

The Chesapeake Public School system is an equal opportunity school system. The School Board of the City of Chesapeake also adheres to the principles of equal opportunity in employment and, therefore, prohibits discrimination in terms and conditions of employment on the basis of race, sex, national origin, color, religion, age, or disability.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 31, 2012 – The beginning of the 2nd semester. Students will return to their “old” homeroom to receive their 2nd semester schedule and then at the direction of the Main Office go to their “new” homeroom.

February 27, 2012 – Guidance Scheduling Information Night for parents of all current 9th, 10th and 11th grade students will start at 6 p.m. followed by the PTSA Open House for the second semester at 7 p.m. in the auditorium.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Applications are available in the Guidance Office. Please look in the boxes when you come in the Guidance Office for a copy of the scholarship application for which you wish to apply. It is the student’s responsibility to request a transcript, if required, for the application and to gather and mail all of the information.

To be considered for scholarships nominated by the school’s Scholarship Committee, please complete the “Scholarship Information Form” and give it to Mrs. Keys or Mrs. Van Laethem in the Guidance Office as soon as possible.

For information about the **ACCESS Tidewater Scholarship Program**, please see Mr. Stringfield, our **ACCESS Counselor**. His office is located at the corner of the “I” Hall and the “Main” Hall. He is here at WBHS on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Mail by Scholarships Currently Being Advertised:

- Jan. 25, 2012** American Society of Military Comptrollers. Seniors pursuing a degree in financial or resource management, need based, merit considered, school and community service, essay.
Must be received in WBHS Guidance by Jan. 25.
- Jan. 31** Hampton Roads Global Commerce Council (HRGCC) Scholarship. Essay. **Must be received by Jan. 31.**
- Feb. 1** American Fire Sprinkler Association (AFSA) Scholarship. Essay with bibliography.
- Feb. 1** **All Students** 2012 Citizenship Essay sponsored by the Virginia PTA
- Feb. 1** United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)/1890 National Scholars Program
Must be planning to attend a 1890 Historically Black Land-Grant University and major in agricultural, food, natural resource sciences or related discipline, SAT 1,500 or ACT 21, GPA 3.0, school & community service, must be mailed to the schools of your choice.
- Feb. 24** Virginia State Golf Association – VIP Scholarship. Student interested in golf, attending a Virginia college, need based, merit considered, essay. **Must be received by Feb. 24.**
- Feb. 24** Virginia PTA Scholarship. Student pursuing career in teaching or other youth servicing agency, GPA 2.5, need based, merit considered, school & community service, essay. **Must be received in WBHS Guidance by Feb. 24.**
- Feb. 24** Dr. Clarence V. Cuffee Scholarship. Chesapeake resident who will study education or social work, attend Norfolk State University, school & community service, essay. **Must be received by Feb. 24.**
- Feb. 25** Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority (Norfolk Alumnae Chapter) Scholarship. African American, essay and picture. **Must be received by Feb. 25.**

- March 1** Wings Over America Scholarship. Student must be child of U.S. Navy service member who is/was affiliated with Naval Aviation, merit based, community & school service, essay.
- March 1** Charles B. Cross, Jr., Citizenship Award. Merit based, community & school service, short essays. **Must be received by March 1.**
- March 1** NPALSA Scholarship. Students pursuing the legal career field, merit considered, school & community service, essay. **Must be received by March 1.**
- March 1** Young Women in Public Affairs sponsored by Zonta International. Female, community & school service, essays. **Must be received by March 1.**
- March 1** 2012 PDK Prospective Educator Scholarship sponsored by the Tidewater Chapter. Major in education, member of FTA, school & community service, essay. **Must be received by March 1.**
- March 1** Hampton Roads Community Foundation Scholarships. Various scholarships with various requirements, essay. **Must be received by March 1.**
- March 16** History Essay Contest for College Scholarship sponsored by the Society of the Cincinnati in the State of Virginia. Student who will attend a 4 year college in Virginia, essay.
- March 16** The Stein Family College Scholarship. Student must be Jewish and attend a 4 year school, need based, school & community service, essay. **Must be received by March 16.**
- March 28** The Marc S. Tace Scholarship sponsored by the Marine Spouses' Thrift Shop. Dependent of Marine Corps service member in the Hampton Roads area, essay. **Must be received by March 28.**
- March 28** Chesapeake Sports Club Scholarship. Need based, varsity athlete, must attend college in Virginia, essay. **Must be received in WBHS Guidance by March 28.**
- March 30** Western Branch Lions Club Scholarship. Student who is visually impaired, hearing impaired or physically challenged in other respects and/or will train to work with the handicapped. **Must be received by March 30.**
- March 30** The Brenda M. Gilbert "Pay it Forward" Memorial Scholarship. Community and school service, must have attended Crestwood Middle School (including PAL students), essay. **Must be received by March 30.**
- March 30** Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship. Minority student with leadership potential, attend a 4 year college, need based, community service, essay. Apply on line at www.jackierobinson.org
- March 31** Janice M. Scott Memorial Scholarship. Need based, merit considered, community & school service, 3.0 GPA, essay.
- March 31** The Blue Heron Scholarship sponsored by the City of Chesapeake Symbol Committee. Need based, merit considered, community & school service, city resident, 2.5 GPA.
- March 31** Norfolk and Portsmouth Bar Association Foundation 2012 Scholarship Essay Contest. Need based, merit considered, essays. **Must be received by March 31.**
- April 2** VALS Scholarship. NPALSA Scholarship. Students pursuing the legal career field, merit considered, school & community service, essay. **Must be received by April 2.**
- April 15** J. Theron "Tim" Timmons Scholarship sponsored by AAA of Tidewater Virginia. 3.0 GPA, parents must be members of AAA of Tidewater, need based, must attend college in Virginia, essay.
- April 20** William E. Ward Scholarship sponsored by the Chesapeake Chapter of the Norfolk State University Alumni Association. Student intends to enroll at NSU, merit based, need considered, GPA 2.7, school & community service, essay. **Must be received by April 20.**
- May 11** The Bryant – Jordan Memorial Scholarship sponsored by the Western Branch Athletic Club. Student has played recreational sports sponsored by WBAC and/or City of Chesapeake (PONY baseball, football, cheering, soccer, or girls' slow-pitch softball), essay. **Must be received in WBHS Guidance by May 11.**
- May 31** **ALL STUDENTS** Wise Choice "Find the Right College" Scholarship. Short essay. **Apply on line by May 31** at www.wisechoice.com/scholarship

