

# UCHIGHDITAROD

## THE GREAT RACE!

UCHS Pulling Together to  
Combat Community Hunger



## 5th ANNUAL UCHIGHDITAROD

University Christian High School offers students in the Hickory area the opportunity to receive a strong academic education in a Christian environment. Established in 2009 to serve grades 9-12, the school opened with a student body of eight. From those beginnings over 15 years ago, UCHS has grown to over 160 students.

UCHS is the only accredited dual-enrollment parochial high school in the Unifour region. Students continue to outperform national averages on PSAT, SAT, and AP exams and experience an outstanding acceptance rate at colleges of their first and second choice. University Christian High School's mission is to provide a Christ-centered education that inspires students to achieve excellence in academics, moral character, and servant leadership.

2024 marked the 15-year anniversary of UCHS, and in keeping with one of its core tenets, servant leadership, UCHS holds the annual **UCHIGHditarod**, a shopping cart race to collect non-perishable foods for Catawba County modeled after the Alaskan Iditarod Race. Our mission to combat community hunger continues again this year in support of **The Corner Table** and their three feeding programs: The Backpack Program, The Community Kitchen, and Debbie Payseur Frozen Meals. The Corner Table is a non-profit organization in Catawba County who provides meals with compassion, respect, and dignity to those in our community affected by hunger.

Each year, students collectively donate over 1,000 items to **The Corner Table**. Along with these items, 50% of proceeds raised goes to **The Corner Table** and 50% goes to UCHS. We are a school community where students can unlock their potential and make a positive impact in the community while learning what it means to serve others.

## The Corner Table

*Feeding Needs of Catawba County*

COMMUNITY KITCHEN • BACKPACK PROGRAM • FROZEN MEALS



Please help UCHS students and supporters pull together and race to combat community hunger!

## **UCHS Celebrating 15 Years of Excellence!**

**WHO:** Everyone! Enter a Team, be a Sponsor or Come Watch!  
**WHAT:** 5<sup>th</sup> Annual **UCHIGHditarod** Race  
Shopping cart race to collect food for Catawba County  
**WHERE:** UCHS campus located near Lenoir-Rhyne  
602 7th Ave NE, Hickory NC 28601  
**WHEN:** April 25, 2024, 1pm-3pm  
**WHY:** Helping combat community hunger in Catawba County  
**QUESTIONS:** Contact UCHS with any questions! 828-855-2995

### **WANT TO ENTER A TEAM?**

Teams consist of 5 people, 1 musher and 4 pullers, who pull a grocery cart loaded with pounds of food around an obstacle course.

Choose a name and theme for your team and come dressed ready to race! Don't worry. the carts will be provided for you. Feel free to bring decorations that can easily be added to the cart before you race. Everyone should gather by 1pm. Races begin at 1:30. Prizes awarded in creative categories and to overall race winner with best time. A \$250 cash prize is awarded to the team voted by the crowd as Best In Show!

### **WANT TO SPONSOR & HELP FIGHT HUNGER?**

We would appreciate your help by donating food and selecting a sponsorship level. Along with the food items, 50% of proceeds raised will go to **The Corner Table** and 50% will go to UCHS. UCHS has set down roots in Catawba County and celebrates 15 years of excellence. With your help, we will continue to offer a strong academic education where students learn what it means to serve others. Funds raised will support classroom enrichment, building enhancements and a variety of other improvements at the school. All donations are tax deductible.

Thank you for helping us combat community hunger!  
Crystal deBettencourt and Meaghan Texer  
**UCHIGHDITAROD** co-chairs

# DONATIONS for UCHIGHditarod

Thank you for helping UCHS combat community hunger. Below items are current needs for the Backpack Program and Community Kitchen. Please bring in before April 25<sup>th</sup> so they can be donated to The Corner Table at the conclusion of the **UCHIGHditarod**,

Each UCHS student that brings in 7 items will receive **2 hours of service credit**. Sign your name on the donation list when you deliver food so credit hours will be given.

## BACKPACK PROGRAM

- Boxes of Oatmeal
- Boxes of Grits
- Individual snacks – examples below:
  - Peanut butter crackers
  - Goldfish
  - Fruit snacks
  - Pretzels
  - Popcorn packs
  - *Please NO individual bags of CHIPS since they crush easily.*

## COMMUNITY KITCHEN

- McCormick Montreal Chicken Seasoning
- Rotel (original)
- Baked Beans
- Egg Noodles
- Green Peas
- Penne Pasta
- Rotini Pasta
- Mixed Vegetables
- Pasta Sauce
- Salsa
- Apple Sauce
- Cream of Chicken Soup
- Cream of Mushroom Soup
- Dill Pickle Relish



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## SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

<b>DOG TEAM</b>	No fee to race, but please donate food for Corner Table. Suggested list attached!
<b>MUSHER</b>	\$50 donation
<b>WHEEL DOG</b>	\$100 donation
<b>POINT DOG</b>	\$250 donation
<b>LEAD DOG</b>	\$500 donation

Deadline for sponsorships to be included on t-shirt is **April 19th**

*\*All donors will be recognized on t-shirt and UCHS website in appreciation for their support\**

<b>SPONSORSHIP LEVEL</b>	
<b>CONTACT</b>	
<b>COMPANY NAME</b>	<i>If you have a company logo, please email JPG or PNG to <a href="mailto:uchs@uchigh.com">uchs@uchigh.com</a></i>
<b>ADDRESS</b>	
<b>CITY STATE ZIP</b>	
<b>EMAIL</b>	
<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>	

Register online under GIVING or email completed entry form to UCHS at [uchs@uchigh.com](mailto:uchs@uchigh.com).

Payments made to University Christian High School. All donations are Tax Deductible.

Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> 1pm-3pm

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