

WEEKLY

NEWSLETTER



School Counseling
College and Career
Information

Important Dates & Upcoming Events

MILITARY MONDAYS
Visit with reps during lunch

Monday, January 29
Air Nat'l Guard Tan Caf
CANCELLED Blue Caf

Monday, February 5
Navy Tan Caf
Army Nat'l Guard Blue Caf

Monday, February 12
Army Tan Caf
Marines Blue Caf

COLLEGE VISITS

Norwich University
February 8



COLLEGE ADMISSION TESTING

Juniors (class of 2025) should be thinking about SATs and ACTS!

Save the Dates:

SATs

March 9
(register by Feb. 23)
SATs May 4
SATs June 1

www.collegeboard.org

ACTs

February 10
(register by January 5)
April 13
June 8

www.act.org

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BRISTOL COMMUNITY COLLEGE ON THE SPOT ADMISSION

On Thursday, February 8, Bristol Community College will offer on the spot admissions appointments at NBHS for seniors. Students will complete the Bristol Community College admissions application with assistance and will have the chance to meet one-on-one with an admissions representative about program offerings, enrollment procedures, and any other questions. After completing the application, students may meet with a financial aid professional to receive assistance with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, (FAFSA).

All seniors are invited to participate. Please see your school counselor follow the QR code to request an appointment. Spots are limited so please make your appointment as soon as possible.



COLLEGE BOUND

NEW BEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL

A Family's Guide to College Planning

This course is meant for parents to take in partnership with their child to learn about the college planning process. Please note that attendance to all four course dates are required.

Course Dates 2024

NBHS B-211 5:30pm-7pm

Wednesday, March 20th
Wednesday, March 27th
Wednesday, April 3rd
Wednesday, April 10th

Join Us and Learn

- The college application process
- Questions to ask on a college tour
- Ways to find additional scholarships & grants
- The college planning timeline and what to prepare for
- About different college degrees and what they can offer

Please note this course will be offered in English. Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole, and Kich'e sections will be offered at a later date



Financial Aid Help Available



On January 24, twelve families received assistance with completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Families were supported by Sharon

Gannon, Director of Financial Aid at UMass Dartmouth, and Jodi Conway, owner of Conway College Aid, who generously donated their time. Did you miss this event? **Assistance will be available again on Monday, February 12, from 5-7 pm at New Bedford High School.**

COLLEGE ATHLETICS WEBINAR TONIGHT

Thinking about playing sports in college? The Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority will host a webinar tonight, January 29 that will help students learn more about

This webinar, presented by Dr. Mike Janicki, Ed.D, School Counselor at Old Rochester Regional High School, will discuss athletics in college admissions. Topics will include sports divisions, eligibility, the college search, and key issues to consider throughout this process. Live transcription will be available.

To register for this webinar, visit www.mefa.org/events/athletics-in-college-admissions.



BRISTOL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2024-2025 FAFSA-BOWL KICKOFF EVENT

GET HELP COMPLETING YOUR FAFSA!

We are kicking off the 24/25 FAFSA with a FAFSA-bowl party! Come dressed in your favorite sports team's gear.

Pizza and refreshments will be provided. Stop by for a chance to win some prizes! Staff will be onsite to assist in completing the new **Free Application for Federal Student Aid** form.

[Click Here for event details.](#)

Important information about the new application

- Anyone that will be considered a contributor on your FAFSA will need to have their own FSA ID. This may include student, parents, or spouse of a parent (stepparent), or student's spouse.
- Create FSA ID a few days prior to completing FAFSA to ensure a smooth process. Even if a contributor does not have a social security number, they will need to make an account.
- All contributors MUST provide consent in order for the student to be eligible to receive federal financial aid. If contributors are not with the student, student will need to know their name, DOB, social security number and email address to send them an email invitation to be a contributor.

FEBRUARY 10
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Bristol's Fall River Campus

K Building
Room 101 & 102
777 Elsbree Street
Fall River, MA

Bristolcc.edu/FinancialAid
➔ 774.357.2515

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UMASS BOSTON NATIVE AMERICAN COLLEGE NIGHT

WHEN: THURSDAY FEBRUARY 8TH FROM 6-7 PM

COME LEARN ABOUT WHAT UMASS BOSTON HAS TO OFFER OUR NATIVE AND INDIGENOUS STUDENTS. TALK TO PROFESSORS, SUPPORT STAFF, STUDENTS AND ADMISSIONS STAFF. GET INFO ON OUR SPRING POWWOW.

WHO: STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN GRADE 11 OR 12, TRANSFERS, AND STUDENTS LOOKING TO GO BACK TO COLLEGE. FAMILY MEMBERS, GUIDANCE AND COLLEGE COUNSELORS WORKING WITH NATIVE AND INDIGENOUS STUDENTS.

