



HILLCLIMBER HEADLINES

URBANA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

September 11, 2020

SAT. SEPT 12

Volleyball @ Southeastern – 10:00 am
XCOUNTRY @ Indian Lake Invitational – 9:00 am

MON. SEPT 14

Volleyball vs London – 5:30 pm

TUES. SEPT 15

7th GR Football vs Shawnee – 5:30 pm
8th GR Football @ Shawnee – 5:30 pm

WEDS. SEPT 16

Volleyball vs Tecumseh – 5:30 pm

SAT. SEPT 19

Volleyball @ Northwestern – 10:00 am
XCOUNTRY @ Graham XC Invitational – 10:00 am

MON. SEPT 21

Volleyball @ North Union – 5:30 pm

WEDS. SEPT 23

Volleyball vs Graham – 5:30 pm
Football vs North Union – 5:30 pm

SAT. SEPT 26

XCOUNTRY @ Covington Invite – 9:00 am

MON. SEPT 28

Volleyball @ Indian Lake – 5:30 pm

TUES. OCT 1

7th GR Football vs Ben Logan – 5:30 pm
8th GR Football @ Ben Logan – 5:30 pm

TUES. SEPT 29

XCOUNTRY @ Triad Invite – 5:00 am

WED. SEPT 30

Volleyball @ Ben Logan – 10:00 am

SAT. OCT 3

Volleyball vs Riverside – 10:00 am
XCOUNTRY @ Cross the Creek Invitational – 9:00 am

TUES. OCT 6

7th GR Football @ Bellefontaine – 5:30 pm
8th GR Football vs Bellefontaine – 5:30 pm

SAT. OCT 10

XCOUNTRY @ Mechanicsburg Invite – 9:30 am

TUES. OCT 13

7th GR Football vs Graham – 5:30 pm
8th GR Football @ Graham – 5:30 pm

Communication

Schools are successful when there is strong parental and community involvement. Communication is essential to foster a positive learning environment.

Students: Talk to Teachers, Counselor and/or Administrator, and PA(Student Access)

Parents: PA(Parent Access), email, telephone, conferences, face to face

Remind App: Enter 81010, Text@urbanj

Download PBIS Rewards App

Twitter: @urbana_jhs

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. Extra forms are available in the office.



PROF. E. W. B. CURRY,
President and Founder.

Junior High Students Seek Help in Local Historical Research Project

Social Studies students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grade will be working on a Project Based Learning unit entitled "Lost Voices". The goal of this project is to honor local historical figures that made an impact on our community, county, and beyond. This year's project will focus on Dr. E.W.B Curry and the Curry Institute. Dr. Curry was an African American teacher and minister who opened the Curry Institute in Urbana after attempting to open similar Tuskegee style schools in Delaware and Mechanicsburg. The students will create a series of articles about Dr. Curry, his life, and his legacy. This research and articles will be used as the basis for creating an exhibit about the Curry Institute and Dr. Curry's involvement in other social reform organizations like the Anti-Saloon League. Students will also research Dr. Curry's local newspaper "The Informer". Students will be working with the Champaign County Historical Society and the Delaware County Historical Society to showcase this

incredible man. This is where we need help from the community. We are looking for descendants of students who attended the Curry Institute (School). Some sources state that over 2,000 young men and women attended the school during its existence. If you have any information about a family member that attended this school we would love to hear from you.

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Washington Information – 8th Grade Trip

Washington DC trip dates:

March 15-19, 2021. Cost: \$620.00*

Third payment of \$155.00 due September 25th, 2020, Final payment of \$155.00 is due on November 4th, 2020. Cut-off date for a refund is February 5th, 2021. Trip eligibility and other additional information are available in the student handbook and detailed information will be sent home with students during the school year. All school fees must be paid prior to making payments for the Washington Trip. Deadlines must be met for all payments and also for any paperwork associated with this trip. Students who fail to meet these deadlines will be moved to the end of the waiting list. *This is an estimate until trip details are finalized.

ATTENDANCE

Please call the school by 9:00 am if your child will not be attending 653-1439 option 1. We have voicemail, so you may leave a message 24 hours a day. If you do leave a message, **PLEASE STATE THE REASON** for the absence. A call with no reason given does not necessarily make the absence excused. If you do not have a phone, be sure to send a note with the student the next day explaining the reason for the absence.

Identification of Children with Disabilities

Child Find Notice

The Urbana City School District is attempting to locate, evaluate, and identify all children 0 to 21-years-old who are in need of special education and related services residing within the district, including children with disabilities who are homeless or are wards of the state, and children with disabilities attending nonpublic schools as required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Disability conditions are defined by IDEA and include visual impairments, hearing impairments, autism, cognitive disabilities, emotional disabilities, orthopedic impairments, multiple disabilities, learning disabilities, traumatic brain injury, or speech and language disabilities. Residents of the Urbana City School District who are parents or guardians of children with possible disabilities may contact Lucas Pozenel, Director of Special Education at 937-653-1408. All information will be treated confidentially.

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. 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:

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As reported by Coaches:

Cross Country:

Urbana junior high cross country teams competed at the Northwestern Invitational. Both teams are still short of the 5 runners needed to compete as a team, but the runners scored as individuals. Bella Talebi led the girls team with a time of 18min 11sec on the 2mile course. Caileigh Busch also ran her strongest race so far. In the boys' race Vincent Lightle led the team with a 3rd place finish in 12min 42sec. Owen MacKendrick also ran his personal best.

The XC teams competed at the Celina invitational. Vincent Lightle was the top finisher for the boys' team, finishing 2nd out of 40 runners with a time of 12min. 17sec. Zachary Nutt also ran his best race of the season. Brevan Staley ran his first race of the season. Bella Talebi represented UJHS in the girls' race, finishing 18th place with a season best time of 17min13sec.

Volleyball:

7th Grade against Ben Logan 25-21 25-20.

They also won against Mechanicsburg 25-11, 20-25, 25-20.

Mary Ober had 5 ace serves, Alicia Venneman had 5 ace serves and 1 kill and Emily Fisher had 2 kills.

8th grade volleyball lost against Ben Logan and lost in three against Mechanicsburg 15-25, 25-16, 19-25.

House

At the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year we started a House system at Urbana Junior High. We are excited to continue this system as we saw tremendous benefits to students and staff.

How it works: All 6th-8th grade students are divided into 4 different houses, sort of like the houses in Harry Potter. The Houses are each named after 1 room school houses in Champaign County (Five Points, Gutridge, Toll Run, and Mohawk). Our goal is to build relationships and provide added support for students. We do this by offering intervention days for students to get extra help with assignments and by having lots of fun. We compete quarterly for best attendance, behavior and GPA as well as other fun challenges such as Minute-to-Win-It games, dodgeball, battleship, door decorations, and participation points for wearing House t-shirts just to name a few. Though we still plan to have fun this year we will have to get creative and make sure we have Covid style events. The winning House flies their flag in the hallway each quarter. At the end of the year we are planning a House Cup competition.

