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U-Conn Admission Counselor, Bryan Feener, talking to prospective students at our fall fair.

In-Person College Fairs Return

The East End Counselors Association returned to in-person college fairs this year, meeting one of its primary goals as an association of school counselors.

Over 75 institutions of higher learning participated in our Fall College Fair on Thursday, October 14, 2021, at Riverhead High School.

On Wednesday, April 27, 2022, we anticipate over 100 college and universities to attend our annual Spring Fair at Westhampton Beach High School. More details can be found on page 4 of this newsletter.

In-person College fairs give students and parents an opportunity to meet with college admissions counselors and representatives of the military to discuss post-secondary school options in a direct and relaxed setting. If events force us to modify or cancel these events, we will notify all school counselors and post information on our website.

The Spring College Fair Chairperson is Joe Garvey, school counselor at Westhampton Beach High School. For information, contact your school counselor or email Caroline Stuke at cmstuke@optonline.net



EECA Calendar 2021-2022

September 2021

Fall General Membership Meeting Cancelled

10/14/2021*

Fall College Fair Riverhead High School 5:00pm - 7:00pm

10/20/21*

Financial Aid & NCAA Night Riverhead High School 5:30pm NCAA 6:30pm Financial Aid

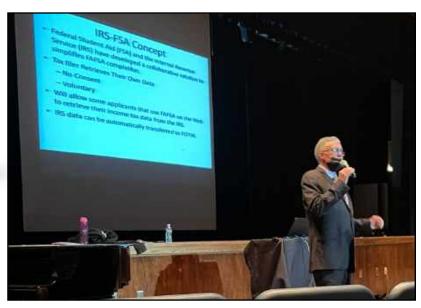
*These events were held following CDC guidelines for social distancing. Face masks were required.

11/13/2021

LICAC Virtual Series on Significant Topics For Information and Registration *Click Here* Zoom link will be sent upon registration.

12/13/2021

Winter General Membership Stonewalls Restaurant 967 Reeves Avenue, Riverhead, NY



Eugene Rogers, Financial Aid Counselor for Molloy College, speaks at our fall event.

Financial Aid & NCAA Night Returned to a live audience this Fall

On Wednesday, October 20, East End Counselors hosted its annual Financial Aid and NCAA information night at Riverhead High School. Students and parents from East End schools attended this informative evening to get a better understanding of the student aid process and rules governing the NCAA.

Eugene Rogers, Senior Financial Aid Counselor for Molloy College, explained how to apply for various types of financial aid, including completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). He reviewed the process of completing the FAFSA, which is required to determine eligibility for most student aid programs.

The other part of the evening's agenda focused on the procedures student athletes must follow to become eligible to play sports in college. Registration with the NCAA is required before a student can practice, try out, or play any competitive college sport. Melissa M. Reilly, Associate Commissioner/SWA East Coast Conference, gave an overview on NCAA academic requirements, divisions of college sports, ACT and SAT testing information, and what courses are necessary for students to complete while in high school.

Masks were required and all participants and Covid-19 protocols, in place at Riverhead High School, were strictly observed.

EECA Calendar

March 2022

Spring Mental Health

Professional Development

Look for this event next year

04/28/2022

Administrative Professionals Luncheon 12:30 pm Cooperage Inn, Baiting Hollow

04/27/2022

Spring College Fair Westhampton Beach High School 5-7 pm

April - May 2022

Tour of Colleges and Universities

Look for this event next year

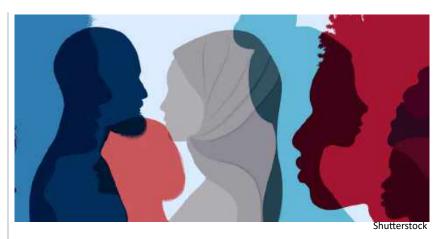
June 2022

General Membership Meeting and Awards Dinner

Time and Location: TBD

News & Resources

We encourage you to use our News & Resources for School Counselors page to find helpful information from local, state and national organizations. We encourage you to reach out to a colleague for support and information as we all remain focused on the emotional, social and academic needs of our students and their families. Click here for more news and resources >>



ASCA Offers Anti-Racism Resources

The American School Counselor Association offers the following resources for school counselors dedicated to advocate for schools that create a welcoming, respectful and inclusive school culture devoid of racism.

The ASCA Ethical Standards for School Counselors and the ASCA Professional Standards & Competencies Guide all school counselors in working toward ethical, equitable and inclusive school environments and addressing the critical issues of systemic and institutional racism. The following resources are helpful in addressing issues of systemic and institutional racism with students.

Getting Started with Anti-Racism Efforts

- 1. Review existing school data to identify achievement and opportunity gaps. (See the school data summary template.)
- 2. Review policies and procedures to identify barriers to learning and access to opportunities, particularly for students of color.
- 3. Identify indirect student services, including leadership, advocacy and collaboration to address gaps and barriers.
 - Collaborate with administrators, school staff and families to increase awareness of the impact of racism and bias.
 - Advocate for changes to policies and procedures that have created barriers for students.
- Create classroom/small-group and closing-the-gap action plans (see templates) and include ASCA Student Standards: Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success that are needed to create school cultures where everyone is included.
- 5. Monitor progress by collecting data.
- 6. Repeat the cycle.

