

Education, Enrichment , Internship,
Employment 20...



Education, Enrichment, Internship, Employment Programs School Year 2025-2026

***These programs are not sponsored or endorsed by HCPSS.

Leadership, Volunteer, and Employment

Organization	Type of Opportunity	Other Information
Howard County Government Departments, Agencies, and Office Apply here .	Volunteer	<i>Volunteer opportunities listed on this site are for Howard County Government Departments, Agencies and Offices only.</i>
HCASC Leadership and Volunteer Opportunities Apply here	Leadership and Volunteer	Local Leadership and Volunteer Opportunities
HopeWorks Leadership Project in Howard County Application linked here . If interested in more information please visit our website .	Leadership and Volunteer	a service-learning program dedicated to empowering teens to challenge systems of oppression and prevent relationship violence in their community.
Community Ecology Institute (CEI) ACCESS FALL APPLICATION HERE.	Internship	If you have any questions about the program, please contact Nicki Sanders, Internship Program Manager at nsanders@cei.earth
HOCO EcoWorks UPLift: Apply here .	Employment	A 5-6 month work development program. Designed to launch your career in the green industry. Tailored for individuals of ages 18+, This is a great experience for graduating seniors that are still

		unsure of a postsecondary pathway.
<u>The University of Maryland Medical System</u> <u>"Vome."</u>	Volunteer	Landing page for ALL volunteer opportunities within the University of Maryland Medical System.
<u>Volunteer at the Polar Express</u> Learn more <u>here</u> .	Volunteer	Volunteers needed from November through December. Must be 16
<u>The Therapeutic and Recreational Riding Center:</u> Interested students should contact: trrc01@aol.com and cindy.smithtrrc@gmail.com	Volunteer (various opportunities to get involved)	provides therapeutic horseback riding services to children and adults with a wide range of physical, mental and emotional disabilities
<u>County Sports Zone Ambassador:</u> Apply <u>here</u> .	Volunteer	Students will create content about their school's athletes, strengthening both their writing skills and their school community. This program also enhances students' resumes and job applications by providing meaningful experience in sports journalism and media.
<u>HOCO Climate</u> Click <u>here</u> to learn about volunteer opportunities.	Volunteer	We need to create a sense of urgency about the climate crisis among the public and decision makers. Look no further than our section on Volunteer Opportunities for many ways to be a part of the fight for a safe climate future. We also welcome your ideas
<u>Science & Engineering Apprenticeship Program - Naval STEM</u>	Summer Apprenticeship	The Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program (SEAP) places high school students in Department of Navy (DoN)

		laboratories where they take part in real Naval research for eight weeks during the summer.
<u>Community Ecology Institute</u>	Volunteer	At the Community Ecology Institute, we offer year-round volunteer opportunities for individuals, families, scouts, schools, community groups and businesses. We also welcome the time and talent of people who have "behind the scenes" skills, such as administration, social media content, grant writing, etc.
<u>Student Civic Engagement Ambassador Program (SCEAP):</u> Visit <u>Youth Civic Engagement</u> to learn more and sign up! Spots are limited, so don't wait! For questions, feel free to reach out to <u>schlossman.max@gmail.com</u>	Volunteer	A program for high school students passionate about promoting civic awareness and voter participation. Virtual weekly meetings are 30–45 minutes and will begin in the next few weeks. Students will Strengthen leadership skills and civic engagement, enhance your college application, earn a citation from the Governor, and compete for a letter of recommendation from the Secretary of State, Connect with students across Maryland, Earn SSL Hours.
Fall Splash 2025 @ JHU-Homewood Campus November 15	Enrichment	Fall Splash 2025 at Johns Hopkins University will be held on the Homewood campus Great Hall on Saturday, November 15th from 10am-3pm. Student registration is OPEN on our website: <u>https://hopkins.learningu.org/learn/index.html</u> ! Classes will be taught in an in-person format and details are provided in the sign-up link!

		After registration, please fill out this Google form to confirm attendance.
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If you need a Work Permit, please visit the [Maryland Department of Labor website](#). *Work permits are required for all minors under the age of 18 to work in the State of Maryland.*

College Fly-In Programs and Application Support

“Fly-In” Applications

College Fly-In Programs

What are they?

Short, often overnight, **visits** to a **college** or **university** that **fully funded** by the institution. **Includes** travel expenses, lodging, meals, and sometimes even provide a stipend for extra costs.

The goal of these programs is to give prospective students a comprehensive view of the academic, social, and cultural environment of that college or university.

