

College Et Career Center Newsletter

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LET'S CONNECT!

Mrs. Erikson's Hours (Room E118)

Monday - Friday | 7:00am-2:00pm

Should a parent/guardian wish to meet with me, I am available by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling/emailing the phone number and email below.

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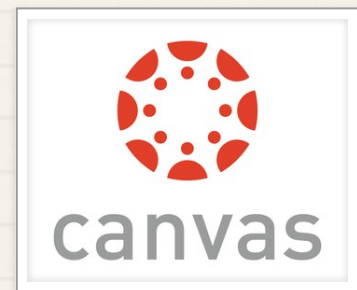
RESEARCHING COLLEGES + RESOURCES

RESEARCHING COLLEGES + POSTSECONDARY OPTIONS

Ms. Erikson has created [Canvas](#) pages to help you explore information and resources related to the college search + application process and answer commonly asked questions.

Check them out below:

- [The College Search](#)
- [Mass Bay Community College](#)
- [Standardized Testing](#)
- [Military](#)
- [Alternative Pathways](#) --> e.g. gap years; trade/apprenticeship programs; internships



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Many scholarships are listed on [Naviance](#):

log-in --> colleges --> scholarship list --> local/regional scholarship

Please see some reputable public scholarship websites here:

- <https://accessscholarships.com/>
- www.fastweb.com
- www.unigo.com
- www.scholarships.com
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search>
- www.collegecovered.com
- <https://www.mometrix.com/blog/scholarships-for-college/>
- www.collegegreenlight.org
- www.collegeboard.org
- <https://universityhq.org/paying-for-college/scholarships/#k12>

Scholarships for undocumented students:

- [The Dream U.S.](#) National Scholarship Guide
- The [MALDEF](#) scholarship list/guide

GIRLS WITH IMPACT

Offer for Families – Scholarships Spots for Girls With Impact's Business & Leadership Academy: We're partnering with [Girls With Impact](#) to bring you full scholarships to their 10-week mini-MBA program. Girls With Impact is the nation's online live, online business and leadership academy for young women, 14-18. We are able to offer these scholarships courtesy of Eversource. Winter classes start the weeks of January 10th and will fill up, so sign up today. Register [here now](#). Use the code 'POWERUP' at checkout.

girls with impact **EVERSOURCE**

Want to...
Change the world?
Turn your passion
into impact?
Build your
confidence?

"Girls With Impact completely changed my confidence. I now feel ready to be a leader."

Powerful Extra-Curricular Program

The nation's only live, online business and leadership academy made just for girls, 14-18... from home.

Learn How to impact your world Public speaking & collaboration Tech & business skills	Create A business, app or non-profit A vision & mission for your idea A powerful pitch presentation	Gain College, job differentiation Resume material 25 hours of community service
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REGISTER NOW!
Classes begin January 10, 2022
Thanks to the generous support of Eversource

Live, online small classes • Choose class daytime • 10-week program
www.girlswithimpact.org

STEM OPPORTUNITIES

MassBay STEM Stories: Start Here. Go Anywhere.

This year marks the second year of MassBay's Virtual STEM Stories Program! Participants meet STEM faculty, staff, students, graduates and industry professionals to learn about innovative STEM programs at MassBay, resources and supports for MassBay STEM students and are introduced to some exciting career opportunities in the STEM fields.

High school students, teachers and administrators are invited to attend one of these virtual STEM Division information Sessions which will be held monthly throughout the Fall semester on Zoom. Our first program will launch during STEM week on October 21st. See below for registration links.

- **MassBay STEM Stories: Start Here. Go Anywhere. Session 3**
Wednesday, December 15th | 11:00 AM
[Register for Session 3](#)

Interested? Want more information? Contact [Valerie Kapilow](#).



FALL STEM EXPO 12/13-12/17

We hope you will be able to join us and see MassBay Community College's STEM Division in action at MassBay's Virtual Fall 2021 STEM Expo December 13th - December 17th, 2021

The Virtual Fall STEM Expo will showcase student-developed projects that demonstrate the multi-dimensional skills, problem-solving capabilities and talents of our diverse STEM student body. Visitors can view the exhibits at any time during the week and leave questions or comments for the student presenters. Stay tuned for more information!

