



# HILLCLIMBER HEADLINES

## URBANA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

February 2, 2024

**WED FEB 7**

Boys Basketball vs Kenton Ridge 5:30

**MON FEB 12**

Two hour delay - Teacher Inservice

**MON FEB 19**

No School - Presidents' Day

**THURS FEB 22**

Parent Teacher Conferences 2:45 - 6:00

**PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES**

The next Parent-Teacher Conference will be Thursday February 22nd 2:45 - 6:00 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 April 16th.

**MON MAR 11**

No School - Teacher Inservice

**FRI MAR 15**

Third Quarter Ends

**FRI MAR 15**

Third Quarter Ends

**MON MAR 18**

Fourth Quarter Begins

**FRI MAR 22**

Report Cards Mailed

**MAR 29 - APR 5**

Spring Break - No School

**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.

**Washington Information – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip**

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

**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.

**Kirkmont Information – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip**

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

**4th Payment due March 1 - \$35.00** - Everyone planning to attend needs to have their trip paid in full by 3/1/24. 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.

### **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

### **Remind**

Occasionally Remind users accidentally block notifications/users. You can check your blocked users by going to your name in the top left of the website or app, choose preferences and then choose blocked users. Please make sure you have not accidentally blocked any of your child's teachers. If you need any assistance, please contact Kelli Marsh:

[kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org](mailto:kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org)  
937-653-1453 ext. 2126

### **FinalForms**

Anytime your personal information changes (i.e. address, phone number, emergency contacts, etc) you will need to make the change in FinalForms. You can update your information in FinalForms at any time by going to [urbana-oh.finalforms.com](http://urbana-oh.finalforms.com). Parents/guardians will use the Parent Login option to login to a current account. There is a password reset option that can be used as needed. If you need help getting logged in or updating your forms, please contact Kelli Marsh:

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### **Parent Access**

As we begin the second semester, take some time to set up missing assignment and low marks alerts in Parent Access. Please visit <https://bit.ly/PAAAlerts> to watch a quick video that details how to set up alerts through the mobile app. The directions are similar if you use the web version. If you need assistance, please contact Kelli Marsh:

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### **As reported by Coaches:**

#### **Wrestling:**

Urbana Jr High wrestling competed at the annual Pete Rozmus Memorial. The team wrestled tough and the following wrestlers placed. Jackson Stacy- 3rd and Cooper Merriman- 3rd.

The Jr. High wrestling team competed at the Liam Hobb's Memorial Invite at Greenon Middle School. The following wrestlers placed: Cooper Merriman- 2nd, Jackson Stacy- 5th and Jordan Jackson- 6th

#### **Boys Basketball:**

Urbana 8th grade defeated Jon Alder 55-41. Drew Dixon with 23 and Case Teepe with 14 points.

Urbana 7th grade defeated Jon Alder 34-26. Carter Houseman with 12 points.

Urbana 8th grade defeated Kenton Ridge 45-36. Drew Dixon with 14, Roman Swain with 12 and Riley Mounce with 10 points.

Urbana 7th grade defeated Kenton Ridge 42-27. Breyton Potter with 10 and Andrew Vactor with 9 points

Urbana 8th grade defeated Northwestern 55-41. Drew Dixon with 15, Braxten Spriggs with 14, and Roman Swain with 11 points.  
Urbana 7th grade defeated Northwestern 44-25. Tate Lantz with 14 and Carter Houseman with 13 points.



## **Math and Science News**

### **6th Grade Math -**

In 6th grade Math, students are completing our unit on solving problems involving percentages. Students have learned how to convert between fractions, decimals, and percentages. We have also learned how to solve real-life problems with percentages such as calculating tip, discount, test score, and free throw percentage. Next time you go to a restaurant, ask your student to help find the amount of tip that should be left when you decide on the percentage to leave.

In our next unit, students will begin working with negative numbers. We will continue into absolute value and then start working with the coordinate plane. Please continue to check in with your student on their homework and ALEKS topic completion. Do not hesitate to reach out to any 6th grade Math teacher with questions.

