UCHIGHDITAROD

THE GREAT RACE!

UCHS Pulling Together to
Combat Community Hunger



7th 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 17 years ago, UCHS has grown to over 130 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.

2026 marked the 17-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 supporting **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, 100% of the proceeds raised go to **The Corner Table.** 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

the Backpack Program
THE CORNER TABLE

Debbie Payseur
DEBBIE PAYSEUR FROZEN MEALS
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The Community Kitchen
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Please help UCHS students and supporters pull together and race to combat community hunger!

UCHS Celebrating 17 Years of Excellence!

WHO:	Everyone! Enter a Team, be a Sponsor or Come Watch!
WHAT:	7th 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 30, 2026, 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 4 people, 1 musher and 3 runners, 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 are awarded in creative categories and the overall race winner with best time. A $100 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, **100% of proceeds raised** will go to **The Corner Table**. 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 Chris Duke
UCHIGHDITAROD co-chairs