STANDARDIZED TESTING INFO & RESOURCES

STANDARDIZED TESTING FAQ

Be sure to look at Ms. Erikson's ['Standardized Testing'](#) Canvas page for detailed information on the following:

- *SAT + ACT registration instructions*
- *SAT + ACT study resources*
- *Fee waiver information*
- *Testing accommodations*
- *TOEFL registration*



Important SAT/ACT Test Day Information:

Make sure you bring what you need for test day! This includes a printed copy of your admissions ticket, a photo ID (a school ID is valid), No.2 pencils, and an approved calculator (the list can be found [here](#)).

Need help registering? Contact Ms. Erikson (rschmid@framingham.k12.ma.us)

What is the Difference Between the SAT/ACT?

There are a few key differences between the SAT and the ACT. ACT scores range between 1-36, and SAT scores range between 800-1600. The ACT allows a calculator to be used for all math sections; the SAT only permits a calculator on some sections (though, both tests focus on arithmetic, Algebra I&II, Geometry, and Trigonometry). ACT does have a science focus, unlike the SAT. *Both the ACT & SAT are accepted by almost all colleges/universities in the U.S.

Should I take the ACT/SAT Combo Practice Test?

Yes! For all the reasons above, you may have a standardized test preference. The only way to find out which one you have is to take a sample of each test. Contact Ms. Erikson for details on how to find an online combo practice test.

Do I Qualify for a Fee Waiver, & Where Do I Get One?

Do you have free/reduced lunch and/or receive any financial assistance? If so, you qualify for a SAT fee waiver! A fee waiver covers the cost of up to two SAT tests and three SAT Subject Tests. If you need an **SAT or ACT fee waiver** please contact Ms. Erikson (rschmid@framingham.k12.ma.us) and she will get you a code and help you register.

How do I Send Schools my ACT/SAT Scores?

Official [SAT/ACT](#) scores must be submitted through their respective websites. **Scores are NOT sent by FHS students' respective colleges.** Four score sends are covered by the registration fee for both the SAT and ACT. Students who qualify for free/reduced lunch get up to eight free score sends.

****While some options are listed below, Framingham High cannot endorse any particular tutors or tutoring companies. We recommend that students/families conduct their own research prior to starting services.*

REVOLUTION TEST PREP

PSAT/NMSQT, Now What?

National Merit Scholarships aren't the only things that make PSAT scores valuable. A student's performance on the PSAT/NMSQT® is a powerful indicator of ACT/SAT readiness, and PSAT results can be a valuable tool to inform ACT/SAT preparations – if you know how to use them. So instead of throwing that score report away bring it to this session where we



will cover how to use your PSAT/NMSQT® results to identify not only whether to take the ACT or SAT, but also how to build your child's best plan for success.

- **Date:** Wednesday, December 15th, 2021
- **Time:** 7:00-8:00PM EST
- **Where:** Live Online! -- [Register here!](#)

***Framingham High School families can get their digital gift card by going to www.revolutionprep.com/partners/673 before December 31st, 2021. Check-out their [digital flyer](#) for more information!



revolution prep giftcard.pdf

[Download](#)

104.7 KB

WEEKLY FREE SAT/ACT TESTS WITH STUDYPOINT

Improve Your SAT or ACT Score From Home: Free Virtual Practice Tests Every Week.

[Register here!](#)

SUMMIT EDUCATIONAL GROUP

TAKE A FREE PRACTICE TEST: Much like a scrimmage or dress rehearsal, taking practice tests under realistic conditions removes the mystery of the test, reduces test anxiety, and increases confidence. Practice tests are a crucial component of any successful test prep program. They provide a starting baseline for test planning and help tutors and students track progress toward their score goals.

