

LOOK FOR YOUR STUDENT CARDS!

TO USE FOR FALL EVENTS!

We have sent you student registration cards in the mail in a separate package. Keep an eye out for these cards. Please use these cards by giving them to your students to register for these fall events:

- **September 2021 | In-Person Montana College & Career Fairs**
- **October 28, 2021 | Virtual College & Career Exploration Day**
- **Online College & Career Interest Form | Quick way to request information. | Open September & October 2021**





Hi Montana High School Counselors!

We hope you had a wonderful summer! We are excited to see you at the Montana College Fairs & events this Fall!

The Montana Post Secondary Educational Opportunities Council (MPSEOC) feels strongly that college preparation begins with providing useful and timely information to students, counselors, and families. The Montana College & Career Fairs, the College & Career Exploration Day, and the Guidebook To Higher Education are just starting places to how we can help educate students about the many options after high school. As you prepare for these events with your students, please take some time to review the important "**Online Counselor Packet**" that is located at www.MontanaColleges.com/counselors2021. This packet will help you develop a plan for how you can best utilize these events and resources with your students. Please notice in this packet the details about the online student registration and the important COVID-19 safety plans for this year's college fairs. Thank you for all your team efforts and for all the good work you do for students, education, and Montana. We look forward to seeing you and your students soon!

Fall 2021 Student & Counselor Event Details

- ✓ **Montana Colleges Fairs | September 2021**
- ✓ **Montana College & Career Exploration Day | October 28, 2021**
- ✓ **College & Career Online Interest Form & Request Information | September & October 2021**
- ✓ **Montana Counselor Update | October 26-28, 2021**
- ✓ **Guidebook To Higher Education | Online & Printed this Fall 2021**
- ✓ **For more details on each event**, see the full "Online Counselor Packet" @ www.MontanaColleges.com/counselors2021

What is in the Online Counselor Packet?

- **What COVID-19 Safety & Security requirements do you & your students need to take to attend?**
- **Where do I find LIVE Updates for our fair?**
- **What is the schedule for the September fairs?**
- **Which fair is our high school scheduled to attend?**
- **Who should attend the Fairs & Exploration Day?**
- **How do students register online for these events?**
- **Who is coming to these events? How do my students prepare for these events?**
- **How do my students access the online, interactive Guidebook?**
- **Can parents attend these events?**
- **How do I access the Montana Counselor Directory?**
- **What is the Support Montana Students Celebration?**
- **What is Montana Gives Back?**
- **& More!**

We look forward to seeing you, your students, and their parents at the college fair in your area!*

(*Pending further COVID-19 developments.)

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MONTANA COLLEGE & CAREER FAIRS & EVENTS

Please contact us with questions – We are here to help!

Thank you for your team efforts! | With Questions, please contact us @ Amy.Leary@MontanaColleges.com | 406.531.3531

STEP 1 >

1. CHECK YOUR LISTING IN THE MONTANA COUNSELOR DIRECTORY

We need your team help to make sure we have your listing correct. Thank you!

Verify that the Contact Information for You and Your School Is Correct. We ask you to verify your high school name, counselor name, mailing address, phone, e-mail, website, social media, etc. We will be publishing this information this coming Fall 2021, so we want to make sure we have your information correct. Other counselors, students, parents, college representatives, and many agencies use this directory throughout the year, so please help us keep it updated for you! Thank you! (**Please just let us know if you have questions or need additional help.*)



- Check your school & counselor listing in the directory & submit changes @ www.MontanaColleges.com/CounselorDirectory

STEP 2 >

2. KEEP AN EYE OUT IN THE MAIL FOR THE STUDENT REGISTRATION CARDS FOR THE FALL FAIRS & EVENTS.



- Based on what your school submitted for numbers in the spring & also adding some additional cards to be used for the Virtual Day this fall, you will get a packet in the mail soon with these cards to give to students.

