

# Chief Connection

Utica High School  
October 2013

<http://uhs.uticak12.org>



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photo by: senior Madeline Rotarius

## **From the Principal's Desk**

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Well, once again, it's time for the pumpkin pie, baked apples and warm cider. The great state of Michigan is filled with so many treasures of the fall season. During our Open House, teachers, counselors and administrators had an opportunity to converse with over 1600 parents. We appreciate the support of our partners in education. Parents, please monitor your student's homework, study habits and class performance. Remember, there is no such thing as, "I don't have any homework."

### **2013 MICHIGAN MERIT EXAM/ACT RESULTS**

We continue to be one of the "top 5" high performing schools in Macomb County as measured by the Michigan Merit Exam. Our color for the Accountability Scorecard for the 2013 school year is "yellow." UHS is making progress towards meeting the state's Annual Measureable Objectives. We ask that parents continue to do their part at home in supporting education. The chart below highlights the number of students who scored at the "proficient level." UHS continues to excel above the county and the state in all content areas.

Score	Reading	Writing	Math	Science	Social Studies	ACT
UHS 2013	54	53	33	29	41	20.0
State	54	49	29	26	39	19.7
County	50	48	27	21	34	19.4

### **NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR**

We are pleased to recognize senior *Hannah Decker* as a 2013 Semifinalist National Merit Scholar. Students who achieve this prestigious recognition must demonstrate a high level of academic achievement as they compete with over 16,000 students across the United States. National Merit Scholars receive scholarship offers from universities and business to support them in completing their postsecondary studies.

#### **Hannah Decker**



Hannah has excelled in honors, accelerated and advanced placement courses throughout her high school years. She attends the Center for Science and Industry (CSI) where she has focused on perfecting her skills in multimedia and animation.

Hannah expresses her creative talents taking advanced placement art classes and playing the trumpet as a member of the Wind Ensemble and the UHS Marching Band. She enjoys designing sets for theatre productions and plans to pursue a major in computer programming at the postsecondary level. We wish Hannah much success in all her future endeavors.

### **HOLIDAY SHOPPING AT TARGET**

Holiday time is approaching and we want to remind parents of the "Take Charge of Education Program" at Target. When you sign up and shop at Target, Target donates up to 1% of purchases made to your identified school. Since

shopping increases during the holiday season, we encourage parents to sign up. As a special promotion, Target will give customers an additional 5% off purchases and free shipping when using their Target Visa, or Target credit card. This is an easy way for you to support UHS. To sign up, visit the customer service counter at any Target store, or you can call 1.800.316.6142, or visit the website at [www.target.com/tcoe](http://www.target.com/tcoe).

### **MONTHLY BOOK CLUB MEETINGS**

We have started hosting our monthly book club meetings at Barnes and Noble Bookstore, located at 14165 Hall Road in Shelby Township. All meetings start at 7:00 p.m. We appreciate the support of all the students and parents who participate in these sessions. We also thank *Ms. Melissa Kevonian*, English teacher, and *Mrs. Julie Wright*, Spanish teacher for hosting book club. See page 24 that highlights the October book, *Say Nice Things About Detroit*, by Scott Lasser.

### **KEY CLUB CLOTHING DRIVE**

The Key Club Clothing Drive is scheduled to be held on Saturday, October 26th at UHS from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the south parking lot. Please bring your slightly-used clothing items to meet the needs of those less fortunate. All clothing items and proceeds support the residents of the Turning Point Shelter in Mount Clemens, Michigan. We extend a special thanks to all the Key Club members, and the coordinators, *Ms. Joy Grieco*, social studies teacher, and *Mr. Rob Machak*, social studies and law enforcement teacher, for their continued commitment to the community.

### **PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES**

Conferences are scheduled to be held on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. One afternoon and two evening sessions are being offered. As always, parents demonstrate concern for their student's education by attending conferences.

Enjoy the fall season,

Janet Jones



## UTICA HIGH SCHOOL SOUNDING BOARD MEETINGS

All parents are welcome to attend our monthly Sounding Board Meetings to receive information regarding student activities and educational programs offered at UHS. These meetings are held on the second Monday of each month. Please mark your calendar and join us! The meetings are approximately one hour. **We welcome new members!** Meetings are at 9:30 a.m. unless otherwise indicated.

For the 2013-2014 school year the meeting dates are as follows:

October 14th

November 11th

December 9th

January 13th

**February 10th at 7:00 p.m.**

March 10th

April 14th

**May 12th at 11:30 a.m.**

June 9th

## ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES



Please be advised that students are NOT allowed to use electronic communication devices (ECD's) in the classrooms and lunchrooms during the school day.

