



# Senior Parent Night

Falls Church High School  
2018-2019

# Agenda

- **Jessica Grenfell**, Director of Student Services
- **Viri Acosta**, NVCC Pathway To The Baccalaureate
- **Renee' Foster**, College & Career Specialist
  - Career Center Resources
  - Naviance Student (Formerly known as Family Connection)
  - Financial Aid (FAFSA & CSS Profile)
- **Jenna Mollura**, Senior Lead Counselor
  - In House Application Procedures
  - Parent Consent Form/Transcript Requests
  - SAT/ACT (Fee Waivers)

# Career Center Resources for Post-Secondary Options



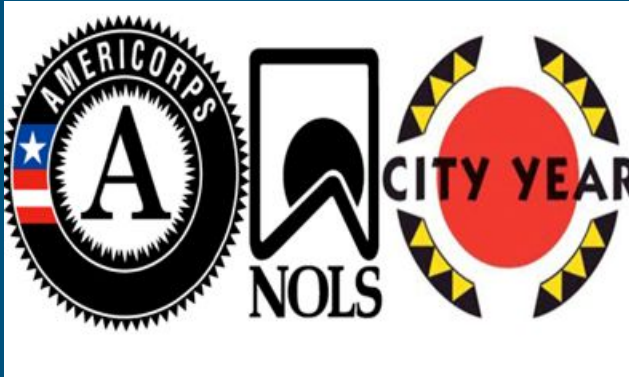
*COLLEGE*

*APPRENTICESHIP*



*MILITARY*

*GAP YEAR  
PROGRAM*



# Pathway To The Baccalaureate



## PATHWAY TO THE BACCALAUREATE

**GET ON THE PATH TO ACCESS, SUCCESS & EXCELLENCE!**

### PATHWAY BENEFITS IN HIGH SCHOOL:

- Individual meetings with Pathway Counselors on college transition issues, including choosing a major and a career workshops on the application process and preparation for placement tests
- Assistance applying for and processing financial aid, scholarships, and NOVA payment plan
- Early placement testing and priority course registration for your first semester at NOVA  
Pathway activities/events at NOVA and George Mason University

### PATHWAY BENEFITS AT NOVA:

- Continued academic and career counseling by a Pathway Counselor
- Guaranteed admission to George Mason University for participants who satisfy Pathway Program GAA requirements
- Special Pathway sections of your College Success Skills classes
- The opportunity in your second year to enroll in classes at George Mason regular academic and social activities and early access to activities and athletic events at George Mason University

# View and exchange information about your plans with school counseling staff through this extensive resource!

## ABOUT ME

- Develop plans
- Record activities
- Identify skills and interests (Interest Surveys)

## ABOUT COLLEGE

- Search for colleges
- College visit schedule
- See college acceptances (scattergrams)

## FROM YOUR SCHOOL

- Messages from Mrs. Foster and School Counselors

# Family Connection: Parent View

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 Naviance | *Student*

[Home](#) [Courses](#) [Colleges](#) [Careers](#) [About Me](#) [My Planner](#)

Welcome, Demo Mollura!

Search for Colleges



 Type a college name

SEARCH

## Getting Started



Welcome to the new **Naviance Student** formerly known as Family Connection. This is an easy-to-use 24/7 online tool for students and their parents that will guide students' academic and career choices, as well as provide students with opportunities of self-

[Read more](#)

## My Favorites



COLLEGES  
I'm thinking about



COLLEGES  
I'm applying to



COURSES  
I'm thinking about



CAREERS AND CLUSTERS  
I'm thinking about

## Important To-Dos and Tasks

Relax, you have no overdue or upcoming to-dos and tasks. However, you can get ahead by going to My Planner to see what's next or create a goal or to-do.