STEP 3 >

3. PREPARE FOR THE FAIRS & FALL EVENTS



- Visit www.MontanaColleges.com/counselors2021 to see an overview and live updates on of how to plan for the fair and fall events. All details, COVID-19 safety updates, schedule of events, colleges attending, resources offered, student registration, counselor registration, etc. are all located here. Please contact us with questions. We are here to help in any way we can, as we all learn together in this new realm: 406.531.3531 or Amy.Leary@MontanaColleges.com

UPDATES >

IMPORTANT UPDATES & RESOURCES | COVID-19 IMPACTS

- ✓ **COVID-19 Impacts** | Please know that safety is a priority to us. This fall we are offering a mix of in-person* and virtual programming to try and meet all needs. (**In-Person is pending further COVID-19 developments. Keep checking the LIVE Fair Safety Form on our website for live updates.*) Please make sure to keep updated with your in-person fair site safety recommendations & requirements. We are learning together in this new realm and appreciate your teamwork and feedback to help keep our students safe together. Please share any questions, concerns, and/or thoughts you may have. Many thanks for all the good work you do and helping us all keep these events safe and helpful to our Montana students!
- ✓ **Many updated tools for students to prepare for these events!** | This fall we will have a several resources for students to be able to research and prepare for these events beforehand, during, & after the events. They will have access to tools like: Guidebook, Questions to Ask at the Fair, Checklists, Comparison Worksheets, FAQ's, etc. More information @ www.MontanaColleges.com



MONTANA COLLEGE FAIRS



IN-PERSON — FAIR SCHEDULE OF EVENTS | SEPTEMBER 2021 | **PENDING COVID DEVELOPMENTS*

EASTERN REGION

DAY DATE	TIME	TBA - *Pending COVID Developments HOST INSTITUTION, CITY LOCATION
Monday September 13	12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	*MSU-Northern, Havre College Gym
Tuesday September 14	9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	*Glasgow High School, Glasgow High School Gym
Wednesday September 15	9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	*Sidney High School, Sidney Gym or Multi-Purpose Room
Wednesday September 15	1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	*Dawson Community College Glendive College Gym
Thursday September 16	8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	*Miles Community College Miles City College Gym
Thursday September 16	1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	* Colstrip High School Colstrip High School Gym

CENTRAL REGION

DAY DATE	TIME	TBA - *Pending COVID Developments HOST INSTITUTION, CITY LOCATION
Monday September 20	9:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m.	*Montana State University, Bozeman Strand Union Ballrooms
Monday September 20	1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	*Park Senior High School, Livingston Gym
Tuesday September 21	8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	*MSU Billings, Billings Gym
Wednesday September 22	9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	*Fergus County High School, Lewistown Fairgrounds
Wednesday September 22	1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	*University of Providence, Great Falls McLaughlin Center
Thursday September 23	9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	*Cut Bank High School, Cut Bank High School Gym

WESTERN REGION

DAY DATE	TIME	TBA - *Pending COVID Developments HOST INSTITUTION, CITY LOCATION
Monday September 27	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	*Montana Tech, Butte HPER Center Gym
Monday September 27	1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	*Carroll College, Helena - TBA Gym
Tuesday September 28	8:45 a.m.-11:15 a.m.	*The University of Montana, Missoula University Center Ballroom
Tuesday September 28	1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	* Hamilton and Corvallis High Schools, Hamilton High School Gym
Wednesday September 29	10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	*Polson High School, Polson High School Gym
Thursday September 30	8:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	*Flathead High School, Kalispell High School Gym

*As of 8.22.2021 | Pending COVID-19 Developments. Check for live updates @ www.MontanaColleges.com/counselors2021



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IMPORTANT COVID-19 & SAFETY REMINDER

PLEASE HELP KEEP THESE EVENTS SAFE

COVID-19 NOTICE & AGREEMENT

An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any place where people gather. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. You assume all risks, hazards, and dangers arising from or relating in any way to the risk of contracting COVID-19 or any other communicable disease or illness, or a bacteria, virus or other pathogen capable of causing a communicable disease or illness, whether occurring before, during, or after the event, however caused or contracted, and voluntarily waive all claims and potential claims against MPSEOC, as well as, their respective Fair Site Hosts, Members, Affiliates and Vendors. Event specific policies & procedures are subject to change and will be posted to our website (www.MontanaColleges.com | LIVE Fair Safety Updates) in the days leading up to the event.

