



Fairfield Ludlowe High School Counseling Newsletter

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

Happy March! The school counselors are ready to SPRING into the new month! The counselors have had a whirlwind month meeting with all 170+ of our underclassmen students regarding their course selections for next year!

'Tis the season for school counselors to visit colleges and universities around the country. Look out for info on schools we've visited in our end of year newsletter, coming soon!

Schedule Your Junior Meeting NOW!

Junior post-high school planning meetings will occur Now through **April**. All appointments are between 7:30 am and 2:00 pm during the school day, lasting approximately 40 minutes.

Families will sit down with their school counselor to discuss timelines and options for life after high school.

If you haven't made an appointment yet, please call your School Counseling Office.

- Warner Counseling: 203-255-7225
- Webster House: 203-255-7238
- Wright House: 203-255-7242

Sophomore Parent Night

Wednesday, March 14, 2018
6:00 P.M. Fairfield Ludlowe Auditorium

Topics to be discussed:

- Post-secondary Options
- Opportunities & Experiences
- PSAT/SAT
- College & Career Center
- Naviance
- Timelines

Dates to Remember

- Sophomore Parent Night-3/14
- Community College Fair – 3/15 @ HCC
- Junior in-school SAT – 3/21
- Rescheduled 3/10 SAT @ Ludlowe – 3/24
- College Fair @ Harbor Yard Arena – 4/4

CT SAT School Day REMINDER for Juniors!

- Students should review the [SAT School Day Student Guide](#) to become familiar with the test and to make sure they understand SAT policies and regulations before they take the test. Hardcopies of the guide will be distributed in homeroom this week.
- Four Free Score Sends: Students will enter their four free score sends directly on their answer sheet. The codes for colleges and universities where students want to send scores are available in the student answer sheet instructions that will be distributed to each student on test day. Students can no longer indicate their four free score sends online. Additional score sends (available for a fee) and those available through a fee waiver can only be sent online.
- If a student wants to remove the March 21, 2018, Connecticut SAT School Day exam score from their College Board record of SAT scores, they must complete a *Request to Cancel Score Form*, which will be distributed on test day. Alternatively, they can fax their signed request to: 610-290-8978, or send by overnight mail to SAT Program, Score Cancellation, 1425 Lower Ferry Road, Ewing, NJ 08618 within three days of the administration. SAT scores from the March 21, 2018, Connecticut SAT School Day exam will still be used by the CSDE for school and district accountability purposes.

"Success is walking from failure to failure with no loss of enthusiasm." ~Winston Churchill



UCONN Explore Engineering Program

Attention: Please use Google Chrome or Firefox when applying
Deadline to Apply: May 1st, 2018

[Apply HERE](#)

Explore Engineering (E²) is a **one-week residential summer program** for current high school sophomores and juniors. During this exciting week at the University of Connecticut Storrs Campus participants explore engineering careers by working in small groups with faculty and college students. They will **learn what various engineers do in the workplace** and see **engineering concepts demonstrated**. During the evenings, through the YESS Program, students focus on a single engineering discipline by fabricating a discipline-specific device. The week wraps up with demonstrations of items the students created during the week. Examples have included: rudimentary EKG devices, Smart Lego vehicles that can follow a trail, fuel cell and other energy efficient devices, wooden bridges, environmentally friendly processes, and how to resolve differences.

Session Dates:

- *Sunday, June 17th to Thursday, June 21st, 2018*
- *Sunday, June 24th to Thursday, June 28th, 2018*

Eligibility: Must be a **current* sophomore or junior** in high school (*during the 2017/2018 school year)
Decisions regarding admission will NOT be made until registration is closed.

SPARK Program: We also offer an **all girls camp** during July. Click [here](#) to find out more!

UCONN ECE Scholarships

UConn Early College Experience Student Scholarships will close on **March 30th**. These scholarships will be awarded to exemplary UConn ECE students in three separate areas of excellence:

Click on the following links for additional information:

- [Excellence in the Arts, Humanities or Social Sciences \(2 awards\)](#)
- [Excellence in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics \(2 awards\)](#)
- [Civic and Community Engagement \(1 award\)](#)

Girls Who Code

Girls Who Code is a non-profit organization whose goal is to “educate, inspire, and equip girls with the skills and resources necessary to pursue opportunities in computing fields and ultimately, support Girls Who Code’s vision to close the gender gap in the technology and engineering sectors.”

They offer a **FREE 7-week summer program** for rising juniors and seniors, M-F, 9 – 4 at locations in Stamford and NYC.

“Each week of the program covers projects related to computer science, such as art, storytelling, robotics, video games, web sites, and apps. You’ll also hear from guest speakers, participate in workshops, connect with female engineers and entrepreneurs, and go on field trips. The program culminates in a final project where you build your own product and share it with your class.”

While the program is free, students need to provide their own transportation and appropriate business-casual attire; however stipends are available for eligible students. **No computer experience required; GPA is also not a factor. This is a wonderful opportunity for girls to gain some skills, experience, business exposure, and future internship and job opportunities, as well as qualify for scholarships.**

The application deadline is March 16.

Click [here](#) to apply or learn more about the program.

2018 Congressional Art Competition

Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to announce the 2018 Congressional Art Competition. Over the next two months, high school students from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. territories will showcase their artistic abilities through this annual challenge sponsored by the U.S. House of Representatives.

I encourage all students in grades 9-12 who reside in or attend high school in Connecticut’s Fourth Congressional District to participate. Entries will be judged by a panel of local artists and representatives of arts organizations in Southwest Connecticut. **Additionally, I will hold a reception on Wednesday, May 2, to honor this year’s participants.** The winning entry from our district will be displayed for one year at the United States Capitol alongside artwork from every congressional district across the country.

The winning artist will receive two roundtrip tickets to attend the competition’s result announcement ceremony, and the Fourth District runners-up will have their artwork displayed in my Bridgeport and Stamford district offices. Meeting the talented student artists and their families is something I look forward to each spring.

Students interested in entering this year’s competition must complete and sign a release form and email it to Sean.Higgins@mail.house.gov. The release form is available [here](#). Artwork must, including a frame, be no larger than 26 inches high, 26 inches wide, and 4 inches deep, to the outside of the frame, and 15 pounds in weight. The student’s art and a copy of the student’s release form must be affixed to the back and delivered to my Bridgeport office by 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 25, 2018. You can find more information on the competition, including rules and guidelines [here](#).

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Sean Higgins in my Bridgeport office at (203) 333-6600. I look forward to seeing your work.

Sincerely,
Jim