

Senior College Planning Night

Fall 2024 | Class of 2025


2025

Madison High School

Welcome!

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Madison High School PTSA

- Regan Morgan, PTSA President
- Jennifer Hallworth, All Night Grad Party

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Senior Year Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

- September 3 :** [Parent/Guardian Information Form](#)
[Student Self-Evaluation Form](#) (and [Resume](#))
- September 4:** [Register to take the School Day SAT](#)
- September 11:** College Visits to Madison begin
- September 20:** [Register through College Board to Take October 5 SAT](#)
- October 5:** Saturday SAT Test
- October 9:** SAT @ JMHS during the school day, only seniors who have [registered](#)
- October 20:** [FCPS College Fair](#) @ Eagle Bank Arena, 4:00pm-6:30pm
- October 21 & 22 :** FCPS Virtual Postsecondary Nights, Sessions at 5, 6, 7, 8pm
- June 3 :** Graduation at DAR Constitution Hall, 10am

Counselor Lesson & Conferences

- Counselor Lesson on August 26 during 4th Period
- Counselors will be meeting with students one-on-one during Government classes last two weeks of September
 - Students without a Government class at JMHS should reach out to schedule an appointment.

Application Lab Coming Soon

- ★ APP LAB is the opportunity for seniors to ask questions about their college applications, essays, etc.
- ★ Designated space and time to work on college applications
- ★ Counselors available to work with you
- ★ Begins on September 4, after school. Wednesdays during WT (Black Days) or after school (Red Days)

Post-Secondary Planning Options

College: Four-Year and Two-Year College or University

Career: Employment, Specialized Training

Military: Enlistment, ROTC

Gap Year: Experiential Learning/Travel

Apprenticeship: Specialize in a trade or skill

Adult Education: Certificate programs and courses

Opportunities advertised throughout the year.

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College Admission Options

DEFINITIONS OF ADMISSION OPTIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

STUDENTS: WHICH COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS BEST SUITS YOU?

Regular Decision

DEFINITION:

Students submit an application by a specified date and receive a decision in a clearly stated period of time.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Rolling Admission

DEFINITION:

Institutions review applications as they are submitted and render admission decisions throughout the admission cycle.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Early Action (EA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply early and receive a decision well in advance of the institution's regular response date.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Early Decision (ED)

DEFINITION:

Students make a commitment to a first-choice institution where, if admitted they definitely will enroll and withdraw all other applications. The application deadline and decision deadline occur early.

COMMITMENT:

BINDING

Restrictive Early Action (REA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply to an institution of preference and receive a decision early. They may be restricted from applying ED or EA or REA to other institutions. If offered enrollment, they have until May 1 to confirm.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Students are not restricted from applying to other institutions and have until May 1 to consider their options and confirm enrollment.

Students are responsible for determining and following restrictions.

Organization is KEY

Use the JMHS College Planning Checklist (available on the [JMHS website](#) and [Schoology](#)) to make sure you complete all the necessary tasks to successfully submit your college applications.

College Planning Checklist		
To ensure the successful and timely submission of your college applications and supporting documents, please complete the following checklist at least 30 CALENDAR DAYS before your earliest college deadline.		
Projected Completion Date	Task	Task Completed
	College List	
	Update your list of "Colleges I'm Thinking About" in Naviance .	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Explore the "Colleges" section of Naviance: Find Your Fit, Research Colleges, College Compare, College Maps, Scholarships and Money, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sign up for College Visits with college representatives in Naviance .	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Deadlines	
	Make note of your earliest college deadline here:	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Use the Transcript Request Deadlines to identify the date that is 30 calendar days prior to your earliest college deadline. This is the latest date by which you should submit your transcript request. Make note of the deadline here:	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Individual Post-Secondary Meeting	
	Students will meet with their counselor to discuss post-high school plans through Government classes during the last two weeks of September. Students who do not have a Government class in the building should email their counselor to schedule an appointment.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Activity List/Resume	
	Share a detailed activity list/resume with your counselor. If you need a template, use this one by logging into your FCPS Google account. Check out the resume information in Schoology > Student Services > College & Career Center folder	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Essay	
	Determine how many essay(s) will be required for each college on your list. Give yourself time to write rough drafts of your essay(s) and seek feedback.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Student Self-Evaluation & Resume	
	Complete the Student Self-Evaluation Form to share information with your school counselor for writing a college recommendation. You should also share a detailed activity list/resume with your counselor. If you need a template, use this one .	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Share these items with your counselor via Google Docs. It is recommended that all 12th graders complete this information, with the assumption they will need a counselor recommendation for college.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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	Parent/Guardian Information Form	
	Counselors welcome feedback from parents/guardians to use in our letters of recommendation and evaluations.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Complete the Parent/Guardian Information Form .	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Email the form to your child's school counselor. Email addresses are available on the Parent/Guardian Information Form .	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Teacher Recommendations	
	Reach out to the teachers you'd like to ask for a letter of recommendation, either through a conversation or email. Each teacher will have their own process for writing you a letter, so be sure to follow their guidelines.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Verify which of your schools require teacher letters of recommendation and how many they require.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Transcripts	
	Submit the Consent for Release of Student Records Form .	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Determine if any schools are self-reporting. If so, include it on the transcript form so we know where you are applying. You will report all of your courses/grades to a self-reporting school.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	NOTE: All students have access to their unofficial transcript through StudentVue (or ParentVue) > Course History > Unofficial Transcript. You may also request an unofficial transcript from your counselor or Mrs. Geary (lkgeary@fcps.edu).	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Complete the Transcript Request Form and email it to Mrs. Geary (lkgeary@fcps.edu).	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Test Scores	
	Students must request for College Board and/or ACT to send official test scores to colleges.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	JMHS does NOT send test scores (SAT, ACT, TOEFL.)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	College Application	
	Complete your college application online.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Submit your application directly through Common App or to the college/university with your payment.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Common Application only – you must invite your school counselor, even if you are not requesting a counselor recommendation. This is the only way your counselor will be able to submit your transcript to your Common App colleges.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Madison High School will send a school profile, official transcript, counselor recommendation (if required).</i>	

**Building
the
College List**

Criteria to Consider

Happiness: Apply to colleges you are excited about

Size: Small, medium, large, does it have a graduate school or hospital, do students stay on campus all four years

Location: Urban, rural, suburban, how far is it from home, weather

Rigor: Will you feel appropriately challenged

Social: Does the vibe of the college excite you, will you enjoy the social offerings and activities, such as, sports, clubs, organizations

Support: Does the college have what you're looking for in terms of academic support, financial support, career support, wellness & health support, etc.

Use Naviance to Research Colleges | Home Page

Naviance is an FCPS tool students use to explore and prepare for post-secondary college and career plans.

