – For:** Seniors. **Criteria:** Demonstrate a commitment to the environment and the Chesapeake Bay, share in a minority ethnic or cultural heritage, hold a GPA greater than 3.0, and have strong leadership skills in school and the community. **Award:** \$5,000. **Deadline:** December 4, 2009. All nominations/applicants must complete an application form online at [www.chesapeakebaytrust.org/awards](http://www.chesapeakebaytrust.org/awards).

**Hispanic Heritage Foundation – For:** Hispanic Seniors. **Criteria:** Write a 500 word essay on "How Can Education Impact the

Heritage Of Hispanic Generations To Come”?  
**Award:** Varies. **Deadline:** November 30, 2009.

**FIRE – The Foundation for Individual Rights in Education- For:** Seniors **Criteria:** Write an essay in depth explaining why free speech and First Amendment rights are crucial to higher education and how abuses of these rights harm the college experience. **Award:** Up to \$5,000. **Deadline:** November 6, 2009.

**Legacy of Life Scholarship – For:** Seniors **Criteria:** Write an essay of 1,000 words on the theme “Organ & Tissue Donation: Persuade Someone to Give the Gift of a Lifetime.” **Award:** Up to \$5,000. **Deadline:** March 31, 2010.

**Patuxent Dental Society – For:** Seniors **Criteria:** Any full-time student who is presently accepted at an accredited school of dental hygiene or other dental care curriculum offering a course of study leading to licensure as a Dental Hygienist or Dentist. **Award:** Varies. **Deadline:** April 15, 2010. For more information, contact Heather Friedrich at 301-884-7506.

**Principal’s Leadership Award Scholarship Program – For:** Senior **Criteria:** High school principals or their designees may nominate one senior per school to compete. **Award:** \$1,000 to \$12,000. **Deadline:** for nomination is December 4, 2009.

**Washington Crossing Foundation – For:** Seniors **Criteria:** Plan a career in service to the United States in local, state, or federal government. Write an essay. **Award:** \$500 to \$5,000 **Deadline:** January 15, 2010. Visit [www.gwcf.org](http://www.gwcf.org)

**2010 KFC Colonel’s Scholars Program - For:** Seniors **Criteria:** Have a GPA of 2.75 or higher and pursue a bachelor’s degree. **Award:** Up to \$20,000. **Deadline:** The online application will be available from December 1, 2009 through February 10, 2010.

**Gates Millennium Scholars –For:** Seniors. Be an African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific, American

or Hispanic citizen/permanent residents of the US. **Criteria:** Be nominated by teachers, principals, individuals from educational organizations or community agencies. Have a GPA of 3.3 and be accepted and have a significant need as defined by the Federal Needs analysis formula (demonstrated by the Student Aid Report received from the FAFSA). **Award:** Cost of tuition, fees, books and living expenses. **Deadline:** February 1.

**AFSCME Family Scholarship Program – For:** Seniors **Criteria:** Must be a daughter or son of an AFSCME member or whose legal guardian or financially-responsible grandparent is an AFSCME member. Must have taken the SAT or the ACT and plan to attend a full-time degree program. **Award:** \$2,000 **Deadline:** December 1.

**Ayn Rand Essay Contest – For:** 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. **Criteria:** 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade read and write an essay of 600 – 1200 words on “The Anthem,” 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade read and write an essay of 800 – 1000 words on “The Fountainhead.” **Award:** 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade up to \$2,000. 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade up to \$10,000. **Deadline:** March 20 for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade. April 25 for 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

## COLLEGE FAIRS

**The Kappa Epsilon Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and The Prince George’s County Department of Parks and Recreation – “Go to High School, Go to College” – College Fair on November 14, 2009 at 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hosted at Stephen Decatur Community Center in Clinton, MD. There will be a \$1,000 scholarship and a Laptop giveaway.**

**University of Maryland – Eastern Shore – Eighth Annual UMES Tri-County**

**College Fair** (formerly the Somerset-Wicomico County College Fair). The fair will be held in the William P. Hytch Athletic Center from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

**College Week Live – Virtual College Fair** free online at [www.collegeweeklive.com](http://www.collegeweeklive.com) – November 4 – 7.

## COLLEGE TOURS

**Arrow Collegiate Tours – Historically Black College and Universities Tour** – November 18 – 22, 2009. Visit North Carolina A & T Univ., Bennett College, Johnson C. Smith Univ., Spelman College, Morehouse College, Clark Atlanta Univ., Edward Waters College, Bethune-Cookman College, Florida A & M Univ., and Disney World/Universal Studio. Contact Sabrina Crowder at 310-505-2204. Visit online at [www.arrowcollegiatetour.com](http://www.arrowcollegiatetour.com).



## SAT/ACT TEST DATES

**SAT Dates:** November 7<sup>th</sup>, December 5, 2009 and January 23<sup>rd</sup>, March 13<sup>th</sup>, May 1<sup>st</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Given at **Westlake High School and the College of Southern Maryland.**

**ACT Dates:** December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and February 6<sup>th</sup>, April 10<sup>th</sup>, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Given at the **College of Southern Maryland in La Plata and McDonough High School in Pomfret, Maryland.**

### SAT Prep Sessions here at Lackey

Below are the dates for the SAT prep sessions that will take place 2 or 3 days before the SAT is administered. Students are to check in with their 1<sup>st</sup> period teacher and report directly to the **testing lab** by 7:25 am. The sessions are scheduled from 7:25 – 11:25 on the Wednesday or Thursday before the test date.

Thursday, October 8  
 Tuesday, November 3  
 Thursday, December 3  
 Thursday, January 21  
 Thursday, March 11  
 Thursday, April 29  
 Thursday, June 3

Our SAT Coordinator is Ms. Pauline Johnson, Vice Principal.



## JOBS

**The Maryland Job Service** is located at 175 Post Office Road in Waldorf, Maryland. Office hours for Job Service referrals are from 8 AM to 3 PM daily. If the job seeker is presently registered, they may call for job referral information. The Maryland Job Service number is 301-645-8712 or go online at <http://www.careernet.state.md.us>.

**The Southern Maryland Workforce Services Youth Development Program** is available to help youth obtain year-round employment. All candidates must be 14-21 years

of age and be a low income individual as defined by the WIA (Workforce Investment Act) standards. For additional information, see Mrs. Walls.

## SUMMER PROGRAMS

**American University, Washington, DC** – Explore the field of communication – June 21 – July 16, 2010. For more information call: 202-885-2098 or visit [www.audiscover.org](http://www.audiscover.org).

## CAREER CENTER CALENDAR

November 1	Standard time begins Turn clocks back
November 5	Schools closed for students
November 7	SAT Test Date
November 10	Stevenson University 11:30 am
November 11	Veterans Day Schools/offices closed
November 12	Scholarship Workshop 11:30 am
November 13	Morgan State University 11:30 am
November 25 – 27	Thanksgiving Holiday Schools/offices closed