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September 20, 2019



NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ONLINE AND THROUGH EMAIL

All newsletters will be posted in the building, placed on the school website, and distributed by email to those who send a request to UHSClimbers@urbanacityschools.org.

The current issue of the UHS newsletter is available at <https://www.urbanacityschools.org/1/News/Letters>

Remaining Newsletter dates for the 2019-20 school year are October 11, November 1, November 22, December 13, January 24, February 14, March 6, April 3, April 24, and May 15.

RENEWAL LEVY ON NOVEMBER 5th BALLOT

Our 5.9 mill operating levy expires at the end 2020 and is on the November 5th general election ballot for renewal. Passage of this issue will not result in a tax increase.

This levy, first passed in 2000, provides almost \$1.2 million dollars in support for the day-to-day operations of the District. Instead of renewing for a five-year term as in the past, the Board of Education is requesting this levy be renewed for a continuing period of time. If supported, voters will not need to renew this levy in the future.

CHROMEBOOK PAYMENTS

All Chromebook payments are due October 18, 2019. This includes any of the Chromebook payment options (\$50, \$35, \$30 per year option, and the \$150, \$175 option). If scheduled payment is not made, payment amount will be placed on school fees.

HOMECOMING DANCE

The Homecoming dance is October 5th from 8-11pm in the UHS gym. Non-UHS students and graduates may attend as a guest of a current student and upon **approval** of the Guest Application. Any guest of a UHS student wishing to attend Homecoming may not be over the age of 20 at the time of the dance. Guest applications are due Wednesday, September 25th. Students will receive notification if guest is **denied** by Tuesday, October 1st. Complete behavior and dress guidelines are on page 3 of the newsletter.

All school fees must be paid or a payment plan with a minimum \$10 down payment, must be completed to be eligible to attend the Homecoming dance.

OHIO GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS CHANGING

Ohio is in the process of moving to permanent graduation requirements for the Class of 2023 and beyond. In the meantime, there are options for prior classes, including the Classes of 2020, 2021, and 2022. A copy of the **Overview of Graduation Requirements by Graduating Class** is included with the newsletter. Additional communication will come throughout the school year related to these requirements. Please feel free to contact a high school guidance counselor or administrator with any questions.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

A primary goal for Urbana High School is academic success for all students. Our staff and administration are committed to assisting all students in their pursuit of academic success. A few of our specific efforts in this area are increased communication with parents and students through email and/or Remind*, promotion of Parent and Student Access (gradebook viewing) for monitoring student progress, and Academic Aide (teacher supervised and assisted homework and study time) after school on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays.

8 DAY / 48-HOUR ABSENCE RULE

Students may not be absent for more than 8 days or 48 hours during any year for reasons other than those excused in writing by a physician or with court documentation. (Vacations, excused and unexcused absences, and the career day will apply towards the 8 days.) The physician's written excuse or court documentation must be received within three days of the absence. Each absence after the eighth will be counted as an unexcused absence.

FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONAL FEES

Please make sure you have completed and returned the Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for your student. During the 2019-2020 school year, Ohio Revised Code 3313.642 prohibits districts from charging instructional fees for those eligible for **free** lunch through this program. This fee waiver applies to those receiving **free** (not reduced) lunch prices. To receive the instructional fee waiver, the Sharing Information with Other Programs Form must be completed and returned.

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.**

STUDENT FEES

Students may pay school fees in the main office during lunch or after school. Grade cards will be held and course credit cannot be certified until fees have been paid. Students will also not be allowed to attend school dances or receive a work permit until fees are paid or a payment plan is arranged. Fees are required to be paid in full to attend Prom and to participate in the graduation ceremony.

PARENT ACCESS

Stay up to date with your child's academic progress by creating a Parent Access Account. With a PA account, parents can view their child's grades online and in real-time. Items such as grades, attendance and teacher comments are available for viewing by parents as soon as they are posted in a teacher's online gradebook. If you have previously created a Parent Access Account, your account will remain active until your child graduates. The only thing you need to update at the beginning of the year is your alert setups. If you have not yet created an account, letters containing the information needed to set up an account were sent home with your child last week. You can access your account at <https://pa.woco-k12.org/> Please contact Kelli Marsh: kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org 937-653-1453 ext. 2126 for further assistance.

