



Jericho HIGH SCHOOL

Counseling Center Newsletter / September 2018



Dates to Remember:

August 29th

First Day of Classes

September 4th

Senior Meeting
7:00 p.m.

September 8th

ACT Exam
8:00 a.m.

September 13th

Back to School Night
7:00 p.m.

September 17th

High School Welcome &
School Information Night
7:00 p.m.

October 2nd

Financial Aid Night
7:00 p.m.

*Great Reads
for*

Back to School:

[10 Ways to Help Your Child
Adjust to New School](#)

[Five Best Ways to Build
Resiliency](#)

[10 Things I Wish I'd Known
in High School](#)

Jericho welcomes Greg Sloan as the Curriculum Associate for School Counseling

Mr. Sloan is entering his 17th year as a counselor and administrator in the area of School Counseling. Most recently, he joins us from Cold Spring Harbor High School, where he held the title of Assistant Principal for School Counseling. Mr. Sloan is a strong advocate for comprehensive school counseling programs that address students' academic, career, and personal developmental needs. He has significant experience supporting students with a multitude of interests, including those seeking admission into elite universities, those choosing career options, and those seeking alternative graduation pathways. Mr. Sloan believes school counselors are critical to helping each student achieve personal excellence. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in English from Elon University and holds a Master of Science in Education from Hofstra University. Mr. Sloan resides in Northport with his wife Kim and his three children, Christian, Kate, and Erik. Mr. Sloan is looking forward to collaborating with the staff, students, and parents of the Jericho community in the years ahead.



Schedule Change Procedure:

As discussed in prior communication, in an effort to allow our teachers and students to settle into classes, **there will be no schedule changes for the first five days of school.** The only exceptions to this rule will be for the following reasons: 1. There is an error in the schedule, 2. You have a free period and would like to add a class that is available and offered the same period, 3. Overscheduled/need lunch. Requests for level changes (AP → Regents / Regents → AP) and/or requests to drop a course will take place on or after Thursday, September 6th. Procedures for making a schedule change on or after September 6th will be forthcoming.

Welcome to Jericho High School

Welcome to the incoming class of 2022 and all of our new entrants! We enjoyed meeting and working with all of the ninth graders and new students who participated in the orientation program in August. As students begin their high school careers, the Counseling Department extends a warm welcome and encourages them to make appointments with their counselor whenever they have any questions or concerns.





Message from Dr. Danielle Smith, School Psychologist

As a parent and psychologist at Jericho High School, I am often thinking of ways in which I can achieve a somewhat seamless transition back from a relaxing summer break to the structure of school for my family as well as my Jericho family. The National Association of School Psychologists has researched and compiled helpful tips to help you and your family achieve a smooth transition. [Click here](#) to view **Before School Begins** and **After School Begins** as well as **Mindfulness Exercises for Back to School**. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 516.203.3600 ext 3265 or at dsmith@jerichoschools.org.

COLLEGE Night

Senior College Night: September 4th

All seniors and their parents are encouraged to attend this most important evening presentation beginning at 7:00 p.m. The school counselors will meet with their respective students in small groups to review Jericho's process of submitting applications through Naviance; updates on the ever changing landscape of college admissions; integration procedures of commonapp; Naviance accounts; and much more. Counselor room assignments will be posted in front of the auditorium on the night of the presentation. Please make every attempt to attend!

Financial Aid Night: October 2nd

Parents of college-bound students are invited to a very informative presentation on meeting college costs. Jackie Nealon, an expert on the process, will share how to begin planning as well as overview the Free Application for Student Financial Aid (**FAFSA**). Parents are encouraged to view the website to learn more about the process. Ms. Nealon will also overview the **CSS Profile**, which is another financial form required by many private colleges and universities.



College Visits:

Approximately 130 college admission representatives visit Jericho HS each fall. Seniors are eligible to attend these meetings if they fill out a college visit pass and get signed permission from their teacher. Seniors must then sign up for the visit through Naviance. College visit passes may be picked up in the Counseling Center.

Seniors: Log in to Naviance and follow the steps below to sign up to attend a college rep visit.

<https://student.naviance.com/jericho>

1. Click on 'Colleges' in the top navigation bar.

2. Click on 'COLLEGES Home' in the left sidebar.

3. Click on 'Show more' in the 'College Visits' section.

4. Click on 'Register Now' for a specific college visit.

Month	Date	Time	Location	College
SEPTEMBER	Wed 12	09:43AM	Little Theatre	Princeton University
SEPTEMBER	Wed 12	12:39PM		Mount Saint Mary College
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PSAT Registration:

This year the PSAT exam will be given on Saturday, October 13th starting at 7:45 a.m. It is recommended that all juniors sit for this exam to become more familiar with the format of the SAT Reasoning exam. Additionally, only junior-year student can qualify for the [National Merit Scholarship Competition](#). Sophomores and freshmen may elect to take the test for practice, but please know that there may be material on the exam not yet taught to the students in lower grades.

