Rockville High School Senior Meeting

Wednesday, September 25th

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- 1) People to know & Contacts
- 2) SSL Hours: Point of contact, Goal, Forms, Finding Opportunities, Deadlines
- 3) RHS Counseling: <u>Link</u>
- 4) College & Career Info: Career Center Website
 - a) Financial Aid & Scholarships
 - b) College Fair info
- 5) PSAT Day
- 6) Credit Recovery
- 7) Class Updates: <u>Prom</u>, <u>Volunteering</u>, <u>Stay Connected</u>
- 8) PTSA Updates: Survey Says, Jackpot Raffle, Lean In To Rockville, Next Steps
- 9) Senior Dues
- 10) Your role: Get Involved (1), Get Involved (2)



SGA Officers, Admin & People to know

SGA Officers

Administration

People to Know

Schoolwide President:

Marvin Kongo

Class Officers

Ye-Absira Gebiba

German Diaz Pena

Maha Ezzaki

Emily Aquino

• **Principal**: Ms. Pyles

• **AP**: Ms. Bado-Aleman

- 2025 Sponsor: Mr. Akatu
 - David_Akatu@mcpsmd.org
- SGA Sponsor: Mr. Brammer
 - jonathan.a.brammer@mcpsmd.net
- Grad. Coordinator: TBD

- CCIC: Ms. Wolk
 - Victoria_a_wolk@mcpsmd.org
- SSL Coordinator: Ms. Shevchenko
 - Honor C Shevchenko@mcpsmd.org



Student Service Learning (SSL)



SSL Coordinator: Mrs. Shevchenko Honor_C_Shevchenko@mcpsmd.org

Join Ms. Shevchenko's SSL Canvas Course and be the first to know about SSL opportunities not only at RHS, but throughout MCPS



What is the goal? 75 Hours

Check off THIS graduation NOW.

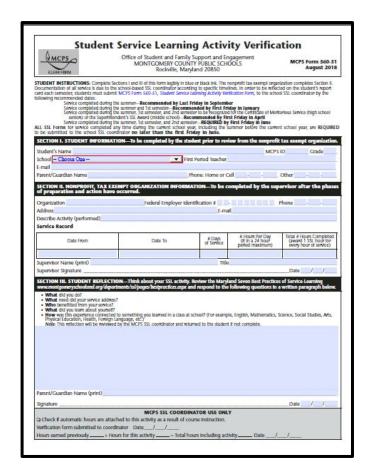
Do not wait!

Earn
Superintendent's
SSL Award in
Middle School

You can also earn the Certificate of Meritorious Service if you earn 240 SSL hours or more by the end of your HS senior year!

MCPS Form 560-51: SSL Activity Verification Form

- Students <u>MUST</u> completely fill out sections 1 and 3 (<u>answering</u> all the questions in complete sentences)
- Forms may be turned in the media center basket or counseling office basket.
- Please see Mrs. Shevchenko in the math office room 2098 if you have any questions.



Finding Opportunities



The website which has all the <u>approved</u> opportunities for SSL

Deadlines

All senior paperwork is due by Friday, April 25th, 2025.

Systemwide Student Documentation Timeline		Systemwide SSL Award Timeline		
Time Frame of Service	Documentation Due Date	Award	Documentation Due	
Service completed during the summer	September 27, 2024	Documentation that qualifies seniors for Certificate of		
Service completed during the summer and 1st semester	January 3, 2025	Meritorious Service - This award, along with a purple tassel for graduation, is given to seniors who earn 240 SSL hours or more.		
Service completed during the summer, 1st semester, and 2nd semester	May 30, 2025*	Documentation that qualifies middle school students for the Superintendent's SSL Award. This award is	April 4, 2025*	
**All SSL Forms for service completed after June 1, 20 2024-2025 school year, are REQUIRED to be submitted Coordinator no later than May 30, 2025		given to students who meet the 75 hour graduation requirement during middle school and is only awarded once.		

Completing the Training:

How do students access the course?

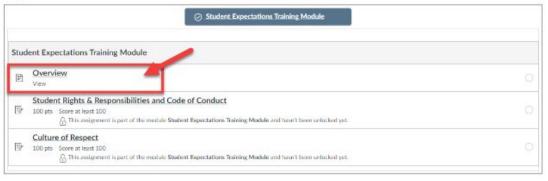
Students will be pre-enrolled into a Student Expectations Training course in myMCPS Classroom. To access the course, students will need to log into myMCPS Classroom and navigate to the course tile that appears on their dashboard



2024-2025 Student Expectati...

How do students begin the course?

The home page of the course has links to the three components of the course. Students must complete each of the items listed in the module at the bottom of the home page in the order that they are listed.



Staff Support Guide



RHS Counseling - RHS webpage

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'25 Rockville HS College Application Process

Step 1: Create and complete your Common App Account (everyone must do this. even if you are not applying to a CA school).

- · Sign the FERPA waiver.
- Link your Common App account with Naviance

*If there are any special circumstances with your application (it is not on common app or coalition app) contact the counseling team.

