



HILLCLIMBER HEADLINES

URBANA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

October 13, 2023

FRI. OCT 20

End of 1st Quarter
Chromebook payments are due!

MON. OCT 23

No School

TUES. OCT 24

2nd Quarter Begins

FRI. OCT 27

Report Cards Mailed

MON. NOV 6

No School - Teacher Inservice

FRI. NOV 17

Picture Retake Day

MON. NOV 20 - FRI. NOV 24

No School - Thanksgiving Break

TUES. NOV 28

Parent Teacher Conferences 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 on February 22nd and April 16th.

SAT DEC 2

Girls Basketball vs Franklin 10:00
Boys Basketball vs Franklin 12:30

THUR DEC 7

Boys Basketball vs Franklin Monroe 5:30

SAT DEC 9

Wrestling @ Milton Union Invite 9:30

MON. DEC 11

No School - Teacher Inservice
Boys Basketball vs Tecumseh 5:30
Girls Basketball @ Tecumseh 5:30

THUR DEC 14

Boys Basketball vs Ben Logan 5:30
Girls Basketball @ Ben Logan 5:30

BUILDING TOURS

The Community Advisory Committee of the Urbana Board of Education is hosting building tours for the public. On Thursday, October 19th, the Urbana Junior High and Urbana Elementary will be open for a guided tour starting at 6:30 p.m. On Tuesday, October 24th, Urbana High School will be open for a guided tour also at 6:30 p.m. Please send an email to robin.miller@urbanacityschools.org or call the Superintendent's Office at 937-653-1402 to register to attend.

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.

Aramark, our food service provider, is looking for additional staff to serve the school buildings in the District.

<https://aramarkcareers.com/UnitedStates/job/Urbana-Food-Service-Worker-Aramark-Student-Nutrition-OH-43078/1059485100/>

Washington Information – 8th Grade Trip

DC trip dates: May 13-17 - \$700.00*

2nd Payment due November 10 - \$175.00

3rd Payment due January 19 - \$175.00

4th Payment due March 8 - \$175.00

Cut-off date for a refund is April 12th, 2024.

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.

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

Twitter: @urbanajh_oh

Kirkmont Information – 6th Grade Trip

Kirkmont trip dates: May 6-10 - \$140.00*

2nd Payment due October 27 - \$35.00

3rd Payment due November 17 - \$35.00

4th Payment due March 1 - \$35.00

Cut-off date for a refund is April 7th, 2024. 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.

Parent Access

We now have an app available for Parent Access. In the Google Play Store or Apple App Store, search for “Progressbook Parent and Student” to find and download the mobile app. If you already have an account- tap login, choose Urbana City Schools, tap go, enter your username and password and tap sign in. Students will follow the same directions but will tap Students Sign in with Google. If you have a registration key and need to create an account- open the app, tap login, choose Urbana City Schools, tap go, scroll down to the New to

Progressbook? section, tap create account, on the next screen tap New Parent Account and follow the prompts on the screen to complete registration. You can watch a short video about how the app works at

<https://bit.ly/UCSParentAccess> If you need a registration key please contact Kelli Marsh at kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org

Remind

Parents are completely in control of their Remind accounts! You can login to Remind through the app on your smartphone or through the web at remind.com. Once you are logged in, you can change your notification preferences. You can add, remove, or edit your cell phone number and email address as well as adjust your app and desktop notification preferences via your Remind dashboard. **On the web:** Login to your Remind account on a computer (you will use your cell number or email to login), click your name in the upper left corner and then click on **Account Settings**. Select the **Notification Preferences** tab. Set your preferred way to receive notifications. **Via Android:** Log into the app on your phone. Click on the three vertical dots in the upper right corner of the screen. Click on Account. Click on the gear in the top right and choose Notifications. **Via IOS:** In the app, tap the gear icon in the upper left corner of the screen. Choose Push (the Remind logo pops up at the top of your screen if you receive a message), or double check your cell phone number and email address and save those preferences.

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 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.

As reported by Coaches:

Cross Country:

The cross country team competed at the London Invitational. The girls team had a particularly strong performance. In a field of 119 runners, Avery Smith placed 11th, Sara Hildebrand placed 16th, and Aubrie Cayten finished 45th. The boys team finished 4th place out of 10 teams. Landon McKellop, Joshua Blakeman, Jacob Blakeman, Henry Chapman, and Levi Zachrich all scored for the team.

