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# WEEKLY FALCON NEWS

FOR THE WEEK OF 4/4/2021

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## School Re-opening Plan

[Click here](#) to review the school re-opening plan.

## Hybrid Program Family Survey

Please complete the following survey to indicate whether you plan to have your child participate in our Hybrid Program. Students in this program will attend school in-person on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays, and will attend school virtually on Thursdays and Fridays. Students will board each week from Sunday evening through Wednesday afternoon. The program begins on Sunday, April 25th. Please complete the survey by Wednesday, April 7th at 5 PM.

### Survey Link:

<https://forms.gle/DbQDLzYLRvs3Dqiw6>

Families that complete the survey by the 4/7 deadline will be entered into FIVE RAFFLES for a \$50 Giant Food or Target gift card!

## Important Dates

**April 2:** Re-enrollment emails were sent out to all families. Check your emails.

***Re-enrollment deadline is May 3rd.***

**April 4-9:** Day programming only, no boarding

**April 12-16:** Spring Break: No School

**April 19-23:** Virtual learning for all students, no boarding

# UPDATED MEAL DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE

Pick-ups are Sundays from 1-4 p.m. & Wednesdays from 4-7 p.m., unless otherwise noted on the schedule. Meals are free & available to all enrolled SEED PCS Scholars.

## April - May 2021

Sunday, April 4

Easter Sunday - NO MEAL PICK-UP\*

\*Meals for Monday & Tuesday were included in the March 31st distribution

Wednesday, April 7

Sunday, April 11 - Sunday, April 18

Spring Break - School Closed, NO MEAL PICK-UP

Wednesday, April 21

Sunday, April 25

Wednesday, April 28

Sunday, May 2

Wednesday, May 5\*

\*Will include meals for Mon., 5/10 & Tues., 5/11

Sunday, May 9

Mother's Day - NO MEAL PICK-UP\*

\*Meals for Monday & Tuesday were included in the May 5th distribution

Wednesday, May 12

Sunday, May 16

Wednesday, May 19

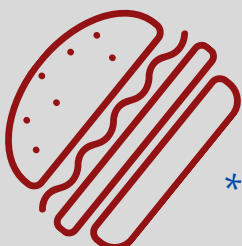
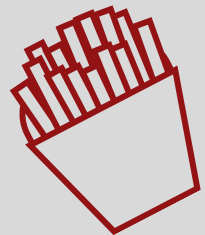
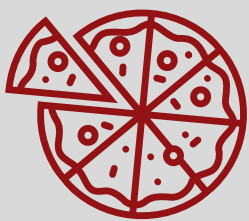
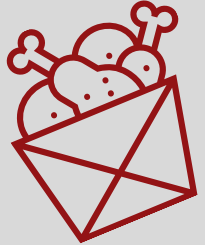
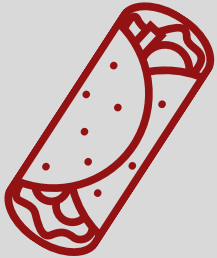
Sunday, May 23

Wednesday, May 26

Monday, May 31

Memorial Day - NO MEAL PICK-UP\*

\*Meals for Monday & Tuesday were included in the May 26th distribution



# MTSS Referral Form

**Are you worried about your child's performance or willingness to fully participate in virtual learning?**

SEED wants to partner with families by offering a way for families to confidentially refer students to our Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) program. The team addresses students with academic, behavioral, and social and/or emotional needs that interfere with their academic success. The team provides targeted school-based services and supports necessary for student improvement.

Teachers, parents, and students may request MTSS Team support for attendance, behavior/social/emotional, or course performance concerns. The requests will be made using the Google survey below. The MTSS Chair will review referrals as they are submitted and will determine whether a concern needs to be investigated or brought to the full MTSS team.

<https://forms.gle/f7EpimkPe2fXXX3TA>



# MSDC Waitlist Application



[www.seedschooldc.org](http://www.seedschooldc.org)

[admissions@seedschooldc.org](mailto:admissions@seedschooldc.org)



## Did you miss the deadline?

You can still submit a waiting list application for your rising 9th or 10th grade scholar!

