



# Urbana High School

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January 11, 2019



## **STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

Congratulations to freshmen **Cali Christian** and **Otto Johnson** for being nominated and chosen as Students of the Month for January.

## **SENIOR REMINDER**

Senior baby pictures for the yearbook are due to Mrs. deNijs by January 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **BREAKFAST**

Breakfast for high school students is offered free for all students each school day. Breakfast is served beginning at 7:00am on a regular school day and 9:00am on 2-hr delay day.

## **TOWER SALE**

Order your 2018-2019 yearbook before the price goes up. Price is \$50 until January 31st and increases to \$55 on February 1st.

## **SEMESTER EXAMS**

Semester Exams are scheduled for January 22, 23, 24, 2019. Permission slips have been distributed in homerooms. Semester and final exams for high school level courses are not eligible for reassessment. Students who do not return a parental permission slip completed and signed to the main office by Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> will be required to be in attendance from 7:35am to 2:35pm each exam day. Buses will run at the normal time. Students who ride a bus home will be required to attend the afternoon study hall. Students may not leave school property and return to ride a school bus. All absences for exam periods must be approved through the high school office. Unexcused absences will result in a failing score on the exam, as there is no reassessment option for exams.

## **Exam Exemptions**

Students may qualify for up to three (3) exam exemptions for a final exam for the 2018-2019 school year.

Semester Courses - January or May/June and yearlong courses-May/June Only

Exemption Qualification - A's and/or B's in the course and teacher permission.

## **CONFERENCES**

Parent-Teacher conferences will be held **February 11<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>** from **3-6:30pm**. ***Please call the counselor's office at 653-1424 to schedule a conference.***

## **DROP/ADD A SEMESTER CLASS**

The last day to drop and/or add a semester course for second semester is February 6<sup>th</sup>. Parent permission is needed to withdraw from a class.

## **PARENT ACCESS**

The end of the Second Quarter is fast approaching. Please make sure you have set up your Parent Access Account in order to view your child's grades online. This is the most effective way to keep track of your child's progress in real time. If you need the information required to set up your account, please contact Kelli Marsh- [kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org](mailto:kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org) 937-653-1453 ext. 2126.

## **REMIND**

If you are not receiving text messages from your child's teachers through Remind, please contact the office at your child's school to make sure your cell phone number is up to date. The staff at Urbana City Schools is using Remind to communicate pertinent information to parents and students. If you are having trouble with the Remind app or text messages, please contact Kelli Marsh- [kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org](mailto:kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org) 937-653-1453 ext. 2126.

## **ACT TESTING**

**Wednesday, February 20, 2019 is a required ACT testing day for JUNIORS** for the state sponsored and funded ACT TEST. Students must be in their assigned testing location at 7:35 a.m. With a signed parent permission form on file, Juniors will be permitted to be excused when all testing is completed around noon.

**Freshmen, Sophomores, and Seniors will NOT report to school on this date.**

## **GRADUATION PATHWAYS and ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION (2019 and 2020)**

On December 19th the governor signed into law the extension of the alternative pathways to graduation which had been passed by the Ohio House and Senate. In addition to the current graduation pathways, the alternative pathways approved for the Class of 2018 are now available to the Class of 2019 and a modified version will be available to the Class of 2020. Please see the attached documents for detailed explanations of the pathways for each class.

## **EVENTS**

Urbana High School and the Urbana Athletic Department appreciates your support of district athletic programs by attending events. Please show your support by cheering for our team not against the opposing team and being respectful to all players, officials, coaches, and fans. **Book bags are not permitted at sporting events.**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Friday, January 11**

4:30pm. Fr. Boys Bball @ Home  
6:00pm. JV Boys Bball @ Home  
Swimming @ Bellefontaine YMCA  
7:30pm. Var. Boys Bball @ Home

### **Saturday, January 12**

TBA. Swimming @ Sidney-Shelby Co. YMCA  
6:00pm. Var. Girls Bball @ Home

### **Sunday, January 13**

10:48 OAC Cheer Championships @ Worthington Kilbourne HS.  
(Urbana takes floor at above time.)

