



## Fairfield Ludlowe High School Counseling Newsletter

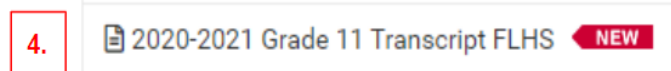
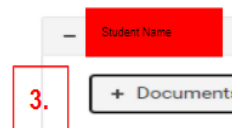
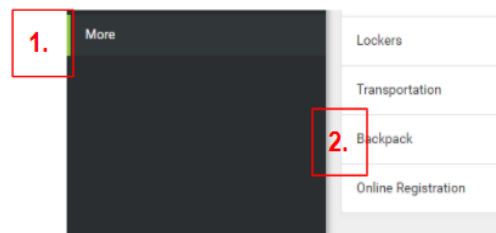
[Check out our department's website here!](#)

Dates to Remember		Location	How to Register/Watch
3/13	SAT	Ludlowe/Warde	<a href="#">College Board</a>
3/24	Connecticut School Day SAT for grade 11 students	Ludlowe	Students will be registered by FLHS
3/24	PSAT grade 9 students	Ludlowe	Students will be registered by FLHS
4/17	ACT	Warde	<a href="#">ACT</a>
5/8	SAT	Ludlowe	<a href="#">College Board</a>
6/5	SAT	Ludlowe	<a href="#">College Board</a>
6/12	ACT	Warde	<a href="#">ACT</a>

### Student Copies of Mid-Year Transcripts in IC Backpack

Students can log-in to Infinite Campus and access their mid-year transcript by completing the following steps:

1. Click "More"
2. Click "Backpack"
3. Click the "+" next to "Documents"
4. Click 2020-2021 Grade X Transcript FLHS



**IMPORTANT:** Mid-year transcripts were automatically sent for college bound seniors in early-February.

**Did you miss any of our virtual events? Below are links to the post-secondary planning presentations that we held in February!**

EVENT	DESCRIPTION	LINK TO WATCH
<a href="#">College Bound with an IEP or 504</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 year colleges</li> <li>• 2 year colleges</li> <li>• Accommodations vs Academic Support</li> <li>• Qualifying for accommodations in college</li> <li>• 504 vs IEP</li> <li>• Important differences between high school and college</li> <li>• FERPA</li> </ul>	<p>Click <a href="#">HERE</a></p> <p>Passcode: <b>nd57V=p@</b></p>
<a href="#">Community College Programs &amp; the Application Process</a>	<p><u>Academic Programs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Similarities/Differences between schools</li> <li>• Academic opportunities</li> <li>• Application Requirements &amp; Process</li> <li>• Accuplacer</li> <li>• Scholarships</li> <li>• Transfer Process</li> <li>• Social Life/Activities</li> <li>• Internships/P-T Jobs</li> <li>• Transportation</li> </ul> <p><u>Career/Certificate Programs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Differences between Academic and Career/Certificate programs</li> <li>• Specific programs (Manufacturing, Auto, Nursing, Medical Asst., Respiratory Asst., etc.)</li> <li>• Social Life/Activities</li> <li>• Internships/P-T Jobs</li> <li>• Transportation</li> </ul>	<p>Click <a href="#">HERE</a></p>
<p>Career Exploration Series</p>	<p>The College &amp; Career Center is hosting a Career Exploration Series to help students learn about career fields and opportunities. Check out our previously recorded and upcoming programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Careers in Engineering, Wed, Dec 8, 2020</li> <li>• Careers in Healthcare, Wed, Jan 20, 2021</li> <li>• Careers in Communications &amp; Media, Thurs, Feb 18, 2021</li> </ul>	<p><a href="#">Click here</a></p>



## Common App has announced the 2021–2022 essay prompts.

Below is the full set of Common App essay prompts for 2021–2022.

1. Some students have a background, identity, interest, or talent that is so meaningful they believe their application would be incomplete without it. If this sounds like you, then please share your story.
2. The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?
3. Reflect on a time when you questioned or challenged a belief or idea. What prompted your thinking? What was the outcome?
4. Reflect on something that someone has done for you that has made you happy or thankful in a surprising way. How has this gratitude affected or motivated you?
5. Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.
6. Describe a topic, idea, or concept you find so engaging that it makes you lose all track of time. Why does it captivate you? What or who do you turn to when you want to learn more?
7. Share an essay on any topic of your choice. It can be one you've already written, one that responds to a different prompt, or one of your own design.



Our 4-week, academically rigorous, and fully online [Summer Academy](#) courses are designed exclusively for students who have completed 10th, 11th, or 12th grade and are tailored to provide an in-depth exploration of a specific field of study in subjects ranging from journalism and photography to health and medicine.

What's more, *all* summer Pre-College programs at UVM (including our courses below) are offered to out-of-state students at 50% off academic year tuition rates.

### [Summer Academy Courses Include:](#)

- Adventures in Neuroscience
- Biomedical Science and Human Disease
- Drones for Environmental Mapping
- Facing Environmental Futures
- Health and Medicine
- Storytelling with Photographs



Cornell **SCE**  
**Precollege Studies**

Due to COVID-19, summer courses will be held exclusively online.

