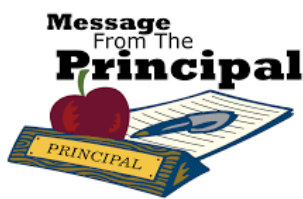


Hello OCTOBER 2026

News from Upper Adams Intermediate School



Principal Points

The month of September was filled with many exciting activities. I am pleased that we could begin to move towards offering a variety of experiences for your children such as Sole Sisters, Chorus, Band, Book Clubs, Advancing Science activities, and Artist in Residence. Field trips have started and there are several activities

planned for this coming month which include . . . but won't be limited to . . . ,

- October 2nd - Race for Education and Apple Crunch Activity
- October 7th - Walk to School Event
- October 9th - Spirit Day
- October 20th - Apple Queen Visit with 4th grade.
- October 26- 30 - Red Ribbon Week.

Join Us for National Walk to School Day

National Walk to School Day is observed annually on the first Wednesday in October. The goal of this day is to raise awareness of how regular physical activity, such as walking, can benefit your mental and physical health, as well as nurture an appreciation for being outdoors.



Upper Adams Intermediate School will be observing National Walk to School Day on Wednesday, October 7, 2026, and we hope that your child(ren) can join us! Those who want to walk to school should meet us on the Arendtsville Square (at the former ACNB building) promptly at 8:30AM. Safety reminders will be shared with the students before teachers and students walk to school together. If you normally bring your child to school, please consider bringing them just a bit earlier

to our meeting spot so that they can join us! We look forward to having many student walkers join us on our 2026 Walk to School day event.



Important Reminders for our Car Riders!

Car Riders and School Transport Vans both use the entrance in the front of the school building for pick up and drop off. At no time during arrival or dismissal should cars or vans attempt to enter the driveway at the back of the building.

Parent vehicles are to use the lane closest to the sidewalk; school transport vans use the other lane. Parents who are dropping off or picking up students may not enter the lobby area or wait on the porch. Additionally:

- Students are asked to always exit their vehicle on the **sidewalk side**. At no time should a student exit from the driver's side of the vehicle. Doing so can potentially cause an accident with a school transport van.
- Also, **once in line, STAY IN LINE**. At no time should a car in the pick up line attempt to leave by swerving around the car in front of them! Please be patient and follow the cars in front of you in an orderly manner.

Thank you for keeping these guidelines in mind. We must insist on the safety of the students at all times, and we appreciated your cooperation.

Collaborating for Youth After-School Program Opportunity @ UAIS

Click [here](#) to learn more about this after-school program that meets every Monday - Friday at UAIS. While the school helps to facilitate this program, it is ran by Collaborating for Youth (Gettysburg) and all questions should be directed to them.

iPad Care

iPads are used throughout the day at school. We continuously practice safety measures to keep these devices in working order. We also discuss our expectations on appropriate internet use. Please talk to your child about the points below:



- iPads are only to be used for school work.
- Students should only visit sites that are outlined by their teacher.
- No taking pictures of others unless given direction by the teacher.
- Plug in devices at school so they are charged each day.

- Always place iPad on a solid surface.
- No drink or food should be used near the iPad.



20th Annual **BAG THE BOUNTY** Food Drive

COLLECTING NOW THROUGH OCTOBER 31ST

DID YOU KNOW?
Over 10% of Adams County Residents experience food insecurity? Help United Way of Adams County collect **20,000lbs** of non-perishable food and hygiene items for food programs serving those in the Adams/Hanover area!

Upper Adams School District Students, Staff, and Families: Bring non-perishable food items and hygiene products to our collection box!



Most Wanted Items

Single Serve Items ● Canned Fish & Meats ● Canned & Boxed Meals
 Chunky Soups & Stews ● Canned Fruits & Vegetables ● Rice & Pasta
 Boxed Cereals ● Peanut Butter & Jelly ● Powdered/Shelf-Stable Milk
 Hygiene Products ● Laundry Products



For a full list of collection sites, a full list of food banks/programs served, and the opportunity to donate monetarily, visit uwadams.org/bag-the-bounty/



~ Proud Supporters of Bag The Bounty ~



The Outlet
Shoppes at Gettysburg





Parent Teacher Conferences

Conferences will be held November 23rd and November 24th from 12:00-7:30pm. More information will be coming home with your child later this month, and you will have a chance to sign up through MyConferenceTime for an appointment that works best for you. We look forward to sharing the progress your child has made during the first few months of school.