REMIND

The staff at Urbana City Schools will be using Remind to share pertinent information with parents. Remind allows our staff to share information through messages that can be received by text, email or through the Remind app. Please make sure your mobile number is updated with your child's office to ensure that the Remind system works properly. If you are not receiving information through Remind, please contact your child's teacher or contact Kelli Marsh: kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org 937-653-1453 ext. 2126 for further assistance.

VISION AND HEARING SCREENINGS

State mandated vision and hearing screenings are required for students in 9th and 11th grades. Urbana High School will be conducting these student screenings for 9th graders on October 8th and for 11th graders on October 14th. Please remind your student to wear their glasses or contacts on the day of screenings.

Parents/guardians will be contacted if the student fails either screening. It is important to make an appointment to see an eye doctor if your child fails the vision screening. Resources are available to help with the costs if you do not have vision insurance. If your child fails a hearing screening, an appointment should be scheduled with his or her primary healthcare provider for further evaluation.

Please contact the school nurse Amy Elliott, RN at 937-653-1433 if your child has a known hearing loss or if you do not want your child to receive this required screening. In the event of an absence from school during the scheduled screenings, the school nurse will screen on another date.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, September 20

7:00pm. Var. Football @ Home

Saturday, September 21

9:00am. Cross Country @ Sidney High School
10:00am. JV Football @ Jonathan Alder HS
11:00am. Var. Volleyball @ Lehman Catholic HS
12:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Lehman Catholic HS

Monday, September 23

6:00pm. Var. Girls Soccer @ Kenton Ridge HS
Var. Boys Soccer @ Home

Tuesday, September 24

TBA Boys Golf CBC Sectional @ Reid Park
4:30pm. Cross Country @ Triad HS
5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home
7:15pm. Var. Volleyball @ Home

Wednesday, September 25

TBA Girls Golf CBC Sectionals @ Stillwater Valley
10:00am. Sophomore Jostens Meeting
11:30am. Senior Jostens Orders During Lunch
5:30pm. JV Girls Soccer @ Bellefontaine HS
6:00pm. Var. Boys Soccer @ Home
7:15pm. Var. Girls Soccer @ Bellefontaine HS

Thursday, September 26

4:30pm. Girls Tennis @ Bellefontaine HS
5:30pm. JV Boys Soccer @ Xenia HS
JV Volleyball @ Graham HS
7:00pm. Var. volleyball @ Graham HS
7:15pm. Var. Boys Soccer @ Xenia HS

Friday, September 27

7:00pm. Var. Football @ Shawnee HS

Saturday, September 28

8:30am. Cross Country @ Buck Creek State Park
10:00am. JV Volleyball @ Moss Gym
Var. Volleyball @ Home
JV Football @ Shawnee HS

Monday, September 30

5:30pm. JV Girls Soccer @ Graham HS
6:00pm. Var. Boys Soccer @ Home
7:15pm. Var. Girls Soccer @ Graham HS

Tuesday, October 1

10:00am. Heidelberg University meet w/interested Students

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Ben Logan HS
7:15pm. Va. Volleyball @ Ben Logan HS

Wednesday, October 2

4:30pm. Cross Country @ Tippecanoe HS
5:30pm. JV Girls Soccer @ Home
JV Volleyball @ Home
6:00pm. Var. Boys Soccer @ Northwestern HS
7:00pm. Var. Volleyball @ Home
7:15pm. Var. Girls Soccer @ Home

Thursday, October 3

6:30pm. Homecoming Parade/Community Pep Rally

Friday, October 4

7:00pm. Var. Football @ Home

Saturday, October 5

9:30am. Cross Country @ Mechanicsburg HS
10:00am. JV Football @ Northwestern HS
8:00pm. Homecoming Dance in HS Gym

Monday, October 7

8:00am. Blood Drive sponsored by NHS
5:30pm. JV Girls Soccer @ Home
JV Boys Soccer @ Indian Lake HS
7:15pm. Var. Boys Soccer @ Indian Lake HS