Check them out and Apply [HERE!](#)



<u>School and link to apply</u>	Deadline to Apply
Discovering UVM	Due September 29

<u>Meliora Visit Program at University of Rochester</u>	Due October 3
<u>Senior Scholars at Reed College</u>	Due October 15

Check out this [blog](#) to learn about more Fly-In Programs.

Free! [Emory Leads Scholarships: LEADs](#) is designed to support the recruitment of talented, high-achieving high school seniors who are either first-generation college students and/or from a rural or lower socioeconomic background, and/or students who do not have the means to visit campus.

Free! [Voices of Tufts](#): In fall 2025, we will offer both an on-campus Voices of Tufts program and a virtual Voices of Tufts program. Any rising senior - class of 2026 - who attends high school in the US is eligible for nomination. While Voices has traditionally attracted participants with strong academic records from a variety of backgrounds – including but not limited to students of color, first generation college-bound students, LGBTQIA+ students, students from low-income backgrounds, students with disabilities, and students from rural communities – any student interested in learning more about the Tufts community is welcome to apply. Most importantly, we seek to invite high-achieving students who are kind, collaborative, civically-engaged, and interested in creating a more inclusive world.

Programs and Mentorships

Matriculate is a FREE virtual college advising program that connects eligible students with a near-peer mentor who works one-on-one with students throughout the college and financial aid processes. Matriculate connects high-achieving, low-income juniors and seniors to highly-trained undergraduate advisors—completely virtually—empowering students to attend colleges where they will thrive. We work with Bloomberg Philanthropies' college access and success initiative, CollegePoint, to reach first-generation college students across the country. Complete an application today to be matched with a peer mentor!

College Essay Guy Matchlighter Program: The Matchlighters Scholars Program pairs highly motivated students from low-income households with experienced college counselors. It's totally free and applying couldn't be easier. Students must be US residents (undocumented students welcome), you are trying to get into college, you have a 3.0 GPA, your family income qualifies you for enrollment in a federal, state, or local program that aids students from low-income families, you are motivated and ready to work.

Educational Opportunities:

LOCAL PROGRAMS

Title and Program	Dates/Deadline	Descriptions	Additional Information
New Perry Outreach Program: Hands On Experience	November 8th, Johns Hopkins Hospital APPLICATION DUE October 7, 2025	One Day program to encourage students to pursue careers in medicine and engineering Students will hear from leaders in these fields and try it for themselves by performing mock orthopaedic surgeries and biomechanics experiments.	More information and a printable flyer for this event can be found HERE.
Permaculture in Practice: A 12-Part Gardening Series	Rolling Dates	Learn about sustainable gardening, building soil, creating habitats and more.	

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Ongoing Internships

Army Educational Outreach Program: In collaboration with universities and U.S. Army Research Laboratories and Centers, the AEOP is proud to offer summer internships for high school students throughout the country. [FAQ](#) about the application and experience. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

Federal Government Internship Finder: The federal government offers many exciting job opportunities, but they can be difficult to find, track and navigate. The GoGovernment Federal Internship Finder, created by the Partnership for Public Service, will simplify your search for federal opportunities. Students can filter for opportunities for high school students.

Marine Trades Association of Maryland: MTAM is a non-profit dedicated to promoting the recreational marine industry and the preservation of waterways our business members rely on. MTAM was founded in 1972 and membership comprises nearly 400 marine related businesses. Interns will interview with MTAM partners for a 6 week program to learn one of the following specialties of the boating industry: engine mechanic, composite repair, systems technician, electronics installment or management and marketing. Students must be in grade 12 and the opportunity is open for summer or during the school year. Rolling applications are accepted.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Student Opportunities Database: Welcome to NOAA's student opportunities database! NOAA has opportunities for students of any level — from kindergarten through high school, undergraduate and graduate, and even recent graduates. Opportunities include one-day events, summer internships at NOAA, multi-year fellowships, and more. Deadlines and eligibility requirements vary.

OUT OF STATE PROGRAMS

Rice University Pre-Courses: Our goal in creating Rice University's Pre-college Program is to provide an experience for students ages 13+ that embodies these values. Our program is designed for high school students who wish to dive deeper into subjects that piques their interest, such as genome engineering, physiology, aerospace, law, and more. Each course features dynamic video lessons by renowned Rice faculty and access to mentors. Courses are available year-round, and the online format enables students to study anywhere, anytime, at their own pace. Upon successfully completing a course's capstone project, participants will earn a Certificate of Completion from Rice University.

Middle School Programs:

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