## Fairfield Warde High School

College and Career Center Newsletter APRIL, 2025



## **FWHS HOSTED Programs & Events:**

SPRING COLLEGE REP. VISIT WEEK AT WARDE: April 21st-25th

We are excited to offer students the opportunity to meet with college representatives during information sessions. Students will have the opportunity to ask questions regarding the general application process.

Students must register via SchooLinks 24 hours in advance in order to attend a visit. In-person visits will take place in the College and Career Center unless otherwise noted on the door. If you do not pre-register, you will not be allowed to stay for the visit. Please alert your teacher if you are missing class.



#### **ASVAB - Career Exploration Program**

Fairfield Warde High School will be offering the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) Career Exploration Program (CEP) to students in grades 10, 11, & 12. The program provides tools to help students learn more about career exploration and planning, in both the civilian and military worlds of work.

https://www.asvabprogram.com/

Test offered @ Warde:

Wednesday, April 23rd at 8am/Lecture Room Post assessment interpretation:

Wednesday, May 7th at 8am/P38
To register for ASVAB

Sign up Here



SAVE THE DATE: Southern Connecticut College & Gap Year Fair, Free Event:

Tuesday, April 22nd, 4:30-7:30pm

Amphitheater - Bridgeport Designed for High School Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors, The Southern Connecticut College & Gap Year Fair is the largest college, university and gap year program fair in the area. It is a free event and open to all high school students. Students will need to register by visiting the

website: <a href="https://www.ctcollegefair.com/">https://www.ctcollegefair.com/</a>

## **Events in the Community:**



Hosted @ the Main Library, Please see upcoming Spring programming leaning into the Post High School Process.





# Senior Experience Opportunities:

The MRWC again has positions for interested seniors for their senior experience.

#### Are you interested in:

Environmental Studies & Videography?
Environmental Studies - Map making Local history?
Environmental Studies - Graphics & Marketing?
Local History - Documentary Filmmaking
Environmental Advocacy?

Take a look @

Mill River Wetland Committee Opportunities



#### **Free Educational Webinars for Parents**

- The Admission Game Wednesday, 4/23 @ 7pm Register Here
- CollegeAdmissions:
   Everything You Need To Know
   Wednesday, 5/7 @ 7pm
   Register Here
- Stand Out From The Stack: Building Strong Student Resumes Thursday, 5/15 @ 8pm Register Here
- College Admissions in 2025 and Beyond... What to Expect
   Wednesday, 3/19 @ 7pm
   Register Here
- Leverage Your Summer To Get A Head Start on Fall Wednesday, 5/21 @ 8:30pm Register Here



**Summer Opportunities Virtual Fair** 

#### Calling High School Leaders!

#### **Upcoming Virtual Events:**

**Experience the TeenLife Upcoming events virtually. If** you can't join live, no worries. All registrants will receive a recording after the event wraps up. **Registration Link** 



SATURDAY 9:00 AM

200 GREAT MEADOW ROAD SIKORSKY MEMORIAL AIRPORT APR 26 12:00 PM STRATFORD, CT 06615

# CT Department of Labor

Thinking of Apprenticeship Training?

Registered apprentices earn while they learn: they master a trade through a combination of on-the-job training and classroom instruction.

For more information on CT's program offerings **Click HERE** 

#### **Calling All Engineering Students!**

#### **Johns Hopkins Engineering Innovation Pre-College Programs**

Designed by Johns Hopkins engineers, thought-provoking courses give students the opportunity to take a sneak peek into multiple engineering disciplines. Courses are offered online and on-campus and modeled to fit different learning styles and interests. Give your high school student's college application a boost by enrolling them in our challenging and engaging summer engineering program.

What is Engineering Innovation You Tube

Click Here to sign up for an information session



#### SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Career Edge is the premier summer college program, and has served thousands of high school students from around the world in exploring career paths and experiencing what it is like to live on the NYU campus and learn at a renowned US university.

Click **HERE** for more information

#### **Smith College Pre-College Programs**

Smith Precollege is offering one-, two- and four-week in-person programs beginning July 5th. All programs are for young women, female-identified or gender-nonconforming students who will be entering grades 9, 10, 11 or 12 in fall 2025.

**Smith Pre-College Information** 

#### Carnegie Mellon's Pre-College Programs

Offers world-class instruction on a beautiful university campus! We invite you to learn more about our programs and how they can help your students prepare for the college experience while exploring their educational and career options. Our programs vary in length and all offer scholarships. Programs begin in July 2025. Applications are now open!

https://www.cmu.edu/pre-college/

#### Rhode Island School of Design Pre-College Programs

RISD Pre-College offers rising high school juniors and seniors the chance to experience life as a RISD undergrad. For six weeks you'll follow a college-level curriculum with day-long studio classes, critiques and final projects. You'll work alongside hundreds of other creative, highly motivated students from around the world who will challenge, inspire and encourage you to push your limits and produce your best work. You'll live like a RISD student, access renowned resources and instructors, strengthen your portfolio and forever change the way you approach art and design.

