

# HILLCLIMBER HEADLINES URBANA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

## January 13, 2023

THURS. JAN 12 Second Quarter Ends

FRI. JAN 13 No School - Teacher Work day

<u>SAT. JAN 14</u> Wrestling @ Heart of Ohio Invite 10:00

MON. JAN 16 No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

TUE. JAN 17 Third Quarter begins

THUR. JAN 19 Boys Basketball @ London 5:30 Girls Basketball vs London 5:30

FRI. JAN 20 Report Cards mailed

SAT. JAN 21 Wrestling VS UJHS Pete Rozmus Invite 10:00

MON. JAN 23 Boys Basketball vs Northwestern 5:30 Girls Basketball @ Northwestern 5:30

**THUR. JAN 26** Boys Basketball vs Graham 5:30 Girls Basketball @ Graham 5:30

SAT. JAN 28 Wrestling @ Olentangy-Hyatts Quad 9:00

<u>WED, FEB 1</u> Wrestling vs Battle of 68 5:30

# UJHS PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

The Winter Parent-Teacher Conference will be Thursday, February 23rd 2:45 - 6:15 pm. To schedule a conference, please contact your child's teacher through email or call the office at 937-653-1439 to be connected to their voicemail. We will also be holding conferences April 18th.

## **Communication**

Schools are successful when there is strong parental and community involvement. Communication is essential to foster a positive learning environment. <u>Students:</u> Talk to Teachers, Counselor and/or Administrator, and PA(Student Access) <u>Parents:</u> PA(Parent Access), email, telephone, conferences, face to face <u>Remind App:</u> Enter 81010, Text@urbanj <u>Download PBIS Rewards App</u> <u>Twitter:</u> @urbanajh\_oh

# <u>Washington Information – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip</u>

DC trip dates: May 15-19 - \$650.00\* 3rd Payment due January 20 - \$160.00 4th Payment due March 10 - \$170.00 Cut-off date for a refund is April 7th, 2023. Trip information is available in the student handbook. All school fees must be paid prior to making payments for the Washington Trip. All deadlines must be met to hold your spot on this trip. \*This is an estimate until trip details are finalized.

### <u>Kirkmont Information – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip</u> Kirkmont trip dates: May 8-12 - \$125.00\*

4th Payment due March 24 - \$35.00 Cut-off date for a refund is April 7th, 2023. Trip information is available in the student handbook. All school fees must be paid prior to making payments for the Kirkmont Trip. \*This is an estimate until trip details are finalized.

## As reported by Coaches: Girls Basketball:

The 7th grade girls lost to Tecumseh 39-21. Alayna Toney led the team with 15 points. The team is 2-2 on the season.

The 8th grade girls beat Tecumseh 36-28. The team was led by Lola Rice with 8 points followed by Olivia MacKendrick and Janaya Scott each with 7. They remain undefeated at 4-0.

The 7th grade girls basketball team took on Ben Logan last night. Alayna Toney led all scorers with 15 points in the win. This team is getting better and better. Next they will take their 3-2 record to North Union.

The 8th grade girls basketball team came out slow in the first half against Ben Logan. After halftime, the girls stepped their game up and came out on top with a 29-18 victory. Addi Hegyi led all scorers with 11 points followed by Janaya Scott and Olivia MacKendrick. The girls will travel to North Union with a 5-0 record.

The 7th grade girls basketball team traveled to North Union and lost 36-8. Alayna Toney led the team with 6 points. They are 3-3 on the season. The 8th grade girls basketball team took their first loss to North Union by a score of 24-17. It was a tough night for the whole team but they will bounce back on Monday when they travel to Indian Lake with their 5-1 record.

