2026-2027

10 THINGS FOR BACK-TO-SCHOOL

- [ ] Bus stops will be emailed to eligible families on the afternoon of Monday, August 24
- [ ] Your child's elementary teacher will be posted on PowerSchool after 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26. Elementary schools will host a "Meet the Teacher" Thursday, August 27, 2026, from 5:00 p.m.– 6:30 p.m. Graebner will host its "Meet the Teacher" at its dedication ceremony/open house at 2 p.m. on Sunday, August 30. Registration dates for UCS secondary schools have been scheduled throughout August. For more information on these dates, please see the calendar and announcements section of your school's website.
- [ ] School begins on Monday, August 31. This is a half day for elementary students and a full day for secondary students. Updated calendar dates are at: www.uticak12.org/calendar
- [ ] Pending final approval of the state budget, school meals will once again be offered at no cost through federal and state funds. Food service menus are at www.uticak12.nutrislice.com. Families should complete an Education Benefits Form throught their Family Portal - uticak12.org/familyportal. This will help families that qualify to receive reduced registration fees for AP courses, discounted internet access and more.
- [ ] In your child's PowerSchool account you will be required to complete your annual update which includes 1) Making any changes to the Student Address, Student Contacts & Health Information, 2) Parent Student Handbook, and 3) Technology Device Use Agreemen (Due: Friday, August 21).
- [ ] Utica Community Schools provides personal devices to students to support their learning. Technology device insurance for the 2026-2027 school year will be available for purchase via PaySchools Central between Monday, August 10, 2026 and Friday, September 4, 2026. Please see this link for information.
- [ ] Suggested school supplies for elementary schools are available on school websites under the "About Us" section. Specific information on secondary school supplies will be shared by your classroom teachers during the first days of schools. It is generally recommended for secondary students that students have writing notebooks (one per class, different colors), pens, pencils and highlighters.
- [ ] We are asking for your support to help keep our students safe. All visitors to our school will be required to swipe their Government Issued Photo ID upon entry to the school if they are going beyond the main office. For more information, please see this link.
- [ ] All school offices will be open for the new year on Monday, August 10. High school and administrative offices are open all summer.
- [ ] Have a question about the start of the school year? Just ask us! Use uticak12.org/justaskucs for a list of school and district contact information or email ucs@uticak12.org.