Registration will take place in Mr. Ratner's AP Office beginning Thursday, September 13th through Friday, October 5th. The cost of the exam is \$27.00. Checks and/or money orders can be made payable to Jericho Public Schools. Cash will also be accepted (please bring the exact amount of \$27.00). Clearly indicate your child's name and grade on check and envelope. Upon registration, students will receive a PSAT test guide to have an overview of testing structure and questions.

ACT Test Dates: 2018-2019

(*ACT exams given at Jericho)

Register at www.act.org

<u>Exam Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Deadline</u>
September 8, 2018*	Passed	Passed
October 27, 2018	September 28, 2018	October 6, 2018
December 8, 2018	November 3, 2018	November 17, 2018
February 9, 2019 (not given in NY)	January 11, 2019	January 19, 2019
April 13, 2019	March 8, 2019	March 23, 2019
June 8, 2019*	May 3, 2019	May 18, 2019
July 13, 2019 (new test date)	June 14, 2019	June 22, 2019

SAT Test Dates: 2018-2019

(SAT exams are not given at Jericho)

Register at www.collegeboard.org

<u>Exam Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Deadline</u> (for registrations made online or by phone)
October 6, 2018	September 7, 2018	September 26, 2018
November 3, 2018	October 5, 2018	October 24, 2018
December 1, 2018	November 2, 2018	November 20, 2018
March 9, 2019	February 8, 2019	February 27, 2019
May 4, 2019	April 3, 2019	April 24, 2019
June 1, 2019	May 1, 2019	May 22, 2019

Important Things to Know about...

- ◆ Each application is a separate submission and application fee.
- ◆ Once ALL fields have been completed, click on the 'preview and submission' link under the college. A red box should appear.
- ◆ After previewing the application, the pay screen will appear; however you have **NOT submitted once you have paid the application fee.**
- ◆ After paying fee, continue to Signature Page. Once you have agreed to the terms and electronically signed, you have officially submitted your application.
- ◆ A green check mark will appear on your Dashboard once these steps have been completed. If the orange dot is still showing, the submission did not go through.
- ◆ Writing Supplements may be a **separate submission**, which will require another signature page. Once submitted, a green check will also appear on the Dashboard – indicating that the writing piece was submitted successfully.
- ◆ Some colleges will require you to electronically self-report your entire high school transcript. Be extremely careful to report exactly what appears on your transcripts. Errors can result in revoked admission!

Matching Naviance to Commonapp:

All seniors must match their Commonapp account to their Naviance Account in order to successfully submit documents to colleges. Watch this [short video](#) and follow five simple steps. A review will be given at College Night on September 4th.

Student/Parent Brag Sheets for Seniors:

Please be aware that brag sheets are mandatory items to help enhance your counselor's letter of recommendation. If forms have not been submitted, please use the **electronic version** found on your Naviance Account.

Coalition Application Exclusive Schools...

Many schools are accepting both the Common App and the new Coalition Application. The only way to apply to some schools, such as Maryland and University of Florida, is through the Coalition app. If your colleges do not appear on either application, visit the college(s) home page and click on 'admissions' to find their application.



THE COALITION

Upcoming College Fairs:

⇒ [Nassau Counselors' Fall College Expo](#)

September 16th @ SUNY Old Westbury

⇒ [Long Island National College Fair](#)

September 23rd @ Nassau Coliseum

⇒ [New York City STEM College Fair](#)

October 14th @ Javits Convention Center

⇒ [Big Virtual College Fair](#)

October 2nd online from 10 am – 6 pm

Save time by filling out electronic form with your data prior to attending fairs. Gotocollegefair.com to get your barcode for scanning.

Upcoming College Admissions Presentations:

⇒ **Liberal Arts College Night at 6:00pm**

(Amherst, Middlebury, Tufts, Williams,...)

September 14th @ Manhasset HS

⇒ **University of Chicago at 7pm** ([click to sign up](#))

September 17th @ Chaminade HS

⇒ **Dartmouth College at 7pm**

October 11th @ Jericho HS

⇒ **Duke University at 7pm**

October 17th @ Roslyn HS