Online or in-person (Newton, MA) practice tests. Find dates [here!](#)

FREE WORKSHOPS WITH SAT SIMPLIFIED

- **Tackling the Toughest SAT Math Problems** – December 8th at 6pm
In this workshop we'll go through the most difficult math problems on SAT Practice Test #9. We'll also show students how they can use the same strategies on the problems that they'll encounter on test day -> [Click Here for Details & Registration](#)
- **Getting the Most out of you PSAT Score Report** – December 15th at 6pm
Students can use the information from their SAT (or PSAT) score reports to create a more effective "SAT game plan." We'll teach students how to do this by focusing on 5 of the most common "opportunities for improvement" that we've seen with our students -> [Click Here for Details & Registration](#)

SAT / ACT PRACTICE WITH SUMMIT EDU GROUP

Whether you have 10th grade students looking for baseline testing, a 7th grader looking to try an SSAT for the first time or an 11th grader wanting to check in on their progress, we have several different options. Families can register for our practice tests by visiting our website here: <https://mytutor.com/free-practice-tests>

- **In Person Proctored Practice Tests:** We continue to run in person test at our three office locations in New Canaan, CT, Newton, MA and White Plains, NY. Strict health and safety measures continue to be in place and families can review our safety guidelines in more detail on our site.
- **Online Proctored Practice Tests via Zoom:** Offered on weekends and select weekdays. Students will receive paper copies of the test in advance and will be provided with a Zoom link.

In addition to our scheduled proctored tests, we also have convenient on-demand options:

- **Test Proctor Videos:** If a student is unable to attend a scheduled practice test in person or over Zoom, they can cue up one of our high quality proctoring videos to ensure that the test is being taken under timed conditions.
- **Digital Testing:** Our digital testing platform has been designed to reflect the current interfaces of official digital tests for the SAT, ACT, SSAT and ISEE. This platform is a great resource for students that are planning on taking their official tests in a digital format so they can be exposed to the look and feel of the test.

EDUCATION STATION TEST PREP

SAT/ACT Six-Week Test Prep Program

Students will receive:

- **24 - Hours of Guided Instruction-** to review essential concepts, testing-specific strategies and problem-solving skills
- **One Complete Student Manual-** includes a curriculum outline, practice problems, homework assignments and more
- **Six Practice Tests-** will be graded and sent back with a breakdown analysis of your results to track progress and focus study efforts

To see upcoming dates/sessions [click here!](#)

Other services offered by Education Station:

- **[15- Minute College Essay Review Session](#)**– Do you have a draft of your college essay? Do you want it reviewed by an admissions expert?
- **[Academic Profile Review Session](#)**– Meet with our founder, Christine Chapman, who has 26 years of experience working with college-bound students. Christine will review your profile and answer any questions you may have while she helps you develop a personalized map through the college application process.
- **[SAT/ACT Baseline Testing](#)**– We offer baseline testing for both the SAT and ACT exam. Students will receive a practice exam and self-administration instructions so they may

take the exam at home under real testing conditions. Our tutoring team will review each student's results and offer a recommendation for an exam. Students will receive a score report and a breakdown analysis of their results that highlights areas of opportunity and weakness.

METHOD TEST PREP

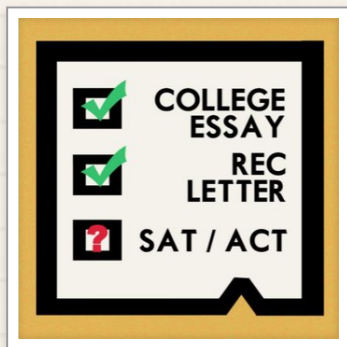
Perfect Weekend Option for Students Taking the February ACT!

Our 18-hour ACT Advantage Class starts January 2nd!

Register [here](#) | To SAVE 25% use the coupon code:Twenty50ff

Class Schedule

- Sun Jan 2nd 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET
- Sun Jan 9th 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET
- Sun Jan 16th 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET
- Sun Jan 23rd 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET
- Sun Jan 30th 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET
- Sun Feb 6th 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET



TEST OPTIONAL SCHOOLS

Test optional means that a school does not require SAT or ACT scores as a part of your application.

Over 1,000 colleges and universities are test optional.

Find a complete list at

www.fairtest.org!

