

## Activities and Enrichment

Also access the websites listed below to support your student:

- [AfterschoolPGH](#) - A comprehensive website for afterschool programs in Allegheny County.
- [Boys and Girls Club of Western PA](#) - The Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Pennsylvania is a non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for youth by promoting health, social, educational, vocational and character development for boys and girls ages 6 through 18.
- [FAME- Funds for Advancement for Minorities in Education](#) - To support financially disadvantaged African American youth, FAME provides scholarship funds for students with financial need to attend participating independent schools.
- [YouthPlaces](#) - YouthPlaces promotes overall development of Pittsburgh youths by providing a safe place for them to engage in a range of activities including recreation, cultural awareness, mentoring, career readiness, and academic enrichment.

## Re-enrollment Programs

- [Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council](#) - Provides opportunities for adult education and GED preparation and offers fundamental job preparation.
- [Community College of Allegheny County \(CCAC\)](#)

## GED Scholarship Program

The Community College of Allegheny County offers free GED Preparedness classes. Allegheny County residents who acquire the GED Commonwealth Secondary School Diploma are eligible for one tuition-free 3-credit course at CCAC within six months of obtaining the diploma.

- [CareerLinkPittsburgh](#) - Provides a variety of opportunities for young people to get their future started on the right path. There are resources for individuals who are in school, have finished, or left school.

## Learning Labs and Writing Centers

- [The Labs](#) - The Labs is Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's digital media lab. A place full of computers and other technology and are free and available to teens in grades 6-12.

## Career Exploration and Development

- [YouthWorks](#) - YouthWorks helps young adults explore careers, gain workplace skills, find a job, and tap into what Western Pennsylvania employers are looking for in entry-level employees.
- [School 2 Career](#) - S2C focuses on job development and career exploration.

- [Accelerated High School](#) - The University of Pittsburgh has a dual enrollment program which allows high school students to receive college credits. Call 412-624-7428 for more information
- [Education Planner](#) - Provides practical and easy-to-understand advice and planning tools to help prepare students for college.
- [College Results Online](#) - Compare graduation rates, tuitions, and other information of colleges across the country.
- [Campus Tours](#) - Take virtual tours of college campuses and learn other information about schools.
- [NEED](#) - Pittsburgh-specific programs include Adopt-a-Student, Access to College and Career Education Program, Workforce Diversity Internship Program, African American Male Mentoring Initiative, and more.

## Parent Resources

- [Pittsburgh Public Schools](#)

## Excellence For All (EFA) Parent Steering Committee

Representatives committed to working directly with the Superintendent to relay ideas, suggestions, issues, concerns, new initiatives, and discussions.

## Parent School Community Councils (PSCC)

An opportunity for parents and families participate at the school level. PSCC holds monthly meetings for parents and families, the community, school staff and sometimes students to discuss important topics related to the school and provide advice to the leadership of the school.

- [Fact Sheets about the Intellectual Disability Service System](#)

Resource for parents and caregivers assisting young adults with a diagnosis of mental retardation in preparing for post-secondary education planning

## Preparing for Post-Secondary Education

### Free Scholarship Searches

- [fastweb](#)
- [The Pittsburgh Foundation](#)
- [Black College Dollars](#)
- [United Negro College Fund](#)
- [Cappex](#)

- [MeritAid](#)
- [College Navigator](#)
- [Best Colleges](#)
- [GoodCall](#)
- [College Scholarships Website List](#)

#### Paying for College

- [FAFSA \(Free Application for Federal Student Aid\)](#) - Allows high school graduates, post-secondary students alongside their parents to complete applications for federal financial aid online.
- [The Pittsburgh Promise](#) - The Pittsburgh Promise provides eligible Pittsburgh Public Schools graduates up to \$40,000 in scholarship to attend any accredited post-secondary institution in Pennsylvania.
- [U.S. Department of Education](#) - Provides information on grants and loans available to students.
- [Sallie Mae](#) - A leading provider of student loans and banking products for students, graduates, and their families.

#### Standardized Testing Websites

- [ACTStudent](#) - Provides online registration for the ACT as well as a wide variety of related information.
- [Collegeboard](#) - Provides online registration for Advanced Placement tests and the SAT as well as a wide variety of related information.
- [Princeton Review](#) - Provides PSAT and SAT study guides and sample tests to prepare for testing.

#### Buying and Selling Textbooks

- [The Ultimate Guide to Sell Textbooks](#) - Provides information on ways for students to sell their used textbooks.