The 7th grade girls basketball team traveled to ttun and played a very good game but fell short 29-26. Alayna Toney led the team with 11 points, Zinkhon 6, King 5, Hoskins and Wooten 2. This team just keeps getting better and better and played a great game last night. They have a 2-4 conference record with a 4-5 overall record. The 8th grade girls basketball team traveled to ttun last night. It was a tight game the whole game. With time running out, down by 3, MacKendrick hits a 3 pointer at the buzzer to take the game into overtime. Rice was able to get to the paint in OT and hit a floater to put the climbers up by 2 and take the victory by a score of 24-23. Rice led all scorers with 9 points, Hegyi 6, Spriggs 5, MacKendrick 3, Scott 1. The Lady Climbers are 5-1 in the conference and 8-1 overall.

The 8th grade girls came out slow and were down 11-0 early in the 1st quarter. After trailing at the half by 5, and the majority of the game, the Climbers took the lead late in the 4th and beat xraham, 30-27. Addi Hegyi had 9 points, MacKendrick-8, Spriggs-5, Scott and Rice-4. The Lady Climbers take their 7-1 record to #1 Bellefontaine next.

The 7th grade girls only scored 3 points in the first quarter but played tough and beat xraham, 28-6. Alayna Toney led all scorers with 18 points. The girls get back to 500 at 4-4. The 7th grade lost to Indian Lake last night,15-4. The 8th grade girls basketball team beat Indian Lake, 28-21. Janaya Scott led the team with 7 points. It was a tough night for both teams not being able to hit many shots from outside.

The 7th grade team hosted Jonathan Alder last night and fell short 24-26. Alayna Toney led the team with 16 points, Wooten 4, Zinkhon and King 2.

The 8th grade team took on Jonathan Alder tonight and won, 30-26. Brylee Spriggs led the team with 10 points, Hegyi 8, Scott and Rice 5, MacKendrick 2.

The 8th grade girls basketball team traveled to Belmont Saturday morning and won 43-4. Addi Hegyi was leading scorer with 18 points, Scott had 8, Isla Wooten and Spriggs 4, MacKendrick 3, and Rice and Avery Zinkhon 2.

#### Boys Basketball:

Urbana 8th grade won against Stivers 70-10. Giorgio Rube with 17 points, and Gio Torres added 9 points. Urbana 7th grade won against Stivers 54-14. Crew Forson, Landon McKellop and Case Teepe all finished with 8 points.

Urbana 8th grade won against Tecumseh 58-29. Grady Lantz with 20 points, BJ Potter with 12, and Kaden Underwood with 10. Urbana 7th grade won against Tecumseh 41-28. Roman Swain with 14 points, and Drew Dixon

with 9. Case Teepe had 14 rebounds.

Urbana 8th grade won against North Union 49-21. Grady Lantz with 20 points and BJ Potter with 10.

Urbana 7th grade won against North Union 47-13. Case Teepe with 11 points and Roman Swain with 10.

Urbana 8th grade won against Ben Logan 55-18. Grady Lantz with 15 points, Kaden Underwood with 13, and BJ Potter with 12. Urbana 7th grade won against Ben Logan 49-21. Case Teepe with 16 points and Roman Swain with 9.

Urbana 8th grade lost against Indian Lake 45-35. Grady Lantz with 15 points and Kaden Underwood with 11.

Urbana 7th grade won against Indian Lake 54-18. Case Teepe with 17 points, Crew Forson with 13 and Roman Swain with 11.

Urbana 8th grade won against Graham 57-17. Grady Lantz with 22 points Urbana 7th grade won against Graham 47-26. Case Teepe with 14 points, Drew Dixon and Riley Mounce with 9.

Urbana 8th grade won against Bellefontaine 38-36. Grady Lantz with 15 points. Urbana 7th grade won against Bellefontaine 43-9. Crew Forson and Drew Dixon both with 10 points.

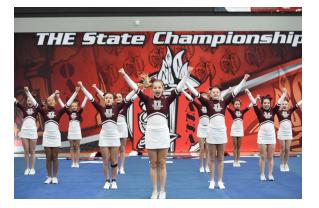
Urbana 8th grade won against Jonathan Alder 40-31. Kaden Underwood with 11 points, Grady Lantz and Larkin Moore both had 10. Urbana 7th grade lost against Jonathan Alder 37-25. Drew Dixon with 14 points. Urbana 8th grade won against Belmont 53-13. Grady Lantz with 17 and BJ Potter with 8 points. Urbana 7th grade won against Wogaman 50-32. Case Teepe with 14, Roman Swain and Drew Dixon with 8, and Crew Forson with 6 points.