The school is not responsible for any ECD's that are lost or stolen. We are asking that students not bring ECD's to school.

Any ECD's that are used or are in sight during the school day will be confiscated and may be picked up after school from the appropriate associate principal.

If any ECD is confiscated, your student will be assigned a Saturday School.



## ATTENDANCE PHONE NUMBERS

**Early Dismissal: 586-797-2471**

**Late Arrival: 586-797-2472**

**All Day Absences: 586-797-2473**

## Utica Administration

Janet Jones, principal

Peter Paulon, associate principal

A—K

Ken Voakes, associate principal  
intern L—Z

"It is the mission of Utica High School to promote a sharing of responsibilities by the home, school, student and community in the learning process. This collaboration will enable students to master critical thinking and problem-solving skills."

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# Counseling

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A-Gru Mrs. Krolczyk Phone: 586-797-2361 Email: [virginia.krolczyk@uticak12.org](mailto:virginia.krolczyk@uticak12.org)



Gry-Pass Dr. Perry Phone: 586-797-2369 Email: [lawrence.perry@uticak12.org](mailto:lawrence.perry@uticak12.org)



Pat-Z Mrs. Carabelli Phone: 586-797-2364 Email: [annemarie.carabelli@uticak12.org](mailto:annemarie.carabelli@uticak12.org)

### *Counselor Appointments*

Students wishing to make an appointment to see their counselor should complete a “Request for Appointment” form, which can be found in the counseling office. If a parent would like to see a counselor, please call the counseling office or email the counselor to request an appointment.

### **Schedule Changes**

The counselors have completed making schedule changes for students. Every effort has been made to provide students with the schedule that they requested last spring.

### ***Electronic Transcripts available through Parchment***

We encourage our seniors to register with Parchment.com for transcripts to be sent to the colleges of their choice.

**Seniors must complete college applications online.** Please see our web site, [www.Uticahigh.org](http://www.Uticahigh.org), for the college website if needed.

Students are advised to visit the Utica High web page for more information about the “Steps to Applying to College.” Students or parents with questions or concerns about the application process are encouraged to e-mail or set up an appointment to see their counselor.

### **How to Register with Parchment**

**Step 1:** Find the Secure Transcript website at [www.parchment.com](http://www.parchment.com) and then click on “Get Started” on the far right.

**Step 2:** Complete the account information by following the step-by-step instructions.

**Step 3:** Request all transcripts through Parchment! Electronic delivery is much faster than traditional mail delivery.

### ***Testing Information***

**ACT-** (American College Test) The ACT test is a college-entrance exam accepted by all four-year colleges and universities in the United States. Students may take the ACT test up to 12 times. Students who plan to re-take the ACT must register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). The next ACT test is scheduled for October 26th, with a late registration deadline of September 28th. The following date will be December 14th, with a registration deadline of November 8th (late registration deadline is November 22nd).

**SAT-** (Scholastic Aptitude Test) The SAT is a college-entrance exam used by some colleges and universities. Students must register for this test online at [www.sat.collegeboard.com/register](http://www.sat.collegeboard.com/register).

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**ACT/SAT TEST PREP-** Students should be aware that ACT and SAT test-prep workshops are available at various locations. Students should check in the counseling office for dates, times and locations. For more information visit the ACT & SAT websites: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) and [sat.collegeboard.com/practice](http://sat.collegeboard.com/practice).

**PSAT-** (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) The PSAT is a pre-SAT college entrance exam. This test is used to identify potential AP students. It is also used to qualify 11<sup>th</sup> grade students for the National Merit Scholarship. For more information, visit [www.collegeboard.com/psat](http://www.collegeboard.com/psat).

The PSAT test will be given to **all 10<sup>th</sup> graders** at no charge on **Wednesday, October 16th**. Any 11<sup>th</sup> grader who is interested in taking the PSAT may register at Utica High on a first-come first-served basis, for a fee of \$15.00. Students can download a PSAT Student Guide, which will provide students with important test information, and familiarize them with question types. This Student Guide also includes information on scholarship competitions conducted by National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

<http://professionals.collegeboard.com/profdownload/psat-nmsqt-student-guide.pdf>

**Practice ACT-** A practice version of the ACT will be given to **all 11<sup>th</sup> graders** not taking the PSAT on Wednesday, October 16th, the same morning as the PSAT.

