

College & Career Center
Senior Parent Chat -- September 9, 2016

Senior Internship Program

The Senior Internship Program is designed to expose our students to areas of interest outside the constructs of their formal educational program. Students spend the last several weeks of their high school career working twenty-five to thirty-five hours per week without pay at an internship site. Students are expected to attend their internship five days per week for the duration of the internship.

Eligibility Requirements:

- A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0.
- No grade of F during **any** marking period senior year for quarter, semester and full year courses including all PE, Computer Information Systems and Health courses taken during senior year.
- Loss of Credit must be reinstated by Senior Appeals Board.
- Successfully meeting graduation requirements (including Science CAPT).
- Completion of application and all other requirements **on or before the deadline**
- Meeting the civil and social expectations of FLHS:
 - No suspensions
 - Not more than one Saturday detention during junior or senior year
 - No excessive disciplinary actions during junior or senior year
 - No infractions for academic integrity violations junior or senior year.

Tips for Parents:

- ❖ **DEADLINES MATTER!** Make sure all timelines are met – failure to meet deadlines will result in withdrawal from the program at any time
- ❖ Attend the Parent Internship Info Session (date – TBA)

INTERNSHIP SITES NEEDED! In order to make the Internship Program happen we need help from YOU!!!

- ❖ Recruit new sites: Science/Research, Healthcare, Finance, Marketing, Communications, Info Systems, Engineering
- ❖ Encourage appropriate attire and review professional workplace behavior with your child during their internship

Upcoming Events to Help You & Your Child:

- ❖ **Service Academy Day. Saturday, September 10, 1:00 PM—2:30 PM Norwalk High School, 55 County St, Norwalk, CT 06851** For more information, contact Michael.Dunn@mail.house.gov or 203-333-6600
- ❖ **Navigating the College Admission Process while Maintaining Your Sanity.** Pequot Library, Wed. Sept. 21; 7 – 8:15 PM. Register at: 203-259-0346 x16.
- ❖ **Who Gets In and Why: Admissions to Highly Selective Colleges and Universities,** Thur., Sept. 22; 7PM – 8 PM @ FLHS. Presentation by Tufts University.
- ❖ **Getting Ready for College Series, Fairfield Public Library.** Advance registration suggested: <https://fplteenspeak.wordpress.com/2016/08/30/getting-ready-for-college-returns/> 203-256-3160
 - **Demystifying Test Preparation,** Monday, September 12; 7 PM – 8:30PM, Rotary Room.
 - **How to Pay for College,** Tuesday, October 4; 7 PM – 8:30PM, Rotary Room.
 - **Why Choose A Community College?** Monday, November 14; 7 – 8:30 PM, Rotary Room
- ❖ **Financial Aid Night. Wednesday, September 28; 7 PM. Fairfield Warde HS**
- ❖ **NEACAC College Fair. Tuesday, October 11; 7 –9PM @ Sacred Heart University, Wm. H. Pitt Center, Fairfield, CT.** <http://www.neacac.org/fall-fair-schedule>
- ❖ **Danbury College Fair. Monday, October 17; 5 – 8:30 PM, Danbury Fair Mall** http://www.schoolguides.com/danbury_college_fair.html (203) 743-3247
- ❖ **Art School & Portfolio Review Day @ FLHS. TBA**
- ❖ **Computer Proficiency Exam. Tuesday, October 18, 2:15 PM, FLHS, Room 303**
- ❖ **We Need Money for College! How Can My Child Find Scholarships? TBA**
- ❖ **Gap Year Fair...Military Day Fair...College Fair...Details to come second semester!**

Financial Aid & Scholarship Resources

Websites...

BrokeScholar

<http://scholarships.brokescholar.com/>

A free online scholarship search engine. Register and complete a survey, then be matched with scholarships that fit. You can also automatically generate application letters and create an online application deadline calendar.

College Board

<http://www.collegeboard.com/parents/pay/scholarships-aid/21403.html>

From the people who administer the SAT and Advanced Placement examinations get tips on applying for financial aid and search for scholarship information.

CollegeNET

<http://www.collegenet.com/about/index.html>

CollegeNET is a well-designed and rated source of information about colleges, scholarships, and financial aid.

CT Dept. of Higher Education

<http://www.ctohe.org/SFA/default.shtml>

Information on financial aid and scholarships in CT

FAFSA On The Web

<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

Use this online form to apply for federal student aid.

FinAid: The SmartStudent Guide to Financial Aid

<http://www.finaid.org/>

Free, comprehensive, independent, and objective guide to student financial aid. It is maintained by Mark Kantrowitz, author of *The Prentice Hall Guide to Scholarships and Fellowships for Math and Science Students*, and is sponsored by the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA).

Scholarship America

http://scholarshipamerica.org/student_center.php

Topics on open scholarships, scholarship info and application tips.

U.S. Department of Education

<http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/grants-scholarships/finding-scholarships>

Various scholarships and application tips.

U.S. Scholarship Guide

http://www.usscholarshipguide.org/misc/scholarship_tips.html

Tips on getting scholarships and info on scholarship types and scams.

Specific Scholarships...

FLHS receives a number of scholarship announcements every year. These scholarships are posted on Naviance and in the C&CC. Go to: *Naviance*; click *Colleges* and scroll to bottom of page; click *Scholarship List* to see all scholarships announced through FLHS. Scholarships are added to Naviance as we receive them, usually beginning in mid-late fall.

Scholarship Books Available in the C&CC...

The C&CC has several directories of available scholarships. Students may use the resources during any free periods:

College Board Getting Financial Aid, 2012, 2014
College Board Scholarship Handbook, 2012, 2014
Get Free Cash for College
How to Win a Sports Scholarship
How You Can Maximize Student Aid
Kaplan's Paying for College
Kaplan Scholarships, 2013
Paying for College Without Going Broke, 2013
Peterson's Get a Jump: The Financial Aid Answer Book

Peterson's Scholarships, Grants & Prizes, 2013
Peterson's Sports Scholarships & College Athletic Programs
Scholarships 101
The Best Scholarships for the Best Students
The Financial Aid Handbook
The Scholarship Book, 13th Edn.
The Ultimate Scholarship Book, 2011