
EAST HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

COUNSELING AND CAREER CENTER NEWSLETTER

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Greetings from the new Counseling & Career Center!

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to the Guidance & Counseling Department Newsletter. This newsletter will be published periodically to provide you with information regarding college and career programs for grades 9-12, scholarship information, testing programs (PSAT, SAT, ACT, AP, etc.) and important events.

Please stop by our new office suite; by early spring we hope to have computers installed in the Career Center for students to utilize in their college research. Please do not hesitate to contact your counselor with any questions or concerns. We look forward to serving you in the forthcoming year.

AP SCHOLARS

This year, East Hampton High School is happy to congratulate six students at two different levels of distinction.

An AP Scholar is a student who has successfully completed a rigorous series of college-level courses. **AP Scholar with Honors:** A student who has received an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on 4 or more of these exams.

AP Scholar with Distinction: A student who has received an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken *and* scores of 3 or higher on 5 or more exams.



Congratulations to Nathaniel Trowbridge, Thomas Dess and Patrick McCaffrey
Class of 2011 AP Scholars with Honors



Congratulations to Ashley Elliott, Lucia Akard and Ruth Uruchima
Class of 2011 AP Scholars with Distinction

IMPORTANT DATES!

DECEMBER

- December 1-7 Freshmen group meetings with counselors
- December 7 Financial Aid/NCAA Night
Riverhead High School, 6 p.m.
Sponsored by East End Counselors Association
- December 16 Freshman Parent Breakfast
EHHS Cafeteria, 7:30 a.m.

JANUARY

- January 4 EHHS Alumni College Panel
10:00 a.m. Junior Program
11:00 a.m. Senior Program
- January 12-14 Counselor PSAT/Naviance
Presentations in English classes
- January 13 BOCES Presentation for 10th
Graders, EHHS, 10:00 a.m.
- January 13 Financial Aid Night
EHHS, 6:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- February 9, 10 Naviance Tutorial, EHHS ITC
Parent/Teacher Conferences
EHHS, 4:00- 6:00 p.m.
- February 10 ASVAB Exam
EHHS Library, 7:40 a.m. (periods 1-6)

SUNY

State Universities of New York

CUNY

City Universities of New York

When is the application deadline?

SUNY recommends applying by December 1st to maximize your chances for financial aid, campus housing and consideration for your major of choice. Some colleges have specific deadlines for certain programs of study.

What is the application fee?

There is a \$50 non-refundable application fee for each college choice.

Are recommendations required?

Many colleges are interested in recommendations and other supportive credentials.

Is an essay required?

Individual colleges may require essays. Essay questions may be included in the supplemental application and/or will be sent to you from the college once you have applied.

Students are encouraged to visit the individual college and university websites for specific requirements and deadlines.

www.suny.edu

When is the application deadline?

General Freshman Admission for the Fall Semester is February 1st. CUNY operates on a rolling admissions basis. Some colleges/programs may close prior to the deadline if full.

What is the application fee?

There is a non-refundable \$65 application processing fee to apply to up to six CUNY colleges.

Are recommendations required?

Letters of Recommendation and other supporting credentials should be sent with a Document Return Receipt which can be printed from your account online.

Is an essay required?

An essay is not required for CUNY General Freshman Admission; however, an essay may be required for admission to selective and honors programs such as Macaulay Honors College, Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Education, the BAMD Program at Brooklyn College and the CUNY Baccalaureate for Unique and Interdisciplinary Studies. Visit the website(s) for these programs for more information.

www.cuny.edu

INTERESTED IN FUNDING A LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP?

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Is your organization or business looking for a wonderful way to help our local youth?

Over the past few years the amount of money that has been awarded to our students in the form of LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS has grown considerably. But the cost of college and the number of outstanding students that find college difficult to afford has grown as well.

If you would like to find out more information about starting a Local Scholarship fund for one or more deserving students, please contact Candace Stafford in the Guidance and Counseling Department. Ms. Stafford is available to speak at a meeting and/or to present your organization with information about college trends and costs. You can definitely make a difference in creating opportunities for many of our students.

There are many different types of scholarships available to students. Most opportunities require the student to go through an application process.

General Scholarship information is located in a binder in the Counseling and Career Center for students to access on their own.

School Specific Scholarship information that we receive is located in a file sorted by college/university in the Counseling and Career Center for students to access on their own.

Local Scholarship Program applications will be available in the spring. Information will be updated on the EHUFSD website and mailed home.

