

# COUNSELORS VIEW

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College representatives, shown here at a past EECA fair, look forward to meeting you this fall.

## In-Person College Fair Returns This Fall

The East End Counselors Association plans to sponsor our annual Fall College Fair to assist students and parents in the college admissions process.

**Riverhead High School will host the 2021 East End Counselors Association Fall College Fair on Thursday, October 14, 2021, from 5:00 pm-7:00pm.**

**Although Covid-19 presents challenges we expect over 75 institutes of higher learning to participate in the fair. Masks are required and Covid-19 protocols, in place at Riverhead High School, will be observed.**

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 Fall College Fair Chairperson is Philip Antz, Riverhead School social worker. For information, contact your school counselor or email Caroline Stuke at [cmstuke@optonline.net](mailto: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 will be held following CDC guidelines for social distancing. Face masks are required.*

**11/13/2021**  
LICAC Virtual Series on Significant Topics For Information and Registration [Click Here](#)  
Zoom link will be sent upon registration.

**December 2021**  
Winter General Membership  
**Time and Location: TBD**



**Financial Aid/NCAA Night set for Wednesday, October 20, 2021.**

## EECA Hosts Financial Aid & NCAA Night at Riverhead High School

Once again, EECA will host its annual Financial Aid and NCAA information night on **Wednesday, October 20, 2021**, at **Riverhead High School**. **The NCAA presentation will begin at 5:30pm and the Financial Aid presentation will follow at 6:30pm.** Students and parents from all East End schools are encouraged to attend this informative session to get a better understanding of the student aid process. Eugene Rogers, Senior Financial Aid Counselor for Molloy College, will explain how to apply for all types of financial aid, including completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). He will review the process of completing the FAFSA, which is required to determine eligibility for most student aid programs.

Part of the evening's agenda will also focus 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, will give 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 are required and all Covid-19 protocols, in place at Riverhead High School, will be observed. If events force us to modify or cancel this event, we will notify all school counselors and post information on our website.**

For more information about the event please contact Philip Antz at [pantz@riverhead.net](mailto:pantz@riverhead.net).

## EECA Calendar

### 2021-2022

#### March 2022

Spring Mental Health  
Professional Development  
Time and Location: TBD

#### April 2022

Administrative Professionals  
Luncheon 12:30 pm  
Cooperage Inn, Baiting Hollow  
Date To Be Determined

#### April 2022

Spring College Fair  
Westhampton Beach  
High School 5-7 pm  
Date To Be Determined

#### April - May 2022

Tour of Colleges and  
Universities  
Dates To Be Determined

#### 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 >>](#)



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## Visit a Virtual College Fair

The Nassau Counselors's Association and Western Suffolk Counselors' Association will offer virtual college fairs with attendance from a variety of colleges and universities offering their time and knowledge to students and families on Long Island.

Both college fairs hope to assist students, especially those in grades 11 and 12, to continue to discern their post-secondary plans. With the emergence of the Delta variant, and the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, these virtual events offer students and parents an option to "visit" colleges in the comfort of their homes.

**The Nassau Counselors' Association (NCA) will present the 2021 Fall College Expo on September 21, 2021.**

College/University Reps: [Click here for the Registration Invitation](#)

High School Students: Register at <https://reg.ecareerfairs.com/e/nca>

**For More Information about this event, please contact:**  
Denise Pavone [ncaofficemanager@gmail.com](mailto:ncaofficemanager@gmail.com)

**Western Suffolk Counselors' Association will host the following Virtual College Fairs:**

Tuesday, October 12, 2021 / 4-7 pm  
Wednesday, October 27, 2021 / 6:30-8:30 pm  
Sunday, November 14, 2021 / 2-4 pm  
[Virtual Fair Link](#)



## Attend a NACAC Virtual College Fair

Featuring college advisers from hundreds of colleges and universities from the US and worldwide.

