



Coronavirus News & Resources

East End Counselors are forwarding the following information from local, state and national organizations as resources for school counselors

East End Counselors Association

In response to the public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 virus, the East End Counselors Association has cancelled the following events:

- * Spring Professional Development Meeting at Suffolk Community College Culinary Center, Riverhead, on March 25, 2020
- * Spring College Fair at Westhampton Beach High School on April 27, 2020
- * Counselor College Tour in North Carolina April 29 - May 1, 2020

American School Counselors Association

COVID-19 Resources: Get [resources and lesson plans](#) for talking with students about COVID-19 in the schools and addressing widespread illness. Get [resources](#) for helping students deal with troubling issues in the news.

The rapid spread of COVID-19 has forced districts to review and in some cases implement emergency shutdown plans. Plans should outline comprehensive school counseling services that will be provided and address equity and access issues such as ensuring students have access to computers and internet. [Download the PDF](#) of Planning for Virtual/Distance School Counseling During an Emergency Shutdown and check out these additional resources:

- [Webinar on Demand: School Counseling in a Virtual Setting](#)
- [Position Statement: The School Counselor and Virtual School Counseling](#)
- ["School Counseling Principles: Ethics and Law" — Chapter 3, Cyberspace](#)
- [Magazine Article: It's a Virtual World](#)
- [Read More](#)

The New York State Education Department recognizes the COVID-19 outbreak is affecting schools and communities across the state.

NYSED and the State Department of Health [issued updated guidance](#) to school and community health officials regarding the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

The [guidance for P-12 schools](#) provides an update on measures needed to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak as well as recommended non-pharmaceutical interventions and community containment measures that may be useful to reduce disease transmission in schools including a checklist for schools to assist in planning. NYSED also provided [updated guidance to colleges and universities](#) in New York State. All resources for schools related to COVID-19 can be found on NYSED's [dedicated coronavirus web page](#).

In addition, out of an abundance of caution, all future [Graduation Measures Regional Meetings](#) have been postponed. If you have already attended one of the Regional Meetings across the state to provide your input, we sincerely appreciate your contribution to this important effort. The remaining meetings will be rescheduled in the future.