Additionally, students are encouraged to search the following websites for national scholarships:

www.collegeboard.com, www.fastweb.com, www.zinch.com,
www.connection.naviance.com

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

FALL 2010

On October 24th, **Raquel Lopez**, senior, went with her horse Asterix Z and trainer to Harrisburg Pennsylvania to compete in the Northeastern Zone 2 Region Hunter Finals. After a year of showing, 11 riders qualified for the Zone 2 Hunter Finals, which includes Junior Hunters from New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. In the highly competitive Junior Hunter Division, riders compete and jump 3'6" fences.

Senior student **Brian Johnston** was named the Principal Trombone player in the Metropolitan Youth Orchestra. The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra is a select group of outstanding musicians from the Long Island region who perform concerts of challenging orchestral music. This year the orchestra will give concerts at Stony Brook University, Adelphi University, and Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in New York City. Auditions for the Metropolitan Youth Orchestra take place in May of each year. Congratulations Brian!

Congratulations to 9th grader **Brittini Svanberg** who continues to compete in figure skating outside of school. Recently, she took part in the 2011 North Atlantic Regional Figure Skating Championships in Lake Placid, New York!

Students! Are you passionately committed to an activity that others may not know about? Have you received recognition outside of school? Speak to your counselor today so we can highlight your accomplishments in our newsletter.

Max Panish was named to the New York All-State Orchestra, and will perform a concert with that group at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester on December 5th. Approximately 110 students with exceptional talent in instrumental music were selected through a rigorous statewide screening process to participate in the School of Orchestral Studies.

Three EHHS Music Department Students were named to the All-County Music Ensembles and performed a concert on November 19th at Half Hollow Hills High School. **Brian Johnston**, trombone, and **Max Panish**, violin, were named to the Orchestra. **Kathryn Ryan**, soprano, was named to the Chorus. The students were selected to the groups based on their excellent NYSSMA Scores last June.

Tom Dess, senior, is a long time member and Secretary for the Montauk Jr. Fire Department. His training (Firefighter 101) is the same training received by adult firefighters. As a Junior Firefighter he attends monthly classes, meetings, and regularly volunteers to work on the numerous events held by the department. Tom is a great asset and committed member.

FRESHMEN FOCUS

Beginning November 30th during lunch periods, the counselors will be meeting with their ninth grade students in small groups to answer questions about grades, transcripts, scheduling, joining activities and navigating the opportunities and demands of the next four years of high school. EXPLORE results will also be distributed and students will be given a brief introduction to NAVIANCE, the web-based college planning program. Look for your child's scheduled appointment in the mail.

FRESHMEN PARENTS – DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OF YOUR OWN?

Of course you do! Get your questions answered at the **FRESHMAN PARENT BREAKFAST** on December 16th at 7:40am in the cafeteria.

FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Thursday, January 13th, 2011**

6:00 PM

East Hampton High School Auditorium

Presentation by:

Ms. Amy Thompson

Director of Financial Aid at St. Joseph's College

Students and Parents Grades 9-12

Encouraged to Attend

**NOTE DATE CHANGE FROM DISTRICT CALENDAR

ATTENTION STUDENT ATHLETES

Any student who is considering playing sports at the Division I or Division II Collegiate Level needs to file with the NCAA Clearinghouse. To file with the **NCAA Clearinghouse** please follow these steps:

- See your counselor and share your desire to play Division I or Division II
- Go to: www.eligibilitycenter.org
- Follow the instructions for registration
- Create an account
- Complete registration forms
- Pay fees
- Request that an official transcript be sent to the NCAA Clearinghouse (end of junior year)

NAVIANCE

COLLEGE EXPLORATION & PLANNING WEBSITE

We would like to invite you to explore the highly successful and user friendly web-based program, Naviance. East Hampton High School has joined hundreds of other high schools across the United States by offering Naviance to students and their parents to assist them in investigating, researching, tracking and planning for the college admission process. You will be able to see what courses, SAT or ACT scores are required for admission to particular colleges. Do a college search and create a list of colleges that match your interests. Find out what type of students have been accepted from East Hampton High School to a particular college. Discover what the cost of admission is and what types of majors are offered at the colleges and universities.

- Information is specific to East Hampton High School students
- Each student and parent has a username and password to log on and create a personalized success plan
- If you have not logged on, speak to your school counselor today to get your username and password

To access the site, follow the links from www.ehufsd.org. Click on *East Hampton High School*, then *Guidance and Counseling Department*, then *Naviance Online Family Connection* to log on. Or you may log on directly to www.connection.naviance.com

INTERESTED IN THE ARMED SERVICES?

Sign up in the Counseling & Career Center for the Armed Service Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) Exam as a first step to entry into any branch of the Armed Services. This test helps to identify your strengths as they relate to careers in civilian life as well as in the military.