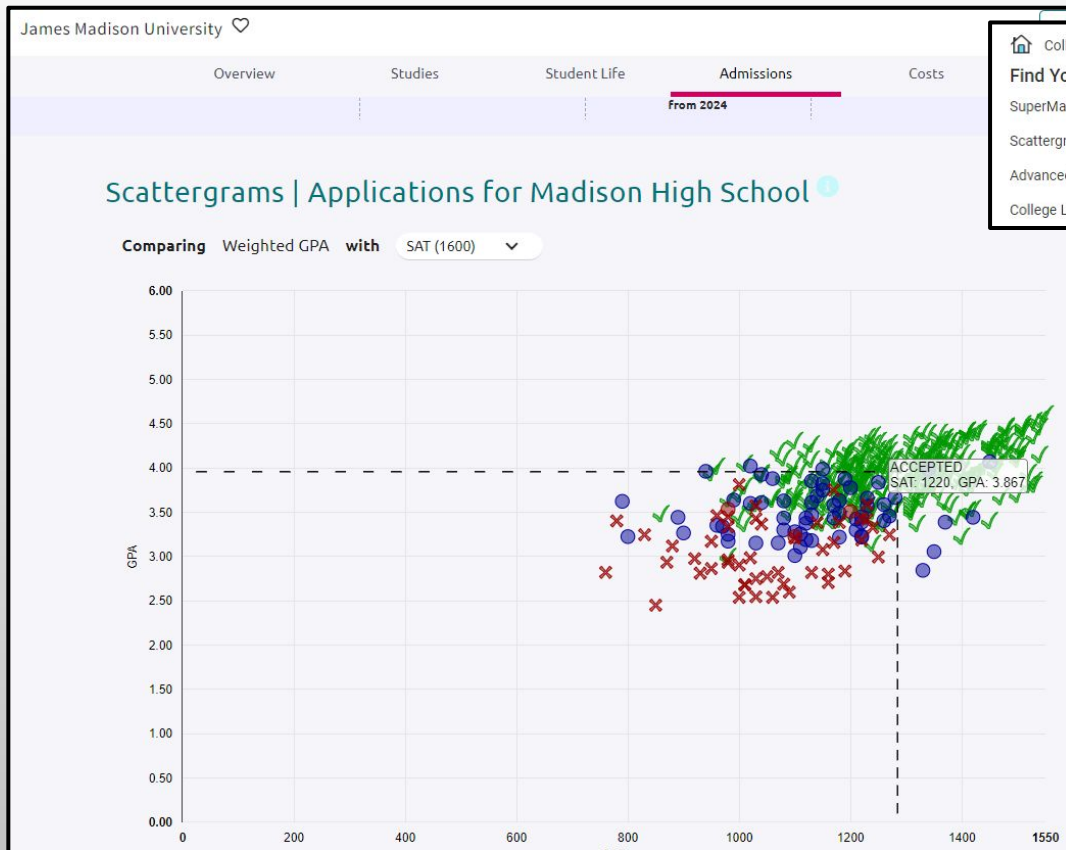
The screenshot shows the Naviance website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Self-Discovery, Courses, Careers, Colleges (highlighted), Planner, and About me. A user profile dropdown shows '12th Grade' and a 'Close Demo' button. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Demo's Future Planning:** A large graphic with the text 'Plan Your Future' and a sub-headline 'Quickly access your path highlights, favorite colleges, and more from this page.'
- College Home:** A sidebar menu with 'Find Your fit' and sub-options: SuperMatch College Search, Scattergrams, Advanced College Search, and College Lookup.
- Research Colleges:** A list of options: Colleges I'm Thinking About, College Visits, College Compare, Enrichment Programs, and College Maps.
- Apply to College:** Options for Colleges I'm Applying To and Test Scores.
- Scholarships & Money:** Options for College-Specific Scholarships, Scholarship Search, and Favorite Scholarships.
- Tasks from My School:** A table listing tasks with checkboxes, titles, priorities, and due dates.

At the bottom, there is a 'College Path Highlights' section with a search bar for colleges and a 'Search' button.

Task Or To-Do	Priority	Date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete Career Interest Profiler Task	None	07/15/25
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete Career Cluster Finder Reflection Task	None	07/15/25
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Update Favorite Careers and Clusters Task	None	07/15/25

Use Naviance to Research Colleges | Scattergrams



College Home	Research Colleges	Apply to College
Find Your fit	♥ Colleges I'm Thinking About	Colleges I'm Applying To
SuperMatch College Search	College Visits	Test Scores
Scattergrams	College Compare	
Advanced College Search	Enrichment Programs	
College Lookup	College Maps	

Naviance > Colleges > Scattergrams

- Naviance has college data specific to Madison HS.
- Scattergram data is only based on GPA and SAT (if applicable).
- TWO years of data shown.
- GPA listed is the final, senior year GPA.

There's MUCH more that goes into college admission decisions.

Use [Naviance](#) to Think About Potential Majors | Self-Discovery

The screenshot displays the Naviance Self-Discovery page with a navigation bar at the top. The main content area is titled "Self Discovery" and contains eight assessment cards arranged in a 2x4 grid. Each card features an icon, a title, a brief description, and a "Start Assessment" button. The "Career Cluster Finder" card is completed and shows a list of top clusters. The "Career Interest Profiler" card shows Holland Traits.

Assessment Name	Description	Action
AchieveWorks Intelligences®	Intelligence comes in many forms. AchieveWorks Intelligences® helps you uncover your different intelligences and how to leverage them.	Start Assessment
AchieveWorks Learning and Productivity®	Discover your sensory, environmental and mindset preferences to help develop and adjust your study practices.	Start Assessment
AchieveWorks Personality®	AchieveWorks Personality® helps you identify your personality type by asking you to choose scenarios that best represent how you behave in real life.	Start Assessment
AchieveWorks Skills®	AchieveWorks Skills® helps you identify and develop your skills and connects your skills to careers that might interest you.	Start Assessment
Career Cluster Finder	Completed Feb 3rd 2022 Top Clusters: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Agriculture, Food and Natural ResourcesArchitecture and ConstructionEducation and Training	Retake / View Results
Career Interest Profiler	Holland Traits: <ul style="list-style-type: none">ConventionalSocialEnterprising	Retake / View Results
Career Key	The Career Key helps you identify your traits, best match work environments and related careers by asking you questions about your interests.	Start Assessment
Strengths Explorer®	Strengths Explorer® helps you identify your key strengths that you can use as you proceed on your college, career and life readiness journey.	Start Assessment

AchieveWorks Intelligences | AchieveWorks Learning and Productivity | AchieveWorks Personality | AchieveWorks Skills | Career Cluster Finder | Career Interest Profiler | Career Key | Strengths Explorer

**College Visits
at
Madison**

Naviance | College Visits at Madison

www.fcps.edu/naviance

The screenshot displays the Naviance 'College Visits' interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Self-Discovery, Courses, Careers, Colleges (selected), Planner, and About me. A search bar is located on the right. The main content area is titled 'College Visits' and features a list of upcoming visits. Each visit entry includes a date and time in a green box, the college name, and the location. A 'Register Now' button is visible for each entry. A red-bordered callout box is overlaid on the page, containing a banner that reads 'College Visits Details Coming Soon! You can view the list, but students can't sign up quite yet! Naviance > Colleges > College Visits'. The 'Register Now' button for the first entry is highlighted with a red box.

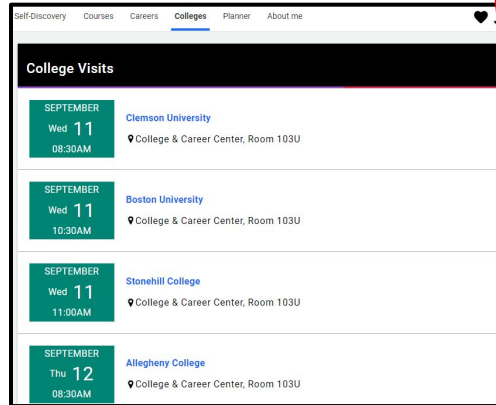
Month	Date	Time	College	Location	Action
SEPTEMBER	Wed 11	08:30AM	Clemson University	College & Career Center,	Register Now
SEPTEMBER	Wed 11	10:30AM	Boston University	College & Career Center, F	Register Now
SEPTEMBER	Wed 11	11:00AM	Stonehill College	College & Career Center, Ro	Register Now
SEPTEMBER	Thu 12	08:30AM	Allegheny College	College & Career Center, Ro	Register Now
SEPTEMBER	Thu 12	09:00AM	Randolph College	College & Career Center, Room 103U	Register Now
SEPTEMBER	Thu 12		Gettysburg College	College & Career Center, Room 103U	Register Now

- Students access the schedule & “Register Now” in [Naviance](#). Parents have “view only” access. **ONLY STUDENTS will see the option to “Register Now.”**
- Visits are for students only. Teacher permission required at least 24 hours in advance of a visit. Students are responsible for missed assignments.
- Check college websites for virtual and on-campus options provided by colleges.

College Visits @ JMHS

JMHS will host a variety of college visits in the fall for students. These visits will allow seniors and juniors the opportunity to connect with college admissions representatives, gain additional information and ask questions.

The visit list is available in [Naviance](#). Only students will see and have the option to “Register Now.” Parents have “view only” access to [Naviance](#).



SEPTEMBER	College	Time	Location
Wed 11 08:30AM	Clemson University		College & Career Center, Room 103U
Wed 11 10:30AM	Boston University		College & Career Center, Room 103U
Wed 11 11:00AM	Stonehill College		College & Career Center, Room 103U
Thu 12 08:30AM	Allegheny College		College & Career Center, Room 103U

This is a great time to have a conversation about college with your child as you look at the list visits to JMHS as well as campus visit options provided by the individual colleges.

Quick Guide [HERE](#)

How to Sign Up for a College Visit in Naviance 2024-2025

1. Log into [Naviance](#)
2. Click on Colleges > College Visits



permission (verbally or through email) to be confirmed at least 24 HOURS BEFORE THE VISIT!

Students should visit the College & Career Center (Room 103U) for the Naviance confirmation/registration screen on the day of the visit as a reminder (preferably at the beginning of the visit).

Students are responsible for missed visits.

For more information, email Mrs. Otto at lmotto@fcps.edu

Most current visit list (and to register) is in [Naviance](#).

