

GCM Financial Aid Night

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"THE U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT GUIDE TO AMERICA'S TOP 500 COLLEGES... CHAPTER ONE..."

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AGENDA

- Financial Aid Resources from GCM
- Guest Speaker:
Chad Spencer, Centre College
Vice President of Enrollment Management
- Q & A

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GCM College & Career Center

- ✓ **College Research & App Help:** gkhumphreys@fcps.edu
- ✓ **Financial Aid, Reducing Cost & Scholarships**
- ✓ **Jobs for Students**
- ✓ **Volunteering, Internships, Summer Programs**
- ✓ **Test Prep** - free online prep and guides, GCM Library website

School Website: Google “GCM College Career”

<https://marshallhs.fcps.edu/student-services/college-career-center>

Naviance: <https://www.fcps.edu/naviance>

Schoology: GCM Homepage then “Student Services” course

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Resources



- FAFSA Help & Forms
<https://collegeaccessfairfax.org/>
- Finding Lower Cost Colleges – meet with me or email
- Lists: *Top 30 College Scholarships at GCM (schoolology)*
- Comparing Financial Aid Letters
- College Visits to GCM and locally
- **NPC – Net Price Calculators**
<https://collegecost.ed.gov/net-price>
- Dept. Education College Scorecard, NYTimes...

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Other Events / FAFSA Fill-In



Opening Doors to the Future

www.collegeaccessfairfax.org

FAFSA Line-by-Line - Learn what questions are asked line-by-line and what information you will need to complete the form.

➤ **Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:00 PM**

<https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/99022809981>

➤ **Saturday, November 16, 2024 at 10:00 AM**

<https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/91810202917>

Scholarship 101 - an overview of what scholarship are, where to find them, and how to apply for them.

• **Saturday, December 7, 2024 at 10:00 AM**

<https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/97647073031>

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- FINANCIAL AID

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT FINANCIAL AID, 2020-2021

Full-time Beginning Undergraduate Students

- Beginning students are those who are entering postsecondary education for the first time.

TYPE OF AID	NUMBER RECEIVING AID	PERCENT RECEIVING AID	TOTAL AMOUNT OF AID RECEIVED	AVERAGE AMOUNT OF AID RECEIVED
Any student financial aid ¹	2,583	58%	—	—
Grant or scholarship aid	1,408	31%	\$13,508,187	\$9,594
Federal grants	658	15%	\$3,365,177	\$5,114
Pell grants	625	14%	\$2,893,883	\$4,630
Other federal grants	240	5%	\$471,294	\$1,964
State/local government grant or scholarships	500	11%	\$2,685,373	\$5,371
Institutional grants or scholarships	943	21%	\$7,457,637	\$7,908
Student loan aid	1,601	36%	\$14,509,453	\$9,063
Federal student loans	1,498	33%	\$7,787,769	\$5,199
Other student loans	358	8%	\$6,721,684	\$18,776

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James Madison University

Harrisonburg, VA

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Costs

James Madison University costs \$18,708 after scholarships and grants, with 36% of students receiving financial aid and an average aid package of \$11,737.

Distribution Details

Students Receiving Financial Aid	36%
Freshmen With Need and Received Financial Aid	65%
<u>Percent of Need Met</u>	37%

Aid Package Details

Average Aid Packages Awarded	\$11,737
Need-Based Scholarship or Grant Award	\$8,070
Scholarships and grants don't need to be paid back.	
Need-Based Loan Amount	\$4,283
Loans must be paid back.	
<u>Non-Need-Based Aid</u>	\$6,279
Debt at Graduation	\$30,542

The typical amount of loans a student must pay back.

