



# 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](mailto:UHSClimbers@urbanacityschools.org). The current issue of the UHS newsletter is available at [www.urbanacityschools.org](http://www.urbanacityschools.org). Newsletter dates for the 2023-2024 school year are September 1 & 22, October 13, November 3, December 1, January 11, February 2 & 23, March 15, April 19, and May 10.

## **NEW STAFF**

UHS welcomes Liela Anderson and Zack Huff to our staff this year. Mrs. Anderson is a Paraprofessional and Mr. Huff is our new Study Hall Associate.

## **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. Throughout the year, you will hear students and staff talk about our two culture mantra's, **Tough Love** and **You Win With People**. Tough Love is a motto that was created for UHS 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. Win With People - We want students to be elite. In order to get there, they will have to do special things, have special focus, have special passion, intensity, commitment/drive to do the things at a high level all the time. We want students to know that they must build a strong network of people around them in order to achieve elite accomplishments.

Tough Love

YOU WIN WITH PEOPLE

URBANA HIGH SCHOOL 2023-2024



## **ABSENCE REPORTING & ATTENDANCE**

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. In the event contact is not made, a signed note from a parent/guardian, including the date of the absence and the reason for the absence, must be submitted upon the student's return to school. Students may not be absent for more than 8 days or 48 hours during the school year for reasons other than those excused in writing by a physician or court attendance. Students must be in attendance a minimum of four full class periods in order to participate in or attend athletic contests, musicals, plays, dances or other scheduled events. If a student becomes ill while at school, he/she must contact the school nurse. Students are not to text/call a parent without receiving authorization for dismissal. The absences will be considered unexcused and disciplinary action will occur. Vacations during the school year are discouraged; however, requests for approval may occur. Upon a written request or phone call from a parent/guardian, a vacation form will be given to the student for teacher and parent signatures. The completed form is to be returned to the attendance office at least five days prior to the absence with the exact dates of the vacation. The request will then be approved or denied by administration. Requests made or submitted after the absence will not be excused. Vacation days DO count toward the 8-Day/48-Hour absence rule.

## **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 2023-2024 school year, Ohio Revised Code 3313.642 prohibits districts from charging instructional fees for those eligible for free lunch through this program. To receive the instructional fee waiver, the Sharing Information with other Programs Form must be completed and returned.

## **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 am. and 7:25 am.

## **STUDENT FEES**

Students may pay school fees in the main office during lunch or after school. Fees can also be paid through the website under Quick Links (A-H), choose Fee Payments and then follow 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.

## **CHROMEBOOKS**

At this time, all UHS students should have received their school-issued Chromebook if their technology agreement was completed. Students are reminded to bring their Chromebook fully-charged to school every day. Chromebook payments for the 2023-2024 school year are due by the end of the first quarter (October 20, 2023). See Mrs. Jacobs in the main office with any questions.

## **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.

## **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. A valid driver's license and proof of insurance are required. Applications are available in the main office.

## **FINALFORMS**

If you have not yet done so, please make sure to update all student information on FinalForms. Parents/Guardians need to sign forms online at [urbana-oh.finalforms.com](http://urbana-oh.finalforms.com) each year. If you have previously logged into your account, login to that same account and update your forms. If you have never logged in- choose "Login" under the Parent Icon and then choose "Never Logged In"- DO NOT CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT. Enter your email address. A confirmation link will be sent to you. If you do not receive a confirmation link, or have any issues, please contact [kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org](mailto:kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org).