## What's New




Massachusetts Institute of Technology will be visiting your school on Thursday, September 6th, 2018 at 7:00 pm [more info](#)

# College Visit Location

## What's New

 Massachusetts Institute of Technology will be visiting your school on Saturday, September 8th, 2018 at 2:00 pm [more info](#)

 Virginia Tech will be visiting your school on Friday, September 14th, 2018 at 2:00 pm [more info](#)

 Duke University will be visiting your school on Wednesday, September 19th, 2018 at 6:00 pm [more info](#)

[Show more](#)

Click “More Info” or  
“Show More” for Full Visit  
List



# College List

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## Quick Links

### MORE SEARCH OPTIONS

[SuperMatch®](#)

[Advance college search](#)

[College lookup](#)

### MY COLLEGES

[Upcoming college events](#)

[Colleges match](#)

[Colleges Visits](#)

[Colleges I'm thinking about](#)

[Colleges I'm applying to](#)

## Colleges I'm thinking about

[+ Add Colleges to List](#)

[Compare Me](#)

[UPDATE INTEREST](#)

[MOVE TO APPLICATION LIST](#)

[REMOVE](#)

[+ = extended profile available](#)

	College	Delivery type <span>ⓘ</span>	Added By	Expected Difficulty*	Application Deadlines	Interest		
<input type="checkbox"/>	American University		Student	N/A	Multiple Deadlines <span>▼</span>	N/A	<span>▼</span>	MORE <span>⋮</span>
<input type="checkbox"/>	George Mason University		Student	N/A	Multiple Deadlines <span>▼</span>	N/A	<span>▼</span>	MORE <span>⋮</span>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ithaca College		Student	N/A	Multiple Deadlines <span>▼</span>	N/A	<span>▼</span>	MORE <span>⋮</span>
<input type="checkbox"/>	University of Michigan		Student	N/A	Multiple Deadlines <span>▼</span>	N/A	<span>▼</span>	MORE <span>⋮</span>



# College Specific Information



George Mason University ❤️  
Fairfax, VA, United States | [www.gmu.edu](http://www.gmu.edu)

Communicate

Overview

Studies

Student Life

**Admissions**

Costs

## EARLY ACTION DEADLINE



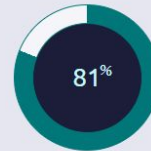
[See all deadlines](#)

## APPLICATION FEES

Freshman Application

**\$70**

## ACCEPTANCE RATE



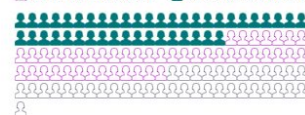
## IMPORTANT POLICIES

- By Date Notification
- By Appointment Registration
- Early Decision
- Competitive Admissions

