

# Urbana High School

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## **NEWSLETTER**

Newsletters will be posted in the building, placed on the school website, and distributed by email to those who send a request to <a href="https://www.urbanacityschools.org"><u>UHSClimbers@urbanacityschools.org</u></a>. The current issue of the UHS newsletter is available at <a href="https://www.urbanacityschools.org"><u>www.urbanacityschools.org</u></a>. Newsletter dates for the 2021-22 school year are September 3 & 24, October 15, November 5, December 3, January 13, February 4 & 25, March 11, April 8 & 29, and May 13.

## **WELCOME BACK**

It is my pleasure to welcome everyone back for another great year at Urbana High School. We are all excited to have students back in our classrooms and hallways filling them with energy and enthusiasm for learning. It is our mission to help every child feel welcomed, connected, and a part of our UHS family. Additionally, we strive to challenge each student to grow in his or her academic abilities and to be college and/or career ready by the end of four years.

## **NEW STAFF**

UHS welcomes Nate Sever, Tony Grigsby, Ellie Cain, Chris Roberts, Cheryl Hess and Greg Hower to our staff this year. Mr. Sever is the new UHS Principal. Mr. Grigsby is the new Assitant Principal. Ms. Cain is an intervention specialist and will teach/co-teach various science courses. Mr. Roberts will be teaching American and World Studies. Mrs. Hess is coming to us from Hi Point and teaching two health science tech courses. Mr. Hower is the new Athletic Director.

# **#ToughLove**

Throughout the year, you will hear students and staff talk about Tough Love. Tough Love is a motto I have created for UHS this year to improve relationships as well as our building culture. Tough Love means that we are going to love the heck out of the students while they are here in the building. We recognize that we see students more than our families and vice versa so while they are here, we want to build lasting and meaningful relationships until they walk down the hill and across that stage at graduation. Tough Love is a two-way street however; we will be here for the students in every step of the way, and all we ask is that the students come to school prepared, are patient, flexible, respectful and kind to the teachers, staff and their fellow classmates!

## **EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION FORMS (EMA)**

This form is required by law and provides us with instructions on how to care for your child in the event of an emergency. Students will not be allowed to participate in field trips and other activities until this form is returned. Students were given this form during schedule pick-up. Extra forms are available in the main office. If information changes during the school year, please contact the office at (937) 653-1412.

## **ABSENCE REPORTING**

A parent or guardian must call the school attendance office (937-653-1414) before 9:00 a.m. to report student absences. If no information is received, a phone call will be made between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. to the primary contact number on the school file.

## 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 2021-2022 school year, Ohio Revised Code 3313.642 prohibits districts from charging instructional fees for those eligible for <u>free</u> lunch through this program. This fee waiver applies to those receiving <u>free</u> (not reduced) lunch prices. To receive the instructional fee wavier, the Sharing Information with other Programs Form must be completed and returned.

In addition to the free breakfast program offered by the Urbana City School District, FREE LUNCH is available for ALL students. Meals must meet the required components to be free of charge. Extra entrees and a la carte items will still be available for purchase. If you have not already done so, please make sure you still complete the free and reduced meal application for 2021-22. This process is required to be eligible for the student fee waiver.

## **STUDENT FEES**

Students may pay school fees in the main office during lunch or after school. Fees (and lunches) may also be paid through the website by clicking on lunch menu, choosing the pay online option, then following the prompts. 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.

#### **COURSE DROP POLICY**

If a student withdraws from a class after the 15<sup>th</sup> day of a yearlong class or the 8<sup>th</sup> day of a semester class, it will be recorded as a withdraw/failing (WF). Withdrawal from a class before the end of the 15<sup>th</sup> day of a yearlong class or the 8<sup>th</sup> day of a semester class will be recorded as withdrawn (W). Parent and school approval are needed to withdraw from a class. The option of dropping a class for a study hall is available on a limited basis at this time due to a limited number of available study hall seats.

# **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 are being sent home on September 3. Please note, printed interim reports will not be available this year. It will be important that you set up your Parent Access Account to monitor your student's grades. You can access your account at <a href="https://pa.woco-k12.org/">https://pa.woco-k12.org/</a> Please contact Kelli Marsh: <a href="https://pa.woco-k12.org/">kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org</a> 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: <a href="kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org">kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org</a> 937-653-1453 ext. 2126 for further assistance.

## **MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING**

As a part of our district plan and by recommendation of the state health department, masks must be worn at all times while on the school bus, but are optional for students, staff, and families while on school property, and throughout the school day. Social distancing of 3 feet or more is to be followed in every setting where possible. When distancing is more difficult to achieve, as much distance as possible should be maintained.

## **HEALTH ASSESSMENT BEFORE SCHOOL**

Students, with assistance from their parents, should conduct a health assessment prior to reporting to school. Students with at least two (2) COVID-related symptoms should stay home. Please contact the main office at (937) 653-1412 to report absences and symptoms before 9:00 am. COVID-related symptoms can be found on the CDC (Center for Disease Control) or ODH (Ohio Department of Health) websites. If you have questions, please contact our UHS nurse at (937) 653-1433.