College Visits @ JMHS (as of 8/22/2024)

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Alphabetical Listing of College Visits at Madison HS as of 8/22/24

College	Date	Time
Allegheny College	Thu September 12, 2024	8:30 AM
American University	Wed September 25, 2024	10:30 AM
Appalachian State University	Mon October 7, 2024	11:00 AM
Bentley University	Tue October 15, 2024	11:30 AM
Binghamton University	Thu September 19, 2024	8:30 AM
Boston College	Wed October 23, 2024	9:00 AM
Boston University	Wed September 11, 2024	10:30 AM
Bridgewater College	Thu September 19, 2024	2:00 PM
Bryant University	Wed September 25, 2024	9:00 AM
Bucknell University	Mon September 23, 2024	1:00 PM
Butler University	Mon October 7, 2024	9:00 AM
Christopher Newport University	Mon September 23, 2024	9:00 AM
Claremont McKenna College	Fri October 11, 2024	9:00 AM
Clemson University	Wed September 11, 2024	8:30 AM
Colby College	Mon October 21, 2024	11:30 AM
College of Charleston	Thu September 12, 2024	11:30 AM
Dickinson College	Wed September 25, 2024	11:30 AM
Drexel University	Thu September 26, 2024	8:30 AM
East Carolina University	Fri October 11, 2024	11:30 AM
Eckerd College	Fri September 20, 2024	8:30 AM
Elon University	Wed October 23, 2024	10:00 AM
Fairfield University	Wed October 23, 2024	8:30 AM
Furman University	Wed October 2, 2024	9:00 AM
Gettysburg College	Thu September 12, 2024	10:00 AM
Hampden-Sydney College	Mon September 23, 2024	8:30 AM
Haverford College	Thu September 19, 2024	9:00 AM
Hofstra University	Fri September 13, 2024	11:00 AM
Hollins University	Thu September 26, 2024	11:00 AM

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Ithaca College	Tue October 8, 2024	11:30 AM
James Madison University	Mon October 7, 2024	1:00 PM
Kenyon College	Wed October 30, 2024	2:00 PM
Lehigh University	Mon October 21, 2024	9:30 AM
Longwood University	Mon September 16, 2024	2:00 PM
Lynn University	Tue October 22, 2024	1:30 PM
Mary Baldwin University	Thu October 10, 2024	11:00 AM
Mercer University	Tue October 15, 2024	9:00 AM
Michigan State University	Fri September 13, 2024	10:30 AM
Oberlin College	Mon September 16, 2024	8:30 AM
Randolph College	Thu September 12, 2024	9:00 AM
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Thu October 10, 2024	11:30 AM
Roanoke College	Thu October 10, 2024	8:30 AM
Rochester Institute of Technology	Mon October 21, 2024	11:00 AM
Saint Joseph's University	Fri October 25, 2024	11:30 AM
Savannah College of Art and Design	Fri September 13, 2024	8:30 AM
Simmons University	Thu October 24, 2024	8:30 AM
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology	Wed September 18, 2024	9:30 AM
St. John's University-New York	Tue October 22, 2024	11:00 AM
Stonehill College	Wed September 11, 2024	11:00 AM
Stony Brook University	Mon October 21, 2024	1:00 PM
Syracuse University	Thu October 10, 2024	9:30 AM
The University of British Columbia	Wed October 2, 2024	8:30 AM
The University of Tennessee-Knoxville	Thu September 26, 2024	2:00 PM
Trinity College	Fri October 11, 2024	8:30 AM
Tufts University	Fri September 20, 2024	9:00 AM
Tulane University of Louisiana	Thu September 26, 2024	1:00 PM
University College Dublin	Wed October 2, 2024	10:00 AM
University of Chicago	Mon September 30, 2024	8:30 AM
University of Colorado Boulder	Wed October 23, 2024	9:30 AM

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College Visits @ JMHS (as of 8/22/2024)

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How to Sign Up for a College Visit in Naviance 2024-2025

1. Log into [Naviance](#)

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6. At [this link](#) you will be taken. Students are responsible for missed assignments.

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University of Dayton	Mon October 21, 2024	2:00 PM
University of Delaware	Tue October 15, 2024	11:00 AM
University of Georgia	Thu September 26, 2024	9:00 AM
University of Mary Washington	Thu October 10, 2024	10:30 AM
University of Maryland-College Park	Tue October 15, 2024	10:30 AM
University of Massachusetts-Amherst	Mon September 23, 2024	11:00 AM
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities	Tue October 1, 2024	11:00 AM
University of Rhode Island	Thu September 26, 2024	10:30 AM
University of South Carolina-Columbia	Thu October 10, 2024	10:00 AM
University of Southern California	Mon September 16, 2024	10:30 AM
University of Vermont	Mon September 23, 2024	1:30 PM
University of Virginia-Main Campus	Thu September 19, 2024	10:30 AM
University of Wisconsin-Madison	Mon September 23, 2024	2:00 PM
Vanderbilt University	Mon October 21, 2024	9:00 AM
Virginia Tech	Tue September 17, 2024	8:30 AM
Wake Forest University	Wed September 25, 2024	8:30 AM
Washington College	Mon October 21, 2024	10:00 AM
Washington University in St Louis	Fri September 13, 2024	1:00 PM
West Virginia University	Wed September 18, 2024	11:00 AM
William & Mary	Tue October 1, 2024	2:00 PM
Worcester Polytechnic Institute	Fri October 18, 2024	8:30 AM
York College of Pennsylvania	Thu September 26, 2024	10:00 AM

Top Attending Institutions 2024



JMHS Class of 2024 – Top Attending Institutions Where Students Applied (out of 488 colleges)

	College		Attend	Apply	Accept	Waitlist	Defer
1	Northern Virginia Community College	VA	47	53	53	0	0
2	Virginia Tech	VA	46	238	111	87	3
3	James Madison University	VA	36	244	183	47	13
4	University of Virginia-Main Campus	VA	35	189	42	31	3
5	George Mason University	VA	34	176	144	17	0
6	Virginia Commonwealth University	VA	17	101	95	0	0
7	William & Mary	VA	10	79	27	19	2
8	Christopher Newport University	VA	10	54	47	2	0
9	Brigham Young University	UT	7	10	9	0	0
10	Marymount University	VA	7	11	11	0	0
11	The University of Tennessee-Knoxville	TN	6	60	21	31	16
12	Rutgers University-New Brunswick	NJ	6	16	15	0	0
13	University of Colorado Boulder	CO	6	33	27	2	1
14	Radford University	VA	6	20	20	0	0
15	Ohio State University-Main Campus	OH	5	32	22	0	2
16	Pennsylvania State University-Main Campus	PA	5	96	57	6	2
17	University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh Campus	PA	5	75	58	12	1
18	Northeastern University	MA	5	35	18	8	6
19	University of Vermont	VT	5	27	21	5	3
20	American University	DC	5	16	13	3	0
21	University of Maryland-College Park	MD	5	64	27	3	0
22	Syracuse University	NY	4	21	13	4	1
23	East Carolina University	NC	4	20	18	0	0
24	Elon University	NC	4	25	22	0	1
25	West Virginia University	WV	4	16	16	0	0
26	Indiana University-Bloomington	IN	3	17	13	1	0
27	Purdue University-Main Campus	IN	3	30	16	1	3
28	University of Mississippi	MS	3	15	15	0	0
29	Bucknell University	PA	3	5	5	0	0
30	Temple University	PA	3	11	11	0	1
31	San Diego State University	CA	3	9	9	0	0
32	Utah State University	UT	3	3	3	0	0
33	College of Charleston	SC	3	32	25	1	4
34	Florida State University	FL	3	28	9	2	2
35	University of Mary Washington	VA	3	29	26	2	0

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	College		Attend	Apply	Accept	Waitlist	Defer
36	University of Georgia	GA	3	32	7	8	9
37	McGill University	QC	2	3	2	1	0
38	Belmont University	TN	2	3	3	0	0
39	The University of Alabama	AL	2	29	27	0	0
40	University of Kentucky	KY	2	26	26	0	0
41	University of Michigan-Ann Arbor	MI	2	34	4	10	7
42	University of Notre Dame	IN	2	4	3	1	0
43	Cornell University	NY	2	19	2	1	0
44	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	NY	2	6	5	0	0
45	College of the Holy Cross	MA	2	2	2	0	0
46	University of Arizona	AZ	2	17	17	0	0
47	University of Southern California	CA	2	23	3	2	5
48	University of Utah	UT	2	6	5	0	0
49	University of Virginia's College at Wise	VA	2	4	4	0	0
50	Old Dominion University	VA	2	28	27	0	0
51	Duke University	NC	2	16	3	1	0
52	Georgia Institute of Technology-Main Campus	GA	2	18	4	1	3
53	University of Lynchburg	VA	2	5	5	0	0
54	North Carolina State University at Raleigh	NC	2	30	14	9	8
55	Nova Southeastern University	FL	2	3	3	0	0
56	Roanoke College	VA	2	7	7	0	0
57	Tallahassee Community College	FL	2	2	2	0	0
58	University of Miami	FL	2	22	5	10	6
59	University of South Carolina-Columbia	SC	2	53	27	9	9
60	University of South Florida-Main Campus	FL	2	7	6	0	0
61	Virginia Military Institute	VA	2	3	3	0	0
62	University of North Carolina Wilmington	NC	2	22	10	5	2
63	University of Toronto	ON	2	2	2	0	0

- This data is student self-reported. Withdrawn data not included. Related information is available in [Naviance](#).
- Deferred (DF) = Student applied early to the institution and was deferred to the regular applicant pool.
- Institutions with less than two students attending are not listed.