Art as Experience (ART 1101) June 1–17 and June 21–July 9.

Art as Experience: Photography (ART 1104) June 1–17 and June 21–July 9.

Art as Experience II: Transmedia (ART 1102) June 21–July 9.

Design Generation(s) (DEA 1100) June 21–July 9.

Fashion Design (FSAD 1120) July 12–30.

Making a Difference by Design (DEA 1110/COGST 1111) July 12–30.

These online classes and dozens more are part of Cornell University's acclaimed Precollege Summer Program, which offers motivated high school students from around the world the chance to earn credits and a Cornell transcript, immerse themselves in rigorous college courses taught by top-notch faculty, and prep for college admissions.

Courses are offered between June 1 and August 3, 2021, and limited financial aid is available.

Application deadlines vary, beginning May 17. See the website for details.

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## Muhlenberg College Presents: Workshop Wednesdays

During these challenging times, Muhlenberg College wants to support your college search process. Our admissions counselors are bringing their knowledge of the college search and application process right into your home. We enthusiastically invite you to join us for Workshop Wednesdays!

Please email [admissions@muhlenberg.edu](mailto:admissions@muhlenberg.edu) with questions.

[Liberal Arts 101](#)

Wednesday, March 10 at 6:00 PM

[Special Family Session: How to support your student through the college process](#)

Wednesday, March 24 at 6:00 PM

[Demonstrated Interest in the College Process](#)

Wednesday, April 7 at 6:00 PM

[Applying and Auditioning for Artistic Programs](#)

Wednesday, April 21 at 6:00 PM

[Writing the College Essay](#)

Wednesday, May 12 at 6:00 PM

## University of San Francisco Events

Hear from both college admission counselors and high school counselors about steps you can take to prepare for your future after high school. You still have plenty of time, so no need to get too overwhelmed yet! We'll walk you through a few easy things you can do to get in the mindset for college and how you can begin researching different colleges remotely.

We have plenty of tips to share from our years of experience, so feel free to bring friends who are interested.

### Sophomore College Night

Tuesday, March 16

6 – 7 p.m. PDT

[Register](#)

### Junior College Night

Tuesday, March 23

6 – 7 p.m. PDT

[Register](#)

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### Free Webinar: Navigating Financial Aid Offers

Wednesday, March 3

6:00 pm ET

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Please join us for a panelist discussion from three college and university financial aid administrators on navigating and understanding financial aid offers.

Scott Jewell, Director of Financial Aid, Salem State University

Edward Maroney, Associate Director of Financial Aid, Bryant University

Ken Ferreira, Associate Vice President, Student Financial Services, Franklin Pierce University

## March is Military Month

Join us on Wednesday afternoons to learn about the educational and career opportunities offered by the different military branches

US Coast Guard & US Navy - Wed, March 3 @ 1:00 PM [Click here for link](#)

US Army - Wed, Mar 10 @ 3:00 PM

US Air Force & CT National Guard - Wed, Mar 17 @ 3:00 PM

US Marine Corps - Wed, Apr 7 @ 3:00 PM

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## Scholarship Information

[Click here](#) to check out our helpful **Scholarship Tips & Information Guide**

All scholarships are listed in detail on Naviance, but you can do a quick check of what's available by [clicking here](#)

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## Gap Year Presentation

Virtual: Why Gap Years Matter More Than Ever!

**Presented by The Fairfield Public Library**

Tuesday, March 30, 7-8pm

Are you wondering about the benefits of a Gap Year, and realistic options amidst COVID and the disruption of higher ed? Join Katherine Stievater, Founder of Gap Year Solutions, for a presentation and Q&A about the benefits of a Gap Year and what Gap Years look like when international travel is not a realistic option.

[Click here to register](#)

\*\* All registrants will receive information on how to access this virtual webinar within 24 hours of the event's start time

Presenter:

Katherine Stievater founded Gap Year Solutions to help students successfully transition to college with a customized plan that builds life skills through "Real World Learning." Based in the Boston, MA area, she is an Accredited Gap Year counselor, and is a Professional member of the Independent Educational Consultants Association.



# BigFuture Days

## SIGN UP FOR COLLEGE BOARD'S FIRST-EVER VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIRS

Whether you've already started your college search or have no idea where to begin, we want to connect you with colleges that might be a good fit for you. BigFuture™ Days gives you a chance to get information about multiple colleges from college admissions officers and current college students.