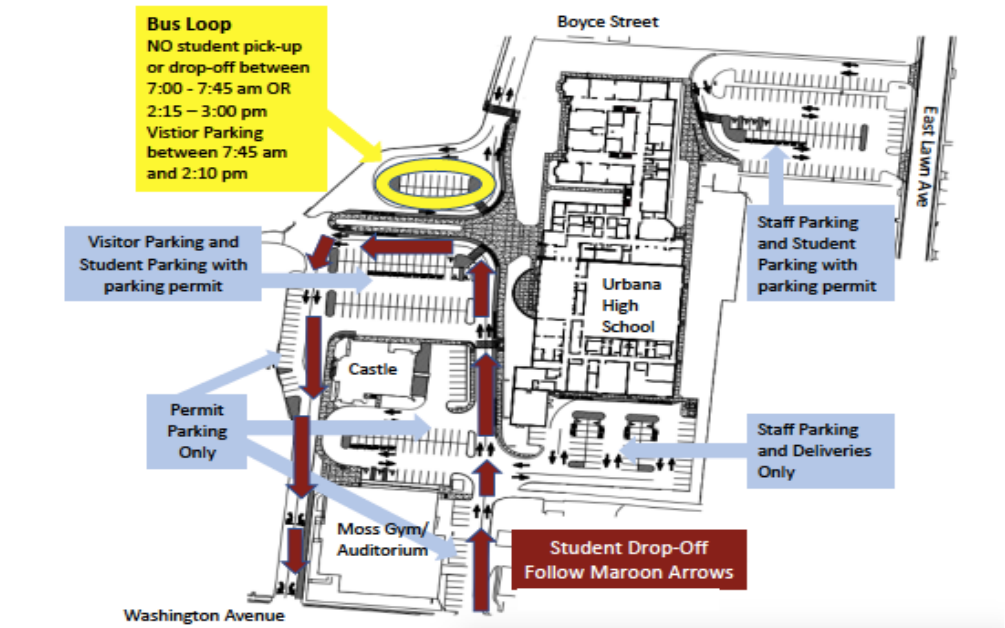
## **REMIND**

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 in FinalForms 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](mailto:kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org) 937-653-1453 ext. 2126 for further assistance.

## **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 were sent home this week. 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](mailto:kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org) 937-653-1453 ext. 2126 for further assistance.

## Urbana High School Traffic Patterns and Parking



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

Picture Day  
7:00pm. Varsity Football @ Bethel

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

9:00am. Boys Golf @ Versailles Invite  
Cross Country @ Urbana Jr. High  
10:00am. JV Football @ London  
JV Volleyball @ Home  
11:00am. Varsity Volleyball @ Home

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

Labor Day / No School

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**

4:30pm. Freshmen Volleyball @ London  
Girls Golf @ Graham  
Girls Tennis @ Home  
5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ London  
6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ London

#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

4:30pm. Boys Golf @ UCC  
Girls Golf @ UCC  
Girls Tennis @ Tennis @ Home  
5:30pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ Shawnee  
7:15pm. Varsity Boys Soccer @ Shawnee

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

4:00pm. Girls Golf @ Fairbanks  
4:30pm. Freshmen Volleyball @ JA  
Girls Tennis @ Tecumseh  
5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ JA  
6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ JA

#### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

7:00pm. Varsity Football @ Graham

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

10:00am. JV Football @ Home  
11:00am. JV Girls Soccer @ Home  
12:00pm. JV Volleyball @ Southeastern  
12:45pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ Home  
1:00pm. Boys Golf @ Reid Park  
Varsity Volleyball @ Southeastern  
8:00pm. Cross Country @ Piqua

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

4:30pm. Boys Golf @ UCC  
Girls Golf @ UCC  
Girls Tennis @ Home  
6:00pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ Home

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**

4:30pm. Girls Tennis @ JA  
5:30pm. JV Girls Soccer @ Tecumseh  
JV Volleyball @ Home  
6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Home

#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

4:30pm. Girls Golf @ London  
Girls Tennis @ Bellefontaine

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**

4:30pm. Boys Golf @ KR  
Girls Golf @ Northwestern  
Girls Tennis @ Home  
5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ KR  
6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ KR

#### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

7:00pm. Varsity Football @ Home

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

9:00am. Cross Country @ Triad  
10:00am. JV Football @ North Union  
12:00pm. Varsity Boys Soccer @ Crew Stadium  
5:30pm. JV Girls Soccer @ Home  
7:15pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ Home

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

4:00pm. Girls Golf @ UCC  
4:30pm. Boys Golf @ JA  
Girls Tennis @ Home  
5:30pm. Varsity Boys Soccer @ Tecumseh  
7:15pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ Tecumseh

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

4:30pm. Freshmen Volleyball @ Home  
5:00pm. Boys Golf @ Riverside  
5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Home  
6:00pm. Board Meeting @ PK-8  
6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Home

#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

4:30pm. Boys Golf @ UCC  
Girls Golf @ UCC  
5:30pm. Varsity Girls Soccer @ Home  
7:15pm. Varsity Boys Soccer @ Home

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

9:00am. Boys & Girls Golf CBC Tournament  
4:30pm. Freshmen Volleyball @ Ben Logan  
Girls Tennis @ Ben Logan  
5:30pm. JV Volleyball @ Ben Logan  
6:30pm. Varsity Volleyball @ Ben Logan

#### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

7:00pm. Varsity Football @ JA