College Application Components

College Planning Flowchart

The primary components of a completed college application include the student's application, high school transcript, test scores (if applicable), and recommendations.

APPLICATION

Student completes online application on one of the following platforms:

- * [Common Application](#)
- * [Coalition Application](#)
- * College-Specific Application

Essay

Activity
Record/
Resume

Pay attention to deadlines!

(It is likely you will need to request your transcript BEFORE you are ready to submit your application).

**Completed
College
Application!**

TRANSCRIPT

Student requests high school transcript (which will be sent to the college directly by JMHS).

An [FCPS Consent for Release of Student Records Form](#) must be on file in order for JMHS to send official transcripts.

[JMHS Transcript Request Form](#) can be found on the JMHS website in the transcript section.

Student must request their transcripts at least 30 days prior to the college's application deadline.

It is the student's responsibility to monitor the status of their college applications, to make sure the college has received all materials. Check emails and the college's application portal.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Student determines need for recommendations (either teacher and/or counselor); some colleges do not require or read them.

Student should give their recommender(s) at least four weeks' notice.

Student should complete the required form(s)* for either a counselor and/or teacher recommendation. Each teacher will have their own process for writing you a letter, so be sure to follow their guidelines.

***Recommendation Forms:
Counselor**

[Student Self-Evaluation Form](#)
(and [resume](#))
[Parent Information Form](#)

Teacher

Check with your teacher(s)!

TEST SCORES (if applicable)

Student requests their test scores directly from the testing agency ([College Board](#) or [ACT](#)).

The timeframe for score delivery to the colleges varies. Once colleges receive your scores, processing may take up to a week or so.

Many colleges are test optional. Check the individual college website for details.

College Application Platforms

College Application Platforms



Institution specific applications, such as Georgetown University or the University of California system.

When students add their counselor/teacher to applications, be sure to use @fcps.edu email addresses.

**College Essays
and
Activities
Record**

College Essays

Determine if the college wants:

- ❖ A personal statement?
- ❖ Short answer responses to a few different prompts?
- ❖ A main essay and one shorter essay?
- ❖ No essays?

(How do you know? Always check the college's website.)

Examples of Essay Resources



College Career Exploration

A variety of resources to help make decisions about post high school plans.

Available on the JMHS website [here](#) and in Schoology [here](#) for students.

The College Essay

- [Common App Essay Prompts](#)^{cf}
- [Connecticut College, Essays that Worked](#)^{cf}
- [Hamilton College, Essays that Worked](#)^{cf}
- [Johns Hopkins University, Essays that Worked](#)^{cf}
- [Khan Academy Tips and Techniques](#)^{cf}
- [NACAC Top 10 Tips for Writing a College Essay](#)^{cf}
- [The College Essay Guy, Free Resources](#)^{cf}
- [Tufts University, Essay Tips](#)^{cf}
- [University of Virginia, How to Write Your Way into UVA](#)^{cf}
- [Varsity Tutors Essay Review \(FCPS partnership and no cost for FCPS students\)](#)^{cf}

The College Essay

The College Essay

Writing Your College Essay

- ★ The best ideas come when you least expect it
- ★ Don't overthink the prompt. The questions are designed to spark thinking.
- ★ Write about experiences you care about. Don't tell a story you think admissions want to hear.
- ★ The essay content should fit YOU!
- ★ Write like you speak or are talking to your best friend, let your voice come through in your writing
- ★ There is no correct format (however, spelling and grammar COUNT!)
- ★ Ask yourself the HOW and WHY and tell about it

The College Essay | How many college essays will I have to write?

- ★ Will depend on the institution
- ★ Each institution will instruct you on how many essays they require
- ★ Often, it is possible to use an essay across multiple applications (or scholarship applications) with minor adjustments, depending on the prompts
- ★ If using [Common App](#), you will write one longer essay (650 max word limit, 250 word minimum) as well as other supplemental essays (~250 words) that may be required at each institution
 - Once you have added schools to your "My Colleges" tab in Common App, you will see which schools require the essay and which schools leave it as an optional writing prompt

These slides are from Junior Night Part II, April 2024 and available [here](#).

Activities Record

- ★ Students often overlook this section in their focus on their essay, but this is an important section in telling your story.
- ★ For each activity included, reflect on what you have learned, how you contributed, or how the activity helped in your development.
- ★ [How to Write a Successful Common App Activities List](#) by College Essay Guy

Service Learning Hours | x2VOL

x2VOL is the tool that FCPS middle and high schools use to support students with finding, tracking, and verifying service hours electronically. Students login to x2VOL through [this Naviance link](#).

- ✓ Students should track their hours in [x2VOL](#)
- ✓ Students are able to earn a diploma in the Commonwealth of Virginia without completing service hours
- ✓ 40 hours = black service learning cord to wear at graduation.
- ✓ 50 hours with additional criteria = apply for [The Board of Education's Seal of Excellence in Civics Education](#)
- ✓ 50 exclusive hours related to science service with additional criteria = apply for [The Science & Environmental Seal](#)
- ✓ Students who do not complete yearly service hours or who complete fewer than 40 hours over the course of high school will still be able to graduate
- ✓ **Seniors must log their hours no later than April 25, 2025 to receive credit for the black service learning cord.**
- ✓ Hours served after July 1 (prior to entering 9th grade) may be applied towards high school service learning hours.

Notes:

- When adding hours in x2VOL, if you are involved in a youth service organization such as, NCL, YMSL, JVL, Scouts, etc., **create ONE entry for the total number of hours you are claiming.** In the description you should list the dates, hours served, specific organization or project (if applicable) and any additional details. You may also add an attachment to your entry that details the information listed above.
- If you volunteer on a consistent basis at your church, a local non-profit or other organization, **create ONE entry for the total number of hours you are claiming.** In the description you should list the dates, hours served and any additional details. You may also add an attachment to your entry that details the information listed above.

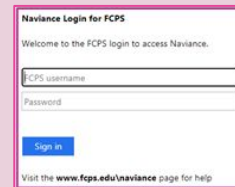
HOW TO ACCESS x2VOL:

Quick Guide [HERE](#)

1. Go to the Naviance login page, www.fcps.edu/naviance



2. Log into your account.

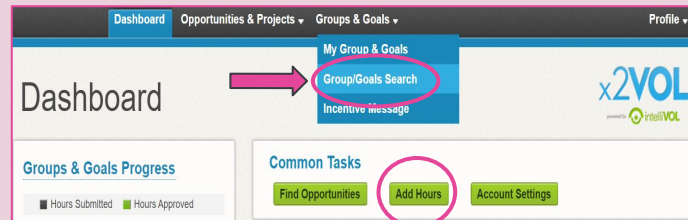


3. Click on the Careers tab and select "x2VOL"

If you have never signed into x2VOL, follow the prompts and complete your profile. ****Assign yourself to the Class of (year you will graduate)**** and this information will be verified by JMHS.

4. The Dashboard is where you will Add Hours, Find Opportunities, View Groups & Goals Progress.

You can also search for a specific Honor Society and/or club to join that group.



Students must use x2VOL to get credit for their service learning hours.

High School Transcript

Sending the High School Transcript

1

Submit the [FCPS Consent for Release of Student Records Form](#) to the Counseling Office.

2

Fill out the [Transcript Request Form](#) completely.