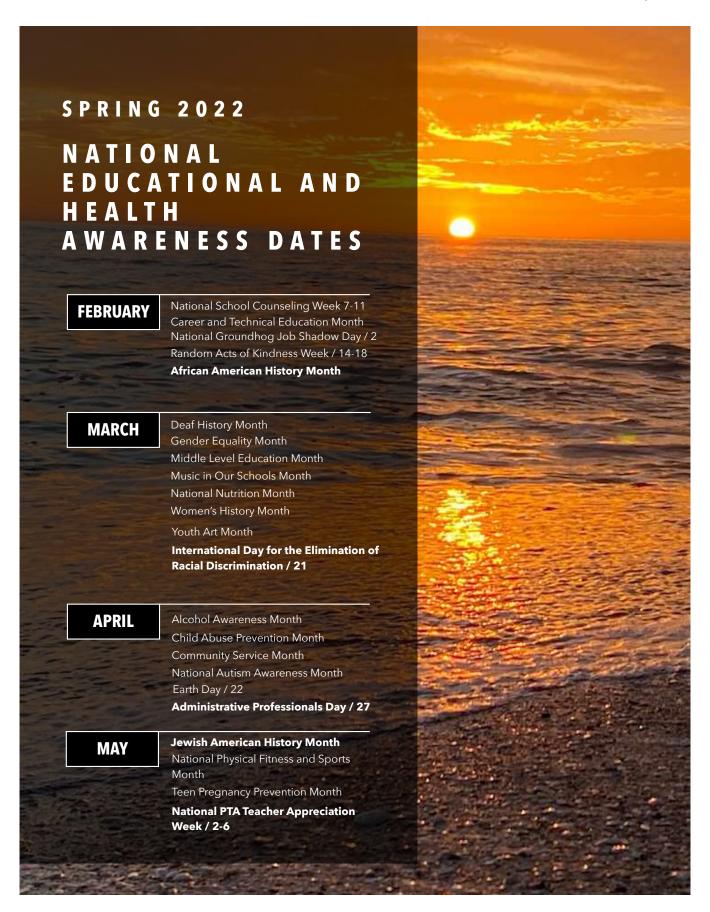
Visit Anti-Racism Resources for a complete list of resources.



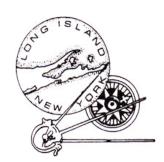
THE EAST END COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION INVITES YOU TO OUR 2022 SPRING COLLEGE FAIR

WESTHAMPTON BEACH HIGH SCHOOL WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2022 5PM-7PM / SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

During the Fair, more than 100 college and university representatives will be available to talk with students and parents about the unique opportunities at their institutions.



The East End Counselors Association Announces its 22nd Annual Scholarship



FOUR SCHOLARSHIPS OF \$2,000 WILL BE AWARDED TO FOUR GRADUATING SENIORS WHO ATTEND HIGH SCHOOL ON THE EAST END OF LONG ISLAND. STUDENTS SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION MUST BE PURSUING A CAREER WITHIN A "HELPING FIELD."

Criteria

Student must be a graduating senior from an East End High School.

Student must plan to attend a 2 or 4 year post secondary institution.

Student must intend on majoring in one of the "helping fields" (nursing, school counseling, teaching or social work)

Student must submit a one page typed essay, approximately 500 words, answering the following question: "What has the role of being active within your community or school played in your desire to enter into a helping field?"

Selection

Each Guidance department will submit one (I) application to be submitted to the East End Counselors Association Scholarship Committee for review. The Committee will select four winners from all nominations.

Winners will be notified through their individual districts.

DO NOT SUBMIT ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS.

Deadline / Applications must be received by March 4, 2022



Completed applications must be received by Friday, March 4, 2022

Mail to: Kathleen Sutton, Scholarship Chairperson

Eastport South Manor CHSD 543 Moriches Middle Island Road

Manorville, NY 11949 Telephone: 631-801-3275

or Email applications to suttonk@esmonline.org

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Why Not Become a Member of the East End Counselors Association? Join Today.

WHO WE ARE:

The East End Counselors Association (EECA) is a chapter of the New York State School Counselors Association (NYSSCA) which is the Chartered Division of the American School Counselor Association (ASCA). Our mission is directly aligned with the objectives of NYSSCA.

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East End Counselors Association Become a Member

REASONS TO JOIN US

- Information on current trends in school counseling
- Networking opportunities with other professional school counselors on the East End
- Subscription to our newsletters
- Representation and advocacy regarding policy and legislation affecting school counselors
- An affiliation with NYSCCA ensuring that school counselors are well represented in educational and social policy decisions in Albany



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