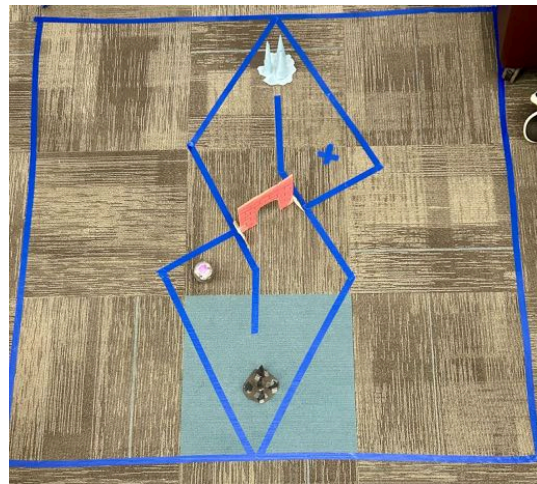
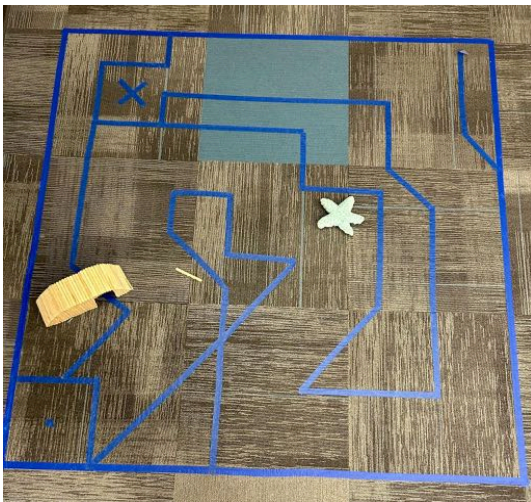
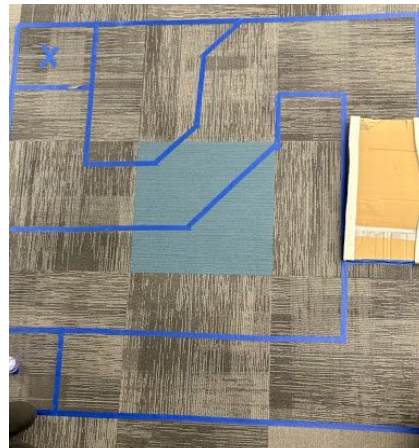
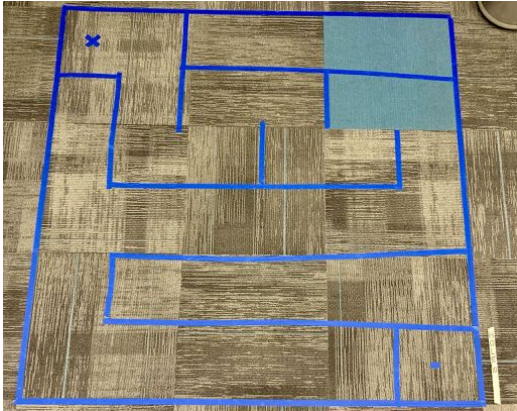
### **7th grade Math Gieseke/Taylor**

Our students are currently learning how to solve two step equations. After this unit, students will be taking the third round of MAP tests. We are happy to share your child's score with you, just send us an email. After MAP, we will be moving onto our inequalities unit which directly ties to the equation unit. Our next round of conferences will be February 22nd, 2024. We will send a Remind message if a conference is needed for your child. Students are still expected to complete 10 ALEKS topics per week.