3

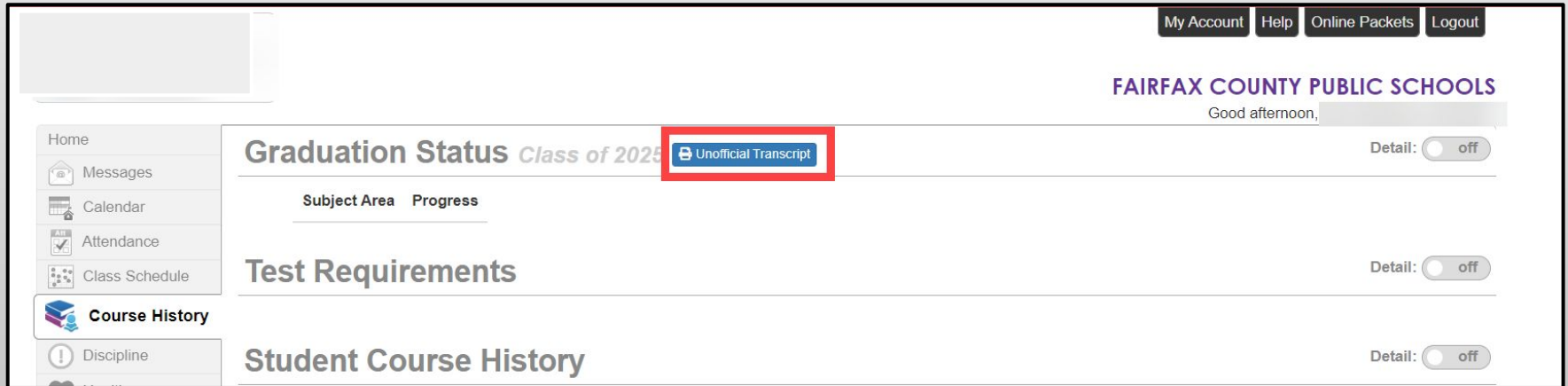
Submit your completed forms to Mrs. Geary by email or in person in the Counseling Office by the [deadline date](#).

JMHS must have a request on file for each and every college to which students apply, even if the college requires students to self-report courses and grades.

Unofficial High School Transcript

Note: All students have access to their unofficial transcript:

- StudentVue (or ParentVue) > Course History > Unofficial Transcript
- You may also request an unofficial transcript from your counselor or Mrs. Geary (lkgeary@fcps.edu)



The screenshot displays the StudentVue user interface. At the top right, there are navigation links for 'My Account', 'Help', 'Online Packets', and 'Logout'. Below these, the text 'FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS' is visible, followed by a personalized greeting 'Good afternoon,'. On the left side, a vertical navigation menu includes options like 'Home', 'Messages', 'Calendar', 'Attendance', 'Class Schedule', 'Course History', and 'Discipline'. The main content area features three sections: 'Graduation Status' (with a sub-link for 'Class of 2025' and a highlighted 'Unofficial Transcript' button), 'Test Requirements', and 'Student Course History'. Each of these three sections has a 'Detail' toggle switch set to 'off'.

Transcript Request Form

- ❖ Provide all requested information on the form including student and parent signatures.
- ❖ Submit completed form to Mrs. Geary (JMHS Transcript Specialist) in person or by email.
- ❖ Allow at least 30 days for processing.
- ❖ Available on the [JMHS website](#) in the transcript section



James Madison Transcript Request/Student Records Release

CEEB Code: 472278

For Office Use Only:

Date Received: _____

Date to Counselor: _____

Student Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) _____

Student ID Number _____

Date of Birth _____

Graduation Year _____

Student Personal Email _____

Student Cell Phone _____

Check the Items below before you give this form to the Transcript Specialist:

- Turn in [FCPS Consent for Release of Student Records Form \(IS-111\)](#) (complete this form only once)
- If applicable, create a Common App account at www.commonapp.org and add your counselor's email) as a recommender (use @fcps.edu)
- Counselor: _____
- If requesting counselor recommendation, complete [Student Self-Evaluation](#) (access with FCPS Google account) and [Parent/Guardian Information Form](#) (downloads a fillable PDF) to submit by September 3, 2024.

College Application Deadline	Transcript Request Deadline
October 15	September 13
November 1	October 1
November 15	October 15
December 1	October 31
December 15	November 15
January 1	December 2
January 15	December 13
February 1	January 6
February 15	January 15

PLAN AHEAD and follow the dates listed above. **Late requests risk not being sent by the deadline.**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Students must submit a request for every college to which they apply, even if the college requires self-reported transcripts (Self-Reported Academic Record/SRAR). This form gives counselors permission to share information with colleges on your behalf, including senior year grades and a recommendation (if requested).
- JMHS does not send standardized test scores to colleges. Students must request they be sent directly through College Board (www.collegeboard.org) or ACT (www.actstudent.org).
- JMHS will automatically send mid-year grade reports (semester grades) in early February to each college for which there is a request on file.

Student's Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if student is not 18) _____

TRANSCRIPT FORMS MUST BE EMAILED AS AN ATTACHMENT TO MRS. GEARY AT LKGEARY@FCPS.EDU, MAILED, OR DROPPED OFF TO MRS. GEARY BETWEEN 9:30AM TO 1:30PM, MONDAY TO FRIDAY.

Transcript Request Form

- ❖ List all college applications on the form, adding additional pages as needed.
- ❖ JMHS must have a request on file for each and every college to which students apply, even if the college requires students to self-report courses and grades.

Name of College/Scholarship Address City, State Zip Code	College Deadline Date	Decision Type?*(see below) ED, ED II EA REA PRI RD Rolling	What application will you use to apply? Common App, Coalition, or Other	Counselor Rec Letter Requested? Note: Some colleges don't accept letters as part of their application.	For Student Services Use Only	
					Date Sent from Student Services	Delivery Method
			<input type="checkbox"/> Common App <input type="checkbox"/> Coalition <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> CA <input type="checkbox"/> eDocs <input type="checkbox"/> Other
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*ED - Early Decision, EDII - Early Decision II, EA - Early Action, REA - Restrictive Early Action, PRI - Priority, RD - Regular Decision, ROLLING - Indicate when you plan on submitting your application

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Important Transcript Information

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- It is **imperative** that you **PLAN AHEAD** and follow the dates listed to the left. **Late requests risk not being sent by the deadline.**
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- **JMHS will automatically send mid-year grade reports (semester grades) in early February** to each college for which there is a request on file.

Q: How do I know if JMHS received my transcript request?

A: Look in [Naviance](#) > Colleges > Colleges I'm Applying To

Colleges I'm Applying To

College Home
Find Your fit
SuperMatch College Search
Scattergrams
Advanced College Search
College Lookup

Research Colleges
Colleges I'm Thinking About
College Visits
College Compare
Enrichment Programs
College Maps

Apply to College
Colleges I'm Applying To
Test Scores

Scholarships & Money
College-Specific Scholarships
Scholarship Search
Favorite Scholarships

✦ = extended profile available

College	App Type	Deadline	Transcripts	Office Materials	Submission Type
✦ The University of Alabama	Rolling - Fall 2025	Jan 10	Requested	Pending	CA
✦ Auburn University	Other - Early Action I	Sep 15	Requested	Pending	CA
✦ Clemson University	Early Action	N/A	Requested	Pending	CA
James Madison University	Early Action - Fall 2025	Nov 1	Requested	Pending	CA

Letters of Recommendation

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RECOMMENDATIONS

Student determines need for recommendations (either teacher and/or counselor); some colleges do not require or read them.

Student should give their recommender(s) at least four weeks' notice.

Student should complete the required form(s)* for either a counselor or teacher recommendation. Each teacher will have their own process for writing you a letter, so be sure to follow their guidelines.

***Recommendation Forms: Counselor**

[Student Self-Evaluation Form](#) (and [resume](#))
[Parent Information Form](#)