## Scholarships

Seniors interested in scholarships are strongly encouraged to visit our website at [www.macomb.k12.mi.us/utica/uhs](http://www.macomb.k12.mi.us/utica/uhs) under Weekly Notes, as well as the district website at [www.uticak12.org](http://www.uticak12.org) where a link to scholarships can be found on the left hand side.

## Financial Aid Night

Please mark your calendars. Utica High School will be hosting a Financial Aid Night on Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., in the Auditorium. We will have a guest speaker to present and answer questions regarding the FAFSA and the financial aid process. Parents and students are welcome, especially those that have or are a senior student this year.

## Test Dates in the U.S., U.S. Territories, and Canada

Registration: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
October 26, 2013	September 27, 2013	September 28–October 11, 2013
December 14, 2013	November 8, 2013	November 9–22, 2013
February 8, 2014	January 10, 2014	January 11–24, 2014
April 12, 2014	March 7, 2014	March 8–21, 2014
June 14, 2014	May 9, 2014	May 10–23, 2014



## TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS

**ATTENTION ALL SENIORS: TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS  
ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE**

Utica Community Schools and the State of Michigan have joined forces with Parchment Exchange (formerly known as Docufide) to bring you Secure Transcript—the safe, paperless way to send transcripts directly to the colleges you choose. It's easy, it's secure, and it's available 24/7. This secure transcript takes care of sending out official transcripts, checked and approved by the school, to the colleges and scholarship funds you choose. You'll get an email when each transcript is sent, and for colleges that accept transcripts electronically, notification of when they receive it as well. So if you're applying to college this year, you'll find transcripts are one less thing you have to worry about.

To create an account or to send transcripts, go to [www.uticak12.org](http://www.uticak12.org) and click on “secure transcripts” on the left side of the page.

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## UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in 2013-2014 \_\_\_\_\_ Student Number \_\_\_\_\_ High School \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College \_\_\_\_\_ Term \_\_\_\_\_

\*Course Name \_\_\_\_\_ \*(2<sup>nd</sup> Choice) \_\_\_\_\_

Course Number \_\_\_\_\_ (2<sup>nd</sup> Choice) \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_ (2<sup>nd</sup> Choice) \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle ONE:  
 High School Credit  
 College Credit  
 Both

- When students take the MME in the spring of their junior year, the MME will become the measure used for dual enrollment eligibility determination as a senior. Students that score at or above the minimum qualifying score will be eligible for dual enrollment.
- Students can qualify as early as 8<sup>th</sup> grade for enrollment during their freshman, sophomore or junior year by meeting the minimum qualifying score in all content areas on the EXPLORE, PLAN, PSAT assessments and/or ACT scores. Decommissioned test scores are not used to determine eligibility.
- Students not achieving a qualifying score in all subject areas on the EXPLORE, PLAN, PSAT, ACT, or MME are then, an eligible student only for the limited purpose of enrolling in 1 or more eligible courses in a subject area for achieving a qualifying score or in computer science (not offered by the district), a foreign language (not offered by the district), or in fine arts (for which there is endorsement in that area as indicated by the students EDP).

Assessment	Test Section	Content Area	Minimum Dual Enrollment Qualifying Score	Assessment	Test Section	Content Area	Minimum Dual Enrollment Qualifying Score
EXPLORE	Mathematics	Mathematics	17	ACT	Mathematics	Mathematics	22
	Reading	Reading	15		Reading	Reading	21
	Science	Science	20		Science	Science	24
	English	English	13		English	English	18
PLAN	Mathematics	Mathematics	19	MME	Reading	Reading	1108 or Level 1 or 2
	Reading	Reading	17		Writing	Writing	1100 or Level 1 or 2
	Science	Science	21		Mathematics	Mathematics	1116 or Level 1 or 2
	English	English	15		Science	Science	1126 or Level 1 or 2
PSAT	Critical Reading	Critical Reading	42		Social Studies	Social Studies	1129 or Level 1 or 2
	Writing	Writing	41				
	Mathematics	Mathematics	44				

I agree to attend the above named course regularly and will provide evidence of completion to Utica Community Schools.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

\*These are the only courses that have been approved for this dual enrollment application



## Utica Community Schools **Credit Recovery Program** **2013-2014**

The credit recovery program is for high school students in need of make-up credits. Students must have failed or lost credit in the course in order to enroll.

**IMPORTANT:** Students will earn a  $\frac{1}{2}$  credit for each course successfully completed. Students will receive a letter grade for each course completed. Students must attend class every session until course work is completed. A student who is absent three times may be dropped from the course and will not receive credit for the class. Dropped students forfeit tuition payments.