THE TOEFL EXAM

The **Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)** is a standardized test that measures English language ability for non-native speakers who plan to enroll in an English-speaking college/university—the test evaluates listening, reading, writing, and speaking skills in relationship to academic tasks.

Test costs range between \$150-\$225. Unfortunately, no financial aid is offered for the TOEFL test. Fee-based and free prep materials can be found on the [TOEFL website](http://www.toefl.org) or in the College & Career Center (E118).

To register and see test dates/locations visit www.toefl.org.

FREE TEST PREP RESOURCES

In addition to Ms. Erikson's [CANVAS](#) pages, here are some other wonderful, free SAT/ACT test prep resources!

SAT Prep

- [Khan Academy](#)
- [College Board](#)
- [Kaplan](#)
- [Union Test Prep](#)
- [Test Prep Review](#)
- [Varsity Tutors](#)
- [PowerScore](#)

ACT Prep

- [ACT website](#)
- [ACT Academy](#)
- [Kaplan](#)
- [Magoosh](#)
- [Union Test Prep](#)
- [McGraw Hill](#)

SCHOLARSHIPS

HOW DO I APPLY? ↓↓↓↓↓↓

The type of application a scholarship uses is listed at the bottom of the name/description. Please be aware of the directions below for how to submit scholarships:

Scholarships with PRIVATE APPLICATIONS:

Scholarships with private applications should be submitted to the address and/or email indicated on its unique application, which can be found in the newsletter below and/or on [Naviance](#).

Scholarships using the FHS APPLICATION:

Scholarships using the FHS application should be emailed to Mrs. Erikson, College & Career Counselor, at rschmid@framingham.k12.ma.us. Copies of the FHS application can be found

on Naviance; the essay topic can be found in the black box at the top of the application.

If a scholarship uses an FHS application, it should be submitted to Ms. Erikson on ONE EMAIL that includes the application and the essay as a PDF ATTACHMENT, with the scholarship name as the subject line.

Please see some reputable public scholarship websites here:

- <https://accessscholarships.com/>
- www.fastweb.com
- www.unigo.com
- www.scholarships.com
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search>
- www.collegecovered.com
- <https://www.mometrix.com/blog/scholarships-for-college/>
- www.collegegreenlight.org
- www.collegeboard.org
- <https://universityhq.org/paying-for-college/scholarships/#k12>

Scholarships for undocumented students:

- [The Dream U.S.](#) National Scholarship Guide
- The [MALDEF](#) scholarship list/guide

Scholarships for students applying to Mass Bay Community College:

- Mass Bay scholarships for [incoming students](#)
- Mass Bay scholarships for [merit & athletics](#)

OTHER POSTSECONDARY RESOURCES AT FHS



METROWEST COLLEGE PLANNING COLLABORATIVE

[The MetroWest College Planning Collaborative](#) (CPC) is a regional joint college access initiative that was founded by Framingham State University and Mass Bay Community College through the Department of Higher Education's Vision Project. The CPC's mission is to provide the necessary outreach, training, mentoring, and advising to guide youth and non-traditional adult learners in the Metro West region on their desired pathway to higher education.

If you would like to book an appointment, please email MetrowestCPC@gmail.com or call 508-215-5600.

DIFFERENT CHOICES: COLLEGE SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES

This is an upcoming program, Different Choices, geared to support students with learning disabilities transition from high school to college or other post high school continuing educational opportunities. Registration is free, but spaces are limited: [Register Here!](#)

JOB, SUMMER AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

AVAILABLE PAID JOBS

Explore up-to-date paid job postings, directions on requesting a job permit, and other resources surrounding the workforce.

AVAILABLE INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Explore up-to-date internship postings, directions on how to apply, and other resources surrounding internships.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2022

Check-out available summer opportunities for summer 2022, here!

WORK PERMIT APPLICATIONS (E118)

If you need a work permit, come by E118 to pick one up or ask any questions. If you have a completed and signed work permit application form please email it to employmentpermits@framingham.k12.ma.us or drop it off at E118.



