

FACS Crusaders Class of 2019

Monthly Newsletter for Seniors

December 1, 2018

Important Dates

January 11th: Early registration deadline for February 9th ACT

Signed up for TN Promise? Be sure to stay on top of meeting dates. You should have one coming up in December.

How to Pay for College

When looking for and applying for scholarships keep in mind:
⇒ Finding scholarships takes a great deal of time and effort. Start early
Recommended websites:
www.brokescholar.com
www.studentaid.ed.gov.com
www.scholarships.com
www.fastweb.com
www.collegeboard.com
www.800headstart.com
⇒ Private colleges generally award more aid than public.
⇒ Most financial aid is not awarded in the form of a scholarship. Pursue all financial aid opportunities
⇒ The biggest scholarships are awarded by the schools themselves.
⇒ Colleges are looking for students who have something that makes them stand out.
⇒ Smaller, local scholarships are often much easier to get than those sponsored by large organizations.
⇒ Network. Talk to everyone that you are looking for scholarships.

There are ways to get a degree with accumulating DEBT!

IN-STATE TUITION
COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRANSFER
ONLINE COLLEGES
BECOME A RESIDENT ADVISOR
[SEEK OUT EMPLOYMENT TUITION REIMBURSEMENT \(STARBUCKS, GAP, APPLE, VERIZON WIRELESS\)](#)

Psalm 119: 9-11

How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word. With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

The federal government offers a number of financial aid programs. Besides aid from the U.S. Department of Education (discussed below), you also might get

- [aid for serving in the military or for being the spouse or child of a veteran;](#)
- [tax benefits for education;](#)
- [an Education Award for community service with AmeriCorps;](#)
- [Educational and Training Vouchers for current and former foster care youth;](#) and/or
- [scholarships and loan repayment through the Department of Health and Human Services' Indian Health Service, National Institutes of Health, and National Health Service Corps.](#)

Will you still need a loan for college? That's OK, but be sure to do your research on interest, amount you can borrow, payment plans etc.

There are three types of federal student aid:

Grants—financial aid that doesn't have to be repaid

Work-study—a work program through which you earn money to help you pay for school

Loans—borrowed money for college or career school; you must repay your loans, with interest

Upcoming College Reps @ Jones Center during break :

TBA

Senior Year Timetable:

Fall Semester:

Take ACT; Apply to all colleges of interest- pay attention to deadlines!

Spring Semester:

January: Complete FAFSA.

February-May: Compare financial aid packages and make final college decision.

June-August- get a summer job.

Colleges generally expect students to earn \$1,000 for college during summer months.

Seasonal Job Opportunities:



<https://jobs.kroger.com/go/Part-Time-Jobs-in-Memphis/400692/>



https://careers.kohls.com/job/KLHKUS4322/Seasonal-Stockroom-Operations-Associate?utm_source=snag&utm_medium=spnsored-job-ad&Codes=SAJ

J. CREW

https://jobs.jcrew.com/job/Germantown-Seasonal-Stylist%2C-J_Crew-Retail%2C-Saddle-Creek-TN-38138/502179700/

Get involved in the community!
All students should be actively earning service hours. Be sure to keep accurate records. Use the FACS form.

[http://facsmemphis.org/uploads/pages/Community_Service_Form\(1\).pdf](http://facsmemphis.org/uploads/pages/Community_Service_Form(1).pdf)

Volunteering in your community can lead to community service scholarships. When it comes to scholarship opportunities, community service helps to distinguish you from the competition by showing your commitment to making the world a better place. Scholarship providers, being philanthropists themselves, can appreciate students who show an early interest in helping those around them. Winning scholarships, whether or not they are specifically labeled as community service scholarships, can be much easier with a bit of community service experience listed on your application or worked into your scholarship essay.

Community Service Opportunities

Crossroads Hospice

Crossroads Hospice is looking for volunteers for all aspects of their program. Options include, but are not limited to: baking cakes for anniversaries/birthdays, office work, and visiting patients. Contact Linda Courtney at

linda.courtney@crossroadshospice.com

Habitat for Humanity ReStore

The Habitat for Humanity ReStore on Winchester Road offers volunteer opportunities Monday-Saturday from 9am-1pm and 1pm-6pm for students 14 years of age and older.

<http://www.memphisrestore.com/volunteer>

Humane Society of Memphis and Shelby County

The Humane Society is looking for volunteers for various aspects of the shelter ages 17 and older. Orientation is required and held the 1st Monday of the month at 6pm or the 3rd Saturday of the month at 10am. Volunteers must commit 4 hours per month to working at the shelter.

<http://memphishumane.org/become-a-volunteer/volunteer-process/>.

MIFA Meals on Wheels

Students with a valid driver's license and insurance are invited to participate in MIFA's "Meals on Wheels" program, delivering food to homebound senior citizens in the Memphis area.

https://serve.volunteerodyssey.com/event/38259-Meals-on-Wheels-Delivery?referring_group_id=121030&wkey=7574e5c2a7425760736fc1a97739bd8e

Ronald McDonald House

The Ronald McDonald House needs volunteers at least 18 years of age willing to give at least a 6 month commitment (4 hours a month) to prepare meals, host movie nights, clean up around the house, restock pantries, and work the front desk. A volunteer application, background check, and two references are required. Volunteers 16 years of age and older are also welcome to help with special events such as the Ronald McDonald Radiothon, PopTabPalooza, and Red Shoe Gala. For more information <http://rmhc-memphis.org/becomeavolunteer>

Shelby Farms

Shelby Farms Park Conservancy looks for volunteers year-round for special events such as the Earth Day, Star Spangled Celebration, Boo-falo Bash, and Starry Nights. There is an age requirement for some jobs, <http://www.shelbyfarmspark.org/volunteer>

St. Jude Marathon Weekend

St. Jude needs volunteers for a variety of opportunities the week of November 25th and on race day, Saturday, December 1st. Individuals under age 18 may volunteer for some jobs, but need an adult to volunteer with them. For opportunities and requirements, go to

<https://www.stjude.org/get-involved/at-play/fitness-for-st-jude/memphis-marathon/event-information/volunteer-opportunities.html>



<http://cometothefarm.org/>

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