## Applications from your high school to George Mason University

**126** Total Applicants in 2018

88 Students Accepted 43 Students Enrolled



**100** Total Applicants in 2017

67 Students Accepted 27 Students Enrolled

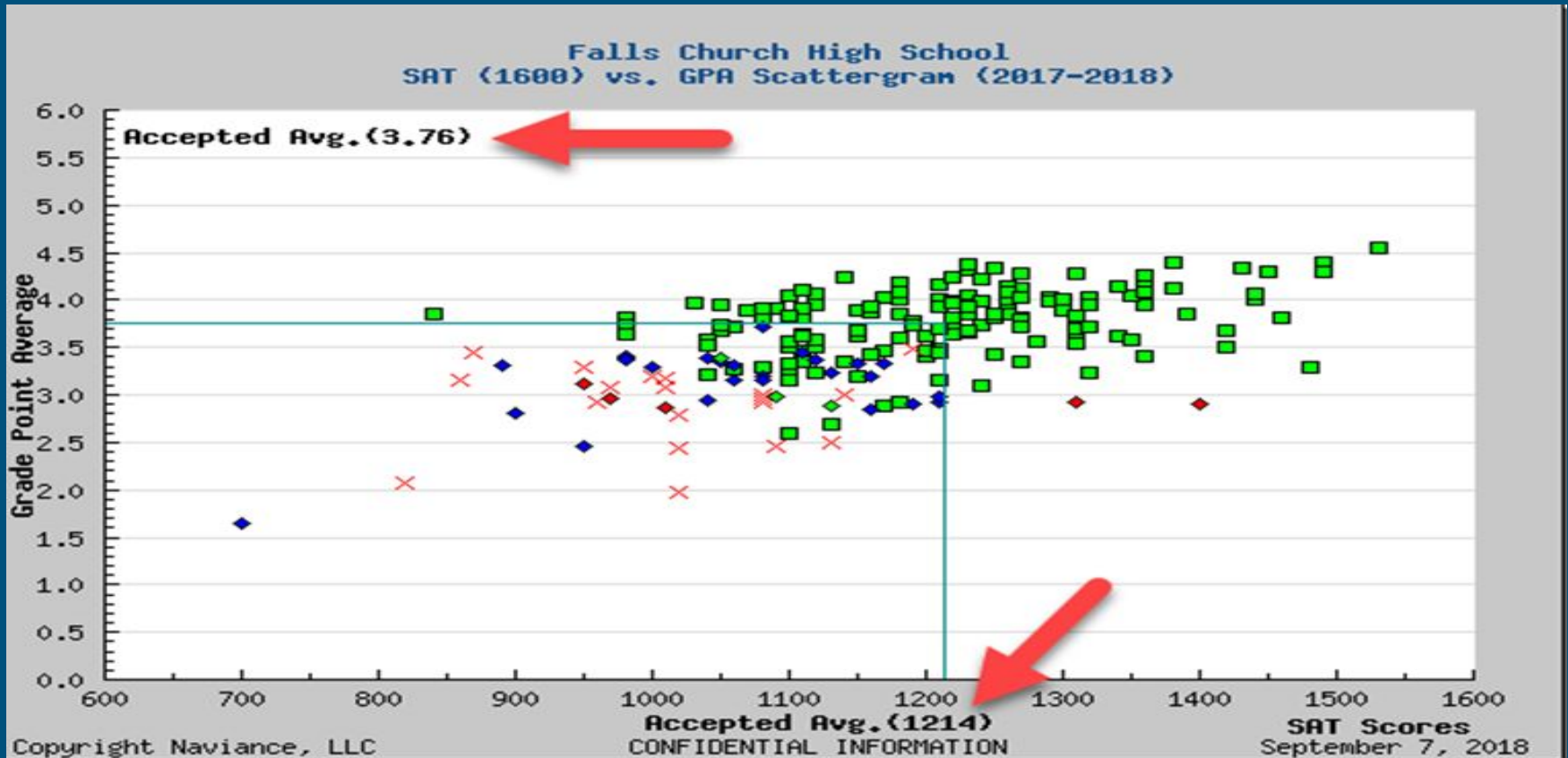


**99** Total Applicants in 2016

64 Students Accepted 26 Students Enrolled



# Naviance Scattergram: GMU



# Scholarships

The image shows a screenshot of the Naviance Student website. At the top, there are navigation links: "Home", "Courses", "Colleges", "Careers", and "Ab". Below the navigation is a search bar with the text "Type a college name" and a magnifying glass icon. To the left of the search bar is a "Search for Colleges" button with a dropdown arrow. The main content area is divided into two columns: "Getting Started" on the left and "My Favorites" on the right. The "My Favorites" section contains a list of items, including "COLLEGES I'm thinking about" and "COLLEGES I'm applying to". A red arrow points from the search bar area down to the "Scholarships and Money" link in the "My Favorites" section.

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Naviance | Student

Home Courses Colleges Careers Ab

Welcome, Demo Foster!

Search for Colleges

Type a college name

COLLEGES Home

COLLEGES I'm thinking about

COLLEGES I'm applying to

Getting Started

My Favorites

Find Your Fit >

Research Colleges >

Apply to College >

Scholarships and Money >

# FAFSA and CSS Profile



Federal Student Aid | FAFSA.gov  
An OFFICE of the U.S. DEPARTMENT of EDUCATION

English | Español Search FAFSA Help

## Need money for college?

Complete the FAFSA® (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form to apply for financial aid for college, career school, or graduate school.