- [Employment Permit Application for 14 through 17 Year-Olds](#) (English)
- [Solicitud para un Permiso de Empleo para personas de 14 – 17 años](#) (Spanish)
- [Solicitação de Autorização de Emprego para pessoas com idades entre 14 - 17 anos](#) (Portuguese)

GAP YEAR PROGRAMS & EVENTS

GAP YEAR SOLUTIONS

[Gap Year Solutions](#) helps students increase college success by helping them have a transformational experience based on life skills and real world learning. We “meet students where they are,” and listen carefully to their interests and goals. We are your Gap Year coach and mentor throughout this process, and customize a combination of internships, work, service and travel into a structured Gap Year plan. We encourage students to embrace this unique opportunity to push the pause button, dream big, be authentic and believe in themselves! Visit their website to start Gap Year [Planning](#) or Gap Year [Mentoring](#).

- January 19 – [Palo Alto City Library](#), Palo Alto, CA. 6:30PM PT



RUSTIC PATHWAYS

Since 1983 [Rustic Pathways](#) has been operating intentionally designed, transformative student-travel programs with impact at the core of the experience.

Want to see the world now? Explore our new [Flightless Travel Resources](#) with everything from virtual tours and language learning to movie and music playlists to help you explore a country even when you can't travel right now! Explore their travel programs [here](#).

LOCAL TRADE & TECHNICAL PROGRAMS

UNIVERSAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

Universal Technical Institute (UTI) has relationships with leading manufacturers, aftermarket parts companies and performance shops to help build curriculum. The companies that work with UTI do so for a reason: They trust UTI to train the technicians that they employ. [CHECK OUT OUR PROGRAMS!](#)



Upcoming events:

- [Reach for the Life You've Imagined](#)
- [STEM Demo or Industry Day](#)

Interested in UTI? Contact: Scott Boydston

Admissions Representative C: 774-571-1781 | sboydston@uti.edu

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY



Our program is Boston's most affordable private accredited Electrical Engineering bachelor's degree. High achieving students can apply directly to the bachelor's program. But we also provide a pathway for students who might not otherwise consider pursuing an engineering degree. Students build their skills with a Certificate in Electronics Technology, then an Associate degree in Mechatronics Engineering Technology before transferring into the junior year of the Electrical Engineering bachelor's program.

Interested in BFIT? Contact Calvin Conyers

Assistant Dean of Admissions and Recruitment | P: 617-588-1299 | Email: CConyers@bfit.edu

Upcoming events:

- Tuesday, Dec. 14th, 6-7pm, **Engineering Technology** (Electronics Tech, Mechatronics Tech & Renewable Energy Tech), Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85673969940>
- Tuesday, Dec. 14th, 7-8pm, **CAD/SolidWorks, CNC Machining & Advanced Manufacturing and Automation Tech**, Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87098513799>
- Wednesday, Dec. 15th, 6-7pm, **Health Information Technology** (Data Analytics, and Public Health), Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85313751775>
- Thursday, Dec. 16th, 6-7pm, **Opticianry**, Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87843340389>

JOB CORPS

Job Corps is still actively recruiting the young people in our communities that will benefit the most from our program.

Although, times have changed and face to face meetings are still not possible at this time, Job Corps would like to extend an invite to hold a meeting and/or info session with any staff or young person that may be interested in attending Job Corps.



Job Corps also host two weekly info sessions via Zoom on Tuesdays @ 2pm & Thursdays @ 6:30pm—open to all!

Interested in Job Corps? Contact: Katie Skuse (Admission Counselor)

Skuse.Kathryn@jobcorps.org

All you have to do is simply click the link and book your appointment,

<https://katieskuse.youcanbook.me/>

Start your journey today!

EXCITING CAREER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



MILITARY INFORMATION

ASVAB + RECRUITER INFO


There will be two ASVAB exams offered at Framingham High School for the 2021-2022 school year: one in the fall, and one in the spring. Make sure to register ahead of time [here](#).



- **Wednesday, April 13th 2021** at 7:30am in E118

Check out the [Military Canvas module](#) for more information!



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 framingham.k12.ma.us/Domai...