



Role of a School Counselor

- Address the academic, career, and personal/social development of all students
- Meet students' immediate needs
- Advocate for and support all students
- Collaborate with parents, staff, and the community
- Provide students and parents with community resources

College & Career Fair

In November, we were excited to host 80 colleges and 20 careers to attend Port Jervis High School's college and career fair. This year, 6th graders from HBE and ASK were in attendance, see picture above of HBE students. Hopefully, your son/daughter discussed the fair with you, along with any colleges/careers they are interested in.

It is never too soon to go and visit a college. You and your child can go onto the college website and book a tour. We suggest for the first tour experience to go to a school close by to get a feeling for what a college tour is like, and then after you can book a tour for a school your child is interested in. Of course, if you have any questions you can let us know!

Upcoming Events

- December 18th: OU-BOCES CTEC visit classrooms to discuss programs
- December 21st: Alumni come back to talk to seniors and juniors
- January 22nd-25th: Regents Week
 - Students DO NOT come to school unless they have an exam
- February 7th: Sophomore information night (CTEC representative attending)



DID YOU KNOW?

- When you dream about your teeth falling out, you may be fearful of getting older.
- You can have up to seven different dreams per night.
- You always dream—you just don't remember it—60% of people do not remember their dreams at all.



FUN & EXCITING NEWS

Naviance

We are excited to be introducing a new program for the students of Port Jervis called Naviance. The School Counselors have been visiting the classrooms to explain the program to the students.

This program prepares students to be college and/or career ready for when it is time to graduate from high school. It provides students with the opportunity to research colleges they might be interested in, as well as recommending schools to them based off of their profile. Students are encouraged to take career interest inventories, which will then match them to careers based off of their personality.

Parents can also utilize this program at home. You can message your child's counselor, and track their progress when filling out the college application.

Student Shout Out

We are proud to announce **Isaac Cayetano** and **Sarah Scheps** as the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) winners.

In order to be a HOBY candidate, applicants had to be a sophomore and write an essay that reflected on their leadership experience. Out of the essays submitted these two students were chosen.

HOBY is an educational opportunity, that provides leadership training, service-learning, and motivation building experiences. This year the HOBY event will be held at SUNY Oneonta, and the students will be spending the night in the college dorms, to get the full college experience.

Congratulations to Isaac and Sarah!

Teacher Shout Out

Grace Monahan is receiving recognition for setting up a trip for the sophomore students to see Schindler's List. This trip was funded through the Shoah Foundation. Mrs. Monahan set up this event in record time, and it went off without hitch.

Thank you for your time and commitment to the students of Port Jervis High School.

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"With the new day comes new strength and new thoughts." – Eleanor Roosevelt