Tuesday, October 8

10:00am. Wright State University meet w/interested Students

11:20am. Jostens Ring Orders During Lunch

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home
7:00pm. Var. Volleyball @ Home

Wednesday, October 9

5:30am. JV Girls Soccer @ Shawnee HS
6:00pm. Var. Boys @ Home
7:15pm. Var. Girls Soccer @ Shawnee HS

Thursday, October 10

10:00am. Ohio Dominican University meet w/interested Students

6:00pm. JV Volleyball @ North Union HS
7:15pm. Var. Volleyball @ North Union HS

Friday, October 11

7:00pm. Var. Football @ Ben Logan HS

Saturday, October 12

10:00am. JV Football @ Boyce Street Complex
Var. Boys Soccer @ Home
Cross Country CBC Championships @ London HS

GO CLIMBERS!

Overview of Graduation Requirements by Graduating Class

To provide a comprehensive overview of Ohio's graduation requirements in response to recent updates, the chart below outlines the options available to each cohort, as well as a description of the requirements.

In addition to satisfying the required coursework, students in the classes of 2017 through 2023 and beyond will satisfy the following:

<u>Classes of 2017 and prior</u>	<u>Classes of 2018 and 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>	<u>Classes of 2021 and 2022</u>	<u>Classes of 2023 and beyond</u>
Students entering grade nine on or before June 30, 2014	Students who entered grade nine between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2016	Students who entered grade nine between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017	Students who entered grade nine between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2019	Students entered grade nine between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020
Ohio Graduation Tests (OGT) OR OGT Alternative Pathway OR Three Pathways OR OGT Test Substitutions	Three Pathways OR Additional Graduation Options OR Permanent Requirements	Three Pathways OR Modified Additional Graduation Options OR Permanent Requirements	Three Pathways OR Permanent Requirements	Permanent Requirements

Ohio Graduation Tests

Students must pass the five Ohio Graduation Tests in math, reading, writing, science and social studies or meet one of the alternatives below:

1. Satisfy the requirements of the [OGT Alternative pathway](#) outlined here;
2. Satisfy the requirements of the "Three Pathways" listed below;
3. Meet the [OGT substitutions](#) outlined here.

Three Pathways

Students must complete one of the following three pathways:

1. [Earn 18 graduation points on Ohio's State Tests](#);
2. [Earn a remediation-free score on the ACT or SAT](#);
3. [Score work ready on the WorkKeys and earn a 12-point, approved industry-recognized credential \(or group of credentials\)](#).

Additional Options for Classes of 2018 and 2019

Option 1: In addition to passing required courses and taking all seven required tests, students must meet at least two of the below options:

- Attendance rate of 93 percent senior year;
- GPA of 2.5 during senior year;
- Senior year capstone project (locally defined);
- Work or community service totaling 120 hours (locally defined);
- Earn three or more credits through College Credit Plus;
- Earn an industry-recognized credential;
- Earn credit and set scores on Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate exams;
- Earn a WorkKeys score of 3 on each test;
- Earn the [OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal](#).

Option 2: In addition to passing required courses and taking all seven required tests, students must finish a career-technical program and complete at least one of the below options:

- Earn proficient on all WebXams;
- Earn an approved industry-recognized credential;
- Complete 250 hours of workplace experience with positive evaluations.

Modified Additional Graduation Options for the Class of 2020

Option 1: In addition to passing required courses and taking all seven required tests, students must meet at least two of the below options:

- GPA of 2.5 during the junior and senior years;
- [Senior year capstone project](#) (state defined);
- [Work or community service totaling 120 hours](#) (state defined);
- Earn three or more credits through College Credit Plus;
- Earn an industry-recognized credential;
- Earn credit and set scores on Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate exams;
- Earn a WorkKeys score of 3 on each test;
- Earn the [OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal](#).

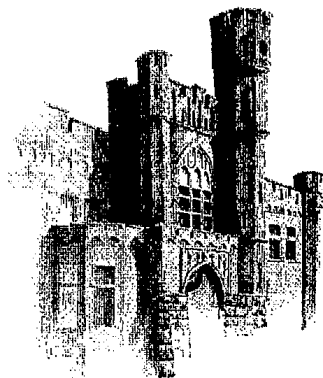
Option 2: Same as option 2 for classes of 2018 and 2019 as outlined above.

