

Guidance Newsletter

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Representatives from colleges and universities have scheduled visits at Laurel High School. If you would like to meet with a representative, a pass from Ms. Richardson or Ms. Graves in guidance is necessary. Visits are usually held in the career center, unless noted otherwise.

College Visits for Months of October & November

October	12	Capital College – 9am
	17	Salisbury – 11am
		Elon U. – 9am
	19	Goucher – 9am
		UMBC – 10:30
		Nashville Diesel Automotive College – 1pm
	23	Villa Julie College – 9:30am
November	25	Howard U. – 8:15
		UDC – 10am
	2	UMES – 10am
	3	U. of Baltimore – 10am
	13	Wells College – 1:15

Scholarship Opportunities

Scholarship applications are available in the scholarship file cabinet in the career center unless otherwise indicated. Please make sure you are eligible to apply for the scholarship before taking an application. Only take **one** application. **Do not take the last application.** See Mrs. Collins-Swain for additional copies.

All Students: The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards honor outstanding community service by young Americans. Any student in grades 5-12 who have engaged in a volunteer activity in the past year is eligible to apply. Applications must be submitted by October 31, 2006. Applications are available online at www.prudential.com/spirit.

All Students: Nestle' USA is sponsoring the Nestle' **Very Best in Youth Program** to recognize students for their outstanding achievements, i.e. strong academic record, special contributions to school, church, or community, demonstration of good citizenship or a personal obstacle the youth has overcome. Entries must be submitted by **November 1, 2006.**

The **University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill** has announced a plan to expand the **Carolina Covenant**, a program that enables low-income students to attend UNC debt-free. Admitted students with a family income at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level can attend UNC if they work 10-12 hours a week in a federal work-study job. To learn more, visit www.unc.edu/carolinacovenant.

Emory University invites LHS to nominate up to four students for the **Emory Scholars Program** which awards two-thirds tuition to full-tuition, room, board, and fees. Students must have outstanding records of achievement, possess extraordinary personal qualities, and have made significant contributions to their class, their school, and their community. If interested, please see Mrs. Collins-Swain for a nomination form by **October 17, 2006.**

Emory University invites LHS to nominate one student for the **Goizueta Business School Scholars Program.** If interested please see Mrs. Collins-Swain by **October 17, 2006.**

Ursinus College is offering the \$25,000 **Tower Scholarship** to African-American and Latino students who have demonstrated academic excellence. Students must have an interest, ability, and desire to enter graduate or professional school, rank in the top 15% of their class, and have an SAT score of at least 1200. Students must have an admissions interview by February 15, 2007. If interested please see Mrs. Collins-Swain before **October 26, 2006**.

UMBC is accepting applications for the scholarship programs:

- **Meyerhoff Scholarship Program** – students who are interested in the sciences, engineering, mathematics, or computer science and plan to pursue a Ph.D. or combined MD/PhD. degree in those majors;
- **Humanities Scholars** – students who plan to pursue degrees in English, history, philosophy, ancient studies, classical or modern languages, linguistics, or American or Africana studies;
- **Lineham Artist Scholars** - students who are interested in theatre, music, dance, and visual arts;
- **Sondheim Public Affairs Scholars** – students interested in public policy, government service, or the non-profit sector; and
- **CWIT Scholars Programs** – students who plan to major in computer science, computer engineering, information systems, or another IT-related field.

Students must have at least a “B” average to be considered for each scholarship. All five scholarships offer four-year awards at two award levels. Full scholars will receive awards covering full tuition, fees, and room and board costs. Finalists will receive \$5000 per year. If interested please see Mrs. Collins-Swain by **November 3, 2006** to be nominated.

Randolph-Macon Woman’s College is offering the **Presidential Scholars Program** for students who demonstrate academic excellence and leadership qualities. Scholarships include the Nichols and Linder Scholarship worth full-tuition, room, board, and a study-abroad stipend, the Gottwald Scholarship worth full tuition, and a variety of other awards valued at \$70,000 over four years. Any interested students should see Mrs. Collins-Swain by **October 26, 2006**.

The Horatio Alger Association provides scholarships ranging from \$2500 to \$20,000 to students who have financial need and have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity. Students must have at least a 2.0 GPA, have involvement in co-curricular and community service activities, as well as have a critical financial need of less than \$50,000 gross income per family. Applications are available online at www.horatioalger.org/scholarships and must be submitted by **October 30, 2006**.

The Chesapeake Bay Trust is seeking nominations for the **Honorable Arthur Dorman Scholarship** worth \$2000. Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to the environment and the Chesapeake Bay, share in a minority ethnic or cultural heritage, exemplify strong leadership skills in school and community initiatives, and have at least a 3.0 GPA. Applications must be submitted by **November 1, 2006** and are available online at www.cbtrust.org.