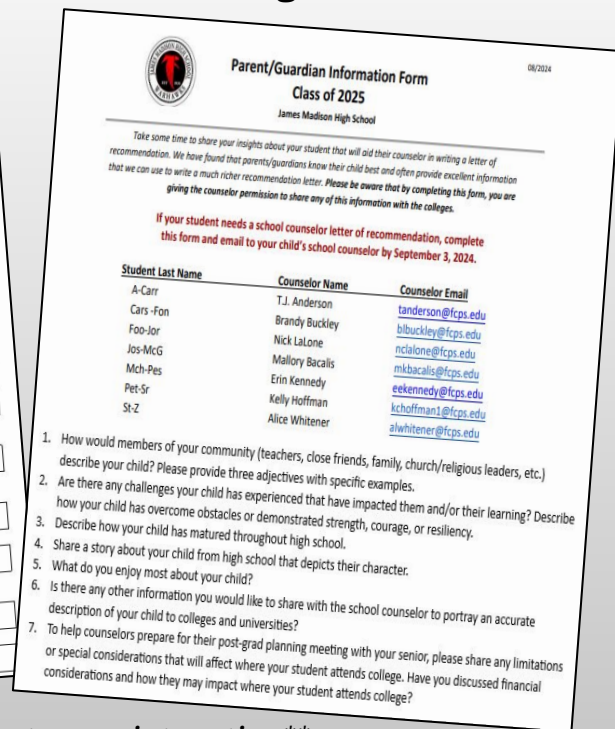
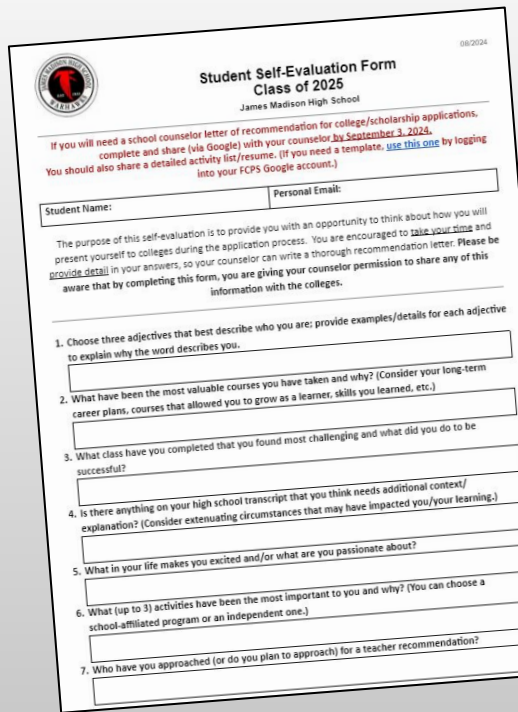
Teacher

Check with your teacher(s)!

Counselor Letter of Recommendation

The student should provide the counselor with information to assist in writing the letter.

- ❖ **Required - [Student Self-Evaluation Form](#).** If this document is not completed, the counselor will not write a recommendation letter on behalf of the student.
- ❖ **Required - Detailed activity list/resume.** Template [here](#) or resume info [here](#) (must be logged into your @fcpsschools.net account)
- ❖ **Recommended - The student's parent/guardian should complete the [Parent/Guardian Information Form](#).** Once completed by the parent/guardian, this form may be emailed to the counselor.



**** Both forms are available on the [JMHS website](#) in the transcript section ****

Please complete and submit the forms to counselor by September 3, 2024.

Standardized Tests

SAT School Day | Wednesday, October 9, 2024

- ❖ FCPS will cover the cost of the SAT School Day for any twelfth-grade student who wishes to test on Wednesday, October 9, 2024.
- ❖ Seniors MUST register by September 4: [SAT School Day Intent to Participate Form](#) (must use an @fcpschools.net email account to access and complete the form).
Students and Parents/Guardians received an email from Mrs. Frate on August 13, 2024.
- ❖ Scores will be available to students on October 24 and electronic score reports will be available on October 30. However, if there are any delays with scores they will not be available for November 1 deadlines. Scores from students who test with accommodations are often delayed.
- ❖ Students can also sign up for a Saturday SAT directly through College Board. (Saturday October 5 Test - Registration Deadline through CB is Sept 20)
- ❖ Additional information on the Madison website [here](#).
- ❖ FCPS has a partnership with [Varsity Tutors](#) at no cost to students. They offer College and Career Readiness resources to help you prepare for college entrance exams like the SAT and ACT.

Money for College

Money for College

What is FAFSA® and why is it important?

Types of Aid and Eligibility Video



Quick Guide [HERE](#)

2025-2026 FAFSA

8/7/24: [The U.S. Department of Education announced](#) the 2025-26 FAFSA will be launched through a new process. Starting October 1, 2024, the 2025-26 FAFSA will release the form for testing with a limited number of students and institutions. The U.S. Department of Education will make the application available to all students on or before December 1, 2024.

Applying for Financial Aid
With the FAFSA® Form

Applying for Financial Aid Video

Additional Federal Student Aid Videos [here](#).

Money for College

FCPS reviews scholarship opportunities and publishes eligible ones in the [Naviance](#) scholarship database. Students and parents/guardians have access to [Naviance](#) and may view Scholarships and Enrichment Programs. Steps for how to view scholarships in Naviance available [here](#).

School Based (JMHS) Scholarships for Seniors

These scholarships, **once they become available**, will be advertised to students with eligibility requirements, additional details and application due dates. **These scholarships are based on the previous school year, please note that any changes will be reflected when the scholarship application is available for the current school year.**

JMHS PTSA Making a Difference Scholarship: Three seniors will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship for "Making a Difference" (i.e. involvement at school, volunteer work, community service, paid work such as babysitting, helping their families, or other ways of enriching the lives of others). Seniors who plan to attend a two-year or four-year college or a professional/technical school. Essay (500 words or less) required explaining what you did to "Make a Difference" in the lives of others. Letter of recommendation also required.

JMHS Athletic Boosters Warhawk Pride Scholarship: Four \$1,000 scholarships will be presented to JMHS athletes who best exemplify Warhawk Pride. Scholarships will be awarded to four senior athletes. Athlete must be a current senior who plans to attend a two or four-year college or professional technical school. Any athlete receiving a full academic scholarship is not eligible. Minimum GPA of 2.5 through the first semester of senior year.

The **Khristin Kylo Dream Big Memorial Scholarship, Two \$5,000** scholarships are available for JMHS seniors who are planning to attend a four-year institution. The application requires a one page typed essay about yourself, life experiences and brief description of your financial need. Clearly write about how this scholarship would make a difference for your future education. This essay should focus on you and your situation.

The **Lenny Schultz Scholarship** will award a **\$2,000** scholarship to a student planning to attend a two-year or four-year college, who has played football **and/or** wrestled **or** who has been a team manager for either of these two sports **or** any student in the special education program who has uplifted others in the community, school, or other involvements. The application requires a one page typed essay, resume, and a letter of recommendation.

Local Scholarships

Vienna Optimist Essay Contest: The Optimist Club of Greater Vienna sponsors an annual Essay Contest for high school students. Amount is **\$1,000 with potential for up to \$2,500**. Available for students in grades 9-12.

Vienna Optimist Clyde Rees and Paul Booze Vocational Scholarship, \$2,500: The Optimist Club of Greater Vienna sponsors a scholarship for students who plan to pursue an apprenticeship, trade or technical school or occupational field, such as, plumbing, auto mechanic, auto repair, carpenter, HVAC technician, electrician, cosmetologist, culinary arts practitioner/chef, etc..

Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary Scholarship, \$1,000: Applicants must have been accepted at an accredited college, university or technical school. 500 word essay on the benefits of volunteering in a community.

Vienna Youth Soccer (VYS) Scholarship, \$2,500: <http://vys.org/offering-vys-scholarships> VYS will award two scholarships to high school seniors who have participated as players in the Club and plan to further their education at a college or university. Seniors who have demonstrated exceptional standards of sportsmanship, dedication, leadership, community service, and/or perseverance.

VVI Scholarship/MVP Awards: <http://vvi.org/Page.asp?n=5460>. Visit www.vvi.org for details.

VHSL Allstate Achievement Scholarship, \$1,500: <https://www.vhsl.org/scholarships/> is awarded to seniors who have excelled in the classroom and in athletic and academic activities.

VHSL Savedge Award, \$500: <https://www.vhsl.org/scholarships/> is awarded to a senior who has participated and excelled in school publications (magazines, newspapers, yearbooks) and for at least two years demonstrated outstanding personal qualities such as leadership, writing proficiency, design aptitude, creativity, teamwork, and character.

VHSL Vito Perriello Citizenship Award, \$1,000: <https://www.vhsl.org/scholarships/> is awarded to a senior who has demonstrated outstanding traits of citizenship in their high school career. Student must have previously participated in one or more VHSL activities which can include serving as an athletic training student aide (ATSA) with a Virginia licensed athletic trainer within their high school.

Disclaimer: Advertisement of this opportunity does not constitute sponsorship or endorsement of the sponsoring organization or the enrichment opportunity by the Fairfax County School Board, the Superintendent, or a specific FCPS school. This opportunity may utilize a technology tool that has not been assessed by the Fairfax County Public Schools Department of Information Technology. Students should gain permission from their parent or guardian before engaging in any non-FCPS enrichment opportunity and families should review and agree to the Terms of Service and User Agreements for any technology platform that enrichment opportunity may use before participating.

Money for College

Local Scholarships (continued)

College Access Fairfax: <https://collegeaccessfairfax.org/scholarships/> College Access Fairfax offers quite a few scholarships to FCPS students.

DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) Good Citizens Program and Scholarship is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. Students must actively demonstrate the qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. This award is open to all students in the senior class. Award amount is typically **\$1,000** with potential to receive more. From the applicant pool, JMHS may nominate one student to receive this award.

Federal Water Quality Association (Environmental or Engineering), \$2,000: Three scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors who plan to pursue environmental careers.

