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SDUC News & Inclement Weather Protocols

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Good afternoon, U. City Families & Staff:

Welcome to 2024! I am excited about the many great things ahead for our students and staff!

Inclement Weather Days



With possible inclement weather in our forecast, I want to share a few updates with you.

Notifications will continue to be shared via email, phone and text as well as website, social media and local news stations. Please take a moment to be sure your contact information is updated in your Tyler SIS K12 Parent Portal account at www.ucityschools.org/ParentPortal.

This year, our schedule allows for up to **five inclement weather days** (traditional snow days) before considering AMI (Alternative Method of Instruction also known as virtual learning or take-home assignments) days. Inclement weather closures will be the same across all grade levels.

New Communications Team Leadership

After nearly five years of leading our District communications efforts, Nancy Cambria has resigned to pursue other interests. We thank Nancy for her service and wish her well in her new endeavors. We are especially grateful for how she supported the District's communication efforts during the pandemic. We hope to celebrate Nancy soon.

Lori Willis, a veteran communicator and a longtime District partner, has stepped back into the position. Lori has previously served twice as our Director of Communications, the last time being in 2017. Since 2018, Lori has served as Deputy Superintendent for Institutional Advancement, overseeing four departments for Saint Louis Public Schools, including marketing and

communications. Lori will be supported by Assistant Director Amanda Evans who started with us four months ago and Communications Specialist CarolAnn Cole. Lori Willis can be reached at lwillis@ucityschools.org, 314-456-5457 (cell) or 314-290-4016 (office).

State of the District on January 22, 2024

Please join me for my State of the District community meeting on Monday, Jan. 22, in the high school library. The event is open to the public and will include a presentation with updates on the District's continuing vision of Learning Reimagined. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. for a light meal. The presentation begins at 6 p.m. Please register ahead at www.ucityschools.org/SOD2024.

Black History Month Community Book Study

Join us in late January and February for six evenings of rich, online, community discussion focusing on historian Blair L.M. Kelley's 2023 book, *Black Folk: The Roots of the Black Working Class*. The kick-off event on Friday, Jan. 26, offers in-person or Zoom options to meet the author beginning at 6 p.m. in the high school library. Register at www.ucityschools.org/BookStudy2024. This shared learning experience will culminate with an in-person Fireside Chat on Thursday, February 29, 2024.

Attention Elementary and Middle School Parents!

Attention elementary and middle school parents! The UCHS PTO invites you to a "Why U. City?" presentation beginning at 6:30 p.m. this Wednesday, Jan. 10, in the University City High School Library (Jackson Ave. entrance). Current UCHS students and parents will share why they love their U. City experience. Registration is not required and all are welcome to attend.

Key Date Reminders:

Jan. 8 – Parent Cafes for BCJ & Pershing Parents/Caregivers, check for emails from the school principals for times and registration
Jan. 10 – UCHS PTO “Why U. City?” Meeting, 6:30-7:30 p.m., University City High School library, [7401 Balson Ave.](#) (Jackson Entrance)

Jan. 12 – Student Early Release Day, www.ucityschools.org/SchoolHours

Jan. 15 – District Closed - Martin Luther King Day

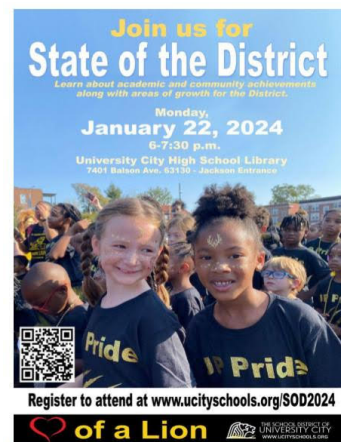
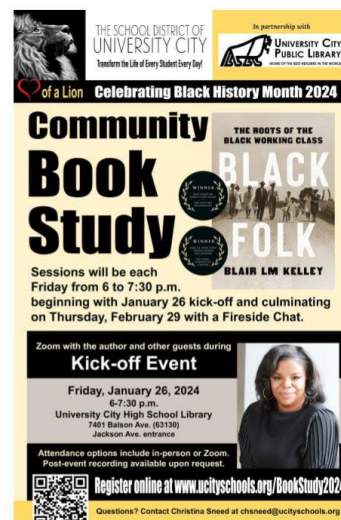
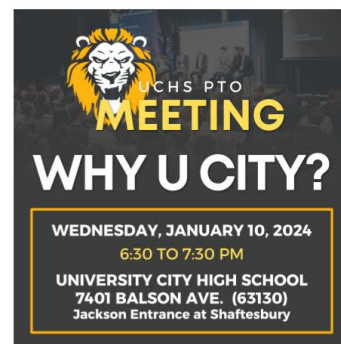
Jan. 16 – One U City Community Connect Meeting, 5:45-8 p.m., Location TBA

Jan. 18 – Board of Education Regular Meeting, 7 p.m., McNair Administration Building, [7700 Olive Blvd.](#)

Jan. 22 – State of the District, 6-7:30 p.m., University City High School library, [7401 Balson Ave.](#) (Jackson Entrance). Register at www.ucityschools.org/SOD2024



Lori Willis



Jan. 26 – Community Book Study Kick-Off, 6-7:30 p.m., University City High School library, [7401 Balson Ave.](#) (Jackson Entrance). Register for in-person or Zoom at www.ucityschools.org/BookStudy2024.

In Service of Our Children,
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