### **Tuesday, January 15**

4:30pm. Fr. Boys Bball @ Home  
6:00pm. JV Boys Bball @ Home  
7:30pm. Var. Boys Bball @ Home

### **Wednesday, January 16**

4:00pm. Bowling @ Victory Lanes  
6:00pm. Var. Girls Bball @ Home

### **Thursday, January 17**

4:00pm. Bowling @ Southwest Bowl

### **Friday, January 18**

6:00pm. JV Boys Bball @ North Union HS  
7:30pm. Var. Boys Bball @ North Union HS

### **Saturday, January 19**

12:30pm. Var. Girls Bball @ Graham HS

### **Monday, January 21**

*Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School*

### **Tuesday, January 22**

*Semester Exams Periods 1,3,5*  
4:00pm. Bowling @ Marysville Lanes  
4:30pm. Fr. Boys Bball @ Jonathan Alder HS  
6:00pm. JV Boys Bball @ Jonathan Alder HS  
7:30pm. Var. Boys Bball @ Jonathan Alder HS

### **Wednesday, January 23**

*Semester Exams Periods 2,4,6*  
6:00pm. Var. Girls Bball @ Home

### **Thursday, January 24**

*Semester Exams Periods 7,8, & Make-up*  
*End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter*  
4:00pm. Bowling @ TP Bowling Lane

### **Friday, January 26**

TBA Competition Cheer @ St. John Arena  
10:00am. Swimming CBC @ Student Union Building, Fairborn  
11:00am. Wrestling @ Ben Logan HS  
12:30pm. Bowling @ Wayne Webb Columbus Bowl  
6:00pm. Var. Girls Bball @ Home

### **Monday, January 28**

*3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Begins*  
6:00pm. Var. girls Bball @ Home

### **Tuesday, January 29**

4:00pm. Bowling @ TP Bowling Lane  
4:30pm. Fr. Boys Bball @ Home  
6:00pm. JV Boys Bball @ Home  
7:30pm. Var. Boys Bball @ Home

### **Wednesday, January 30**

6:00pm. Var. Girls Bball @ Home

### **Thursday, January 31**

*7:30am. Blood Drive Sponsored by Student Council*

### **Friday, February 1**

*Report Cards Mailed Home*  
4:30pm. Fr. Boys Bball @ Graham HS  
6:00pm. JV Boys Bball @ Graham HS  
7:30pm. Var. Boys Bball @ Graham HS

### **Saturday, February 2**

TBA. Wrestling State Duals  
6:00pm. Var. Girls Bball @ Indian Lake HS

### **Sunday, February 3**

TBA. Cheer Regional Competition @ Miamisburg HS  
1:00pm. Swimming @ Wittenberg University

### **Tuesday, February 5**

4:30pm. Fr. Boys Bball @ Springfield HS  
6:00pm. JV Boys Bball @ Springfield HS  
7:30pm. Var. Boys Bball @ Springfield HS

### **Wednesday, February 6**

5:00pm. Wrestling @ Home  
7:00pm. Var. Girls Bball @ North Union HS

### **Friday, February 8**

4:30pm. Fr. Boys Bball @ Home  
5:30pm. CBC Bowling @ TP Bowling Lane  
6:00pm. JV Boys Bball @ Home  
7:30pm. Var. Boys Bball @ Home



# Earning an Ohio High School Diploma

## Classes of 2018 and 2019

As a student who entered grade 9 between July 1, 2014, and June 30, 2016, you have multiple pathways to earn a high school diploma so that you can move on to your next steps in education or a career.

- You must complete and earn a state minimum of 20 credits in specific subjects. Additionally, you must receive instruction in economics and financial literacy and complete at least two semesters of fine arts. Your district may have more graduation requirements. Your school counselor has this information.
- You must demonstrate what you have learned. There are three pathways in Ohio law.

### 1. Ohio's State Tests

Earn 18 out of 35 points on seven end-of-course state tests. You can earn up to five points on each test. You need a minimum of four points in math, four points in English language arts and six points across science and social studies.