Harry F. Byrd Leadership Award, \$20,000: Seniors who demonstrate a combination of accomplishment, excellence of character, qualities of leadership and good citizenship. If selected, a letter of recommendation is required to be written by the principal or school counselor. Each secondary school in Virginia may nominate one graduating senior for the Harry F. Byrd Leadership Award. From the applicant pool, one JMHS student will be selected and submitted to the sponsor. <https://byrdleadershipaward.org/>

Northern Virginia Athletic Directors, Administrators and Coaches Association (NVADACA) Scholarships: Seniors who have participated in a Virginia High School League sanctioned sport, cheerleaders or those who served as team managers or athletic trainers. Visit <http://www.nvadaca.org/scholarship-applications/> for details. Students who receive a full athletic grant are not eligible for a NVADACA Scholarship. NVADACA considers GPA, rigor or academic program, extent of athletic involvement, athletic contributions to team(s), contributions to school, community, church and work, writing skills, leadership and financial need. Financial need encompasses any family-perceived financial need. This may include other siblings in college, temporary unemployment, medical bills, overall low family income, etc. From the applicant pool, JMHS will forward selected nominees to the NVADACA Scholarship Committee. Last year scholarships were offered in the amount of **\$4,000**.

Note: When a scholarship comes along that is school based, county based or local, information will be advertised/posted in Naviance and the Schoology Madison Student Services Course.

Local Scholarships (continued)

Quick Guide [HERE](#)

Reston Hospital Scholarship, \$1,000: Seniors who will pursue a career in a health care-related field: Medicine, nursing, physical therapy, etc. One senior will be selected for this award. Students must submit a resume of related experiences in health care, such as, volunteering, coursework, efforts, accomplishments, research, etc. that you have been involved with. Only include items on your resume that are related to your efforts in health care. Be sure to include where you will be attending college and the major you will pursue. Students must also submit a brief statement about why you chose the field of study (not an essay, just one paragraph.) From the applicant pool, JMHS will forward selected nominee to the sponsor.

W. Harold Ford Scholarship Foundation, Teaching Scholarship, \$2,000: This is a local scholarship for students with at least at 2.7 GPA who plan to attend a four-year college that offers a teacher education/certification program, major in education and plan to teach after college graduation. From the completed applicant pool, two JMHS student applications will be selected and submitted to the sponsor. Visit <http://www.fcrc.org/scholarship.html> for details.

FCPS Facilitated Scholarships

These scholarships are typically submitted to the JMHS College & Career Center. From the applicant pool, JMHS will forward selected nominees to FCPS for consideration.

Emily and Fred Ruffing ACCA Scholarship, \$2,000 per semester/renewable: This is a renewable, per semester, award. Available to a senior with a disability and academic achievement. Must plan to attend college full time. JMHS will submit all applications to FCPS.

Granville P. Meade, \$2,000/renewable: This is a renewable award for "worthy and needy" students going to a Virginia college or university. An undisclosed number of awards are available to VA seniors who are financially unable to attend college. Must attend a VA public or private college and be a VA resident. JMHS will submit all applications to FCPS.

Laura Ashley Piper Scholarship, \$1,000: Demonstrated integrity, leadership, service to school and community, academic excellence, athletic merit. JMHS will submit one application to FCPS.

Michell Merhige, \$1,500: Provide recognition and financial assistance to a FCPS graduating senior who demonstrates academic strength and potential, an ability to overcome adversity and a financial need. Priority will be given to those who have experienced homelessness, been in foster care or lacked substantial family support. JMHS will submit all applications to FCPS.

Money for College

FCPS Facilitated Scholarships (continued)

Vulcan Materials Scholarship, \$2,000/renewable: Student has resided in Northern Virginia for at least four years prior to nomination, U.S. Citizen, academic accomplishment and ability, extra-curricular activities, financial need. Preference will be given to applicants who plan to attend college in Virginia. JMHS will submit all applications to FCPS.

William J. Foreman Memorial Scholarship, up to \$2,000: Recipients for the William J. Foreman Memorial Scholarship must currently be classified as homeless, or an unaccompanied youth and meet the eligibility criteria established by the donor of the scholarship as follows: Academic merit, school involvement, financial need, work experiences, attendance, life experiences, leadership or mentoring. JMHS will submit all applications to FCPS.

College Specific Opportunities

UVA Jefferson Scholars: <https://www.jeffersonscholars.org/> The Jefferson Scholarship selection process is designed to give students an opportunity to showcase their excellence in leadership, citizenship, and scholarship. Participating schools are asked to nominate a student in the senior class who best exemplifies excellence in the Jeffersonian ideals of leadership, scholarship, and citizenship. From the applicant pool, two JMHS students will be selected to be forwarded onto the Jefferson Scholars Foundation.

Virginia Tech Pamplin Leadership Award: A one-year, merit-based \$5,000 Virginia Tech tuition scholarship. The scholarship is open to students applying to all majors. Pamplin Leaders are students who demonstrate superior intellectual promise and academic performance, dedication to their communities, interest and success in physical fitness and health, and unimpeachable integrity. *Students who accept this award must also agree to join the University Honors and work toward an honors diploma.* From the applicant pool, one JMHS student will be selected to be forwarded onto Virginia Tech

Scholarships approved by FCPS: [Naviance](#) has diverse scholarship offerings and they have been reviewed and approved by FCPS. The [Naviance](#) Scholarship Database can be found under the Colleges tab. Scholarships offered by organizations other than FCPS are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Fairfax County School Board, the Superintendent, or this school.

Quick Guide [HERE](#)

College Access Fairfax Scholarships

Each fall, College Access Fairfax opens their scholarship application. [You can read about each of the scholarships here.](#) These scholarships are only available to Fairfax County Public Schools students. Please read carefully, as some are earmarked for specific high schools.

Academic Common Market (ACM)

Students seeking a major/program not offered by a college in Virginia may qualify for in-state tuition rates at an out-of-state school. [This website](#) lists the agreements established between states and schools for particular programs. Students must be accepted to the school in that specific program in order to qualify for in-state rates. Agreements are updated annually and there are numerous undergraduate and graduate programs available through ACM. Additional information available [here](#).

Non-Resident Scholarships for Virginia Students

There are some out of state colleges/universities that award scholarship money and/or tuition discounts to reduce the cost of tuition. This information should be verified with each institution. Below are some examples. Questions should be directed to the institution.

[University of Alabama](#)

[Kent State University](#) (OH)

[Rider University](#) (NJ)

[Arizona State University](#)

[University of Kentucky](#)

[University of South Carolina](#)

[Auburn University](#)

[Mississippi State University](#)

[University of South Florida](#)

[Clemson University](#) (SC)

[University of Mississippi](#)

[UVA-Wise Tuition Free Program](#)

[Colorado State University](#)

[University of Missouri](#)

[Frostburg State University](#) (MD)

[University of New Hampshire](#)

[Indiana University of Pennsylvania](#)

Websites worth checking out:

These are not endorsed by FCPS, simply a few examples of websites you can check out. As a reminder, never pay to be considered for a scholarship, be mindful when sharing personal information, and never share your bank account details.

[CareerOneStop](#) | [FastWeb](#) | [FinAid](#) | [Going Merry](#) | [Niche](#) | [RaiseMe](#) | [Sallie Mae](#) | [Scholly](#) | [Unigo](#)

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Money for College

Additional Opportunities

Posse is a leadership development program that sends rising leaders on full-tuition scholarships to school in "posses" as a source of support in the journey through college.

Posse colleges: UVA, W&M, Bucknell (PA), Lafayette (PA), Lewis & Clark (OR), U Wisconsin Madison, U of Rochester (NY), Sewanee (TN)

The Posse Program is one of the most comprehensive college access and youth leadership development programs in the United States. The Foundation extends to these students the opportunity to pursue personal and academic excellence by placing them in supportive, multicultural teams called - Posses - of 10 students. The Foundation's partner universities and colleges award Posse Scholars four-year, full-tuition leadership scholarships. Posse Scholars are supported from their senior year of high school through their college graduation and beyond. More information can be found at:

www.possefoundation.org/about-posse

Interested students should contact Mrs. Otto at lmotto@fcps.edu for more information.

The Posse nomination deadline is mid-August.

Questbridge was founded in 1994 and is a national nonprofit based in Palo Alto, California that connects the nation's most exceptional, low-income youth with leading colleges and opportunities. By working with these students – beginning in high school through college to their first job – QuestBridge aims to increase the percentage of talented low-income students attending the nation's best colleges and to support them to achieve success in their careers and communities. More information can be found at: www.questbridge.org

Interested students should contact their school counselor.

The Questbridge application is due in September.

