



# HILLCLIMBER HEADLINES

## URBANA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

February 23, 2024

**FRI FEB 23 -FRI MARCH 8**

Good Clean Fundraiser

**THURS FEB 29**

Winter Sports Awards 6:30

**SUN MARCH 10**

Daylight Savings Time - Spring clocks forward

**MON MARCH 11**

No School - Teacher Inservice

**FRI MARCH 15**

Third Quarter Ends

**MON MARCH 18**

Fourth Quarter Begins

**FRI MARCH 22**

Report Cards mailed

**WED MARCH 27**

Track - Northeastern Quad 4:30

**MARCH 29 - APRIL 5**

No School - Spring Break

**WED APRIL 3**

Track @ Tri-Meet NW & Graham 4:30

**SAT APRIL 6**

Track @ Triad Invite 10:00

**MON APR 8**

No School - Total Solar Eclipse 3:08

**TUES APR 9**

School Resumes

**THUR APRIL 11**

Track @ Ben Logan Invite 4:30

**MON APR 15**

Track Tri-Meet KR & BL 4:30

**TUES APR 16**

Parent Teacher Conferences 2:45 - 6:15

**PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES**

The last Parent-Teacher Conference will be Tuesday April 16th 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.

**FRI APR 19**

Track @ Mechanicsburg Invite 4:30

**TUES APR 23**

Track @ Champaign Co Invite 4:30

**THURS APR 25**

Track @ Tri-Meet IL & Tecumseh 4:30

**SAT APR 27**

Track @ Greenon Invitational 9:00

**WED MAY 1**

Track @ Fairbanks Invite 4:30

**THURS MAY 2**

Choir Concert 4:00 at the Moss  
Band Concert 5:45 at the JH Gym

**SAT MAY 4**

33rd Annual JH Track Invite 10:00

### **Parent Access**

Did you know that you can access your Progressbook account through an app? Simply search "Progressbook Parent/Student" in your preferred app store. You will login using your current username and password. Make sure you choose the app with this



icon: Please contact Kelli Marsh at [kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org](mailto:kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org) if you have any questions or issues.

### **Remind**

Remind allows you the ability to control your notification preferences. You can add, remove or edit your cell phone number and email address and adjust your notification preferences at any time. Please click [HERE](#) for more information on how to control your Remind account.

### **FinalForms**

Please make sure to update your FinalForm as any changes in your address or phone number occur. Login to your account at <https://urbana-oh.finalforms.com/>. Updating your information this year will make signing next year's forms even easier! Please contact Kelli Marsh at [kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org](mailto:kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org) if you have any questions or issues.

### **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.

### **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

### **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.

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

#### **Wrestling:**

Urbana Jr. High competed at the CBC. Placing for the climbers were Jackson Stacy- 4th and Tyler Foster- 4th. They had a solid season and we are looking forward to next season.

#### **Boys Basketball:**

Urbana 8th grade defeated Northwestern 57-35. Case Teepe with 19, Braxten Spriggs with 14 and Roman Swain with 12 points.

Urbana 7th grade defeated London 49-26.

Mekhi Peterson with 12 and Dexyn Yohey with 10 points.

#### **Girls Basketball:**

The 8th grade lost a hard spot game against Jonathan Alder and lost 23-17 in overtime. The 7th grade beat Graham 31-21. Then they beat Kenton Ridge 19-15 to advance to the semi finals in the CBC tournament.

## News

### **7th Grade Health**

With our Health class now in the middle of the third nine weeks we just finished the first half of our Level 2 Life Skills. We spent the first half talking about drug abuse and violence, making decisions, media influences, coping with anxiety, and coping with anger. We had some really good conversations about these topics and gave the students some tools to help them with these topics. As we move into the second half of the third nine weeks we will be going over our Nutrition unit. We will be talking about the different kinds of nutrients that the body needs, going over what are healthy meals and snacks, the digestive and excretory systems, and how we can manage our weight in a healthy manner.

Mr. Bowdle

### **8th grade PE & Health:**

8th grade is finishing up our Lifeskills curriculum, learning skills for decision making, coping with anxiety, coping with anger, resisting peer pressure, and conflict resolution, among others. 8th grade students will be back in physical education during the 4th quarter.

**8th Grade students completed the PBL, *Community Photojournalist*, at the end of the first semester. Students concentrated on various businesses throughout the community**



## 8th graders completed Agamographs. Two drawings from two Perspectives



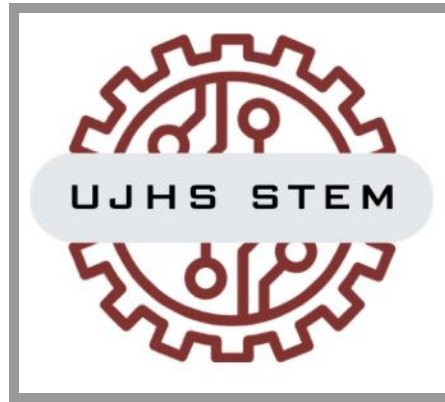
## 7th Grade 2 Point Perspective Names



## 6th grade One Point Perspective Cityscapes







## 7th & 8th Grade STEM

The seventh grade students are taking a deep dive into Civil Engineering. We have discussed public infrastructure and how engineers solve real world problems! In order to simulate Civil Engineering, students have been constructing bridges out of popsicle sticks. The bridge must hold 25 lbs!

The eighth grade students have been working on multiple projects! First period has been constructing kit cars and building simple mechanisms. Second period has been writing algorithms and conducting research into Robotics. Fourth period has been conducting research into Renewable Energy sources and constructing models of wind turbines!



## CSD: Web Development

The seventh grade CSD students have been learning how to code a webpage. We started out learning how to give our webpages structure using HTML code. We then progressed to adding style to our webpages by using CSS code. We have most recently begun working with images. Each week we add more skills to our web building tool kits. Here are a couple of the many amazing web pages created so far.

# Margrot Robbie

## Facts

### Family facts

- She has three siblings
- She spent most the time on families farm
- She's married
- She grew up in Gold Coast
- Her parents split when she was very young

### Acting facts

At a young age she took drama classes at Somerset Collage. After graduation she appeared in two local movies.

Margrot Robbie is most memorized for her role as Harleen Frances Quinzel, also known as Harley Quinn.

Margrot Robbie also starred in the new live barbie, starring as Barbie.

## *Alternatives for School Lunches*

*If you don't like the school lunches here are some alternatives that you can get at some different grocery stores.*

### Chicken tenders

- You can buy it at Steaves Market and Deli
- You can cook it in an Air Fryer



### Fries

- You can buy fries at ALDI
- You can cook fries in a deep fryer

### Sushi

- You can buy sushi at Walmart
- You just got to keep sushi cold then you can eat it whenever

## CSD: Physical Computing

The eighth grade students have been learning how to design and build apps that work with our circuit playgrounds. This has been a fun and challenging process so far. If you would like to see more about the circuit playground please visit this link:

<https://learn.adafruit.com/introducing-circuit-playground/overview> We were fortunate to acquire two classroom sets through Code.org trainings.

