



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 UHSClimbers@urbanacityschools.org. The current issue of the UHS newsletter is available at www.urbanacityschools.org. Newsletter dates for the 2021-22 school year are September 24, October 15, November 5, December 3, January 13, February 4 & 25, March 11, April 8 & 29, and May 13.

MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING

On Tuesday, September 22, 2021, The Urbana City School District Board of Education took action to implement a universal face mask requirement for all students and staff in the school buildings starting on Monday, September 27, 2021. All guests and visitors will also be required to wear a face mask when inside of the school buildings. A physician's statement is required for a medical exemption. More information is available on the District's website at www.urbanacityschools.org. 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.

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 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. to the primary contact number on the school file.

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.

HOMECOMING DANCE

The Homecoming dance is September 25, 2021 from 8-11pm in the UHS gym. Students received notification if their guest was approved or denied.

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

BLOOD DRIVE

A Blood Drive, sponsored by the UHS National Honor Society, is scheduled for Wednesday, October 6, 2021. Please contact Mrs. deNijs to register. All permission slips must be turned in by September 27th to participate. The Community Blood Center is responsible for the collection process, medical support and safety procedures, including COVID protocols.

YEARBOOK

We have limited quantities of the 2021 *Tower* for sale. Cost is \$55. Contact Mrs. deNijs at katie.denijs@urbanacityschools.org if interested. We will kick off our 2022 yearbook sale at the start of the second quarter. Information will be sent home with first quarter report cards.

UHS Parent Teacher Conferences

Urbana High School's Fall parent -teacher conferences are scheduled for Monday, November 1 and Thursday November 4 from 3pm-630pm. Please call the counseling office at 653-1424 to schedule a conference with your student's teacher(s). **We strongly encourage both parents and students to attend the scheduled meetings.**

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.

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.

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 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.

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.

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.

#TOUGHLOVE

Throughout the year, you will hear students and staff talk about Tough Love. Tough Love is a motto I (Mr. Sever) 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!



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 and Thursdays.

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 <https://pa.woco-k12.org/> Please contact Kelli Marsh: kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org 937-653-1453 ext. 2126 for further assistance.

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 a.m. and 7:25 a.m.

CHROMEBOOKS

Chromebook payments for the 2021-22 school year are due by the end of the First Quarter (October 15, 2021). This includes any of the Chromebook payment options (\$50, \$35, or \$30 per year and the \$150 or \$175 option). If scheduled payment is not made, payment amount will be placed on school fees. Students are reminded to bring their Chromebook fully-charged to school every day.

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 www.urbanacityschools.org 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.

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. Masks are required at all indoor events. Book bags are not permitted at sporting events.

UHS SPIRIT WEEK





UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7:00pm. Varsity Football @ Home

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

9:00am. Cross Country @ Sidney

Girls Soccer @ Legacy Christian

10:00am. JV Football @ Graham

11:00am. Boys Soccer @ Legacy Christian

8:00pm. - 11:00pm. Homecoming Dance

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

5:30pm. Boys Soccer @ Jonathan Alder

7:30pm. Girls Soccer @ Jonathan Alder

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:45am. Boys Golf Sectionals

4:00pm. Girls Golf @ Home

4:30pm. FR Volleyball @ London

5:00pm. Cross Country @ Triad

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ London

6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ London

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:45am. Girls Golf Sectionals

5:30pm. Girls Soccer @ Home

7:30pm. Boys Soccer @ Home

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

4:30pm. FR Volleyball @ North Union

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ North Union

6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ North Union

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Ben Logan

6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Ben Logan

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

7:00pm. Varsity Football @ Indian Lake

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:00am. Cross Country @ CC Invite

10:00am. JV Football @ Home

JV/Varsity Volleyball @ Home

11:00am. Boys Soccer @ Home

1:00pm. Girls Soccer @ Home

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

5:30pm. Boys Soccer @ Home

7:30pm. Girls Soccer @ Home

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

4:30pm. FR Volleyball @ Home

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home

6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Home

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:30am. Blood Drive Sponsored by NHS

4:30pm. Cross Country @ Tippecanoe

5:30pm. Girls Soccer @ Home

7:30pm. Boys Soccer @ Home

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7

4:30pm. FR Volleyball @ Ben Logan

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Ben Logan

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

7:30pm. Varsity Football @ Ben Logan

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:30am. Cross Country @ Mechanicsburg

10:00am. JV Football @ Home

1:00pm. Boys Soccer @ West Liberty

2:00pm. Marching Band Concert

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

2:00pm. Choir Concert

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11

Two Hour Delay / Teacher Inservice

5:30pm. Boys Soccer @ Northwestern

7:30pm. Girls Soccer @ Northwestern

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home

6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Home

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13

5:30pm. Girls Soccer @ Indian Lake

7:30pm. Boys Soccer @ Indian Lake

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14

4:30pm. FR Volleyball @ Home

5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home

6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Home

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

End of First Quarter

7:00pm. Varsity Football @ Home