

Seton Guidance Corner

December 8, 2022

Seniors:

January 1st is the application deadline date for many colleges, and transcript requests need to be received by Mrs. McIntyre (tmcintyre@setonschool.net) by Friday, Dec. 16, before Christmas break.

Laurel Ridge Community College - Trades Information Session

This free information session is an open house-style event that will introduce students to a variety of fast-track, career-training trades professions. Students planning to register for an upcoming class, or on the fence about their next career step, are invited to come and gain more information about rewarding careers in the trades. Learn more about:

- HVAC Courses
- Plumbing Courses
- Electrical Courses
- Heavy Equipment Operator Training
- Construction Project Management
- Manufacturing Programs
- Mechatronics Program
- Welding Courses
- Apprenticeship
- Funding Options and More

The information session is scheduled on Saturday, January 14, from 9:00 a.m. till noon and takes place at Vint Hill Site, 4151 Weeks Drive, Warrenton. To register, visit <https://laurelridge.edu/event/trades-information-session/>.

The College Tour – New Show Featuring Colleges and Universities

The College Tour is a TV series which tells the story of colleges and universities around the world. Each episode of *The College Tour* focuses on a single college or university to include campus life, academics, housing, sports, activities, and much more. To view colleges that have been featured so far, visit <https://www.thecolleetour.com/tour-colleges/>. Information can also be found on Cardinal Newman Recommended Colleges to include Ave Maria, Belmont Abbey, Benedictine, University of Dallas, Franciscan, Thomas Aquinas, University of Mary, and more.

Hillsdale College – High School Summer Study and Travel Programs

Students can earn three college credits and travel the world this summer studying with Hillsdale College faculty. All courses begin with lectures on the Hillsdale campus and continue on site at cultural and historic destinations domestic (Gettysburg, Philadelphia, and Washington D.C.) and abroad (England, France, and Italy). Rising high school juniors and seniors age 15 or older are eligible, with applications encouraged by February 15 and being accepted until programs reach capacity. Visit <https://www.hillsdale.edu/admissions-aid/high-school-study/> for more information.

2023 Virginia Summer Residential Governor's School

Virginia Summer Residential Governor's School provides rising juniors and seniors with intensive educational experiences in Agriculture; Humanities; Mathematics, Science, and Technology; and through mentorships in Marine Science and Engineering. Students live on a college or university campus for up to four weeks during the summer. During this time, students are involved in classroom and laboratory work, field studies, and research with noted scholars and other professionals. Consideration is given to students' academic records, test scores, extra-curricular activities, honors, and awards, creativity, original essays, and teacher recommendations. Tuition ranges between \$975 and \$1750. Please email Mrs. Guyant at cguyant@setonschool.net if you are interested in applying **by Friday, Dec. 9**. For more information, visit https://doe.virginia.gov/instruction/governors_school_programs/summer_residential/index.shtml.

CUA - Knowledge for Freedom Summer Program

Calling all members of the Class of 2024! Catholic University is hosting an all-expenses-paid two week residential Civics and College Prep program this coming summer from June 25 through July 8, 2023. The program, titled "Knowledge for Freedom," seeks to foster encounters with transformative texts in civics and history with selections from Langston Hughes, Thomas Jefferson, Willa Cather, Maya Angelou, and others. In addition, the program offers intensive college preparation assistance. Catholic University is looking for students who have a strong drive to give back – they will be asked to create a civics project at the end of the two weeks that will positively impact their own community - and a strong drive to move forward into the world of collegiate academics. For more information, click [here](#).

Cardinal Newman Society – Recommended Catholic Colleges

Over the next several weeks, the Seton Guidance Corner will highlight a recommended college by the Cardinal Newman Society. This week's feature is **University of Mary**.

Year Founded: 1959

Number of Students: 2,535

Two Locations: Bismarck, ND

Number of Majors: 50+

Nestled in the hills overlooking the Missouri River, the University of Mary was founded in 1959 by the Benedictine Sisters of the Annunciation, who remain owners today. Because of its commitment to education in the Catholic Benedictine tradition, University of Mary prepares graduates to become professional leaders in their fields and servant leaders in their communities.

With over 50 degrees, the University of Mary focuses on career preparation while offering a comprehensive, liberal arts core curriculum, which includes two Catholic theology and two philosophy courses. Its multiple health-related programs are highly ranked and includes a partnership with the National Catholic Bioethics Center. There is also the opportunity for students to study abroad at the University's campus in Rome.

University of Mary has over 40 student organizations with many opportunities for students to share their interests, develop their skills, and meet new friends from participating in community service to entering a video game competition. Athletes compete in 18 varsity teams in the Northern Sun conference of NCAA Division II.

Spiritual life includes Mass every day, Confession and Adoration at least three times a week, Catholic Studies program, vocation-based residence halls, an active University Ministry program, and a partnership with FOCUS. (<https://www.umary.edu/> and <https://cardinalnewmansociety.org/college/>)

Scholarship Opportunities

Optimist International Club of Manassas Essay Contest

Topic: "Who is an everyday hero that brings out the optimism in you?"

Up to \$2,500 Award

Deadline: December 20, 2022

See Senior Board outside Aquinas Classroom for more information and application.

Happy Holidays Scholarship

Amount: \$1500

Deadline: December 31, 2022

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/19120/happy-holidays-scholarship>

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship

Up to \$30,000 Scholarship

Deadline: January 11, 2023

<https://www.jackierobinson.org/apply/>

Taco Bell Foundation – Live Mas Scholarship

Amount: \$25,000

Deadline: January 11, 2023

<https://www.tacobellfoundation.org/live-mas-scholarship/>

John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest

Describe and analyze an act of political courage by a US elected official who served during or after 1917.

Amount: \$10,000

Deadline: January 13, 2023

<https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest/getting-started/>

2021 Youthcon Scholarship - Rise to the Occasion

Hosted by [AASuccess](https://aasuccess.org/), a Falls Church-based nonprofit dedicated to empowering youth to gain confidence while fostering leadership skills by living a motto of “perfecting the act of giving back”.

Amount: \$3,000

Deadline: January 15, 2023

<https://youthcon.aasuccess.org/>

Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarship

Competition open to all high school seniors who are planning careers in government service.

Amount: \$5,000

Deadline: January 15, 2023

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10091/washington-crossing-foundation-scholarship>

American Quarter Horse Foundation

Award amount varies.

Deadline: January 15, 2023

https://aqhfoundation.smapply.io/prog/aqhf_scholarship_program/

**Please note, opportunities in the Guidance Corner are not endorsements of the programs. They are shared as options for students and parents to carefully consider.*