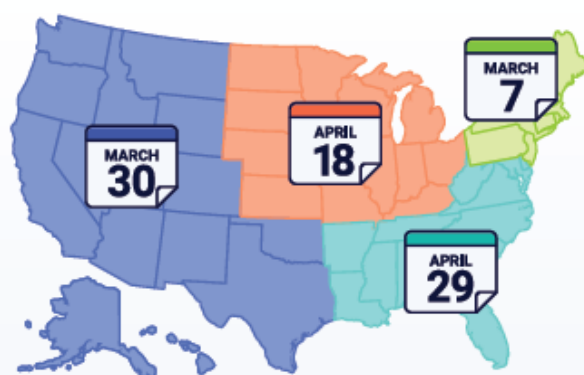
Here are five reasons to attend BigFuture Days:

- 1 Explore colleges in a way that's informative but not overwhelming.
- 2 Connect directly with colleges to get answers to your questions and show your interest in attending.
- 3 Get answers to your college questions from college advisors via live Q&A sessions.
- 4 Take key college planning steps like searching for colleges and exploring scholarships.
- 5 Join these free events from a computer or mobile device.

### Sophomores and Juniors: Save These Dates

Explore your college options in each region—attend any or all of these events.

- BigFuture Day Northeast, Sunday, March 7
- BigFuture Day West + Southwest, Tuesday, March 30
- BigFuture Day Midwest, Sunday, April 18
- BigFuture Day Southeast, Thursday, April 29



Go to [cb.org/bigfuturedays](https://cb.org/bigfuturedays) to register and learn more!

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Nationwide Comprehensive and FREE College and Career Readiness Workshops *Audience: High School Students, Parents, Counselors, Interested Educators*

College, Career & Job Readiness Workshops	Date & Time
<b>#4. Create a Tailored Resume, CV &amp; Cover Letter</b> Stand Out from the Crowd	<b>Monday, March 8</b> @ 8.00pm
<b>#5. Welcome to The World of Employment</b> Internship and Job Search and Application	<b>Monday, March 29</b> @ 8.00pm
<b>#6. How to Make a Final College Decision: Comparing Options</b> Money Talks: How to Pay for College Reviewing Financial Aid Packages Understanding Difference between Scholarships, Grants and Loans	<b>Monday, April 12</b> @ 8.00pm
<b>#7. I got in!! So What? What is Next?</b> College Enrollment, Transition and Success Stay Balanced: How to Balance Family, Work and Education	<b>Monday, May 3</b> @ 8.00pm
<b>#8. Job Interviews</b> Practice Questions and Strategies: Evaluate and Negotiate Offers	<b>Monday, May 10</b> @ 8.00pm
<b>#9. The Importance of College Entrance Exams (SAT/ACT)</b> SAT/ACT Achievement Strategies	<b>Monday, September 20</b> @ 8.00pm
<b>#10. Understanding FAFSA, Scholarships, Grants and Loans</b> Applying for Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)	<b>Monday, October 4</b> @ 8.00pm
<b>#11. Everything You Need to Know about College Admission</b> College Application Plan, Process and Prep	<b>Monday, October 18</b> @ 8.00pm
<b>#12. Comprehensive and Personalized College Search and Applications</b> Step by Step Early Action, Early Decision, and Regular College Application	<b>Monday, October 25</b> @ 8.00pm
<b>#13. How to Tell a Unique Story to Admissions</b> Effective College Essay Tips	<b>Monday, November 8</b> @ 8.00pm

## Contact for More Information and Details

Dr. Olcay Yavuz, Associate Professor, Educational Leadership & Policy Studies  
Southern Connecticut State University

Contact Email: [Yavuzo1@southernct.edu](mailto:Yavuzo1@southernct.edu)

RSVP and Registration Link: <http://surveys.southernct.edu/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=RSVP>

# Now Accepting Applications for RISING HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS & SENIORS Summer 2021 Programs

**VIRTUAL**



## GSLI

GLOBAL SUMMER LEARNING INSTITUTE

**An Immersive Learning Experience Preparing Diverse Scholars for the Evolution of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Industries**

June 21 – July 9, 2021

The 2021 LEADing for Life Global Summer Learning Institute is a 3-week program for rising high school seniors that will allow you to learn from world renowned faculty and industry leaders via the country's top colleges and universities. Participation in GSLI strengthens your future college applications and establishes a lifelong network of support and influence within the LEADing for Life Community.

**LEARN MORE** ► [leadprogram.org/programs](https://leadprogram.org/programs)



## REEX

Real Estate Exchange Summer Programs

**Exposing Diverse Scholars to Top Universities & Career Opportunities in Commercial Real Estate**

Session I: June 21 – July 2, 2021

Session II: July 12 – 23, 2021

REEX is a virtual 2-week program for rising high school Juniors and Seniors. Once accepted into REEX, you will get exposure to top tier universities while learning how to achieve generational wealth through buying, developing, managing and selling commercial real estate.

**LEARN MORE** ► [reexprograms.org](https://reexprograms.org)

### 2021 HOST UNIVERSITIES



Cornell  
Baker Program  
in Real Estate



HOWARD  
UNIVERSITY



MOREHOUSE  
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE



Harvard University  
Graduate School of Design



MIAMI  
BUSINESS SCHOOL



MARQUETTE  
UNIVERSITY



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SCHACK INSTITUTE OF REAL ESTATE

Northwestern  
Kellogg

PITT | SWANSON  
ENGINEERING



ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY  
MARSHALL BENNETT INSTITUTE  
OF REAL ESTATE



SMU | COX  
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS  
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