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Preparing for College: Guide & Workbook (VA 2024-2025)

~ Estimating your college costs ~ Tips for completing the FAFSA ~ Scholarships

English version [here](#)



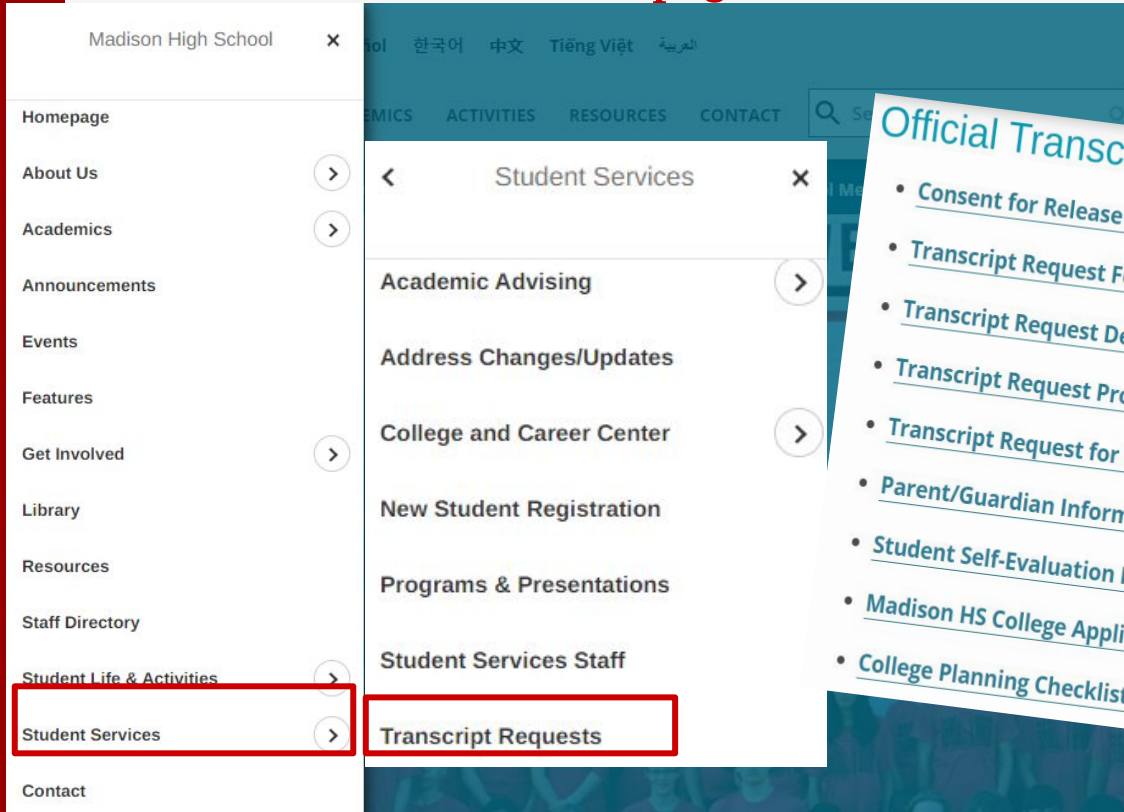
Spanish version [here](#)
2024-25 coming soon!



Where to Find Information

Q: Where do I find forms & information to complete?

A: [JMHS Homepage](#) > [Student Services](#) > [Transcript Requests](#)



- ### Official Transcript & Recommendation Forms
- [Consent for Release of Student Records Form](#)
 - [Transcript Request Form \(PDF\) | Transcript Request Form \(Fillable\)](#)
 - [Transcript Request Deadlines 2024-2025](#)
 - [Transcript Request Procedures 2024-2025](#)
 - [Transcript Request for Recent JMHS Graduates \(within the past five years\)](#)
 - [Parent/Guardian Information Form, Class of 2025](#)
 - [Student Self-Evaluation Form^{er}, Class of 2025 \(Students access with their FCPS Google account.\)](#)
 - [Madison HS College Application Quick Facts, Class of 2025](#)
 - [College Planning Checklist](#)

Q: Where do I find this presentation?

A: JMHS Homepage > Student Services > Programs & Presentations

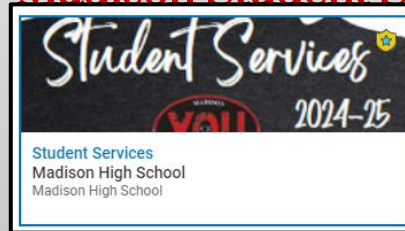
Q: When will my senior get this information?

A: Counselors will use Advisory for whole group instruction and then meet one on one with seniors.

Q: Where do I find more information?

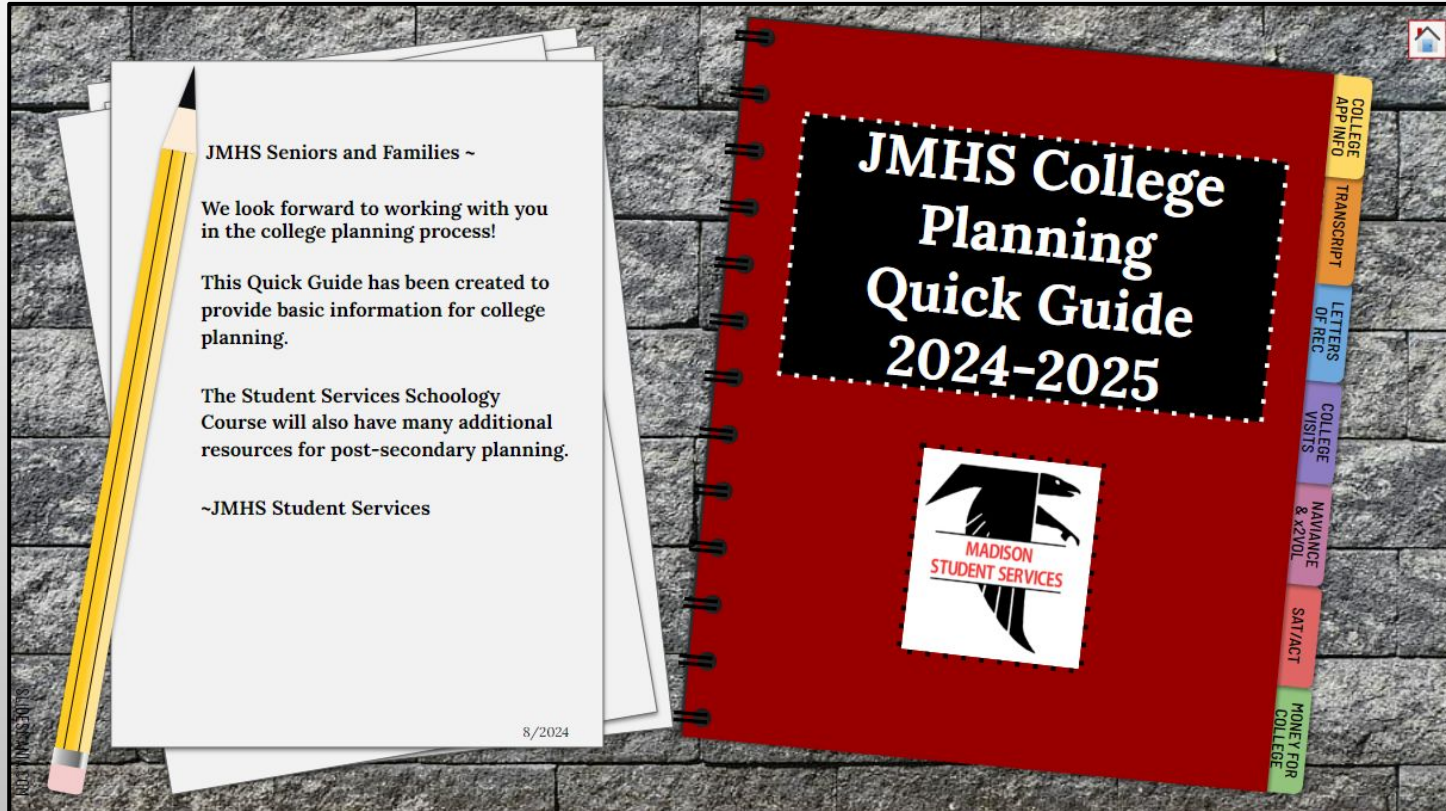
A: Schoology Course: Madison Student Services

This is where we
will have many,
many resources for
ALL post-secondary
plans!



Q: Where do I find the [College Planning Quick Guide](#) ?

A: [JMHS Homepage](#) > [Student Services](#) > [Transcript Requests](#)



**Thank You
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2025 

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