#### Wrestling:

The wrestlers competed at Milton Union and placed 10th out of 18 teams with 94 points. Winning matches for the climbers were: Libertie Nigh- Champion, Colton Roberts, Anthony Keeran, Lance Saylor- Runner up, Gavin Stacy- Champion, Damien Mattox

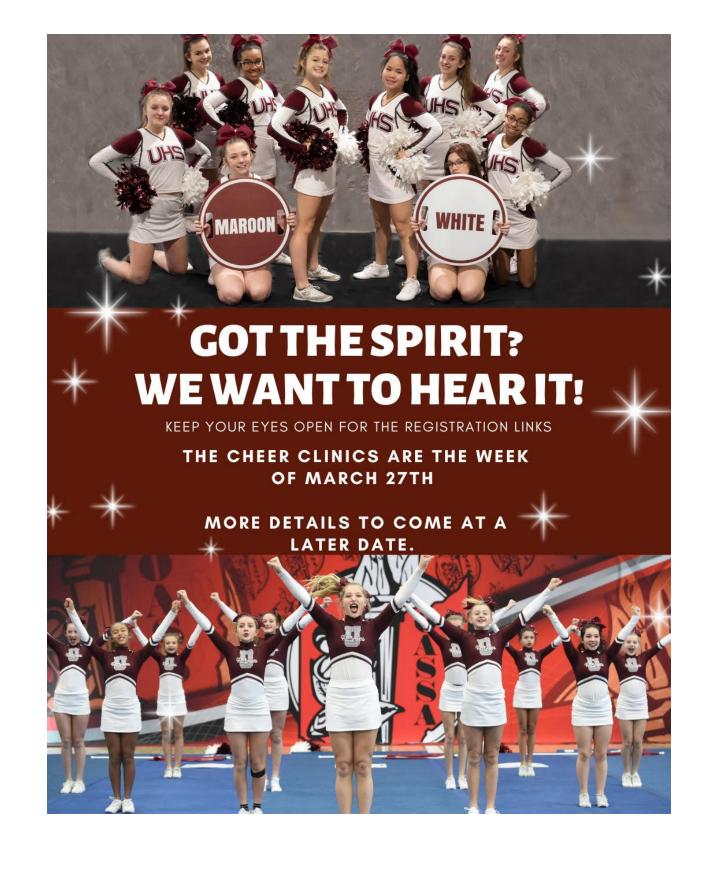
Urbana Jr.High competed at the North Union Invitational. Winning matches for the climbers were: Libertie Nigh- Champion, Colton Roberts-4th, Trent Hoffman- 3rd, Lance Saylor- 6th, Gavin Stacy- Champion, Damien Mattox- 5th. Placing 7th out of 18 teams with 130.5 points.

At the Harrison JH Invite: 7th out of 29 teams with 139 points, Libertie Nigh - 2nd Runner up, Colton Roberts-Champion, Trent Hoffman- 3rd, Lance Saylor-6th,Gavin Stacy- Champion



#### **Competition Cheer**

The Urbana Junior High Cheerleaders placed 2nd in Gameday Division, and 4th in the Non-Building Traditional division at the OAC State Cheer Championships on January 8th, 2023. The 2022-2023 team is (8th) Addi Hegyi, Brylee Spriggs, Riane Brewer, Clohee Jordan, Bri Schuler, Raygen Wilson, Maddison Williams, Destiny Deremer, Aiislyn Tackett, Elliona Blacker, Payton Dyer.



