

Principal's Newsletter

Richard J. Howard

East Meadow High School

Valedictorian and Salutatorian Selected

Special points of Interest:

✓ The next Board of Education Meeting is Thursday, November 17th 8:00 PM
Leon J. Campo
Salisbury Center
718 The Plain Road

Nilam Patel has been named EMHS's Valedictorian for the class of 2012. In addition to her record of academic excellence, Ms. Patel presents with an impressive list of accomplishments and has proven to be a multitasking and gifted young lady. Her leadership skills are strong, evidenced by her elected position as Captain of three athletic teams - Varsity Cross Country, Winter Track, and the Spring Track Team. Nilam has been a key player in leading East Meadow H.S. to All- Division and All- Conference qualifying leagues. She is a member of three Honor Societies including: the National Honor Society, the Science Honor Society, and the Spanish Honor Society. As a member of the School's Newspaper, Nilam has worked as a writer, editorial columnist, and reporter for over three years. An environmentalist interested in children's charitable organizations, Nilam Patel has clocked over one hundred and forty hours serving as a medical volunteer and working with elementary school children. Last year as a junior, Nilam earned several impressive awards and medals including the *George Washington University Engineering Medal* – given to the student with the highest GPA in math and science for three years of high school. Artistically gifted, Nilam's art work has been displayed at our yearly District Art Shows. A multifaceted talent, Nilam Patel is genuine, kind, considerate, energetic and humble; she intends to study engineering in college.



Important Dates:

- 10/22–1:30 p.m. EMHS football vs. Freeport at Freeport
- 10/29–EMHS Model Congress Convention
- 10/31–Parent/ Teacher Conference
No Classes for Students
- 11/1–Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences–School Open
- 11/2–PTSA Meeting–7:00 p.m.
- 11/6–Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 11/8–Election Day
Superintendent's Conference Day -
No School for Students -
No Adult Ed
- 11/10–End of 1st Quarter

Christopher Lutrario has been named EMHS's Salutatorian for the Class of 2012. It goes without saying that Christopher is one of our most gifted and outstanding seniors. Christopher is a valued member of our school community. Christopher has the overwhelming respect and admiration of the faculty as well as his peers at East Meadow High School. Speak with any of his teachers and you will hear only positive comments. In 10th grade, Christopher was nominated as an "East Meadow Champion". An EM Champion is recognized by a faculty member for making positive contributions to our school community. We honor students who have exhibited exemplary character and conduct. He is caring and compassionate. Christopher is a member of the National Honor Society, Italian Honor Society, Key Club and Model Congress. This year, he was selected as Captain of our Varsity Volleyball team. In addition, Christopher was selected as one of thirty of the top leaders in our school to be part of our prestigious Peer Leadership program. He has a genuine sincerity that sets him apart from the average young man. As a person, Christopher is friendly and respectful. His success in light of his demanding academic and extracurricular schedule is a testament to his exemplary work ethic and self-motivation. Christopher's main career interests lie in the medical field.



NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDED STUDENTS

The following East Meadow High School Seniors have recently been named as 2011 National Merit Commended Students; Briana Finneran, Christopher Guevara, David Kim and Edward Kim. Commended Students are being recognized for the exceptional academic promise demonstrated by their outstanding performance on the qualifying test used for program entry. The National Merit® Scholarship Program is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955. High school students enter the National Merit Program by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®), a test which serves as an initial screen of approximately 1.4 million entrants each year and by meeting published program entry/participation requirements.

Guidance Notes from the Desk of Mr. Woerner....

WELCOME BACK! We hope that the summer was restful and inspired a fresh start for all of our students and that this will be a **WONDERFUL, EXCITING** (and not too stressful) **YEAR FOR ALL OF YOU!!!**

The Guidance Department is off to a great start: hosting several visits from college representatives, and meeting with seniors to start college applications. We hope seniors are attending college fairs and college open houses as they work on their activity resumes, essays, scholarships, and obtain letters of recommendation. Remember that NAVIANCE is a great tool for you to use as you embark on your college planning. Be mindful of application deadlines and make sure you meet with your counselor regularly throughout the Fall.

If you are a senior athlete planning to play sports in college, please be sure to register with the NCAA Clearinghouse at www.ncaaclearinghouse.net at your earliest convenience. We encourage students in all grades to continue to get involved in co-curricular activities and attend school and athletic events. Counselors have lists of student tutors and professional tutors if you need any assistance in your classes.

Have a great school year and take advantage of everything our Guidance Department has to offer you.

The following are upcoming dates to remember:

Date	Event	Grade	Time	Location
10/22	ACT	12	7:20—11:30 a.m.	Classrooms
10/26	U Mass Amherst	11 & 12	5th period	Guidance
10/27	Stevenson University	11 & 12	3rd period	Guidance
11/3	St. Joseph's Univ—PA	11 & 12	3rd period	Guidance
11/9	Moravian College—PA	11 & 12	3rd period	Guidance
11/16	Financial Aid Overview	12	7:00 p.m.	Auditorium

*College on-the-spot application reviews—see Guidance Counselor to set-up an appointment.



Join the PTSA at East Meadow

*Next Meeting:
Wednesday,
November 2nd*

Driving and Parking information for all Parents & Students

is now posted on our school website:

www.eastmeadow.k12.ny.us/emhs

click on policies, then choose driving & parking

Parent Teacher Conferences

Monday, 10/31
7:45—10:15 a.m.
11:30 a.m.—1:45 p.m.

Tuesday, 11/1
6:00—8:00 p.m.