

### **Urbana High School**

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April 3, 2020



#### 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 <a href="https://www.urbanacityschools.org/1/News/Letters">https://www.urbanacityschools.org/1/News/Letters</a> Remaining Newsletter dates for the 2019-20 school year are April 24, and May 15.

#### **MAIN OFFICE HOURS**

An essential staff member will be in the main office Monday through Friday from 8:00am-3:00pm. You may reach the office by calling 937 653-1412 or 937 653-1429 to schedule an appointment. We are here to make this process as easy as possible for our students and families.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 10**th - No School (Exchange Day)

MONDAY, APRIL 13th - This IS an Instructional School Day (Make-up day from a previous calamity day)

#### **PARENT ACCESS**

During this period of Distance Learning, all parents are strongly encouraged to create and use a Parent Access Account to help keep track of student assignments and grades. Once your account is created, you can view grades as soon as they are entered by the teacher and can set an alert for missing assignments. A low marks alert can also be set for Junior High and High School students. If you have not yet created your account, please contact Kelli Marsh at <a href="kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org">kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org</a> to obtain the registration key needed to activate your account. A one-page ProgressBook Parent Access help sheet from the district is attached. Help documents and a video tutorial on how to create your account can be found at <a href="https://pa.woco-k12.org/">https://pa.woco-k12.org/</a>\*Please note that Student Progress Reports will not be printed for the fourth quarter since we are just in the beginning stages of our distance learning programs. Parents are advised to use the Parent Access site to monitor student grades.

#### **ONLINE/DISTANCE LEARNING**

Online/Distance Learning will continue throughout the State of Ohio through at least May 1<sup>st</sup> per state order. Students should be completing school work daily by checking their Google Classroom accounts for each class and monitoring their email and submitting all assigned work, projects, and assessments through their online school accounts based on the due dates or windows given by teachers.

Student Google Accounts need to be named with their first and last names. It must be clear to teachers who students are when they email, submit Google Classroom assignments and when they log into Zoom class meetings or help sessions. In addition students are not to share their Zoom meeting links with anyone. Only teachers may give out Zoom session links to those who are invited to participate.

Those students without internet access are being provided physical paper documents and are expected to complete work daily and submitted the written work at any of the 13 designated Grab and Go Meal Bag distribution sites throughout the district on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays. Please see the attached flyer for information about the NEW times and sites of Grab and Go Meal Bags that will begin on Monday, April 6, 2020.

#### **Student Suggestions:**

- Create a schedule for your day. If you don't have one already, try out this one created by the counseling department <u>Daily Schedule - Distance Learning</u>
- Organization is key when managing your day and your assignments. If you don't have a system that is working for you, start by using the attached Weekly Planner document to schedule your week.

- If you are getting emails for every Google Classroom "event", we are sure it can get overwhelming. **IF** you check each of your Google Classrooms daily, the notifications should not be necessary and can be set based on their personal preferences.

  Here's a link from Classroom Help about Managing Notifications.
- Complete your work to the best of your ability and communicate (email or Remind) with your teachers when you are struggling or need assistance.
- Attend live Zoom sessions when scheduled by your teachers as often as you can. If there are barriers to attending the sessions or with being able to complete or submit assignments/assessments by due dates, please communicate with your teachers through email or Remind.
- Students with no Internet access, who are receiving paper work, should be completing work daily and submitting completed work to the Grab and Go Meal Bag locations on Monday, Wednesday and/or Friday.
- Continuing your schoolwork is very important but so is taking care of YOU! Spend time with your
  family, do something you enjoy, get some fresh air, do something nice for someone, and most of all
  practice social distancing to keep yourself, your family, and our entire community healthy and safe.

#### **Parent Suggestions:**

- Check Parent Access teachers will be putting their weekly assignments in gradebook with due dates to help you monitor when your child's work and due dates.
- Have your child, if possible, spend their day like they were at school. Spend each class period
  (approximately 30-45 minutes) focused on doing the work for one subject then switch to the next. If
  there are barriers to this process, the most important thing is for students to be accessing the class
  lessons through email and Google Classroom (or paper packets for those without internet) and
  completing all assigned work.
- Have your child communicate with his/her teachers by email or Remind when they need assistance. Parents should also feel free to reach out to teachers with any questions/concerns. Teacher emails were included in the letter mailed with report cards.

**Thank you** to teachers, students, and parents for your continued patience as we transition into full implementation of online/distance learning for at least the next month. We appreciate the suggestions that parents and students have shared with us. We have implemented some of those suggestions and we are working on solutions for others.

**CHROMEBOOK REPAIRS:** Please contact the high school office at 937-653-1412 to schedule an appointment to drop-off for the Chromebook for repair. We will make every effort to get the student's Chromebook repaired as quickly as possible and/or issue a loaner Chromebook until the repair can be completed. Calls will be made to schedule an appointment for pick-up once repaired.

