#### Juniors:

You will be receiving announcements from our office every two weeks. Please review, pay attention to details and deadlines, and participate in all areas you are interested in.

- If you don't see information here about a college you are interested in, go to their website; they may have a similar program that we were not notified about.
- Plan to take the ACT and SAT at least once this year ideal timeframe is the spring of your junior year.
- It's never too early to start planning for life after high school. Junior year is the best time to explore colleges and take tours. Many open houses also occur during the year.

Enjoy your junior year and make the most of it!

Below is the link to our scholarship website. You can also access this from our high school webpage. Please check frequently as we update scholarship information as it is received. Occasionally there are scholarships posted for juniors and it is also good to be familiar with opportunities that will be available for you as a senior.

DHS Scholarship Site

### 11th Grade Presentation

Request to See Your School Counselor

Junior Year Checklist

High School Testing Information (ACT, SAT, ASVAB, PSAT)

## Contact your counselor or JROTC instructor if you would like to sign up for the ASVAB which will be given on November 5, 2025 at DCHS.

1. You can prepare to take the ACT and SAT by 1) taking challenging classes and 2) creating an account on the ACT and SAT website and taking advantage of the free test prep available there. You can also use Khan Academy for test prep assistance. Please see your counselor or our college advisor Ms. Wall-Green if you need assistance.

www.act.org www.sat.org

2. Please join us in thanking Ms. Wall-Green for all of her help and support of our students in the spirit of this season of gratitude, with the annual "Thankful for My Adviser" campaign. The submission form can be found at the link below:

bit.ly/thankful-for-adviseva.

Submissions will be collected through the end of the day on Friday, November 21, 2025.

3. Interested in a career in the Healthcare field? Become a Junior Volunteer at TriCities Hospital in Hopewell. Must be at least 15 years old and be willing to volunteer at least 4 hours per week. See your counselor for more information. To apply and for more details email <a href="mailto:beverly.epps@hcahealthcare.com">beverly.epps@hcahealthcare.com</a> or call (804) 541-7417. TriCities Junior Volunteer

4. Please make plans to attend this event!



5. The Virginia Department of Education is pleased to announce that the 2026 Governor's Summer Residential Program will include seven Summer Residential Governor's Schools (SRGS) and five Governor's World Language Academies (GWLA). The SRGS offer gifted and/or advanced high school students opportunities for intensive study in academics, the visual and performing arts, and mentorships. The GWLA offers full-immersion academies for French, German, and Spanish; a

partial-immersion academy for Japanese; and a Latin Academy. Students do not need to be identified as gifted to be nominated for one of the GWLA.

For details, visit the <u>Summer Residential Governor's Schools webpage</u> and <u>Governor's World</u> Language Academies webpage.

6. Do you know a High School Junior that demonstrates creativity and acts as a role model for all children, regardless of their age, ability, or background? The Children's Museum of Richmond is currently accepting applications for its 2026 Snow Ambassador Scholarship. To be eligible, Snow Ambassador applicants must be current High School Juniors during the 2025-2026 school year, demonstrate a balance between extracurricular activities, academics, and community service, and be able to serve as the Snow Ambassador between January 2026-January 2027, as scheduled by the Children's Museum of Richmond.

https://www.childrensmuseumofrichmond.org/snow-ambassador-scholarship/

Deadline to apply: Sunday, November 30, 2025 by 11:59 pm.

Scholarship is posted on our scholarship page also.

# 7. 23rd Annual Alfred Street Baptist Church HBCU Festival Virtual Festival Fri. Nov. 14: 4-8 PM Virtual and In-Person Festival Sat. Nov. 15: 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Registration Link

https://hbcufest.alfredstreet.org/e/23rdannualalfredstreetbaptistchurchhbcufest

8. Please reach out to your School Counselor or Ms. Wall-Green for more information on participating in the Upward Bound program below if you are interested (or you can reach the contact person):

Upward Bound Program: Serves 88 low-income, first generation college, (LIFG) HS students annually grades 9 – 12 to prepare for postsecondary education. Services include: two Saturday Academic Sessions each month on campus, 4 to 6 week summer residential program (pending funding), assistance with college applications, scholarship searches and FAFSA completion.

Contact: Sylvia Anderson, Associate Director

Office: 804-524-5811

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE FROM YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR

9. Virginia Youth Conservation Corps Summer Programs

<u>Youth Conservation Corps Information</u> Applications close mid-March 2026

10. Do you need help in your math class? Math Tutoring is after school until 4 PM on Mondays in Room 108. Please make arrangements for a ride home if you would like to stay. Mr. Moore, Mr. Watts, and our student tutors will be happy to help you!

If you are interested in becoming a tutor, we'd love to see you there, also.

## 11. ACT.org has partnered with Going Merry

Did you hear the exciting news? <u>ACT has partnered with Going Merry</u> to make it easier for students to move from test day to college funding. Schools use our free platform to help students find vetted scholarships, prepare for FAFSA, and compare colleges and their costs, with a counselor dashboard to track progress.

Here are a few places you can see the partnership in action for yourself:

ACT Website: ACT's Strategic Partnerships page

• ACT Website: ACT's Scholarships page

However, we're just getting started! Stay tuned for more developments with this partnership in the coming months. We hope that your students will positively benefit from this partnership. We strive to make education more accessible and affordable for all. Share our blog post:

Scholarships That Require an ACT Score with your students and families to spread the word!