Counselors, Students, Parents, Exhibitors, & All Attendee Agreement

- **To keep all attendees fully informed**, we have shared this information with all Montana high school counselors, all exhibitors, and directly on the student /parent registration page. We want all attendees to have full access to live updates in regards to safety and COVID-19 risks. Attendance of these in-person fairs is completely optional and only for those who choose to attend. Students, parents, counselors, exhibitors, etc. who do not feel comfortable attending in-person may still attend the Virtual College & Career Day event in October 2021 to receive this service in place of in-person fair attendance.
- **Live Fair Safety Updates** | Counselors and Students will be able to access live updates for each fair @ www.MontanaColleges.com on the registration page and homepage under the red button of "LIVE Fair Safety Updates."
- **Responsibility of All Attendees** | All attendees of these Montana in-person fair events and programming agree to stay updated up until the fair start time with the [LIVE Fair Safety Updates](http://www.MontanaColleges.com) that are shared on the homepage of www.MontanaColleges.com. All attendees agree to abide by these safety terms listed by the Fair Site Host(s) when attending the in-person event.
- **Each Fair Site Host Sets Safety & Security Measures & Requirements** | Each Fair Site Host has full control over their safety and security protocols for their site location. These safety guidelines will vary by fair site. By attending, all attendees agree to follow all required safety requirements for that chosen fair.
- **These terms are subject to change.** We will share updates as needed depending upon COVID-19 developments.

COVID-19 SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR IN-PERSON PROGRAMMING

**Please check the "[LIVE Fair Safety Updates](#)" online form for any other developing safety guidelines. These terms are subject to change. We will share updates as needed depending upon COVID-19 developments.*

IMPORTANT GUIDELINES TO ATTEND (BUT NOT LIMITED TO):

- **All in-person events are pending COVID-19 developments.** We will be following national, state, CDC, & each Site Host's guidelines.
- **Responsibility & Agreement of All Attendees** | All attendees of these Montana in-person fair events and programming agree to check and stay updated with the LIVE Fair Safety Updates up until the fair start time. All attendees agree to abide by these safety terms listed by the Fair Site Host(s) when attending the in-person event.
- **If you are not feeling well or exhibiting symptoms of illness** (fever, high temperatures, irregular coughing, etc.), we ask you not to attend in-person programming and only attend virtual programming.
- **If any attendees have health sensitivities or worries about COVID-19**, we suggest attending our virtual event and not the in-person fair.
- **Contactless Student Data Exchange** | Exhibitors are required to use the Strivescan scanning technology for in-person fairs to try and limit contact of using pens, contact cards, registration cards, etc. as much as possible.
- Please check back for updated guidelines, as these may change.
- **With safety questions, please contact the Site Host of the fair you will be attending.** With further questions, contact MPSEOC @ 406.531.3531 or Amy.Leary@MontanaColleges.com. Thank you for helping keep these events safe.



WHAT ADDITIONAL SAFETY & SECURITY STEPS DO ATTENDEES NEED TO TAKE?

Reminder to all students: No outside backpacks or bags within the fair. | These events can get very busy due to many high schools attending each event. In an effort to keep these events safe and less crowded, **we are asking all students to leave their backpacks and extra bags on the bus or in their car.** We will be providing plastic bags in the entryway for students to collect fair information. Each hosting fair site is taking their own additional safety and security steps with many sites having onsite security staff at the fair, and some of the sites will be screening for no bags in the fair. If you have further questions about this plan for the fair you are attending, please contact the Site Host for more details. Thank you for your team help to keep these events safe. Check the LIVE Fair Safety Updates page for updates on this. Thank you!

STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR AND/OR STAFF MEMBER. *Thank you!*

At the fairs, we have many high schools attending. All students must be accompanied by a high school counselor and/or staff member. We ask you to keep a close watch over your students and alert the Site Host of any potential concerns. We appreciate your care and help to keep these events safe and secure. Thank you!

PLEASE REPORT ANY UNUSUAL ACTIVITY TO THE FAIR SITE HOST.

Keeping these events safe is a team effort, and we appreciate you letting us know if you have any concerns before, during, or after the fair. Thank you!

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP?

With safety questions, please contact the Site Host of the fair you will be attending. With further questions, contact MPSEOC @ 406.531.3531 or Amy.Leary@MontanaColleges.com. Thank you for helping keep these events safe.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING A TRADITION OF SAFETY AT THESE EVENTS.

Thank you for your team help to keep these events safe.





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