**Don't delay.  
APPLY TODAY!**



Interested families with rising 9th & 10th grade scholars for SY2021-2022 should visit the MSDC website to submit a waitlist application:

[www.myschooldc.org](http://www.myschooldc.org).

Be sure to rank the schools in order of preference on the application.

# External Opportunities

## Student Advisory Committee

The Higher Education Licensure Commission (HELC) is recruiting Student Advisory Committee members to join the HELC SAC. The SAC is a volunteer committee that partners with the Commission to share ideas and ways about improving postsecondary education and activities in the District of Columbia.

Share with prospective students and view the website for more information on the SAC, including the application <https://osse.dc.gov/page/helc-student-advisory-committee>.

Interested students should submit their application and resume to the HELC mailbox at [www.osse.elcmail@dc.gov](mailto:www.osse.elcmail@dc.gov). For additional information, please contact Ms. Alesia Henry at [alesia.henry@dc.gov](mailto:alesia.henry@dc.gov).

## DC Health Youth Advisory Council

DC Health is currently recruiting for its [Youth Advisory Council](#) (YAC).

DC Health's YAC is comprised of District youth ages 14-21, who have an interest in ensuring better health outcomes for other youth. The purpose of the YAC is to develop young leaders who can share their public health knowledge and skills with their community. YAC members will be trained from a health equity lens to address current and emerging public health topics that align with DC Health's strategic priorities.

Benefits of YAC membership:

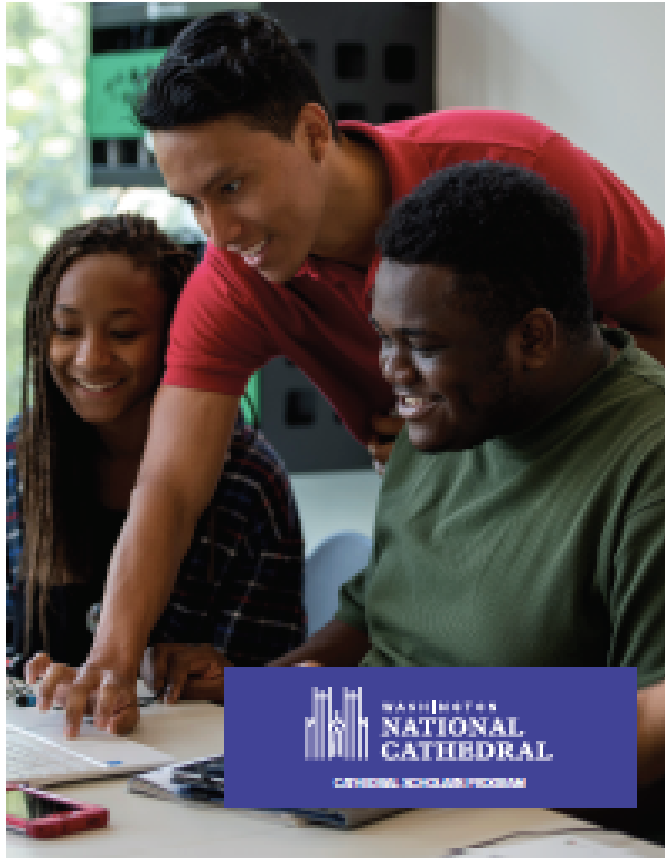
- Gain valuable leadership and service experience.
- Increase knowledge about key public health policies and programs.
- Exposure to a broad range of professionals in the field of public health.
- Create and lead advocacy efforts to influence the health and care of DC youth.
- Monthly membership and participation stipend

[Click here](#) to view the one page description of the program and flyer for distribution. To view the recruitment letter, click [here](#). The link to the application is provided below via survey monkey. **Application deadline is April 30.**

[surveymonkey.com/r/YACApplication](https://surveymonkey.com/r/YACApplication)

Should you have any questions, contact the YAC Coordinators via email at [dchealthyac@dc.gov](mailto:dchealthyac@dc.gov).

# National Cathedral Scholars: 9th Grade Program



## MISSION

The Cathedral Scholars Program is dedicated to furthering the expansion of equity in opportunities to improve access to and success in postsecondary education for promising youths who are traditionally underrepresented on college campuses.