No Deadlines or various deadlines listed for:

Navy NROTC Scholarships www.nrotc.navy.com or call 488-2823

Old Dominion University Army ROTC. www.odu.edu/armyrotc or 683-3671 for more information.

RESOURCES:

Need a Lift? 2012, College Financial Aid Handbook sponsored by the American Legion

Also available on line by visiting: www.legion.org/needalift For more information call (888) 453-4466.

COLLEGE RESOURCES:

www.collegeboard.com
www.collegeanswer.com
www.princetonreview.com
www.VaWizard.org
www.explorevirginiacolleges.com
www.virginiamentor.org
www.gocollege.com
<http://youcango.collegeboard.org>

TUITION ASSISTANCE:

www.collegeboard.com
www.collegeanswer.com
www.studentaid.ed.gov
www.collegesavings.org
www.fastweb.com
www.finaid.org
www.meritaid.com

Take a virtual tour of many colleges across the country by visiting: www.campustours.com

SUMMER PROGRAMS:

STUDENTS AGES 14-17: Virginia State Parks Youth Conservation Corps. Apply on line by April 13th at www.dcr.virginia.gov/state_parks/ycc.shtml Housing and meals provided plus a \$500 program completion stipend.

ALL STUDENTS: Carnegie Mellon Summer Pre-College Programs (AP ~ Early Admission ~ Fine Arts – Architecture/Art & Design/Drama/Music). For more information visit: www.cmu.edu/enrollment/pre-college

JUNIORS & SENIORS: Bank of America Student Leaders Program. Apply on line by January 25th at www.bankofamerica.com/foundation

See Mrs. A. Legg in the Guidance Department for more information.

OTHER PROGRAMS OF INTEREST:

ALL Students: Exchange program. Become an AFS Exchange Student. Contact www.studyabroadafs.org or call 1-800-AFS-INFO for more information.

ALL Students: Exchange Program. ASSE International Student Exchange Program. Visit www.asse.com or call 1-800-677-2773 for more information. You may also email: asseusaeast@asse.com

College Representatives Planning to Visit WBHS:

None at this time. Please continue to watch the local newspapers for information.

College Representatives Planning to Visit Tidewater:

None at this time. Please continue to watch the local newspapers for information.

College Open House Invitations:

None at this time. It's a good time to take a virtual tour of colleges across the country by visiting: www.campustours.com

Senior Athletes: If you intend to play sports in college next year, you need to see Mr. Guity in the Guidance Office to get instructions on how to register on line with the Clearinghouse. You must register on line with the NCAA before you can participate in Division I or II sports. Also, the NCAA will no longer accept SAT and/or ACT scores from a high school. The student must send them through the College Board or ACT to the NCAA. The Clearinghouse website is: www.eligibilitycenter.org

Testing Dates for the 2011-2012 school year:

SAT: January 28, 2012, March 10, 2012, May 5, 2012, and June 2, 2012
ACT: February 11, 2012, April 14, 2012 and June 9, 2012
AP Testing: May 7 - 18, 2012

For other testing assistance, check the following web sites:

www.collegeboard.com

www.petersons.com

www.princetonreview.com/college

www.act.org

SAT Prep Course:

ALL STUDENTS: eKnowledge in association with the NFL & MBL organizations, as well as the USO, the American Red Cross and DAN TES are offering a free SAT and ACT College Test Prep Program (valued at \$200. The self paced DVD program contains over 11 hours of instruction from sharpening the student's test taking skills to sample test questions. To order go to: www.eknowledge.com/USA **Be sure to enter sponsorship code: FDCE67159** (a small shipping fee will be applied). For further information, feel free to contact Lori Caputo at LoriCaputo@eKnowledge.com (951) 256-4076.

FAFSA Forms are available online at www.fafsa.ed.gov . You may also download a PDF version of the FAFSA at www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov . (Note: PDF FAFSAs must be mailed for processing). You may also request a paper FAFSA by calling the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-433-3243. You may begin turning in your form on January 1, 2012 for the Fall 2012 college year.

EDU, Inc. Common Black College Application: Apply to all member institutions for a one time fee. Pick up an application in Guidance or visit: www.eduinonline.com .

State of Virginia's Senior Year Plus Initiatives:

See your counselor about Virginia's Early College Scholars, Path to Industry Certification, Dual Enrollment, and the Virtual Advanced Placement School.

Chesapeake Parent Resource Center:

For information on workshops, please call 482-5923.

Western Branch High School Code for SAT, ACT and College Applications:

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