#### Link

#### Dynamy Internship Year (gap year): Remote Interview https://dynamy.org/

Dynamy Internship Year (DIY) is a domestic, long-standing gap-year program created for students ages 17-22 who want to pursue a unique, hands-on learning experience. This is a great alternative for those who are not ready to take on college or do not believe it is the right fit. At the same time, Dynamy is a great post-secondary option for students with learning differences such as ADD/ADHD. Sign up for a virtual open house to learn more about the programs. Register

here: LINK



May 3 Undergrad Portfolio Day - ONLINE **REGISTER HERE** 



# Career Exploration Tool Are you looking to explore different career paths?

Career videos are organized into 16 clusters, or related types of work. Select a category to view a list of videos related to that cluster. Videos include career details such as tasks, work settings, education needed, and more.

**Career Videos** 

# **Helpful links:**

#### **FAFSA** application

- 2024-2025 FAFSA Checklist
- CSS Profile
- CT Office of Higher Ed: Student Financial Aid InformationGuide to Federal Student Aid
- <u>CT Dollars & Sense: Financial Literacy Portal</u>
- Big Future: Financial Aid 101
- Connecticut Opportunities Guidebook
- The College Place- Connecticut: Free college access services to low income, first generation college bound, and undocumented students. Sign up <a href="here">here</a> to receive targeted resources and to speak with an advisor.
- New England Board of Higher
  Education's Tuition Break program,
  the New England Regional Student
  Program (RSP), provides significant
  tuition savings to residents of the
  six New England states when they
  enroll at out-of-state public
  colleges and universities within
  New England and pursue approved programs.
- PACT Pledge: PACT funding covers the gap between federal



and state grants you receive, and community college tuition and mandatory fees.
To receive PACT funding, apply, register for classes (12+ credits), and fill out the FAFSA.
Entry into the program

will be accepted on a first-come first-serve basis.

#### **HELPFUL RESOURCES**

Scholarship Search Tips:

How To Find Scholarships 2025

Fastweb and Quick Tips Student Scholarships BigFuture CollegeBoard

GoingMerry

<u>Unigo</u>

**CareerOneStop** 

**Scholarship Tips & Information Guide** 

College & Career Center <u>Scholarship List</u> (please note that some deadlines are not updated yet)

#### Scholarships:

Scholarships can help pay for college and career school and don't have to be repaid. Searching and applying to scholarships takes time and effort. Use the national scholarship search links and resources to assist you in your search.

#### **UPCOMING SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**



The mission of the High School Scholarship Foundation of Fairfield (HSSFF) is to award scholarships to deserving graduating seniors of Fairfield's public high schools, without regard to race or religion. The Foundation has helped these graduates achieve their dreams by providing over \$2 million in scholarships since 1989.

The application is open, visit their <u>website</u> for more information <u>Application</u>

Deadline: April 24, 2025



The Fairfield Firefighters Charitable Foundation is proud to offer the Bob and Judy Edmonds Scholarship. This scholarship is named after Local 1426 Past President Bob Edmonds and his wife Judy.

**Website Link** 

Deadline: May 1, 2025

#### SEPTA Scholarship Fund (LOCAL)

All FPS students with an IEP or 504 plan, inclusive of in district or out of district (placed by the PPT), are eligible and encouraged to apply. Application includes an essay as well as a brief interview to be scheduled in May. You must login to your membership toolkit and then complete all sections of the online application below.

**Website Link** 

https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:US:f5aac946-36c8 -4bb6-91b8-af2456f7c0b1

#### **CALAHE Scholarship**

The Connecticut Association of Latinos in Higher Education (CALAHE) Scholarship application is open to all Latino high school seniors from Connecticut who have demonstrated community service in the Latino community. For more information and tp apply, visit <a href="https://www.calahe.org/">https://www.calahe.org/</a> Deadline - June 30, 2025



#### Richard E. Taber Citizenship Award

This award honors high school students, living in Fairfield County, who consistently demonstrate good citizenship at school, at home, and in the community. The program, which awards \$5,000 scholarships to three local deserving students, is designed to recognize and encourage young people who are honest, hard-working, helpful and fair.