Report to room B211 with your computer!

Attention Seniors! It's time to apply for financial aid!

FAFSA FRIDAYS!

Assistance available during lunches. Drop in or pre-register using the QR Code!

Begins Friday, January 5!

FAFSA Federal Student Aid

IT'S VIRTUAL!!!

<https://umassboston.zoom.us/j/91496707995#success>

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2024 West Point Summer STEM Workshops

West Point will host its annual Summer STEM workshops for middle and high school students to experience the United States Military Academy campus, cadet life and copious hands-on STEM related workshops.

Middle School
3-7 June, 2024
Students currently in 6th and 7th grade

High School
10-14 June, 2024
Students currently in 8th and 9th grade

Scan QR code to apply or for more information email usma.stem@westpoint.edu

Applications will be accepted through February 23, 2024, at 4:00pm EST.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1ll6xyQhxEVq5TCyF-ISA4LFlr026sQ-7pYAEtoFYCW8/edit>

ATTENTION SENIORS!

Are you a college bound student who has received an acceptance letter to one or more colleges already? We want to celebrate you!

If you would like to have your name and your news shared on the New Bedford Public School's social media accounts, use the QR code provided.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

For the most up to date information on scholarships, visit www.newbedfordschools.org/scholarships or scan the QR Code. Scholarships are typically only listed once in the newsletter.



Class of 2024

Society of Manufacturing Engineers Scholarship

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers will award 60 scholarships of \$20,000 each. Eligible applicants are a graduating high school senior, current undergraduate or graduate student who will be enrolling as a part-time or full-time undergraduate or graduate student in the Fall of 2024 and has a minimum GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale or 70 on a 100 point scale. Applications can be found by going to studentscholarships.org/scholarship/15382/society-of-manufacturing-engineers-scholarship. Applications are due by February 1, 2024.

Massachusetts Daughters of the American Revolution, Inc.

Candidates for this scholarship must be a resident of Massachusetts and have a weighted GPA of at least 3.0 and plan to attend an accredited institution of higher learning. This is a complex application and requires an essay and recommendations. Visit tinyurl.com/MassDAR2024 for the application, which is due by February 1, 2024.

Elks National Foundation Legacy Awards

Legacy Foundation Scholarships are available for any child or grandchild of a living Elk who joined the order before April 1, 2020. Apply online at www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/legacy.cfm by February 5, 2024.

Community Leaders Scholarship

Eligible applicants are low to medium income (household annual family income of \$100,000 or less), demonstrated interest in service to their community with a history of volunteer work or other forms of community involvement, enrolled in or planning to enter a program in criminal justice or law enforcement, and be at least 17 years of age. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or Lawful Permanent Residents. Applications for this \$1,000 award are due by February 6, 2024 and can be found at www.aspencerlaw.com/scholarship.

Texting and Driving Prevention Scholarship

This is a \$1,000 scholarship opportunity that is intended to spur creative solutions to the distracted driving epidemic that is affecting the entire country. Applicants must write a 750-word minimum essay that explores the ways that you can prevent yourself and other people from texting behind the wheel. Besides discussing your personal relationship with this issue, applicants should outline solutions and prevention tips to improve the safety of everyone on the road. To be eligible for the scholarship, students must be about to enroll or currently enrolled in an accredited undergraduate or graduate program, or community college in the United States, and have a Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Application and more details can be found at emersonstraw.com/texting-and-driving-scholarship and are due by February 9, 2024.

McDonald's HACER National Scholarship

McDonald's is awarding up to 30 McDonald's HACER National Scholarships, ranging from \$5,000 to \$100,000 to help students of Hispanic/Latino heritage continue their educational growth. Applications will be reviewed by an independent selection committee that will take many things into consideration including academic performance, community involvement, personal statements, and financial need. Applicants must be a legal U.S. resident or a DREAMER/DACA recipient. The deadline to apply is Feb 13, 2024. For complete eligibility information and to apply, visit www.mcdonalds.com/us/en-us/community/hacer.html.

The Charitable and Educational Trust of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America

A maximum of twenty \$1,000.00 scholarships will be awarded. Additional scholarships of varying amounts provided by special donors will also be awarded. The award winners (only) will be notified by email by March 31, 2024. (Several scholarships available regardless of affiliation with the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America—all students are encouraged to apply.) The application can be downloaded from www.osiama.org/scholarships and should be submitted by February 14, 2024.

HBCU Week X NFL Scholarship

Seniors who plan to attend a Historically Black College or University for the entirety of their college education should consider applying for the HBCU Week X NFL Scholarship. There are seven \$10,000 awards. Eligible students are citizens or legal permanent residents of the United States. Applications are due by February 16, 2024, and can be found by going to studentscholarships.org/scholarship/26492/hbcu-week-x-nfl-scholarship.