*FROM THE COUNSELING OFFICE*

***HOPELINE Text Line serves anyone in any type of situation, providing them access to free, 24/7 emotional support and information they need via the medium they already use and trust: text.  
Someone texts into HOPELINE — 741741 — anywhere, anytime, about any type of challenge or struggle.  
A live, trained specialist receives the text and responds quickly.  
Each person that text in is important to us and we care about what they are dealing with.***

START YOUR SUMMER PLANNING

Click here to start working on college, scholarships, summer programs, testing, internships, and community service and much more…

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/students-and-parents/college-planning-articles.html>

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF SARASOTA COUNTY’S SUMMER HIGH SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

The **STAR Leadership Training Program** will have two sessions this summer at the Sarasota and Venice Boys & Girls Club campuses.

The **Perlman Price Young Entrepreneurs (PYE) Program,** is a professional development program designed to encourage the entrepreneurial mindset in high school students.  The PYE program will take place at the Lee Wetherington Boys & Girls Clubs

Applications are online at <https://www.bgcsarasota.com/teen-programs>

PAIDINTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY for seniors

Communications Authority offers a paid internship, can be full-time or part-time as entry- reasoning skills. After the probationary 90 day period, the job pays 15.00/hour to start. The opening level technician apprentice position, training provided. The candidate would need reliable transportation, good oral and written communication and also have good deductive is at the Bradenton office on State Road 64. One of our employee benefits is paid tuition, so for the right candidate it could help them through college as well long-term. Contact Mike Ray for information 941 600-0207

<http://www.commauthority.com>

NEW WORLD CELTS SARASOTA CHAPTER

Want to learn about the Celtic culture and arts? We are offering a Scholarship for Celtic Arts Performing Artist who wish to attend a school or program this year. The deadline for applying is May 18th. These scholarships will be awarded to students of Celtic dancing, piping, drumming, fiddling, visual arts, or other Celtic Arts. Examples of appropriate schools include but are not limited to the Jink & Diddle School of Scottish Fiddling, the North American Academy of Piping & Drumming, The School of Scottish Arts Dance Camp. Deadline is May 18th FLYER

CONGRESSIONAL SERVICE ACADEMY INFORMATION DAY

Sponsored by Congressman Charlie Christ (FL13), scheduled for Saturday, 18 May 2019, beginning at 10:00 am in the Digitorium, located at the St. Petersburg College (Seminole Campus). See flyer attached

MAJORS, CAREERS & COLLEGE SEARCH

* Explore the new site for CAREER & COLLEGE Resources from Sarasota County: Scholarships, Career discovery, Tests prep, and more.  
  <https://launchyourplan.com/>
* **Don't know what Major you are interested in yet? Discover your strengths, who you are and what you can accomplish in college and in a future career.**

**Take 20 minutes to find out what college majors are a natural fit based on your unique strengths. You'll also receive recommended colleges based on your ideal majors. https://pages.collegefactual.com/find-my-major/**

**NEWS FROM UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA (UNF):**

**Application opens for the Class of 2020 on June 1, 2019.**

**◦On and after June 1st, students can apply online here:** [**http://www.unf.edu/admissions/applynow/**](http://www.unf.edu/admissions/applynow/)

**•We will be holding Apply in July events, where students will be able to receive on-the-spot admissions decisions, throughout the month of July in 16 different cities within the state of Florida (quick note: we are still working on finalizing event details before we put our July 17th Tampa event online).**

**◦For more information and to see all of our event locations, please visit: http://www.unf.edu/welcomecenter/ApplyinJuly/**

**◦If your students are planning to participate in the Apply in July events, make sure they submit the application on our website, and not the Common Application as this will not open until August.**

**◦ We will need high school transcripts sent electronically or through the mail.**

**•Students are able to schedule a tour of campus or register for upcoming events on our Welcome Center’s website.**

**◦For more information, please visit: http://www.unf.edu/welcomecenter/**

**◦For students who are unable to visit campus, the virtual tour can be accessed here: https://tour.unf.edu/**

**SCHOLARSHIPS OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:**

The College Board (SAT) is investing $25 million in a new scholarship program, with students earning $5 million in scholarships each year, beginning with the class of 2020 (Current Juniors). You can get a scholarship for practicing for the SAT on Khan Academy, making a list of colleges to attend, raising your tests scores and more...