Step 2: Request a feedback form from at least 3 teachers. Email your teachers this link: Teacher Feedback Form

Counselors are not in your classes with you and therefore, the teacher feedback form allows your teachers to share how you do in the classroom environment. Counselors may use the feedback from your teachers in their letters of recommendation. But remember, these responses do not go directly to the colleges.

Step 3: Complete ALL of your Naviance Tasks

- Complete Brag Sheet in Naviance
- · Add colleges to your "Colleges I am Applying To" list
- Speak to 2-3 teachers to request Letters of Recommendation
 - In Naviance, recommendation letter requests can be found under "colleges" along the top bar of Naviance and in the drop down menu. Select the General request,



If your college application is due on or around	Oct 1	Oct 15	Nov 1	Nov 15	Dec 1	Dec 15	Jan 1	Jan 15	Feb 1	Feb 15	Mar 1	Mar 15	Apr 1	
Submit your checklist, recommendation and transcript requests by	Sep 6	Sep 20	Oct 4	Oct 18	Nov 8	Nov 20	Nov 29	Dec 13	Jan 3	Jan 17	Jan 31	Feb 14	Feb 28	

College & Career Center Website



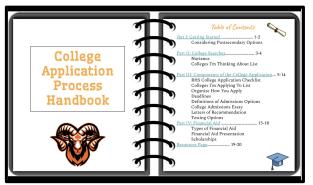
The <u>college & career center website</u> is useful tool for navigating the college admissions process.

It includes resources for:

- ASVAB/Accuplacer Testing
- FAFSA
- GAPP
- SAT/ACT Prep

For more information, contact







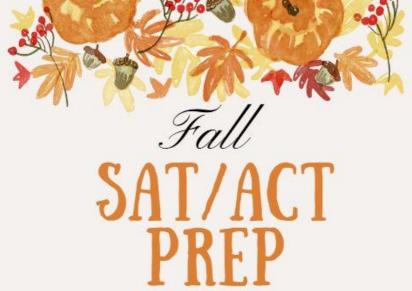
Ms. Wolk.



Important Updates From College & Career Center

- Stop into the Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays to create your FAFSA and MDCAPS account. These must be created before Nov. 14
- Financial Aid Completion Night is scheduled for Dec. 4 with MC.





PROVIDED BY C2 EDUCATION OCTOBER 14, 2024

11AM - 12PM COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER

Registration is required to receive a pass.







Please register here: bit.ly/4etEoq1



Paying for college, trade school, gap year, etc., is hard. Attend this workshop by Lisa Schaefer, Financial Advisor with Financial Advantage Associates Inc.

October 24, 2024

6:30pm

Auditorium





RHS College Fair

Over 40 Colleges/Universities, Trade Schools, and Military from Maryland, Virginia, DC, and Pennsylvania

Then after school attend the Wooton College Fair from 5-7pm with 70 more post secondary options.



Oct 1, 2024

Tuesday
5:00-7:00 PM

UPPER PARKING LOT ADJACENT TO AUDITORIUM

Thomas S. Wootton High School 2100 Wootton Parkway Rockville, MD 20850

please park in parking lot next to stadium

- Open to Rockville & Richard Montgomery HS
- Over 70 colleges, career, military, and educational companies represented



For more information contact Jennifer MacDonald at jennifer_t_macdonald@mcpsmd.org

SENIOR COLLEGE/CAREER SCAVENGER HUNT



As you complete the scavenger hunt you will be able to pick college items for your taking!

Apply to 5 scholarships
Complete FAFSA or MHEC One-App
Find a Career or College Ram– 5 of each will be given out to teachers and staff
Get advice from 2 teachers about life after graduation
Create a Resume
Visit the College/Career Center
Attend a College Visit

Want to get free college swag?

Check off everything from the scavenger hunt.

Yes, your teachers already have rams and are waiting for you to ask for one.

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HISPANIC COLLEGE FAIR

OCTOBER 4, 2024 9-1PM

UNIVERSITIES AT SHADY GROVE

FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOPS

How financial aid works? How to complete your FAFSA? Discuss process to complete MSFAA and CSS profile along with scholarship information.

English Session

Hosted by Sherwood HS Financial Aid Presented by Rob Maddox

October 1, 2024 6:30pm

Zoom Meeting <u>Link</u> Meeting ID: 850 5332 9918 Passcode: 318196

English Session

Hosted by Blake HS Financial Aid Presented by Rob Maddox

October 2, 2024 6:30pm

Zoom Meeting Link Meeting ID: 884 8337 5163, Passcode: 586785

Spanish Session

Hosted by Collegiate Directions, Inc. Financial Aid

October 3, 2024 6:30pm

To register please use this link The fair is on Oct 4. See Ms. Wolk for permission slips.

We will leave at 9:30am and return by 11:30.

You will need to register with the fair-QR link found on the back of the permission slip.

You have to download an app to get a code.

You will not be able to enter the fair without doing so.

Permission slips are due by Friday Sept 27.