https://firstcountybank.com/community/awards-and-scholarships/

Deadline: May 1, 2025

#### The Stephen Phillips Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Stephen Phillips Memorial Scholarship Fund offers renewable, four-year scholarships to students with financial need who display academic achievement, a commitment to serving others (in school, in the community or at home), a strong work ethic, and leadership qualities. High school graduates or current seniors and current college students who meet the criteria are encouraged to apply. <a href="https://phillips-scholarship.org/new-applicants/steps-to-apply/">https://phillips-scholarship.org/new-applicants/steps-to-apply/</a>

Deadline: May 1, 2025

#### **CONNTAC, Inc. Scholarship**

#### **PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIP:**

The Board of Directors of the Connecticut Talent Assistance Cooperative established the CONNTAC, Inc. Scholarship award to recognize participants who have overcome obstacles in order to pursue an Associate's or Bachelor's degree. In order to accurately reflect the mission of CONNTAC, Inc. scholarships will be awarded ONLY to low-income individuals whose parents (mother or father) have NOT earned a Bachelor's degree.

Scholarship Application
Deadline: June 15, 2025

Deadline: May 1, 2025



# Milton Fisher Scholarship for Innovation and Creativity

The Milton Fisher Scholarship is a four-year renewable scholarship open to exceptionally Innovative and Creative high school seniors and first-time college freshmen.

Apply for this scholarship if you are . . .

- 1. a student who has solved an artistic, scientific, or technical problem in a new or unusual way, or
- 2. a student who has come up with a distinctive solution to problems faced by your school, community or family.

https://mfscholarship.org/ Deadline: May 15, 2025

#### **Greater Fairfield Board of Realtors**

The membership of the Greater Fairfield Board of REALTORS, Inc. provides a program of scholarship awards to deserving students. Students must be a resident of Fairfield and currently enrolled as a senior. Please stop in to P38 for an application and more information

Deadline: May 1, 2025



Fairfield County's Community Foundation manages a large and impactful scholarship program for both graduating high school seniors and full-time students already enrolled in college. We steward over 150 scholarship funds established by generous individuals, businesses, and nonprofit organizations that help students pursue their college education and strengthen the future of our communities. These funds cover many different areas of study and may have their own eligibility criteria.

**Fairfield County's Community Foundation** 



The Red Sox Foundation's New England Service Scholarship initiative recognizes graduating high school seniors across New England who are making a meaningful

impact through service in their local communities by awarding them a \$1,000 college scholarship.

**Application** 

Deadline: April 24, 2025

#### Part-Time Jobs & Volunteer Opportunities:



Summer Job Opportunity @ Camp Playland More Information <u>HERE</u>

#### Caitlin's Caring for Kids, LLC

Caitlin's Caring for Kids is a personalized and engaging childcare service for families of the greater Fairfield County area that has started in 2019. Our services include babysitting, overnight babysitting, house sitting and pet sitting during the day, evenings, and weekends. Babysitter Positions Available!!! Immediate Hire!!!

**Information Here** 





### **Lucrative Carpet and Flooring**

Seeking committed employees willing to learn and develop the skill of laying carpet. Fairfield Family Owned business

Call Sarah @ 203-382-4004 for more information

# Passionate for Gardening/Yard Work? A Warde Alumni Family is looking to hire! Stop in to The College and Career Center (P38) for more information

## **Service Opportunities**

Fairfield Public Schools have not conducted any review or background checks of these programs. If students and their parents decide to pursue any of these opportunities, they should conduct their own review.

#### **Global Works Travel**

#### www.globalworkstravel.com

Community service, language learning and adventure travel trips in the U.S. and abroad. Ages 14-18.

#### **Putney Student Services**

#### www.goputney.com

4-week programs. Participants immerse themselves in local communities in developing countries and disadvantaged communities, such as South Africa, India, Vietnam, Cambodia and China, doing such things as setting up a wilderness camp site or improving a local water supply system, building houses, studying history, economics, and languages. Simple living conditions. Grades 9-12.

#### **Visions Service Adventures**

#### www.visionsserviceadventures.com

3 or 4-week programs. Ages 14-18. Community service experiences in cross-cultural settings in and outside the U.S. blending community service work, intercultural learning and outdoor adventure. Some trips require 2 years of high school Spanish or French. Simple living conditions.

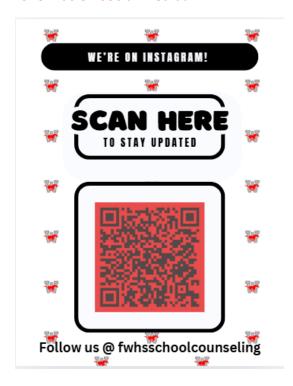
#### **Volunteer Solutions**

#### https://www.volunteeringsolutions.com

International volunteer opportunities in the fields of Medical internships, Childcare, teaching, women empowerment, community development and wildlife conservation.

Need help or have questions? Let's research together! Stop by the College & Career Center and see Mrs. Montero, Room P38.

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