## YEAR-ROUND PROGRAMMING

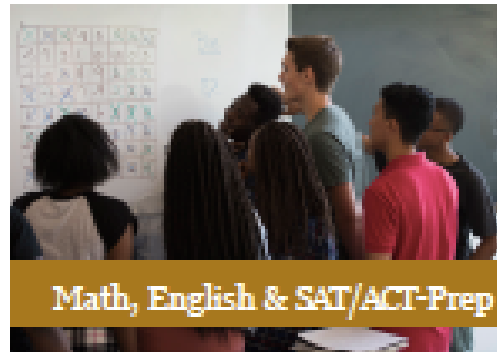
Scholars are provided opportunities to receive academic support (tutoring and study skills), earn community service hours, participate in social and cultural activities, and receive college guidance. The program also provides day-trips and a week-long tour of postsecondary institutions. Scholars are also able to participate in social advocacy, leadership training and the opportunity to travel to England in a cultural exchange program or Puerto Rico on a service trip.

## SIX-WEEK SUMMER INSTITUTE

Cathedral Scholars represent one of a few college preparatory programs in D.C. offering academic enrichment during the summer. The six-week Summer Institute runs from the end of June to the beginning of August. Scholars take auxiliary courses on academic success, English, Math and SAT/ACT test preparation. Additionally, Scholars are provided with internships in various departments on the campus, perform community service, engage in leadership activities and attend college visits. Scholars are provided with free meals and are paid for their participation through the *D.C. Marion Berry's Summer Youth Employment Program*.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Current 9th grader attending a DC public or charter school.
- Excellent record of school attendance
- Excellent record of in-and-out of class behavior & character
- Strong commitment to completing a consecutive four-year summer program of six weeks per summer.



Math, English & SAT/ACT-Prep

## HOW TO APPLY

- Step 1: Complete [on-line application](#) by Friday, April 2nd
- Step 2: Register for D.C.'s Marion Berry Summer Youth Employment Program (*MBSYEP*) ASAP
- Step 3: Participate in an interview
- Step 4: Submit report cards and Counselor letter of recommendation by April 12th



college visits & fairs

## INFORMATION SESSIONS (45 minutes sessions)

- Virtual Information Sessions will be held every Thursday at 7 PM, Friday at 12 PM, and Saturday at 10 AM of February and March.
- Registration is required. For more information please visit the [eventbrite link](#).

Application: <http://bit.ly/CathedralScholarsApp2021>

Website: [www.cathedral.org/scholars](http://www.cathedral.org/scholars)

Twitter: [@wncscholars](https://twitter.com/wncscholars)

Instagram: [@wncscholars](https://www.instagram.com/wncscholars)

Email: [CScholar@cathedral.org](mailto:CScholar@cathedral.org)

Phone: (202) 537-2159

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# NATIONAL CATHEDRAL SCHOLARS

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

### April 2nd – Part 1 Due

- Online Application
- Term 1 & 2 Report Cards or Transcript

### APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Short Answers:

- What are some of the things you do during your free time?
- Please list any clubs, organizations, or teams you currently participate in high school or your community.
- Please list any clubs, organizations, or teams you would like to participate next year in high school or your community.
- How did you spend last summer? Please be specific.
- Please share one academic goal you have set for high school.
- Please share one personal goal you have set for high school.
- What career would you like to have after you graduate from college? Why?
- Current GPA

### Essay 1 – 250 Words Minimum

What is one contribution you would like to make to your high school at the end of 4 years?

### Essay 2 – 500 Words Minimum

What does it mean to be a scholar? Consider the characteristics, strengths, talents, and skills a scholar must possess. Discuss how you exemplify the qualities of a scholar and share some of your educational and career goals.

**Application:** <http://bit.ly/CathedralScholarsApp2021>

**Website:** [www.cathedral.org/scholars](http://www.cathedral.org/scholars)

**Twitter:** @wnscholars

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Send requests to Ms. Holloway,

[aholloway@dc.seedschool.org](mailto:aholloway@dc.seedschool.org)














## DO YOU NEED FREE INTERNET AT HOME FOR YOUR DC STUDENT?



Mayor Muriel Bowser wants to make sure your student has internet at home during this virtual school term.