Sign up now for free!  
[virtualcollegefairs.org](https://virtualcollegefairs.org)

Don't miss these one-day events! Drop in on Zoom sessions from all of your favorite colleges... without leaving home.

You'll hear about programs and majors, scholarships, student life, and more. View videos, ask chat questions, and explore your options. Sign up now to get started on your college dreams!

**Fall 2021 College Fairs**

<p><b>Aug 29</b> Signature College Fair Sunday • 1-6 pm ET</p> <p><b>Sep 12</b> Signature College Fair Sunday • 1-6 pm ET</p> <p><b>Sep 28</b> Northeastern US College Fair Tuesday • 4-8 pm ET</p> <p><b>Oct 3</b> Signature College Fair Sunday • 1-6 pm ET</p>	<p><b>Oct 14</b> Midwest US College Fair Tuesday • 5-9 pm ET</p> <p><b>Oct 24</b> Signature College Fair Sunday • 1-6 pm ET</p> <p><b>Nov 2</b> Arts &amp; STEM College Fair Tuesday • 4-8 pm ET</p> <p><b>Nov 14</b> Signature College Fair Sunday • 1-6 pm ET</p>
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# FALL 2020 - 2021

## NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND HEALTH AWARENESS DATES

### SEPTEMBER

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month  
Deaf Awareness Month  
Hispanic Heritage Month 9-15-10-15  
Suicide Prevention Awareness Month  
Sexual Health Awareness Month  
**International Day of Peace 9/21**

### OCTOBER

ADHD Awareness Month  
Bullying Prevention Month  
Domestic Violence Awareness Month  
Down Syndrome Awareness Month  
Dyslexia Awareness Month  
LGBT History Month  
National Depression and Mental Health Screening Month  
LGBT History Month  
**National Health Education Week 10/18-22**

### NOVEMBER

National Career Development Month  
National Family Caregivers Month  
National Runaway Prevention Month  
National Scholarship Month  
National American Heritage Month  
**Great American Smoke-Out 11/18**

### DECEMBER

**Special Education Day 12/2**  
**International Day of Persons with Disabilities 12/3**  
**International Volunteer Day 12/5**  
**Human Rights Day 12/10**





## EECA Best College Essay Contest

**Deadline:**  
**January 1, 2022**

The Winning Essay will receive a cash award of \$250

**Send Essays to:**  
**trabbitt51@gmail.com**

The East End Counselors Association invites you to participate in our third annual Best College Essay Contest. The contest is open to any high school student who is sponsored by a member of the East End Counselors Association.

The submitted essays will be judged by an unbiased committee consisting of professional writers and college admissions counselors.

### **Contest Requirements**

- Limit your essay to 650 words and submit your essay as an attachment by January 1, 2022 to [trabbitt51@gmail.com](mailto:trabbitt51@gmail.com)

- Identify the prompt you are using whether that prompt is from the Common Application or particular to a given college.
- Identify your name, high school and sponsoring School Counselor
- Send your contact information that includes your full name, address and email. Do not include this information within the file, as essays will be blind-reviewed.
- Please note that by submitting an entry, you are giving the EECA permission to publish your essay in *Counselors View*, the newsletter of the East End Counselors Association.



**NYSSCA 2021 Fall Conference  
November 4-6, 2021**

**Click on the links below for Conference Information**

**[Turning Stone Resort and Convention Center](#)**

**5218 Patrick Road, Verona, NY 13478**

The Turning Stone Resort and Convention Center, the Conference’s host hotel, has a **conference rate of \$139 per night, plus tax**, which remains valid for reservations made **by October 12, 2021**, while rooms are available.

**[Conference Information](#)**

**[Register as an Attendee](#)**

**[Become a Sponsor](#)**

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**[Call for Presenters](#)**



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**REPRESENT YOUR STUDENTS AND YOUR SCHOOL AS A MEMBER OF THE EECA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT [EASTENDCOUSELORS.ORG](http://EASTENDCOUSELORS.ORG)**

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