

CGS STUDENT NEWSLETTER

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The Commonwealth Governor's School

Hello and happy February CGS students!

Second semester is underway...who's dreaming of snow days? ❄️ I know I am! For our seniors, please be sure to check out the available scholarships in the counseling office at your school. I have been to many high schools and some have full walls or binders for you to look at. Page 2 in this edition is for SOPHOMORES and what you should be doing now to prepare for your next steps after high school. Questions? Please feel free to reach out whenever you need! Take care!

SCHOLARSHIPS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Seniors: 2023 Capital One Virginia Military Dependents Scholarship

The Coolidge Scholarship

George E. Allen Academic Scholarship

P.E.O. Foundation Rita Berkey Memorial Scholarship

Marine Corps Scholarship Program

Brown Hudner Navy Scholarship

Native Forward Scholars Fund

Horatio Alger Assoc. Scholarships

Hidden Helpers Leadership Scholarship Program

Visit your school counseling office and website for additional opportunities!

UVA School of Architecture visits

Society of Women Engineers @ UVA

United States Military Academy West Point: schedule a visit

Germonna Community College - Campus Tours

Summer Enrichment Opportunities

University of Mary Washington Summer Program

Boston Conservatory @ Berklee

Summer Engineering Academy @ U Penn

Summer Institute for the Gifted

Boston University High School Summer Programs

Rhode Island School of Design Pre-Collegiate Programs

National Youth Science Camp

William & Mary Summer SEP

William & Mary Focusing on the Future



Top 5 College Prep Tips for Sophomores

1

Career Exploration

Take time to investigate your career interests. It is ok to be unsure of what you want to do which is why research and exploration is so important. Without knowing a potential goal, it will be difficult to plan for the next step. Consider exploring VA Wizard.

2

Revisit your Academic and Career Plan

Every Virginia high school student has an ACP. It is vital that you revisit this with your school counselor every year to ensure that you are on the right track to meet your academic and career goals.

3

Learn about financial aid and scholarships

Many students use financial aid to cover the cost of college. Financial aid can come in many forms. You and your family can research about the options through this website.

4

Research all college options

Once you have an idea of a potential career, you can start exploring all your options to meet that goal. Websites like VA Wizard, Collegeboard, and Naviance can assist with your research.

5

Meet with your school counselor

Your school counselor is available to help you along your journey and to help you plan for life after high school. They are a wealth of knowledge and can help point you in the right direction and answer all your questions.