



COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER

SEPTEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

College applications • Scholarships • Events • Career planning

COLLEGE APPLICATION WORKSHOPS

Tuesdays & Thursdays after school | Room 4160 | Aug. 18 - End of October

Drop in for help with Common App, STARS/Xello, applications, deadlines, or dedicated work time. Bring your laptop!

SCHOLARSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Cirkled In “No Sweat” Scholarship

DEADLINE: SEPT. 30

Awards \$2,500 quarterly. Removes barriers that keep students from applying. Simple online application completed in less than 5 minutes.

[Cirkled In Scholarships](#)

The Gates Scholarship

DEADLINE: SEPT. 15

Highly selective, last-dollar scholarship for outstanding high school seniors from low-income households.

[The Gates Scholarship](#)

Coca-Cola Scholars Program

DEADLINE: SEPT. 30

Achievement-based scholarship recognizing leadership, service and community impact. 150 seniors receive \$20,000 scholarships.

[Coca-Cola Scholars Program](#)

Triple-Impact Competitor Scholarship

DEADLINE: OCT 8

Positive Coaching Alliance – Tampa Bay recognizes outstanding high school senior student-athletes who demonstrate leadership, character and a commitment to making themselves, their teammates, and the game better.

[Triple-Impact Competitor Scholarship Application](#)

U.S. District Court High School Essay Contest

DEADLINE: SEPT. 23 • NOON

Grades 9-12 in Pinellas and surrounding counties. Top 10 prizes range from \$150-\$2,000; first place also shadows a federal judge.

[Essay Contest Details & Entry](#)

College JumpStart "Pay It Forward" Scholarship

DEADLINE: SEPT. 30

Open to grades 10-12 and other eligible learners. Financial need, grades and test scores are not considered.

[College JumpStart Scholarship](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

[The Perry Initiative – Building the Talent Pipeline in Orthopaedic Surgery & Engineering](#)

Application Deadline: Oct. 14

Program Date: Nov 14

Cost: FREE

One-day, hands-on experience for high school students in grades 9-12. Meet professionals working in orthopaedic surgery & engineering; complete mock procedures & biomechanics activities.

OCTOBER DEADLINES

Oct. 8 Triple-Impact

Oct. 14 Perry Initiative

Pinellas Technical College Open House

Clearwater Campus: Sept 23 6:00-7:30 pm
6100 154th Ave N, Clearwater
St. Pete Campus: Sept 29 6:00-7:30 pm
901 34th St. S, St. Petersburg

West Point Admissions Event

Sept. 8 at 6:00 PM
Vaughn Center, University of Tampa
200 UT Poe Parkway, Tampa, FL 33606

Meet with an Admissions Counselor to learn about West Point, life as a Cadet, and the application process.

SPC Free Apply Day

East Lake HS Media Center
Oct. 7th
9:00-11:30 am
Students Only

SEPTEMBER DEADLINES

Sept. 15 Gates
Sept. 23 Essay Contest
Sept. 30 Coca-Cola
Sept. 30 JumpStart
Sept. 30 Cirkled In

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Heritage United Methodist Church Pumpkin Patch

Oct 3 8am-12pm
Oct 10 9am-2pm

Volunteer Information

Keep Pinellas Beautiful

Multiple Dates

Questions? Visit Ms. Gallaty in the College & Career Center - Room 4160

Check your school email regularly for college, scholarship, financial aid, and event updates.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS INFO SESSIONS

Meet admissions representatives, learn about each campus, and get your questions answered.

SEP 9 8:30 AM	 JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY	Johns Hopkins University College & Career Center
SEP 10 2nd Period	 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA	University of Central Florida Media Center
SEP 14 5 th Period	 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA	University of South Florida Media Center
SEP 16 5 th Period		Pinellas Technical College Media Center

Registration is required.