### **8th grade Math Wasserman/Rankin**

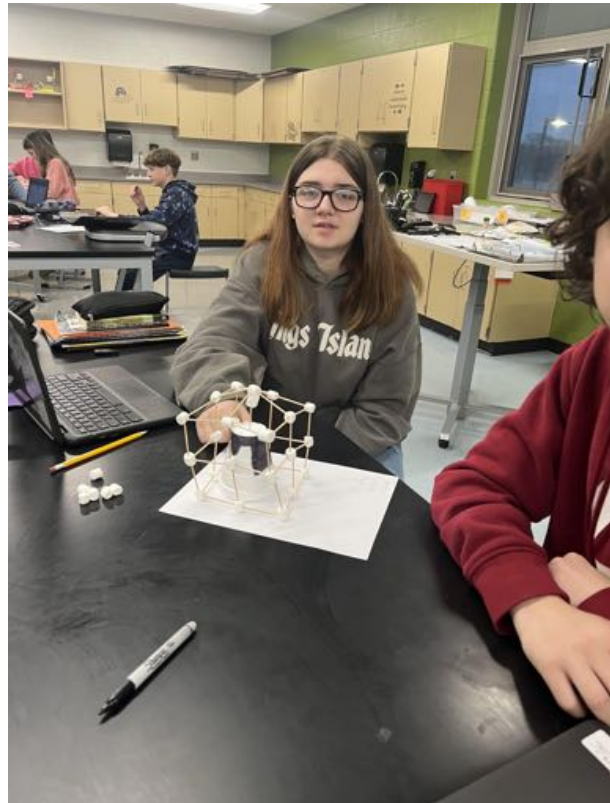
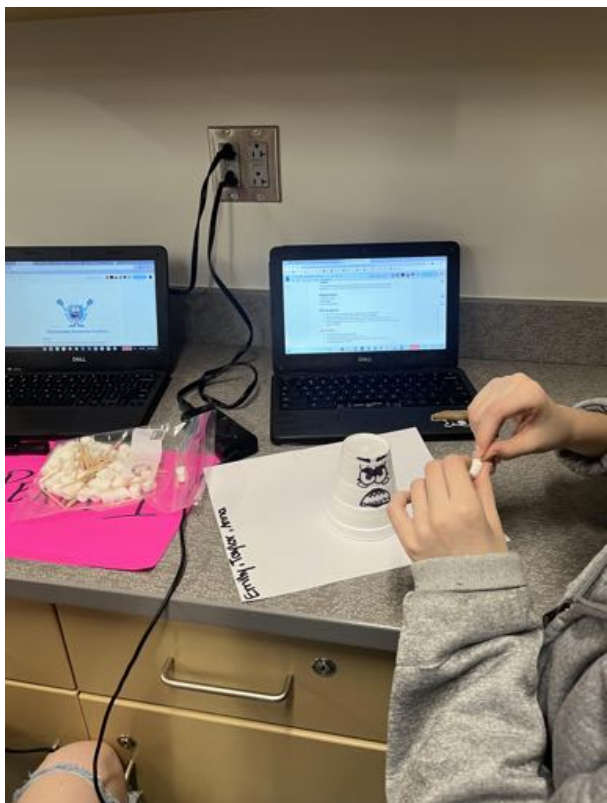
Students will be starting Rigid transformations and learning the difference between congruence and similarity. Transformation includes, translations, reflections, rotations, and dilations of geometric figures. Transformations will be used to make basic animations such as GIFs. In 8th grade Algebra students will be starting Quadratic functions. Common uses for quadratics involve finding maximum and minimum values and exploring the behavior of falling objects.

**8th grade science** students completed their sphero golf course at the end of the 1st semester. They worked through various coding techniques to accomplish this project. Here are some of the designs.