### 2. Industry-recognized credential and score on workforce readiness test

Earn an industry-recognized credential or a group of credentials totaling 12 points and earn the required score on the WorkKeys test. Ohio pays for you to take the test one time. Some districts offer the Senior Only program through which you can earn credentials in one school year.

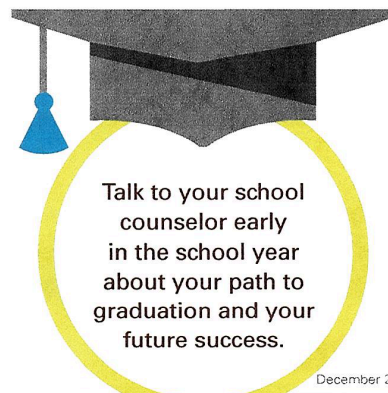
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- If you do not meet any of the above three pathways, Ohio law provides you two additional options to earn a high school diploma. The reverse side of this fact sheet explains them.

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# Additional Graduation Options Available for the Classes of 2018 and 2019

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**Please note, there are modifications to the criteria for the class of 2020.**

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The two additional graduation options are:

## Option 1

You must take and pass courses that are your curriculum requirements and take all seven end-of-course exams. If you receive a score of "1" or "2" on any math or English language arts test, you must retake the test at least once.

Additionally, you must meet **at least two** of the below requirements:

- Attendance rate of 93 percent during the 12th-grade year;
- Earn a GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale in all courses completed during 12th grade (must complete at least four full-year, or equivalent, courses);
- Complete a capstone project during 12th grade that the district or school defines;
- During 12th grade, complete a work or community service experience totaling 120 hours that the district or school defines;
- Earn three or more College Credit Plus credits at any time during high school;
- Earn credit for an Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) course and earn an AP exam score of 3 or higher or IB exam score of 4 or higher at any time during high school;
- Earn a WorkKeys exam score of 3 on each of three test sections;
- Earn a State Board-approved industry-recognized credential or credentials that equal at least three points;
- Meet OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal requirements.

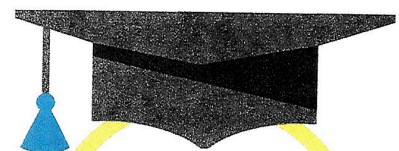
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Students must take and pass courses that constitute the curriculum requirements and take all seven end-of-course exams. Students must finish a career-technical program that includes at least four courses in a single career pathway and complete **at least one** of the options below:

- Earn a total score of Proficient or better based on all career-technical exams or test modules;
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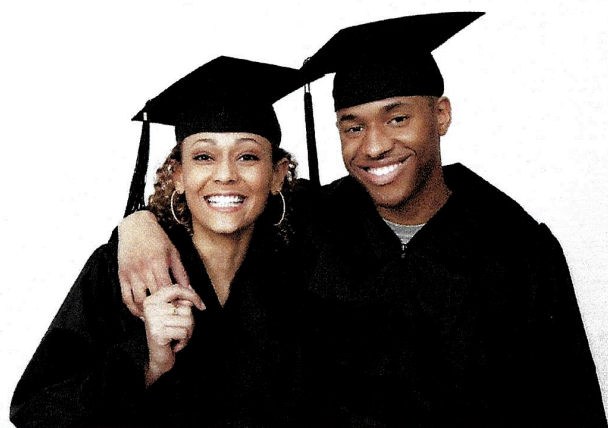
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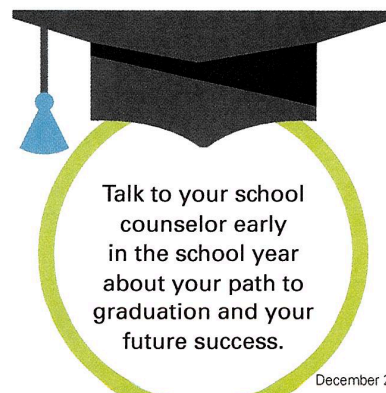
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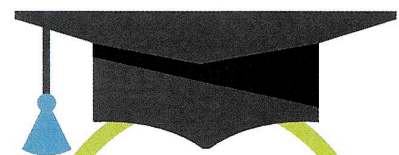
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