

Hello,

Thank you for reaching out to learn more about the various college and career activities in the district. Below are the items that are occurring in November.

PSAT Scores

In late November, 8th -11th students will be able to view PSAT scores. To view data, students will need a College Board account. The majority of students have an account. Please view the following links that describe how to understand [PSAT/NMSQT Results \(Spanish\)](#) & [PSAT 8/9 Results \(Spanish\)](#) scores

College Admissions

If you have a senior, they should have accomplished the following:

- One-on-one conference with their counselor
- FAFSA Completion (or Alternative Application)
- Submitted three college applications
- Research and apply for two private scholarships

If additional assistance is needed, the high school has a staff member available in the Tomcat College and Career Center during lunch periods.

Financial Aid Application Workshop – East Aurora High School

East Aurora High School will host a second Financial Aid Completion Workshop on **November 18, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.** in the high school's College and Career Center. Lauren Waitt from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) and other advisors will provide information and assist families with completing the FAFSA application, a graduation requirement for all seniors. Presentations are given in English and Spanish.

Counselors and representatives from ISAC will be at East Aurora High School to provide students and families with assistance filling out the FAFSA or Alternative Application, a graduation requirement for all seniors! Bring your documents and have your student bring their laptop so you can begin to work through the application. For more information on what documents you should bring, visit <https://easthigh.d131.org/ccf/financial-aid/>

Tomcat College and Career Center (CCC)

[Here](#) you will find information regarding college and career events, college admissions, financial aid, career exploration tools, Naviance Student, and more! The Counseling Department will continually update it with new information, so we encourage you to check back often!

Financial Aid Thursdays

Every Thursday, the CCC is open during the lunch periods for students who need help filling out FAFSA/ALT APP and for students seeking scholarship help.

First-Generation College Student Presentation: NIU

While going off to college can be challenging for all students, it takes extra courage and determination to be a first-generation student. At NIU, you are not alone: more than half of NIU's undergraduate students are among the first generation in their families to attend a four-year college.

On the day of the presentation, registrants will receive a personalized link and directions on how to join the virtual presentation in their email. Complete the form below to register.

- [Virtual First Generation College Student Presentation](#)
Monday, November 15 at 6:00 p.m.

NACAC Virtual College Fairs

Students can start college planning early by signing up to attend free NACAC Virtual College Fairs. The fairs happening this fall offer students the chance to interact with hundreds of institutions as they pursue their college dreams. The last fair is on **November 14**.

[Sign up](#)

College & Career Readiness Fair

East Aurora High School held a very successful College and Career Readiness Fair on October 20. [East Aurora Hosts College, Career Fair](#) was highlighted in the October 27 edition of the Daily Herald. If one does not have a subscription, the article is attached.

Financial Aid Thursdays

Our ISAC Representative, Lauren Waite, is here every Thursday in the Tomcat College and Career Center to help students understand financial aid and to begin filling out the FAFSA or Alternative Application.

Remember, counselors and graduation coaches are also present to students search for and complete scholarship applications!

College Representatives Visits – East Aurora High School (Tomcat College and Career Center)

During designated lunch periods, students have the opportunity to visit with college representatives and military recruiters.

- November 4 – Golden Apple Scholars, ALL lunch periods
- November 5 - Illinois College, lunch periods 3 & 4
- November 5 – University of Nebraska - Lincoln, lunch periods 5 & 6
- November 9 –University of Buffalo, lunch periods 3 & 4
- November 9 – Carroll University, lunch periods 5 & 6
- November 10 – Waubesa Community College, ALL lunch periods
- November 15 – U.S. Army, lunch periods 5 & 6
- November 16 – Aurora University, ALL lunch periods
- November 23 – U.S. Army, lunch periods 3 & 4

You will find the Tomcat College and Career Center Calendar [here](#).

Thank you so much for being so considerate,

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