PSAT Day

When: Wednesday, October 16th

What: Select 12th graders -- opportunities for:

- SSL hours
- credit recovery support
- limited ACCUPLACER testing* (TBD)
- Seal of Biliteracy Test
- College Essay/Applications Support

Check your email daily for notices, pay attention to announcements, and follow passes!



Credit Recovery

Online (Edmentum) CR will begin in mid-October.



Eligible seniors will be sent an email and given a pass to attend a meeting about the process.

Oct 16 (PSAT DAY) will be a required day for seniors who need CR!

CR Teachers available at lunch and select periods for check-in support:

Mr. McCarrick (English), Mr. Stohlman (Soc St, Health, CTE), Ms. Lane (math), Mr. Hankerson (Science) See your counselor or Ms. Bado for details.



Prom

Location: Pinstripes in Pike & Rose

Date: Friday, April 25th 2025

Time: 8pm-11pm

After Prom: TBD*



*Please fill out the <u>after prom survey</u> if you

haven't already: https://bit.ly/AfterProm2025

Volunteering

Fundraising: Last four fundraisers (approx \$3,000)

Thank You:

- Senior Sunrise
- Mulch Sale
- Car Wash
- Hoco Halls
- Shirts



Stay Connected

Instagram:

Class: rhs2025sga_

Boosters: @rhsbooster

School:@RockvilleHS

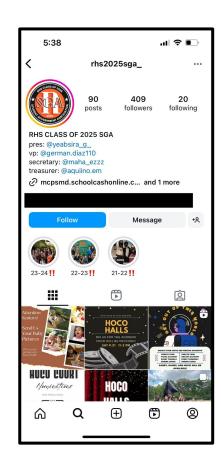
College and Careers:@RHSCollege_and_career

Twitter:

Principal Pyles: @PrincipalRHS

MCPS: @MCPS

End of the year activities



Senior Dues

Senior Dues: Projected \$105*

Payment via <u>School Cash Online</u>.

Deadline for payment: Early April 2025

The \$105 covers costs related to graduation-

cap & gown, venue fees, and the end of year senior celebration.



*if experiencing a hardship, contact Mr. David Stough, business administrator. david_stough@mcpsmd.org





What you want at APP

- GAMES
- FREE FOOD
- PRIZES
- CHILL SPACES

Survey Says

- 149 Seniors took survey- About 40% of SB
- 75% said they would go the After Prom Party
- PTSA's Budget for this event is \$10,000
- The Party will be either at School, Zava Zone or Bauer Rec
- We can have Casino Games, Game Shows, 360
 Camera, Free Food, Inflatables

What we need- **SENIOR PARENTS TO PLAN THE AFTER PROM** and a Student Committee to make choices on activities.

If we don't have parent commitment by October 1st. We have to pivot and may not have the After Prom Party



\$100 Jackpot Raffle for After Prom Party Only 100 sold, last day to purchase 10/10

Monthly Prizes:

- October: Raffle- College Essay and Common App Review- Sarah Avery Tutoring- \$300
- <u>November:</u> Raffle- 2 Tickets to Mom Prom, with Hair and Makeup from Crippled But Cute Artistry-Value \$700
- <u>December:</u> Raffle- Dine Around Town- Restaurant
 Gift Card Package \$225
- <u>January:</u> Spring Semester Parking Pass, Oil Change and Car Detail- \$250
- <u>February:</u> Raffle- Prom Queen Essential Package-\$200
- March: Raffle- Idrive Smart Driving Package- \$500
- April: Raffle- Prom King Essential Package- \$200
- <u>May:</u> Raffle- 15 Winners- Premium Reserved Seats at Graduation

*All Raffle items are subject to slight variations.

LEAN INTO ROCKVILLE- Last Chance for those memories

Share the Work, Secure Their Success!



Scan the QR Code or click to the link to help - Without YOU, students THIS YEAR will go without deserved opportunities!



A \$10 Gift Goes a Long Way



We need 800 Rockville Fans to donate \$10 to meet PTSA Financial Budget



OCTOBER 15 - PTSA Meeting 7:00 PM Media Center Next Steps Navigator: Charting Your Post-High School Course

Workshop Style Meeting

Workshops tailored to senior families

- Alumni Parent Panel- Surviving the 1st year and lessons learned
- How to Play Sports in College
- How to Pay for College
- And Many More

Student encouraged to attend- 2 SSL hour given for attendance

GET INVOLVED!



Things **everyone** can do:

- Follow official sources of information for the latest updates.
 - Social Media Accounts, RHS Webpage, Newsletter, etc.

Students:

- Connect with senior class officers about your ideas for Class of 2025
- Attend meetings for prom, senior picnic, fundraising, etc.
 - o Info posted via Insta rhs2025sga_and WRAM Announcements.

Families/Guardians:

Check Principal Pyles' Newsletter and RHS Website

BE IN SCHOOL! GET INVOLVED!



Attendance Matters: be in school and in classes, ON TIME

Behavioral Expectations at Events -- HOMECOMING

Upcoming Senior Meetings:

Fundraiser Dates: Mid-October, Mid-November

Survey for End of Year Celebration: Your class officers will be reaching out to you.

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