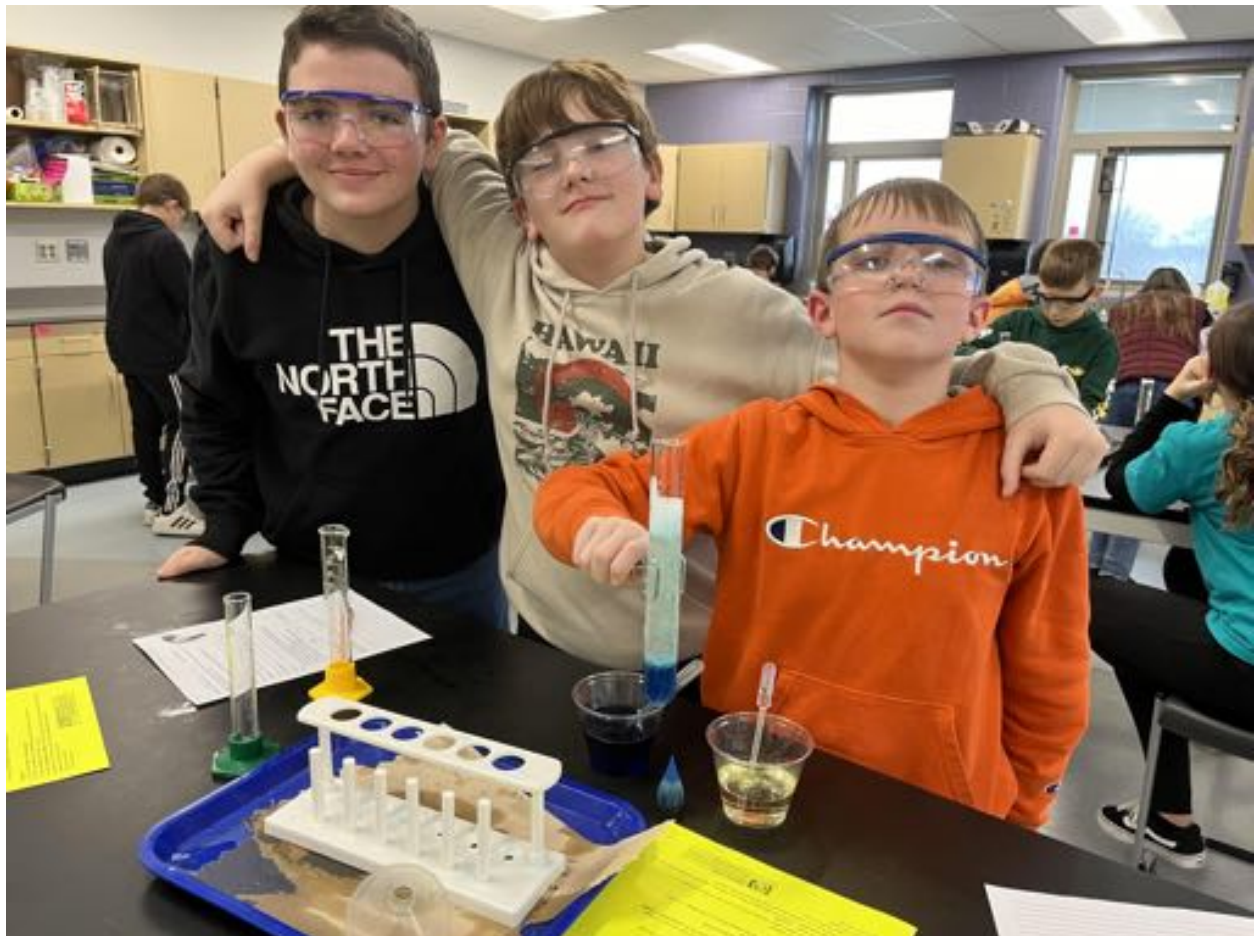


**7th grade Science**, Semester 2 is starting off strong. Students have been working hard getting all of the "beginning of the year" things out of the way. We did manage to find time between procedural things and snow days to compete in our first mini STEM challenge--Abominable Snowman Fortresses.



## 6th Grade Science

We have just started the new semester in Science. There are many students eager to learn. They are also excited about camp at the beginning of May. Your child should have brought home paperwork for camp. We need volunteers for overnights and daytime chaperones, too. If you can come only part-time (or full-time), please contact Ms Sizemore or the office. In class, we just got done with safety, procedures and labware. We are testing this week on that topic. Next week, we are beginning our unit on matter. We usually have lab every 7-10 days.





# 2024 YOUTH SPORTS REGISTRATION DATES

JAN  
8-21

INDOOR SOCCER  
AGES 3-10

NOV  
11-24

YOUTH BASKETBALL  
7-10

FEB  
1-29

T-BALL AGES 5-6  
BASEBALL AGES 7-15  
SOFTBALL AGES 7-18

OCT/NOV  
14-3

ADULT VOLLEYBALL  
18+

JUN/JUL  
24-14

FALL SOCCER  
AGES 3-10

AUG  
5-18

FALL VOLLEYBALL  
GRADES 4-6

OCT  
7-20

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BASKETBALL

