



Fairfield Ludlowe High School Counseling Newsletter

[Check out our department's website here!](#)

Happy Holidays Ludlowe! 'tis the season for the days to be shorter and colder! The fall has been a busy time for school counselors and students alike. After a short Thanksgiving break the counselors are back and ready to jump into December. All sophomores completed the Do What You Are career interest inventory on Naviance in addition to setting up accounts on Khan Academy and College Board. This month, counselors will meet individually with each sophomore to discuss Naviance and create a 4 year academic plan...keep an eye out for an email with more info! We hope everyone has a happy and healthy holiday season and wonderful New Year!

SENIORS, WHAT'S YOUR PLAN NEXT YEAR?

Going to college?

- Make sure you meet with your counselor 3 weeks before your first deadline!
- Adding more schools? Stop by your counseling office to add schools to a greenform.
- Getting decision letters? Make sure you stop by your school counselor's office and let them know!

Community College/Military

- Keep your eyes open for upcoming fairs and visits.

PSAT Scores Coming Soon!

Sophomores and juniors took the PSAT on October 11th. The official score release day is Wednesday, December 13th. Students can access their scores on their College Board account.

- Sophomores will be meeting with school counselors to review scores and confirm access to College Board accounts beginning in December.
- Juniors should all have access to both College Board and Khan Academy's SAT preparation program. Please

Important Info for Juniors!

Here's a timeline of what to expect in the upcoming months!

- December-January
 - Start the college search
 - Begin visiting schools
 - Begin signing up for SAT/ACT
- February
 - Course selection – speak with teachers about options for courses & meet you're your counselor
 - After winter break, juniors & families will set up post high school planning meetings with counselors
- March – April
 - Family meetings continue to meet with counselors
 - Attend college fairs
 - Take SAT/ACT
 - Continue visiting schools

Need help with the FAFSA?

As we close out the calendar year, seniors and parents are reminded that in order to receive financial aid awards from your prospective colleges, you'll need to fill out the FAFSA! For more information on the process, types of financial aid, and how to apply, visit the Federal Student Aid website at: <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/>.

Dates to Remember

- Sophomore meetings with counselors – ongoing through December
- ACT (@ FWHS) – 12/9
- Senior parent internship meeting – 12/11, 6 pm
- College Panel (FWHS) – 1/3 (snow date 1/4)
- Midterms – 1/18-1/23
- Course Selection Night – 1/24, 6 pm (snow date 1/24)
- 8th Grade Parent Night – 1/31, 6 pm (snow date 2/1)

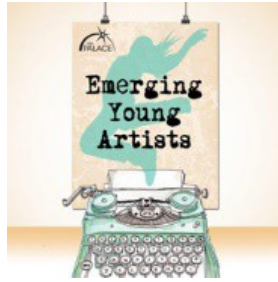
A Snapshot of College Applications Already Submitted for the Class of '18

As of 12/1/17:

Total # of applications sent: 2672

- # of Early Decision applications: 71
- # of Early Action applications: 1147
- # of Priority applications: 79
- # of Regular Decision applications: 1256
- # of Rolling applications: 119
- # of Students who have submitted at least one application: 305 (72.4% of the senior class!)

"While I relish our warm months, winter forms our character and brings out our best." – Tom Allen



**The 2018 Ernie DiMattia
Emerging Young Artist Scholarship Awards**

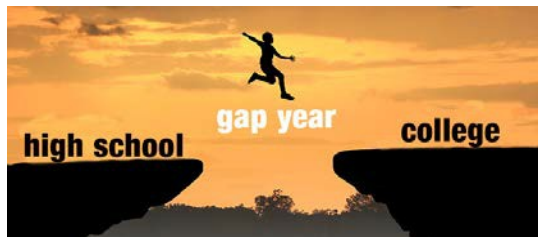
The 2018 scholarships will be awarded to three high school students in grades nine through twelve for their writing of an original **15 minute, One Act play**.

1st Place - \$750

2nd Place - \$600

3rd Place - \$400

- **Application and Play Due Feb 1st, 2018**
- **Application and criteria can be found at www.palacestamford.org under "Education and Outreach."**



GAP Year Fair

Date: January 10, 2018

Location: [Amity Regional High School](#)

Event Time: 6:00pm - 8:30pm

Scheduled Speaker: [Jason Sarouhan](#)

Speaker Time: 6:00pm - 6:45pm

For more information about USA Gap Year Fairs, please click [here](#).

Students can register through Eventbrite for the event [here](#).

FLHS
Computer Proficiency Exam

Thursday, January 18, 2018
12:15 p.m.

Room 303

Click [here](#) to sign up for the Ludlowe Computer Proficiency Exam

Bring your photo ID (student ID, driver's permit/license or passport, etc.).

Students must sign into their school Google .net account to register.

Thank you!
The FLHS Business Department

next generation leaders

girls with impact™

Girls Entrepreneurship Summits

These one-day Summits are happening 12/10 in Fairfield and 12/16 in Stamford.

Parents and girls will hear from CEOs and girlpreneurs on how to get ahead in today's changing world.

[GIRLS WITH IMPACT FLYER](#)

Fairfield, Dec 10 - Register **[HERE](#)**

Stamford, Dec 16 - Register **[HERE](#)**

Questions? Contact Jennifer Openshat at jen.openshaw@girlswithimpact.org. For more information about Girls With Impact, visit their website **[HERE](#)**