Football:

7th Grade played first against London and lost a close one 14-8 against a very solid team. The 8th Grade then took the field and played a VERY TOUGH and STRONG team, losing 46-0.

Urbana VS Bellefontaine earning two BIG victories!

7th grade started the evening with a 44-0 win

8th grade finish the evening with a 56-0 win
Amazing effort all night from everyone!

8th grade finishes the season with 4 wins and 4 losses.

7th grade finishes the season with 4 wins and 3 losses.

Great season! Go Climbers!

Volleyball:

7th grade defeated Tecumseh 25-12, 25-13

8th grade defeated Tecumseh 25-19, 25-15

7th grade defeated Bellefontaine 25-15, 25-16.

8th grade defeated Bellefontaine 22-25, 25-7, 25-20.

7th grade defeated Northridge 25-16, 25-2

8th grade lost to KR 25-22, 25-27, 25-20

As the **1st Grading Period ends on Friday, October 20th**, the UJHS Math Department would like to remind students and parents that **ALEKS goals and all missing assignments** need to be met and completed by this date. The completion of these activities will greatly impact student grades.

6th Grade Math -

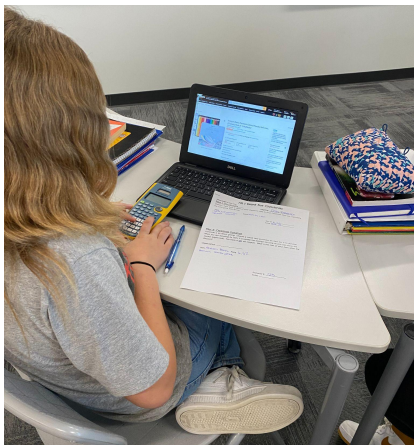
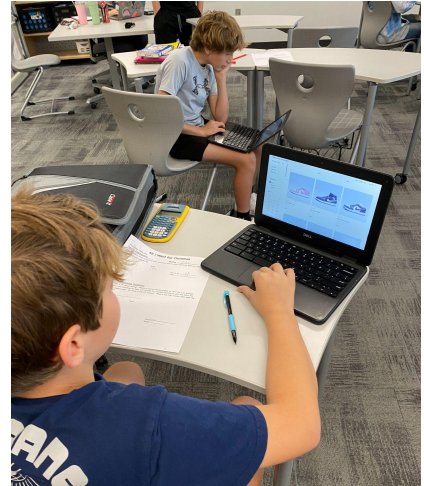
In 6th grade Math, students recently completed a unit on Exponents, Order of Operations, Greatest Common Factor (GCF), and Least Common Multiple (LCM). Highlights of the unit included Mr. Stacy rapping along with students to the tune "PEMDAS Boss" by the Rappin' Mathematician. Students learned to follow a specific order in solving mathematical expressions in order to avoid confusion and multiple different answers to the same question. For GCF, students practiced splitting up groups to make sure that goodie bags were fair for all friends at a party. When working with LCM, students discussed Customer Loyalty programs and how businesses and customers both can benefit from these programs.

Currently, we are working with fractions. Students will complete upcoming assessments that involve simplifying and converting fractions as well as adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing fractions. Fractions are used everyday in our lives, and the ability to use fractions will help students to be more successful in future jobs, hobbies, and activities from the construction site to the kitchen.

8th grade science students have just completed their unit on the theory of plate tectonics. Our main focus in this unit and our current unit is the constructive and destructive powers of Earth's surface. Students are now working through the weathering, erosion, and deposition unit.

Holiday Shopping Project

Students in Mrs. Gieseke and Mrs. Taylor's 7th Grade math classes are currently working on a Holiday Shopping Project. Students must online shop and calculate final prices after taxes, tips, and discounts. Students have a \$1,000 budget for the project. They must select an electronic item, buy an outfit, choose an item of their choice, purchase a meal for lunch, and donate an item to an organization of their choice. These projects will be on display during PBL night on December 5th.



7th Grade Science is off to an amazing start. This first quarter is half way done and we are now well versed on scientific variables, layers of atmosphere and soon severe weather.





8th Grade Math-

In 8th grade math, students recently completed a unit on Laws of Exponents and Scientific Notation. After completing the Scientific Notation section, students were given the opportunity to complete a unit project using scientific notation to create their own planet, aliens, creatures etc... They used data that they gathered on other planets to set a baseline for their own planet's dimensions.

We are currently reviewing one step equations, which will build into completing multistep equations.