Register now to be notified! <https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/>

**ACT NEWS:**

**One lucky student will win a $40,000 Scholarship + a bonus $5,000 Tech Package:** Eligible sophomores and juniors that register for the April, June, or July, 2019 US national test date (and opt-in to the giveaway during registration) has a chance to win the scholarship. Register now: <http://www.act.org/>

$$$$ FREE SCHOLARSHIPS SEARCH $$$$$

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com/)  
In addition to registering for the SAT, you can investigate scholarship opportunities here.  
  
[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com/)  
includes over 275,000 awards in the database.   
  
[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org/)  
Sponsored by the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, this site provides a comprehensive guide to student financial aid, provides information regarding scholarship scams, and provides tools for estimating the family contribution.   
  
[www.embark.com](http://www.embark.com/)

This site provides exploration of scholarships, careers, and majors/careers, internships and interviews with people from a range of career areas.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS ONLY:

\*\*Packets are available in the Counseling office (Scholarship Binder) \*\*

If you are attending FSU in the fall, this is a scholarship for you:

<http://sarasotanoles.fsu.alumnispaces.com/scholarship/>

BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIPS (BF): Opens October 1st, 2018

In order to be evaluated to receive the scholarship, students must select at least one state university. Check out the link below for more information.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/pdf/nm4c_brochure.pdf>

FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID (FAFSA): Opens October 1st. Click below to learn the documents needed to apply & locations to receive free assistance with application. <https://fafsa.ed.gov/>

Additional FAFSA resources: <http://www.futuremakerscoalition.com/fafsafirst/>

**ROTARY FUTURES CENTER: VENICE HIGH SCHOOL**

**The Rotary Futures College Resource Center is an innovative approach to post-secondary decision-making that utilizes a resource center with 13 Internet computers, numerous printed materials, and willing volunteers to assist students, parents, and community members with linking education, career, and life opportunities. Contact for an appointment to access all the scholarships available.**

<http://rotaryfutures.org/>

**Address: 1 Indian Ave, Venice, FL 34285**

**Phone: (941) 480-3178**

**RESOURCES FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS:**

* Looking for Summer programs? Clink o the link from Sarasota County Schools: <https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/Page/2455>

Then go to the right side and click on the PDF: Summer Learning programs.

* Attention parents/guardians, there is a concern about an online character surfacing on several channels called Momo Challenge. Please read below:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/momo-online-safety-guide-for-parents/>

* Sarasota County Schools offers information on high school requirements, local scholarships, financial aid and more… Go to Featured resources, College and Financial Aid Heading:

<http://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/students.aspx>

* High School Students Progression Plan provides information on how to create a successful educational experience for students toward graduation.  Details pertaining to progression from grade to grade, acceleration, and graduation are included.

<https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/departments/curriculum/default.aspx?id=10092>

* Parent Guides, Life after High School Graduation, Fastest Growing

Careers and more. <https://www.floridastudentsachieve.org/>

* Explore Institutions, Discover Degrees & Certificate Programs

Find out what degrees and certificate programs are offered at each institution and what courses are required, Get Ready for College

Pay for College, Find the resources you need to pay for college, including scholarships, grants, loans and work-study programs:

<https://www.floridashines.org/go-to-college/get-ready-for-college>

* Financial Literacy for middle & high school students:

(Banking, budgeting and saving, credit and debt, insurance and financial frauds and scams): <http://financeyourfuture.myfloridacfo.com/index.html>

* Florida Department of education site with info on high school graduation requirements, state assessments:

<http://www.fldoe.org/academics/graduation-requirements/>

* Florida University System: Honors programs, majors, financial aid, transfers: <http://www.flbog.edu/>
* Information on strategies to help our children deal with difficulty situations that may lead to trauma: National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH): <https://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/publications/helping-children-and-adolescents-cope-with-violence-and-disasters-parents/index.shtml>
* School Social Work Association of America (SSWAA):

<http://www.sswaa.org/?page=252>

* The [National Suicide Prevention Lifeline](http://ncbh.msgfocus.com/c/1lVGbVlfidEBYsXyT5Jsu9BQo) (1-800-273-TALK (8255)) is available 24/7 to provide confidential support for individuals in crisis, as well as concerned family and loved ones.
* <https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>