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation awards up to seven scholarships valued up to \$40,000 each to applicants who lost a parent to breast cancer, exhibit financial need, and plan to attend a state college in Maryland. Applications are available online at www.komen.org and must be submitted by **November 1, 2006**.

The **Ron Brown Scholars Program** seeks African-American students who demonstrate academic achievement, exhibit leadership ability, participate in community service activities and demonstrate financial need. Selected students will receive a \$40,000 scholarship over four years. Applications must be postmarked by **November 1, 2006** and are available online at www.ronbrown.org.

Laurel High School can nominate one student for **Davidson’s John Montgomery Belk Scholarship Program** which honors students with demonstrated intellectual and personal success and significant leadership in their high school. Ten students will be chosen to receive a scholarship valued at \$36,825 plus a stipend for two summers. If interested please complete an LHS nomination form and submit to Mrs. Collins-Swain by **November 3, 2006**.

James Madison University is offering the **Bluestone Scholarship Program** consisting of two merit-based scholarships: the **Thomas and Karyn Dingedine Scholarship** worth the cost of full in-state tuition, and the **Madison Achievement Scholarships** valued from \$2000 for two years to \$500 for one year. Students must display academic achievement, leadership, community service, and unique qualities. The deadline is **November 10, 2006** and **January 15, 2007**, however only one application needs to be completed for both scholarships. To apply visit, www.jmu.edu/admissions/scholarships
Towson U. will offer three **Principal's scholarship** valued at \$2000 per year to three Laurel H.S. students who will attend Towson U. Students must have at least a 3.3 GPA, evidence of leadership qualities and community service. If interested, please see Mrs. Collins-Swain for a nomination form.

Receive up to \$128,000 over four years for the **Roanoke College Scholars Program**. For more information or to apply visit www.roanoke.edu/scholars.

Elmira College is offering scholarships through their **Honors Scholarship Program**. Several scholarships valued between \$24,000 and \$72,000 will be awarded to students who have at least a 3.0 GPA and a 1000 on the SAT or 22 on the ACT. For more information on these scholarships, contact the Financial Aid office at 607-735-1728.

Washington University in St. Louis is offering several scholarships to students. Most deadlines are **January 15, 2006**, however the **John B. Ervin Scholars Program** application is due **November 15** for early decision. Most scholarships are renewable annually and range from partial to full tuition with a stipend. For applications, go to <http://www.wustl.edu>.

General Motors is offering the **General Motors Minority Dealers Association Scholarship** in the amount of \$2500 to minority students who have at least a 3.0 GPA and demonstrate academic excellence and outstanding community service through activities, volunteerism, and work experience. Applications are available on the web at www.gmmda.org/index.cfm?location=1 and must be submitted by **November 17, 2006**.

Laurel H.S. can nominate one student for the **Toyota Community Scholars Program** which will award 100 renewable scholarships valued at \$10,000 and \$20,000 over four years to students who have an outstanding academic record, are effective leaders, and have a well-documented record of service both within and outside the school setting. Interested students must submit a nomination form to Mrs. Collins-Swain by **November 20, 2006**.

The **National Security Agency** is accepting applications for the **Stokes Educational Scholarship** open to students planning on majoring in computer science, computer/electrical engineering, or mathematics. Student will receive tuition for college, reimbursement for books, salary while attending college, and continued employment with NSA after graduation. Students must have at least a minimum 1600 on the SAT or 25 on the ACT, have at least a 3.0 GPA, and demonstrate leadership abilities. To apply go to www.NSA.gov/careers. Applications must be submitted by **November 30, 2006**.

The **Defense Intelligence Agency** is seeking students who are interested in a career in public service for the **Undergraduate Training Assistance Program**. Students will be offered tuition assistance (up to \$18,000/year), summer work, and guaranteed a position in their field of study upon graduation. Minorities, females, and the disabled needing financial assistance are encouraged to apply. Students who are majoring in geography, foreign are studies, international relations, political science or a foreign language in conjunction with these majors are eligible to apply. Students must have at least a 3.0 GPA and a 1000 on the verbal and math of the SAT, and a 500 on the writing section or a 21 on the ACT. Applications are available online at www.diajobs.us (Special Programs) and must be received by **November 30, 2006**.

Targeting A Dream, Inc. is sponsoring the **Just a Tad Scholarship Award** designed to provide academic financial support for lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgendered student leaders. The scholarship is based on academic performance (2.5GPA), volunteerism, and advocacy. A minimum of three \$1000 scholarships will be awarded. Applications are available online at www.targetingadream.org and must be postmarked by **November 30, 2006**.

