



Jericho HIGH SCHOOL

Counseling Center Newsletter / September 2019



Dates to Remember:

September 3rd
First Day of Classes

September 10th
Senior Student/Parent Meeting
7:00 p.m.

September 14th
ACT Exam
8:00 a.m.

September 16th
Districtwide Welcome &
School Information Night for
New Entrant Families
7:00 p.m.

September 19th
JHS Back to School Night
7:00 p.m.

September 24th
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](#)

Welcome to Jericho High School

Welcome to the incoming class of 2023 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.



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 six 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/College → Regents / Regents → AP/College) and/or requests to drop a course or change an elective that is available and offered the same period will take place on or after Wednesday, September 11th. Schedule Change Request forms will be made available in the Counseling Center on Tuesday, September 10th.

PSAT Registration:

This year the PSAT exam will be given on Saturday, October 19th 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 Dr. Artile's AP Office beginning Thursday, September 12th through Friday, October 11th. 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. Prior to the exam, students will receive a PSAT test guide to have an overview of testing structure and questions.

COLLEGE Night

Senior College Night: September 10th

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: September 24th

Parents of college-bound students are invited to a very informative presentation on meeting college costs. Financial aid experts 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. The [CSS Profile](#), which is another financial form required by many private colleges and universities, will also be reviewed.



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. Outside of a lunch or free period, Juniors may only request signed permission from their teachers for a total of 5 college rep visits. **Students must then sign up for the visit through Naviance.** College visit passes may be picked up in the Counseling Center.

11th & 12th Graders approved to attend: 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** at the bottom of the 'College Visits' list.

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

Month	Date	Time	College
SEPTEMBER	Mon 16	09:00AM	University of Maryland, College Park
SEPTEMBER	Mon 16	09:43AM	University of Rhode Island

ACT DATES & REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Test Date The September & June ACT will be given in Jericho	Regular Registration Postmark Deadline (Regular Fee)	Late Registration Postmark Deadline (Regular Fee + Late Fee)
September 14, 2019	August 16, 2019	August 17 - August 30, 2019
October 26, 2019	September 20, 2019	September 21 - Oct. 4, 2019
December 14, 2019	November 8, 2019	November 9 – 22, 2019
February 8, 2020	January 10, 2020	January 11 – 17, 2020
April 4, 2020	February 28, 2020	February 29 – March 13, 2020
June 13, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 9 – 22, 2020

SAT DATES & REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Test	National Test Dates NOT IN JERICHO	US Registration Deadline	US Late Registration Deadline <u>Online & Phone</u>
SAT I & SAT II	October 5, 2019	September 6, 2019	September 24, 2019
SAT I & SAT II	November 2, 2019	October 3, 2019	October 22, 2019
SAT I & SAT II	December 7, 2019	November 8, 2019	November 26, 2019
SAT I	March 14, 2020	February 14, 2020	March 3, 2020
SAT I & SAT II	May 2, 2020	April 3, 2020	April 21, 2020
SAT I & SAT II	June 6, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 27, 2020

Jericho High School is delighted to provide your child with free access to **Method Test Prep** (MTP), an online SAT/ACT test prep program that helps students build their math, reading, and writing skills. Students can listen to tutorials, watch instructional videos, and take quizzes to test for mastery. The program is highly adaptive and keeps track of a student's strengths and weaknesses. Students have access to a large pool of practice questions and receive instant feedback upon completion of each question.

Students in grades 9-12 can access Method Test Prep through their Canvas accounts. The link to Method Test Prep is listed on your child's Canvas account below the link for Naviance. Please have your child see their counselor if they require any assistance in accessing this free resource.

Method Test Prep is interactive, time efficient, and designed to be used independently or as a supplement to other SAT or ACT prep. We encourage you to take advantage of this valuable resource. To view a brief instructional video that highlights the features of Method Test Prep's online tool visit:

<https://methodtestprep-1.wistia.com/medias/0qgz62957m>



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 the University of Maryland, 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 14th @ SUNY Old Westbury: 12-3pm
- ⇒ [Long Island National College Fair](#)
September 15th @ NYCB Live, Nassau Coliseum: 11-3pm
- ⇒ [New York City STEM College Fair](#)
October 13th @ Javits Convention Center: 1-4pm
- ⇒ [Virtual College Fair](#) (4am-4pm)
November 13th online at www.collegeweeklive.com

Save time by filling out electronic form with your data prior to attending fairs. [Gotocollegefair.com](http://gotocollegefair.com) to get your barcode for scanning.

Upcoming College Admissions Presentations:

- ⇒ **Liberal Arts College Night at 6:00pm**
([Amherst](#), [Middlebury](#), [Tufts](#), [Williams](#),....)
September 19th @ Oceanside HS
- ⇒ **Duke University at 7pm**
September 24th @ Roslyn HS