Students must meet with their school counselor to determine needed courses. **\*Counselor's signature must be on registration form in order for the student to be registered.**

All courses offered will use the e2020 program. These are computer courses that are self-paced and require a student to be on task and motivated. While there is a teacher available for assistance, there will not be direct instruction. Class schedule follows UCS calendar. When there is no school, class will not meet.

Senior priority registration dates are September 16-20, 2013. Open registration for juniors and sophomores will be from September 23-October 4, 2013. Headphones are a requirement for this course. Students are responsible for bringing their own headphones to each session.

**Dates:** Mondays and Wednesdays  
October 7-December 16, 2013  
2:30 – 4:30 pm

**Location:** Utica High School  
**Cost:** \$200 (per course)

### AVAILABLE COURSES

**Please circle the course you wish to register for, if phoning in, please refer to class number in parenthesis ()**

Biology A (1904A)	World History A (1922A)	Algebra II A (1902A)	English 11 A (1911A)
Biology B (1906B)	World History B (1922B)	Algebra II B (1902B)	English 11 B (1911B)
Chemistry I A (1908A)	Geometry A (1916A)	English 9 A (1909A)	English 12 A (1912A)
Chemistry I B (1908B)	Geometry B (1916B)	English 9 B (1909B)	English 12 B (1912B)
US History I A (1920A)	Algebra I A (1900A)	English 10 A (1910A)	Lifetime Fitness (1918)
US History I B (1920B)	Algebra I B (1900B)	English 10 B (1910B)	"A" = 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester, "B" = 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester

**\*Counselor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Registration accepted at 586-797-6900, Mon-Fri, 8:30 am-4:00 pm, with Visa, MasterCard or Discover. To pay with Money Order or Cashier's Check, stop in or mail your registration to Community Education, 38901 Dodge Park, Sterling Heights, MI 48312. Personal checks and cash will not be accepted. **NO REFUNDS.**

Parent signature below grants permission to obtain first aid and/or medical care for their student in case of accident or other emergency and acknowledge that any financial costs accrued are the obligation of the parent or guardian.

**Please have the following information as well as the course number (on back) at time of registration.**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home School: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of H. S. Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* Counselors MUST keep a copy of this registration form for building records \*\*\***

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## A.C.T. Test Preparation Workshop®

### College Entrance Exam Review

These workshops are designed to prepare 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students who plan to take the new revised A.C.T. college entrance exam. Timed practice sections covering each area of the test, English, math, reading, the new essay, and science reasoning, will be given under test conditions. There will be discussions on test taking skills and strategies, review of all instructions, timing techniques, guessing, avoidance of common errors and development of positive thinking.

### WEST BLOOMFIELD - ORCHARD LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL - Cafeteria

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2013 or SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2014

6000 Orchard Lake Road

(Between Maple and Walnut Lake Roads)

**TIME:** 8:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. (11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. break - no food service)

### MACOMB COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MONDAY and TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9 and 10, 2013

Student Community Center Bldg. - Room K-316 (Second Floor)

14500 12 Mile Road at Hayes, Warren, Michigan

[Enter Campus from Hayes, just driveway South of 12 Mile Road]

**TIME:** 6:00 P.M. - 8:45 P.M. Both Evenings

### MACOMB COMMUNITY COLLEGE - Center Campus

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2014 or SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2014

University Center Building 1 - Lecture Hall A

44575 Garfield Rd., 3rd entrance south of Hall Road, Clinton Township, Michigan

**TIME:** 8:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. (11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. break - no food service)

### MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY - Troy Campus

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2014

Management Education Center - Auditorium

811 W. Square Lake Rd., Troy, Michigan (Between Crooks and Livernois)

**TIME:** 8:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. (11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. break - no food service)

**COST:** \$85.00 (Bring 2 sharpened pencils, note paper and a calculator. All other materials provided.)

**FACILITATOR:** Phyllis Katz, B.S., M.Ed.

Refunds less \$10 Administrative Fee

Registration confirmed unless notified

No refunds seven days prior to start date

Other A.C.T. workshops available

**For Further Information Please Call (248) 552-7209**

To register, please mail check or money order in the amount of \$85.00, payable to TEST PREPARATION WORKSHOPS, 31050 Seneca Lane, Novi, Michigan 48377.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Please check workshop attending:

West Bloomfield O.L.M.S. - Sat. 12/7/13  Sat. 2/22/14

Macomb C.C. - Mon. & Tues. 12/9/13 & 12/10/13

Macomb C.C. Center - Sat. 1/18/14  Sat. 3/1/14

MS.U. Troy - Sat. 1/25/14

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## ACT PREPARATION CLASS

*It's coming, it's coming!!!*

All Michigan juniors are required to take the ACT test in their own high school on March 4, 2014—no fee  
 Additional ACT test dates can be found at <http://www.actstudent.org>

**ARE YOU READY?** Sign up for the ACT PREP CLASS at Macomb Intermediate School District. Mark Julien from Utica Community Schools will facilitate this workshop for high school students.