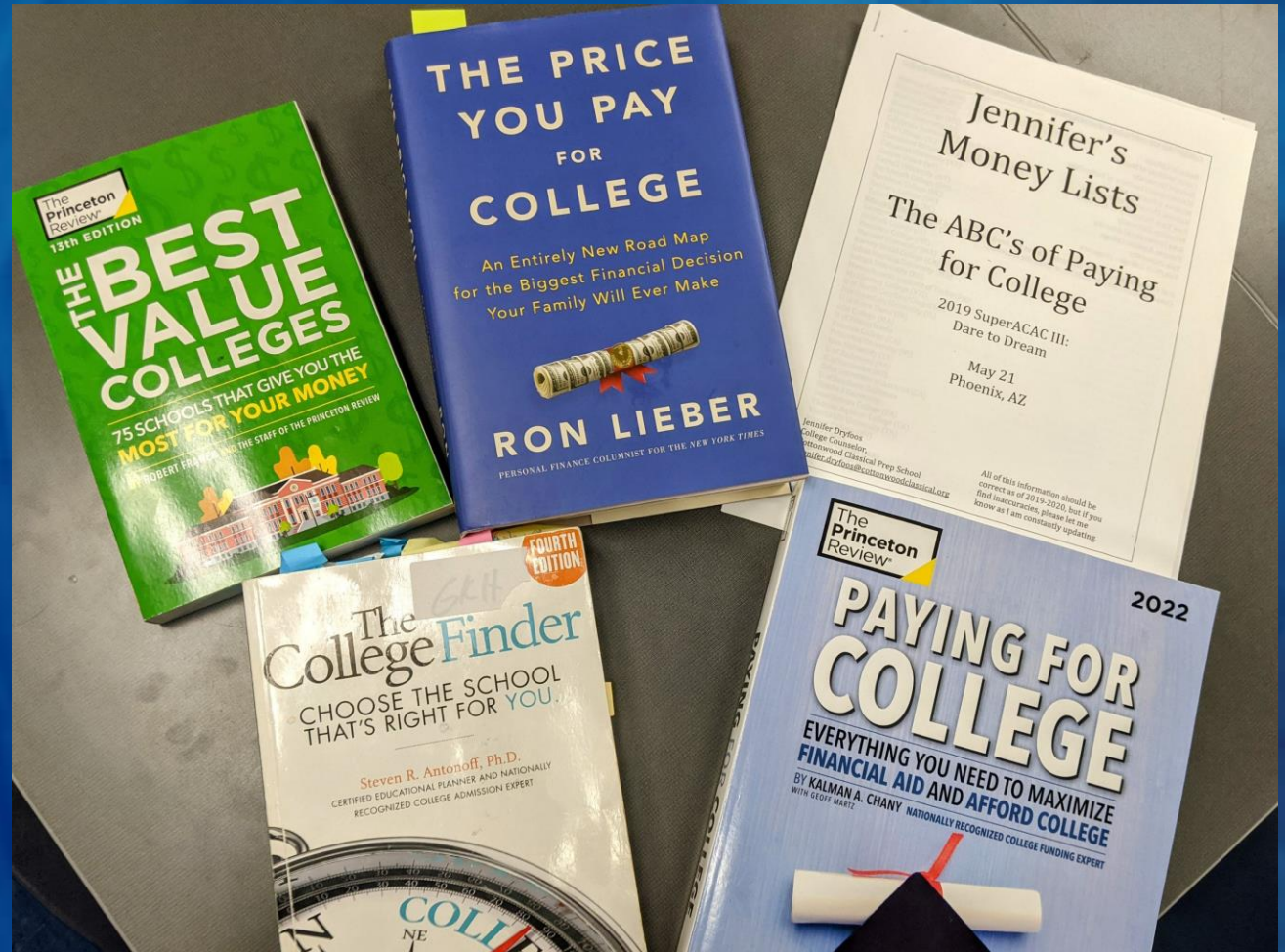
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There's no 1-stop shopping - info comes from a variety of sources



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NYTimes.com

(10 free articles)

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2023/opinion/build-your-own-college-rankings.html>

YOUR PRIORITIES

Low sticker price	50%
Low net price	50%
+ 8 more...	0%

High earnings

Median income 10 years after attendance



Economic mobility

More students start low-income and end up high-income



Low sticker price

Listed price of tuition, fees and housing



Low net price

Average price for students with financial aid and grants



Academic profile

Graduation rate, SAT/ACT scores and student-faculty ratio



Athletics

Student surveys, team performance and revenue



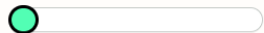
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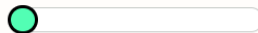
Campus safety



Racially diverse










Economically diverse



YOUR RANKINGS

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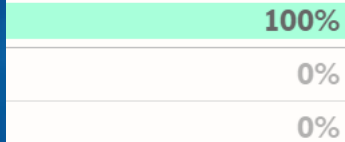
-  **Emory & Henry College**
-  **Bridgewater College**
-  **Virginia Wesleyan University**
-  **University of Lynchburg**
-  **Eastern Mennonite University**
-  **Hollins University**
-  **Roanoke College**

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Look at: Lowest Sticker Price and/or Net Cost for Families Qualifying for Need Aid

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Economic mobility

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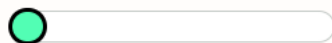
Student surveys, team performance and revenue



Campus safety



Economically diverse



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Radford University

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Old Dominion University

3



George Mason University

4



William & Mary

5



Virginia Commonwealth University

6



Longwood University

7



University of Virginia

Scholarships

1. <https://www.fcps.edu/naviance>

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Scholarships & Money

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Scholarships are a form of aid that does not have to be repaid. The list below contains scholarships or financial aid awards that match your profile. Select the "Match and Filter" button to apply more criteria or select "Clear Filters" to view all available scholarships.

rotary Search

	Deadline	Maximum Award
> Mclean Rotary Scholarship	03/18/2025	Varies

2. <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search>

Worksheet to Focus Your Scholarship Search:

<https://marshallhs.fcps.edu/collegecareer-resources-activities>

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