The Jr. High Social Studies Department traveled to Wilberforce College and the National African American Museum at Capital University to do additional research on Dr. E.W. B. Curry. Dr. Curry was in the process of opening his last school in Urbana, The Farm School, when he passed away. According to information that the department currently has, Dr. Curry's school was disassembled and the building materials were gifted to Wilberforce College to build a library. Mrs. Steffan, Mr. Blair, and Mrs. Goodwin searched through papers and records to see if they could find any documentation of the event. They also visited the library that was built from the materials.



In the 7th Grade, students are learning about the three branches of government, checks and balances, and the Bill of Rights. They created superheroes that represented the responsibilities and powers of each branch.



8th graders have been busy in American History covering topics such as colonization of the Americas, the original 13 Colonies, the Revolutionary War era, Early Presidents,

Westward Expansion, and the Civil War during the second quarter. We've had a great semester together, and I'll miss getting to teach them 2nd semester. One of the things students have really enjoyed this semester was recreating historical interpretations and famous artwork in class. Below are pictures of some of those recreations from class.

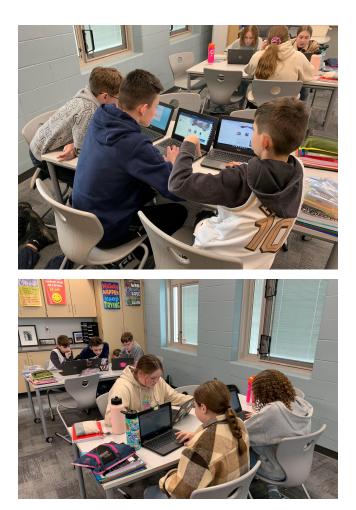


Before the end of the semester, 6th grade UJHS students are finishing up their unit on the Roman Empire. They have been learning about the geography of the empire, leadership

characteristics of the emperors, comparing and contrasting the patrician and plebeian social classes, military organization of the Roman Legions, various architecture structures utlized throughout the empire, and a virtual visit to the ancient city of Pompeii. The pictures are showing various students competing in an online contest about the Roman Empire to become the greatest "academic" gladiator!







Sixth grade ELA just finished the book, *Bud*, *Not Buddy*, about a ten-year-old boy living through the Great Depression. Our essential question throughout this module

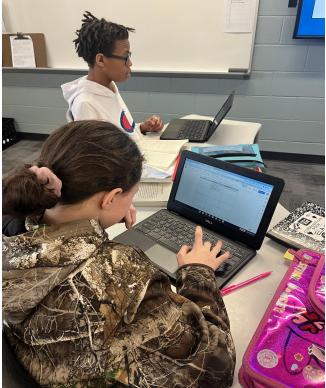
is "How can enduring tremendous hardship contribute to personal transformation?" At the end of the book, students were asked what four items they would put in a suitcase that was important to them. Bud had four items that did not have any value, but meant a lot to him because they came from his mom. We displayed this on our garage door.

We are now reading *Out of the Dust*, which is also set during the Great Depression. So far our focus has been how the characters sustain their spirits during hard times. We found that Billie Jo relieved stress by playing the piano wildly. Students were asked to relate this to their own lives, by sharing what they like to do in order to sustain their own spirits. These are displayed on a garage door as well.



In 7th grade ELA, we are currently learning about World War II and its effects on individuals. We just started reading our first novel for this unit titled, <u>Code Talker</u> by Joseph Bruchac and building essential background knowledge needed for understanding this text. In addition to studying this historical time period, students will also be analyzing expository writing in preparation of writing their own informational essay.







# 8th Grade ELA:

Eighth-grade ELA students have transitioned into Module 2: The Great War. This module aims to answer the essential question "How do literature and art illuminate the effects of World War I?" The focus text for this module is *All Quiet on the Western Front* by Erich Maria Remarque. Our goal is for students to understand this unfortunate reality of human history and to understand the way war shapes the human experience. To begin this module, we have focused on informational texts outlining why individuals and countries joined World War I.



Before we began the module, students completed a STEM challenge. They were tasked to create a launcher and the group that launched their army figure past the trenches the furthest won "rations".