#### FREE/LOW COST INTERNET RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

#### AT&T

Unlimited AT&T Home Internet

All AT&T consumer home internet wireline customers, as well as Fixed Wireless Internet, can use unlimited internet data. Additionally, we'll continue to offer internet access for qualifying limited income households at \$10 a month through our <a href="Access from AT&T program">Access from AT&T program</a>. We've expanded eligibility to Access from AT&T to households participating in the National School Lunch Program and Head Start. Additionally, we're offering new Access from AT&T customers two months of free service.

#### Comcast

Internet Essentials Free to New Customers: As announced yesterday, it's even easier for low-income families who live in a Comcast service area to sign-up for Internet Essentials, the nation's largest and most comprehensive broadband adoption program. New customers will receive 60 days of complimentary Internet Essentials service, which is normally available to all qualified low-income households for \$9.95/month. Additionally, for all new and existing Internet Essentials customers, the speed of the program's Internet

service was increased to 25 Mbps downstream and 3 Mbps upstream. That increase will go into effect for no additional fee and it will become the new base speed for the program going forward.

#### Charter

Charter will offer free Spectrum broadband and Wi-Fi access for 60 days to households with K-12 and/or college students who do not already have a Spectrum broadband subscription and at any service level up to 100 Mbps. To enroll call 1-844-488-8395. Installation fees will be waived for new student households. Article with additional information for families

#### **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. Parents/Guardians can login to their Remind accounts through the mobile app or the Remind website (<a href="www.remind.com">www.remind.com</a>). Once you are logged into your account, you can see which classes you are assigned to and control your communication preferences. If you are not receiving information through Remind, or need help with your account, please contact Kelli Marsh:

kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org 937-653-1453 ext. 2126 for further assistance.

#### **COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS (CCP)**

The deadline for Intent to Participate forms has been extended to May 1, 2020.

Additional revisions to the Ohio CCP Guidelines based on the COVID-19 Pandemic can be accessed at College Credit Plus Guidance 3-27-2020

#### **NEW GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

As discussed in the parent and student meetings regarding graduation requirements and scheduling, the "competency" score for the Algebra I <u>and</u> English Language Arts II of the NEW graduation requirements has been officially announced as **684**.

Short two-page summary documents of the graduation requirements are available for each class:

**Graduating Class of 2020** 

Graduating Classes of 2021 & 2022

Graduating Classes of 2023 & Beyond

The full 55-page Ohio's Graduation Requirements: Long-term Requirements Class of 2023 and Beyond is also available for your review.

#### Please the next three pages for the following documents previously referenced:

- 1. Revised Grab and Go Meal Bag Plan beginning April 6, 2020
- 2. One-page Progress Parent Access Help Sheet
- 3. Weekly Planner Template



# Urbana City Schools Meal Distribution Schedule



FREE Grab and Go Bags will be available

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday each week

starting April 6<sup>th</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup>

at the sites listed below.

Each bag will contain food for 2 lunches and 2 breakfasts. Available for children in the district from 1 - 18 years old.

#### Time: 11:15 – 11:45 AM

Gwynne Village Apts.

North Elementary

Jerusalem Second

Baptist Church

Rolling Hills

East of Bon Air Circle on Bon

Air Drive

Walnut St. @ Hovey

#### Time: 12:00 - 12:30 PM

Settler's Ridge Apts. Taft Ave @ Louden

East Water @ Kenton

Harvest Square

Parkway @ Bentwood

Bloomfield @ Smith

#### Time: 11:00 AM - 12:45 PM

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\*Some meals may contain peanut products\*

There is no adult option available at this time.

### **ProgressBook Parent Access**

#### https://pa.woco-k12.org/

Every parent is encouraged to create and utilize a Parent Access account to monitor their child's grades. Now more than ever, your Parent Access account is an important tool that will allow you to help your child keep track of assignments and academic progress.

If you have not yet created your account, you will need to contact Kelli Marsh to obtain your Registration Key.

kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org

### Once your account has been created, there are several features that can be utilized:

- A reset password link can be found on the sign in screen
- Using the "Alerts" link on the left hand side, you can request emails for:
  - Missing Assignments (all grade levels)
  - Low Marks (Junior High and High School)
- Using the "Grades" Ink on the left you will see an overview of all grades for each class for each grading period
  - You can click on each individual class to view each assignment as well as view any teacher comments attached to assignments
  - Many teachers are posting assignments and due dates ahead of time so you may also be able to see which assignments are due in the near future
- Using the "Schedule" link on the left you can see each class and teacher your child has (as well as which period for Junior High and High School)
- You can email teachers by using the "Class Information" link on the left

A Parent Help Guide, a ProgressBook Help link and a video tutorial on how to create your account are available at

https://pa.woco-k12.org/

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## Urbana High School Weekly Planner

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- \* List your course names in the first column.
  \* Use the daily columns to list Zoom sessions to attend and classwork/assignments/assessments to be completed.

Subject Name	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Math					
Science					
Social Studies					
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