

# Seton Guidance Corner

February 15, 2024

## Grow Manassas Tuition Assistance Fund

Residents of the City of Manassas (with zip code 20110) can now pursue their higher education goals at **no cost** through the Grow Manassas tuition assistance fund. This program, made possible by the City of Manassas, provides full coverage tuition assistance for select certificates offered at Northern Virginia Community College that lead to careers in high-demand sectors. Areas of study and certificates include IT, Healthcare, Business, and Applied Technologies (i.e. HVAC, Welding, Construction Supervision, Automotive Repair, etc.). For more information, visit <https://www.nvcc.edu/academics/workforce/grow-manassas.html>.

## 2024 Teen Summer Volunteer Program

The UVA Health Auxiliary Teen Volunteer Summer Program gives students an opportunity to learn about healthcare by assisting staff, visitors, and patients with non-medical tasks at the UVA Health Prince William Medical Center. Over the course of two weeks, volunteers rotate through several different positions (i.e. Emergency Department, Surgical Services, Registration, Materials Management, Patient Services, etc.) to gain a better understanding of the healthcare setting and some of the positions that go into running a hospital. Three two-week sessions are offered, and successful completion of the program may lead to year-round volunteer opportunities. For more information and to apply, visit <https://uvahealth.com/services/volunteer/prince-william/summer-teen>. Applicants must be between 15 and 18 years old and have finished their sophomore year of high school by summer 2024. Deadline to apply is April 12.

## Introducing the Catholic Institute of Technology

Opening this fall and located in the Alban Hills of Castel Gandolfo in Italy, CatholicTech is an institution offering scientific research and technical education. The curriculum integrates the rigors of technical education with a moral, intellectual, and spiritual formation in the Catholic tradition. Majors include Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Biomedical Engineering, and Biology. Over the next fifteen years, CatholicTech will be offering additional courses in various science and engineering disciplines. For more information, visit <https://catholic.tech/>.

## West Point Summer Leaders Experience

West Point's Summer Leaders Experience (SLE) is a week-long immersion into the academic, military, and social life of a West Point cadet. At SLE, attendees explore West Point from all angles, including the high-tech educational facilities, team-building athletic activities, and realistic military training. The application is open until March 15 for students currently in their junior year. Students selected to attend SLE will choose to attend one of two sessions: Session 1: June 1 - 7 and Session 2: June 8 - 14. Learn more at <https://www.westpoint.edu/admissions/summer-program>. To apply, visit <https://apply.westpoint.edu/portal/candidate>. Click [here](#) for flyer.

## Interested in Becoming an Architect?

The Experiences in Architecture program at the Catholic University of America is a two-week pre-college workshop for rising juniors and seniors interested in architecture or other design related fields. Students are exposed to both the academic and professional sides of the architectural arena as the city of Washington D.C. becomes their classroom. Students will learn an array of technical skills and gain a greater understanding of how the design profession works. In addition, they will have access to CUA professors, experience behind-the-scenes tours of museums, and visit architects at national firms headquartered in D.C. The program will take place July 7 through July 20. For more information and to apply, visit <https://architecture.catholic.edu/academics/pre-college/index.html>. Application deadline is April 15.

## Christendom College Open House

Christendom College invites high school students and their families to an upcoming Open House scheduled Saturday, February 24, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Meet President Dr. Timothy O'Donnell, experience a class with a Christendom professor, take a tour of campus, learn about financial aid offerings, and more. To register, visit <https://www.christendom.edu/admissions/open-house/>.

## Junior Class – Save the Date!

The annual mandatory College and Career Night for juniors and at least one parent will take place on Wednesday evening, April 17, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the gym. Guest Speakers will offer presentations on the college application process, financial aid, the military, and the trades.

## CLT, SAT, and ACT Registration Deadlines Coming Up

**CLT Test Date – March 16** (Remotely Proctored)

Registration Deadline – March 6

Click [here](#) to register.

[Signup](#) for CLT's free practice test.

**Digital SAT Test Date – March 9**

Registration Deadline – February 23

Click [here](#) to register.

[Signup](#) for free SAT practice test.

**ACT Test Date – April 13**

Registration Deadline – March 8

Click [here](#) to register.

[Signup](#) for free ACT test prep.

## Scholarship Opportunities

### Louise Lightner Jamison Teacher Scholarship

For high school seniors who plan to pursue a career in early childhood or elementary education

Amount: \$1,500

Deadline: March 14, 2024

[www.cfnova.org/scholarship/louise-lightner-jamison-teacher-scholarship-fund](http://www.cfnova.org/scholarship/louise-lightner-jamison-teacher-scholarship-fund)

### Ashworth Grogan Scholarship

Amount: \$5,000

Deadline: March 14, 2024

<https://www.cfnova.org/scholarship/ashworth-grogan-scholarship-fund>

### Northern Virginia First Responders Scholarship

Amount: Up to \$20,000

Deadline: March 14, 2024

<https://www.cfnova.org/scholarship/northern-virginia-first-responders-scholarship-fund>

*\*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.*