Boston University is accepting applications for the **Trustee Scholarship** which recognizes outstanding academic performance and leadership ability. Each scholar will receive full tuition and fees. Eligible students must have at least a 3.5 GPA, rank in the top 5%, and have at least a 1510 on the SAT (750 on the Writing), and have a record of distinctive and significant contributions to the high school. Applications are available online at www.bu.edu/admission/trustee and must be submitted by **December 1, 2006**.

Open Houses/College Tours

Drexel University will be hosting an information session at the Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park in Rockville on October 12 from 6:30-9pm. RSVP online at www.drexel.edu/em/events/ug.

Trinity College in Connecticut is sponsoring their Preview Weekend from November 11-13, 2006. The program is for students of color who have at least a "B" average. Financial assistance for transportation, housing, and meals will be available. Applications are available with Mrs. Collins-Swain and must be submitted before October 16, 2006

Bowdoin College is hosting a reception for prospective students and parents on October 17, 2006 from 7:30-9:30pm at the Key Bridge Marriott in Arlington, VA.

Northeastern U. invites female students to their annual Women in Engineering Day on October 20, 2006. Students will have the opportunity to learn about the engineering program and meet students. To reserve a place, students should RSVP before October 16, 2006 by emailing r.reisberg@neu.edu.

The NACCAP is hosting the National Christian College Fair on October 19 from 7-9pm at the McLean Bible Church in Vienna Virginia. For more information go to www.naccap.org

The National Council of Negro Women, Inc. Mitchellville/Bowie Section is hosting its 3rd Annual College Expo on October 21, 2006 from 1-6pm at Charles H. Flowers H.S. Over sixty colleges and organizations will be in attendance.

Duke University invites students to their Pratt School of Engineering In Focus open house on October 21, 2006 from 8:15-4pm. To RSVP, please visit the website at www.admissions.duke.edu.

Penn State U. invites students to attend an information session on October 23 at the Doubletree Rockville in Rockville, MD or October 26, 2006 at the BWI Marriott both starting at 7pm. For registration information visit www.psu.edu/admissions/infoprograms.htm.

Mt. St. Mary's College of Maryland is hosting a reception for students of color to learn more about their Honor's College. The reception will be held at the Hampton Inn Largo in Largo, MD on October 24, 2006 from 7-9pm.

Passports to College, Inc. invites students to attend their 2006 Southern College Tour November 3-November 9, 2006. The cost of \$450 covers transportation, hotel accommodations, breakfasts, and tours. For more information contact Robin O'Neil at 240-691-4360 or reoneil@passportstocollege.org or Betty Griffin at 240-691-4360 or bettyg@passportstocollege.org.

The National Association of College Admission Counseling (NACAC) is hosting the Greater Washington National College Fair on November 9, 2006 from 9:30-12:30pm and 6:30-8:30pm at the Washington Convention Center and also the Baltimore National College Fair on November 15 9-1pm and 6-9pm and November 16 9-12noon at the Baltimore Convention Center.

Embry Riddle Aeronautical U. is sponsoring an information session on November 11, 2006 from 3-5pm at the Marriott Bethesda Suites in Bethesda, MD. To RSVP call 800-862-2416 or email at dbadmit@erau.edu.

The University of Richmond invites students to the campus for a visitation program designed for minority students November 12-13, 2006. To make reservations, go online to www.richmond.edu/visitus or call 800-700-1662 or call 804-289-8640.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and the PG County Dept. of Parks and Recreation present the Kappa Epsilon Lambda Chapter "Go to High School, Go to College 2006 College Fair and Seminar" on November 4, 2006 from 9-2pm at Stephen Decatur Community Center in Clinton, MD.

Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church in Ft. Washington is hosting their annual Historically Black College Tour on April 9-12. The cost is \$390 if submitted before February 5, 2006. For additional information, contact 301-265-8326 or 301-248-8833. Limited registration packets are available in the career center.

Announcements/Job Opportunities

EDU Inc. offers the Common Black College Application. Apply to 34 member institutions with one application for only \$35. Member institutions include Coppin State U., Morgan State U., Norfolk State U., Virginia State U., and many more. Applications are available in the career center or online at www.eduinonline.com.

The Gardens Ice House in Laurel is now hiring for full and part-time positions at the front desk, building maintenance, and skate guarding. If interested please respond to IreneH@thegardensicehouse.com or call 301-953-0100, ext. 102.

Maryland Victory 2006 is seeking energetic and motivated students who are interested in volunteering or completing an Internship with the Maryland Democratic Party's Coordinated Campaign to elect Democrats statewide. If interested in an internship or volunteer opportunity, please contact Mara Lee at 301-306-4411 or 202-834-0202 or mlee@mddems.org.

Please check www.schoolsoup.com for more scholarships.