Reminders

- Dismissal instructions are to be clarified each morning at home before your child comes to school. When a change is needed, a note is to be sent to school in the morning explaining the change. **Except in cases of emergency, please refrain from calling the school after 12:00 noon to change your child's dismissal instructions for that day.** Thank you for your cooperation in this matter!



- **A Note About Switching Buses:** please remember that **your child may not ride home with another student on another bus** for any reason except in the event that an emergency situation arises and the Principal has approved the change. Please understand that taking a child to an after-school practice, going to a friend's house to play, etc., are not considered emergency situations. If you need to make a permanent bus change for your child, please contact Jack Citrone in the Transportation Office by calling 717-677-7191, Ext. 2711, or by email at j.citrone@upperadams.org.
- **Moving?** If you need to change your child's bus because your family has moved to another home within our district, please know that you need to come in to the school office, complete a change of address form, and submit a new proof of residency before any changes will be made.

UPPER ADAMS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL OCTOBER CANNER STUDENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

FRIDAY, OCT. 2

RACE FOR EDUCATION

Wear Black and Gold to show your Canner Pride!

THURS/FRI, OCT. 29-30

GHOST POP SALE

Ghost Pops will be available for .50 each as students come in from recess

FRIDAY, OCT. 9

SPIRIT DAY

Wear your favorite jersey or black and gold

FRIDAY, OCT. 30

SUPERHERO DAY

Join Superhero Buckley today by dressing up as your favorite superhero. All costumes must be school appropriate.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21

CANNER BOOK CASTLE

Purchase one new or gently-used book for \$1.00; Canner bracelets for \$3.00

THURSDAY, OCT. 22

UNITY DAY

Wear orange to show kindness, acceptance, and inclusion to prevent bullying and build community.

FRIDAY, OCT. 23

CANNER KINDNESS

Wear your Canner kindness shirt, or another kindness shirt, and spread kindness!

RED RIBBON WEEK

OCTOBER 26

I'm a JEAN-ius! - Wear jeans and a red shirt to kick off Red Ribbon Week.

OCTOBER 27

Be COMFORTABLE being Yourself and say NO to Drugs - Wear sweatpants, sweatshirts, or PJs.

OCTOBER 28

Our Future is TOO BRIGHT for Drugs - Wear your favorite bright-colored clothing.

OCTOBER 29

TEAM UP Against Drugs - Wear your favorite team jersey or black and gold.

OCTOBER 30

Be a HERO and Make Healthy Choices - Dress up like a Superhero.

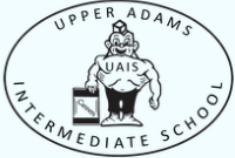
When Visiting Our Building. . .

When coming to our building for any reason, **please stand on the gold footprints painted on the porch** (to the right of the door), ring the doorbell on the wall in front of you, and be ready to state your reason for wanting to enter the building. You may be asked to provide appropriate identification before being admitted into the building. Unless prior approval has been granted by a teacher and/or the principal, parents will not be permitted to visit classrooms for any reason.

If you are volunteering or have made prior arrangements with a teacher to visit the classroom, you will need to check in as a visitor on the Kiosk located in the school office. To avoid unwanted delays during the check in process, you will need to have your driver's license. (Please note that when signing students in or out, a driver's license is not required.)

VISITORS
WELCOME!
PLEASE SIGN IN
AT OFFICE

The Upper Adams Intermediate School



P. T. O.
Needs You!

You CAN Make a Difference!

Our PTO volunteers work to enhance the educational experience for every student who attends Upper Adams Intermediate School. We have a few amazing volunteers that consistently support PTO initiatives, but they can't do it alone. We need your help and the experiences you can bring to the discussion table. Please consider joining us. There are many rolls to fill . . . some on the front line, but many behind the scenes. Whichever you prefer, we've got a job for you!

Meetings

Mark your calendar to join us in the school Library at 6:00 PM on the dates listed below!

October 21st	March 10th
November 18th	April 21st
January 20 th	May 17th
February 17th	

Please Join Us!

Contact Us

UAISPTO@gmail.com
Have questions for us?
Please reach out via email.

Please keep in mind that if you want to volunteer in the school setting, you need to have your clearances up to date. Please contact the school office at 717-677-4300 to check your status!

Current Illness Guidelines

[Click here for important information from our School Nurses.](#)

Calendar of Events

Click here to see what is happening at UAIS!

Let's Eat!

Click here to see menus for Breakfast and Lunch



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