Deadline is January 20th.

JOB CORPS

ANOTHER OPTION IN PREPARING FOR YOUR CAREER

Job Corps is a federally funded national training and employment program. It is completely paid for and administered by the Department of Labor. The residential program offers young people a life changing opportunity outside of Suffolk County.

Job Corps might be right for you if you:

- Are 16 through 24 years old
- Are a citizen or legal resident of the United States
- Meet the program's income qualifications
- Are a high school graduate who wants to pursue a career in technical training

A representative from Job Corps visited East Hampton High School on November 29th at 11:00 a.m. and gave a program overview to counselors and interested students. Please contact your school counselor for further information.

EHHS Principal

Mr. Fine

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SAT

<u>Test Dates</u>	<u>Test</u>	<u>Registration</u>	<u>Late Registration</u>	<u>Closest Location</u>
January 22, 1011	SAT & Subject Tests	December 23, 2010	January 7, 2011	Westhampton Beach
March 12, 2011	SAT only	February 11, 2011	February 25, 2011	Riverhead
May 7, 2011	SAT & Subject Tests	April 8, 2011	April 22, 2011	Mattituck, Riverhead, Shelter Island, Southampton, Southold, Westhampton Beach
June 4, 2011	SAT & Subject Tests	May 6, 2011	May 20, 2011	Mattituck, Southampton, Shelter Island, Westhampton Beach

ACT

<u>Test Dates</u>	<u>Test</u>	<u>Registration</u>	<u>Late Registration</u>	<u>Closest Location</u>
April 9, 2011	ACT	March 4, 2011	March 5-18, 2011	Riverhead, Mattituck, Shelter Island
June 11, 2011	ACT	May 6, 2011	May 7-20, 2011	EAST HAMPTON

SAT SUBJECT EXAMS

CONSIDER THESE SAT SUBJECT EXAMS

Literature
United States History
World History
Math Level I
Math Level II
Biology M (Molecular); Biology E (Ecological)
Chemistry
Physics
Languages

WHEN THESE CLASSES ARE NEAR COMPLETION

AP Literature
AP US History; United States History
AP World; AP European History; Global Honors
Algebra II/Trigonometry
Pre-calculus; Calculus
AP Biology; Living Environment
AP Chemistry; Chemistry
AP Physics; Physics
4th or 5th year Honors/AP Language

SAT/ACT INFORMATION

1. Students must register for the ACT, SAT Reasoning and SAT Subject Tests. Tests are offered at various East End High Schools throughout the school year.
2. The preferred method of registration is on line at www.actstudent.org (ACT); www.collegeboard.com (SAT Reasoning or Subject tests).
3. Registration deadlines differ for each test.
4. Fee waivers are available if you are on free or reduced lunch. See your counselor for information.
5. Students with an IEP or 504 Plan may be eligible for testing accommodations. This requires a special application process and may require testing on other test dates in alternate locations. (see below)
6. Students may take the ACT or SAT Reasoning Tests as many times as they like, however three times is usually the maximum. The recommendation is for students to take the first and second exams in the spring of their junior year and possibly again in the fall of their senior year.
7. **STUDENTS MUST SEND THEIR SAT/ACT SCORES ON LINE OR OVER THE PHONE DIRECTLY FROM THE TESTING CENTER TO THE COLLEGES THEY ARE APPLYING TO. SCORES MUST BE SENT 3-4 WEEKS IN ADVANCE OF THE APPLICATION DEADLINE.**

504 AND CSE STUDENTS STANDARDIZED TESTING

504 and CSE students who receive accommodations for tests and Regents exams at East Hampton High School, must apply for approval from the College Board to receive accommodations for **PSAT, SAT** and **Advanced Placement** exams. They must also apply for approval from American College Testing to receive accommodations for the **ACT** exam. Both the College Board and American College Testing have their own set of forms that must be submitted.

College Board and ACT release forms are distributed to CSE students in Resource Room and/or CSE Departmental classes. However, 504 students must request accommodation release forms from their Counselor or directly from the Coordinator of Special Education, Mr. John Yager, whose office is located in the high school.

Completed forms must be submitted to College Board three months prior to the first exam requested. Once accommodations have been granted by College Board, all PSAT, SAT, and AP exams taken over four years are covered.

Completed forms for American College Testing (ACT) must be submitted at least six weeks prior to the exam. Students must apply for accommodations from ACT each time they take the exam.

Please contact Mr. Rich Burns, Director of Special Education, Mr. John Yager, Coordinator of Special Education, or Ms. Theresa Grimaldi, Director of Guidance and Assessment with any further questions.