## **ARRIVAL AND BREAKFAST**

Students who do not use bus transportation or do not participate in the school-wide free breakfast program should not arrive until 7:25 am. Students should enter through door 1 or 13 and report directly to their first period class or homeroom. Students arriving by bus or participating in the free breakfast for all program should arrive between 7:00 and 7:25 am.

#### **CHROMEBOOKS**

All UHS students should have received their school-issued Chromebook at this time. Students are reminded to bring their Chromebook fully-charged to school every day. Chromebook payments for the 2021-22 school year are due by the end of the First Quarter (October 15, 2021).

## STUDENT PARKING PASSES

To park on school property, students must apply for and receive a UHS parking pass. The parking passes are \$20 for the school year or \$10 per semester. Applications are available in the main office.

## **URBANA CITY SCHOOLS ATHLETIC TICKETING INFORMATION**

The Urbana Athletic Department is continuing to do online ticketing for all HOME athletic events this fall. There will be several away contests that will also have online only ticketing available, depending on individual district policy. The Athletic Department WILL be taking cash sales at the gate this fall. At this time, there are no capacity limits. However, the attendance and ticketing policies are subject to change.

Tickets will be able to be purchased online at <a href="www.urbanacityschools.org">www.urbanacityschools.org</a> through the Ticketing for Games and Events link on the left-hand side of the page. Find the event you wish to attend, click on get tickets, and follow the steps to purchase the tickets. Tickets will be sent to the purchaser's email address. Tickets purchased via the online site can be scanned from your mobile device at the gate or you can choose to print them on paper and have them scanned at the gate. You can also use the Hometown Fan app to organize your tickets and passes.

There will be convenience fees charged by the platform that manages the ticketing site. These fees are collected by the ticketing management company and DO NOT go to Urbana City Schools.

## **UHS TRAFFIC PATTERN**

## Urbana High School Traffic Patterns and Parking Boyce Street **Bus Loop** NO student pick-up or drop-off between 7:00 - 7:45 am OR 2:15 - 3:00 pm Vistior Parking between 7:45 am and 2:10 pm Staff Parking Visitor Parking and and Student Student Parking with Parking with parking permit parking permit High School Permit Staff Parking Parking and Deliveries Only Only Moss Gym/ Student Drop-Off Auditorium Follow Maroon Arrows Washington Avenue

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

7:30am. Fall Picture Day 7:30pm. Varsity Football @ Home

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

8:30am. Boys Golf @ Versailes
Cross Country @ Miamisburg
10:00am. JV Volleyball @ Triad
JV Football @ Home
11:30am. Varsity Volleyball @ Triad
12:30pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ Home

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

Labor Day / No School for Students

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

4:00pm. Girls Golf @ Northeastern 4:30pm. FR Volleyball @ Home 5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home Varsity Boys Soccer @ Home 6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Home 7:30pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ Home

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

4:30pm. Girls Golf @ Home Boys Golf @ Home 5:30pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ London 7:30pm. Varsity Boys Soccer @ London

## **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Graham 6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Graham

# **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

7:00pm. Varsity Football @ Home

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

10:00am. JV Football @ London 12:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home 1:00pm. Boys Golf @ Reid Park 2:00pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Home 7:30pm. Cross Country @ Troy

## **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

4:30pm. Girls Golf @ Home
Boys Golf @ North Union
5:30pm. Varsity Boys Soccer @ Ben Logan
7:30pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ Ben Logan

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**

4:30pm. FR Volleyball @ Home Boys Golf @ Ben Logan 5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home 6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Home

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

4:30pm. Boys Golf @ Home Girls Golf @ Home

## **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

4:30pm. Girls Golf @ Ben Logan5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Indian Lake6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Indian LakeVarsity Girls Soccer @ Stivers

## **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

7:00pm. Varsity Football @ Kenton Ridge

# **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

10:00am. JV Football@ Home 10:00am. Cross Country @ Graham 1:00pm. Girls Golf @ Reid Park

## **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

9:00am. Girls Golf @ CBC Tournament 4:30pm. Boys Golf @ Northwestern

## **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

4:30pm. Boys Golf @ Riverside
FR Volleyball @ Northwestern
5:30pm. Varsity Boys Soccer @ Greeneview
JV Volleyball @ Northwestern
6:00pm. Board Meeting @ PK8
6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Northwestern

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

4:30pm. Girls Golf @ Home 5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home Girls Soccer @ Home 6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Home 7:15pm. Boys Soccer @ Home

## **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

9:00am. Boys Golf @ CBC Tournament 6:30pm. Homecoming Parade

## **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

Newsletter Released 7:00pm. Varsity Football @ Home

# **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

9:00am. Cross Country @ Sidney 10:00am. JV Football @ Graham 11:00am. Girls Soccer @ Legacy Christian 1:00pm. Boys Soccer @ Legacy Christian 8:00pm. Homecoming Dance @ UHS



**GO CLIMBERS!!**