### **DC Government will be paying for a year of residential internet service for eligible households provided by Comcast and RCN.**

DC Government will reach out to SNAP and TANF eligible households with PK3-12th grade students enrolled at DC traditional and charter public schools, according to the following schedule:

-  Wednesday, November 18 - Text Message at **6 pm**
-  Thursday, November 19 - Phone call at **6 pm**
-  Friday, November 20 - Email at **6 pm**
-  Tuesday, December 1 - Text Message at **6 pm**
-  Wednesday, December 2 - Phone call at **6 pm**
-  Thursday, December 3 - Email at **6 pm**
-  Tuesday, December 8 - Text Message at **6 pm**
-  Wednesday, December 9 - Phone call at **6 pm**
-  Thursday, December 10 - Email at **6 pm**

**Please contact your student's school for additional information.**

- DC will pay for at home internet (Comcast Internet Essentials or RCN Internet First) for approximately 25,000 households with PK3-12th grade students enrolled at DC traditional and charter public schools that receive SNAP or TANF benefits.
- Comcast and RCN both recognize SNAP and TANF as eligibility requirements for their low-cost internet programs.
- DC Government will not disclose household SNAP or TANF participation.
- Comcast or RCN will then contact the household to initiate the internet installation process. Please be sure to answer their call!

# **SEED DC**

## **Virtual Student Support Services Center**

Hours of operation 9:00 AM- 8:00 pm M-Th

### **Wellness Team**

**Medication administration support**

**The New DC Immunization Policy Requirements**

**COVID Testing Site Resources**

**Medical Appointments with our community partners**

**General First Aid questions and support**

**Contact: *Camelia Jones, LPN***

***202-794-2609***

***Deborah Faison, CMA***

***202-815-2113***

### **Mental Health Team**

**Mental Health Resources in the community**

**Crisis Support**

**General Stress Relief Tools and Tips**

**Weekly Wellness Wednesday Activities**

**Counseling Services**

**Contact: *Tawane Watkins***

***School Social Worker***

***202-236-6677***

### **Specialized Instruction and 504**

**Evaluation Planning**

**IEP and 504 planning,**

**meeting and implementation**

**Related Services Management**

**Community Resources**

**Parent Support Center**

**Contact: *Sherita Wallace-Reid***

***Director of Student Support Services***

***202-235-3497***

# PowerSchool Portal for Parents & Families

*The SEED School of Washington, D.C. is proud to offer a tool that parents and family members may use to stay connected to their scholar and their school.*

*The PowerSchool Parent & Family Portal gives you real-time access to valuable information such as grades, assignment details, & messages from teachers.*

**Through the portal, view your scholar's:**



**ACADEMIC HISTORY**



**TEST RESULTS**



**ATTENDANCE**



**& MORE!**



You can log in any time from any computer, tablet, or mobile phone.

**GET ALERTS VIA:**



**TEXT**



**PHONE**



**EMAIL**

**Receive alerts about attendance, school events, & weather-related closures.**

Turn over for more info on how to set up your Parent Portal,

# Parent & Family Portal: Getting Started

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How do I sign up for the Parent & Family Portal & set up my account? You must have a personal email address to sign up for a Parent & Family Portal account.

You can register for a free email account using Gmail, Outlook, Yahoo, or a similar service..

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## WHERE DO I START?

Visit <https://seedschool.powerschool.com/public/>

1

- Click "Create an account"
- Enter your first & last name and email address
- Create a password - at least 6 characters
- Re-enter password
- Enter student's name (If you have multiple student's @ SEED, each will have their own access ID & password)

2

## HAVE YOUR CONFIDENTIAL ID READY

- Enter Confidential ID (provided by school)
- Enter Access Password (provided by school)
- Select appropriate relationship to student

Once completed, you will be taken to the login page of the Parent & Family Portal

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## DOWNLOAD THE MOBILE APP

- App Store or Play Store
- Enter district code: **FQGN**
- Click Continue
- Enter Confidential ID
- Enter Password
- You're all set to go!

Still need help?

Contact the registrar:

[ctyson@seedschooldc.org](mailto:ctyson@seedschooldc.org)