

# Middle School Essentials! Preparing for High School Beyond!

Great college experiences and opportunities don't just happen by accident. They are the result of years of smart and informed choices.

**WORKSHOP FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS  
AND PARENTS**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2019**

**8:30A.M. - 12:00P.M.**

**ASHE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

Cost:

Pay in advance: \$25.00 per student

Pay at the door: \$50.00

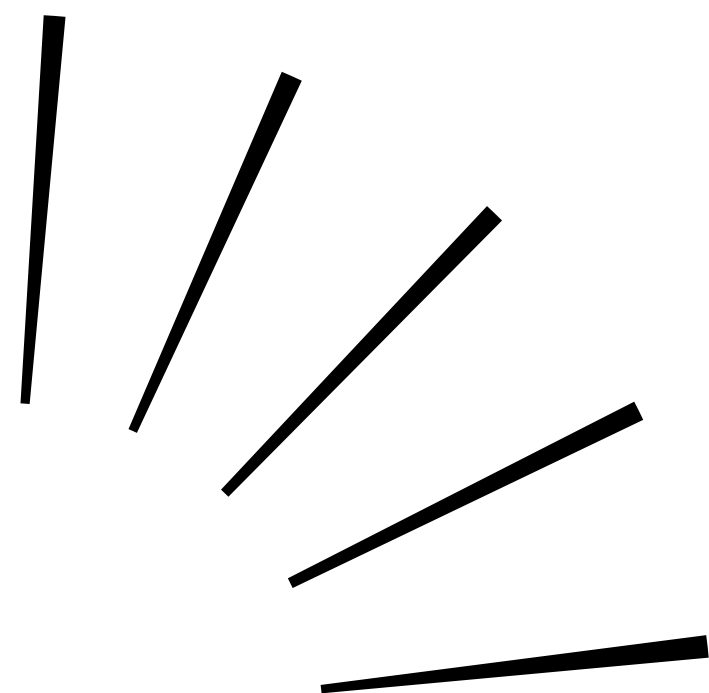
*Parents attend at no charge*

Register at:

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/BlueRidgeEnergy/MiddleSchoolEssentials>

Gear Up and Blue Ridge Energy Leadership Track are teaming up to underwrite this workshop so the student fee is reduced from \$75 to only \$25 for advanced registration.

(Late registration is \$50 after March 22.)





# *Workshop Topics Include:*

- Why go to college
- Differences between colleges & universities, state schools vs. private schools
  - What it takes to get into a good college (grades, SAT's, extracurriculars)
- How to tell if a college is a good one or not
  - How to start exploring career ideas
  - The different type of scholarships and when/how to get them
  - How to start applying for (and winning) scholarships as early as 7th grade
- How to add that extra "punch" to your record through the Congressional Award Program
  - The essentials of how to effectively communicate and interview

**THIS EVENT WILL BE FAST-PACED, HUMOROUS AND WILL USE MULTIMEDIA TO KEEP THE STUDENTS ENGAGED AND FOCUSED. A GREAT CHOICE FOR GETTING A STUDENT INTO THAT COLLEGE-BOUND MINDSET!**



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