**NEW TO FAFSA.GOV?**  
Submitting the FAFSA form is quick, and most importantly, it's FREE. Get started today.

**RETURNING USER?**

- Make a correction
- Add a school
- View your Student Aid Report (SAR)

[START HERE >](#) [LOG IN >](#)



CollegeBoard FAFSA CSS Profile Sign In Search

## CSS Profile

[Home](#) [Getting Started](#) [Fee Waivers](#) [Divorced or Separated Families](#) [International Applicants](#)

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# What Colleges Want From Applicants

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## **Strong academic record**

- Students who have completed the most challenging course of study appropriate for their abilities, including a rigorous senior year schedule
- Students who have taken four years of “core” classes
- Improvement over the high school years
- Solid standardized test performance (SAT and/or ACT)

## **Extracurricular, Athletic, and Community Involvement**

- Colleges are seeking students who demonstrate a variety of interests and a connection to the world around them
- “Quality vs. Quantity”

## **Well-prepared application package – required demographic forms, essays/personal statements, and teacher/counselor recommendations**

- It is very important to get to know a few of your teachers and your high school counselor so that you can get good recommendations for college

# ACT OR SAT

## The SAT

### TEST DATES for 2018-2019

Test date	Register by	Late Registration		Changes can be made by
		By mail	By phone/online	
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	July 27 <sup>th</sup>	August 7 <sup>th</sup>	August 15 <sup>th</sup>	August 15 <sup>th</sup>
October 6 <sup>th</sup>	September 7 <sup>th</sup>	September 18 <sup>th</sup>	September 26 <sup>th</sup>	September 26 <sup>th</sup>
November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	October 5 <sup>th</sup>	October 16 <sup>th</sup>	October 24 <sup>th</sup>	October 24 <sup>th</sup>
December 1 <sup>st</sup>	November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	November 13 <sup>th</sup>	November 20 <sup>th</sup>	November 20 <sup>th</sup>
March 9 <sup>th</sup>	February 8 <sup>th</sup>	February 19 <sup>th</sup>	Feb 27 <sup>th</sup>	Feb 27 <sup>th</sup>
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	April 5 <sup>th</sup>	April 16 <sup>th</sup>	April 24 <sup>th</sup>	April 24 <sup>th</sup>
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 14 <sup>th</sup>	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>

- Register online: [www.sat.org/register](http://www.sat.org/register) Check College Websites for Essay Requirement

- Fees: -SAT- \$47.50 (Without Essay) -SAT-\$64.50 (With Essay)  
-Late registration: +\$29.00

Subject test fee (base) - \$26; language with listening tests - +\$26 per test; all other subject tests - +\$22 per test

## The ACT

### Test Dates for 2018-2019

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Required
September 8 <sup>th</sup>	August 10 <sup>th</sup>	August 11 <sup>th</sup> - 26 <sup>th</sup>
October 27 <sup>th</sup>	September 28 <sup>th</sup>	September 29 <sup>th</sup> - October 14 <sup>th</sup>
December 8 <sup>th</sup>	November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	November 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup>
February 9 <sup>th</sup>	January 11 <sup>th</sup>	January 12 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup>
April 13 <sup>th</sup>	March 8 <sup>th</sup>	March 9 <sup>th</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 4 <sup>th</sup> - 20 <sup>th</sup>
July 13 <sup>th</sup>	June 14 <sup>th</sup>	June 15 <sup>th</sup> - 24 <sup>th</sup>

- Register online: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) Check College Websites for Essay Requirement

Fee: Basic (No Writing) - \$50.50; with Writing - \$67.00

Late Registration Fee: +\$30.00

# Transcript Request

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- Consent needed
- Student responsibility
- First 3 are free, \$5 after that

# Fee Waivers

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Students Must Receive FREE or REDUCED Lunch to be eligible:

## SAT Fee Waivers:

- College Board.... (2 for SAT & 2 for SAT Subject Tests)
- College Board Just announced.....Unlimited free score sends and waived college application fees if a SAT waiver is used!
- May get fee waivers from Mrs. Foster in the Career Center

## ACT Fee Waivers:

- 2 maximum given
- May get fee waivers from Mrs. Foster in the Career Center



# Parents...

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FCHS School counselors and the College & Career Center Specialist are always available to answer your questions and provide support!

This is a **TEAM** effort!

# Important Advice ... that we share with your kids

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- Choose what's important to you, not your friends
- Try to visit campus while schools are in session
- Attend College Info Sessions held @ FCHS
- Pay close attention to what you're posting on Social Media