Permanent Graduation Requirements

State law created new, permanent requirements that will be available starting with the class of 2021. Students in the classes of 2021 and 2022 who have met or are on track to meet one of the original three pathways (listed above) may continue to use those pathways to satisfy graduation requirements. Students in the classes of 2023 and beyond will be required to meet the permanent requirements in order to graduate. The permanent requirements are listed below:

1. **Demonstrate Competency:** Students must demonstrate competency in math and English by passing the state's algebra I and English II tests. Students who have taken required tests more than once without passing and have received remedial supports are able to show competency through one of the options below:
 - Earn credit for one math and/or one English course through College Credit Plus;
 - Demonstrate career readiness and technical skill through foundational and supporting options;
 - Enter into a contract to enlist in the military upon graduation.
2. **Preparation for College or Careers:** Students must earn two diploma seals, one of which must be state defined, to demonstrate academic, technical and professional readiness for careers, college, the military or self-sustaining professions.

State System of Diploma Seals	
OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal	Honors Diploma Seal
State Seal of Biliteracy	Technology Seal
Industry-Recognized Credential Seal	Citizenship Seal
College-Ready Seal	Fine and Performing Arts Seal (locally defined)
Military Enlistment Seal	Student Engagement Seal (locally defined)
Science Seal	Community Service Seal (locally defined)



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Behavior and Dress Guidelines for UHS Homecoming/Prom (and Other Formal Dances)

The following guidelines have been developed within the spirit of the Urbana Board of Education approved dress code with adaptation for homecoming, prom and other formal dances. These guidelines have been established to include behavior and dress.

Behavior

The UHS Board of Education approved Student Code of Conduct will be in effect at all times. Students who choose to bring an outside guest (a person other than a currently enrolled UHS student) will be responsible for making sure the properly completed and approved application is on file for that guest and for making sure the guest is able to provide identification upon arriving at the event. Students are reminded that age limits for attending school dances are 9th grade through age 20, except for prom, which is 11th grade through age 20. Students are responsible to properly inform and clarify the Student Code of Conduct to their dates.

While music and dance styles have certainly changed over the past years, students should be reminded that school-sponsored dances are not clubs or private parties. Students must be reminded that dancing, which the school administration considers lewd or overtly sexual in nature, will not be tolerated. Students dancing in a manner deemed lewd or inappropriate will be removed from the dance floor for the first offense and will be removed from the dance altogether on the second offense. Front to back contact (grinding) is an example of inappropriate dancing and will not be tolerated. Continued inappropriate dancing/behavior at dances could affect attendance in future dances at UHS.

Boy's Formal Dress

Prom: tuxedo, suit, or sports blazer with dress slacks including formal dress shirt and tie (vest and cummerbund are optional).

Homecoming or other formal dance: items as listed as above for prom **or** dress slacks and collared shirt with a tie or sweater. Jackets and ties may be removed during dancing, but shirts must be worn and buttoned at all times.

Girl's Formal Dress

Formal dresses or gowns may be strapless or may feature spaghetti straps. Bare or open backs are acceptable as long as they are no lower than the natural waist. Bare stomachs/midribs are permitted so long as they do not exceed two inches of exposed skin, sit too high, or sit too low. Holes or openings down the side of the torso are permitted so long as they are not lower than the natural waist or excessively high. Garments that are extremely tight, extremely short, or extremely low-cut are unacceptable. Any adjustments made to a dress or gown to meet these requirements must be a permanent fix, not temporary.

If a student is unsure about the acceptability of his/her planned attire, he/she may present the attire or a picture of the attire being worn (including front, back, and side views) for review by a faculty/administration review committee ahead of time.

The principal or assistant principal must approve any requested exemptions to the dress guidelines above.

The administration, faculty, and Board reserve the right of final judgment on what is appropriate and acceptable. Students whose dress and/or behavior do not meet the guidelines may be denied admission to the event or removed from the event.

We hope your Homecoming, Prom, or other formal dance will be an evening providing many enjoyable memories to last a lifetime.

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