### ACT PREPARATION CLASS

This workshop will help you prepare to successfully take the test by:

- showing you exactly what the format of the test is and the kinds of questions to expect for each of the sections of the test;
- teaching you specific strategies for dealing with each section of the test;
- giving you ideas about the necessity for pacing yourself as well as how to guess at answers, and
- giving you a practice test and answer key.

**SATURDAY: JANUARY 11, 2014 OR  
 FEBRUARY 15, 2014**

**TIME:** 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. (session will begin promptly at 8:00)  
 registration check-in begins at 7:30 am.

**LOCATION:** Macomb ISD,  
**January 11 - Room 100**  
 (Enter the building through the (SOUTH ENTRANCE)  
 44001 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, MI 48038-1100

**February 15 - Room 100**  
 (Enter the building through the SOUTH ENTRANCE)

**FEE:** \$50 — register online!  
*(Fee includes pizza lunch and manual.)*  
 Credit cards accepted only at time of online registration  
 Checks or cash must be received before workshop date,  
 not the day of workshop

**BRING:** Calculator and pencil  
 ► Watch with a second hand



Tasha Thomas  
 ELLA Consultant  
 Macomb ISD  
 586.228.3484  
[tthomas@misd.net](mailto:tthomas@misd.net)

For registration information:  
 please contact  
 Laura Ogilvie  
 586.228.3499  
[logilvie@misd.net](mailto:logilvie@misd.net)



### ONLINE REGISTRATION!

To register online:

- Go to MISD's web page at [www.misd.net](http://www.misd.net)
- Click on the COURSE OFFERINGS tab
- Select Online Registration
- Then select View by Interest
- Select the Assessment category from the scroll-down menu
- Select the ACT Prep Class from listing
- Click on the date you wish to attend
- Follow the registration instructions to complete your registration!
- Please remember—online registration is commitment to attend and pay.  
 Registration/cancellation deadline is Jan. 5, 2014 for Jan. 11 and Feb. 7 for Feb. 15.

Send \$50 payment (made payable to MACOMB ISD along with a copy of your printed registration to:

Laura Ogilvie  
 Consultant Services Dept.  
 Macomb Intermediate School District  
 44001 Garfield, Road



**MISD**  
 MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

# NEW to UCS Only

## ParentPortal Sign On

The UCS ParentPortal now uses a single sign-on account. This will allow parents of multiple UCS students to access all their data with only a single account using credentials they selected, as well as allow for the use of mobile apps to access student data. While the sign-on process will look different, the information that ParentPortal will provide remains the same as before.

All parents wishing to use the portal will have to create a new single sign-on account, regardless if they have multiple children in the district or if they've used the portal in the past using the parent/guardian ID and password. You must complete this process even if you have only one student account.

To access the UCS ParentPortal, navigate to the URL below:

<http://uticak12.org/parentportalinfo>

Look for the ParentPortal links at the bottom of the web page.

Click on <https://ps.ucs.misd.net/public>

When the PowerSchool screen appears, click on the "Create Account" button.

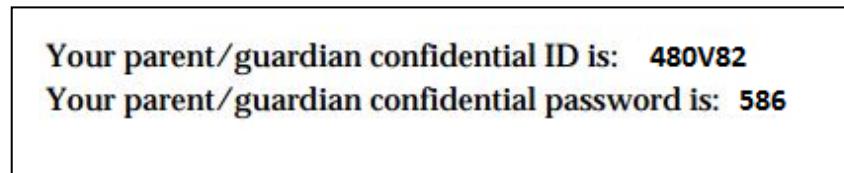
If you have not previously set-up a single sign-on account, you will have the ability to do so at this point. Please enter all required information as shown below:

The screenshot shows the 'Create Parent Account' form. It includes fields for First Name (John), Last Name (Smith), Email (smith@univema12occur.com), Desired Username (smith1968), and Password and Re-enter Password fields. Below these, a note says 'Password must: Be at least 6 characters long'. To the right, there's a 'Create a new Username and password. Your password is case sensitive.' note with a red callout arrow pointing to it. At the bottom, there's a 'Link Students to Account' section with a table for entering Access ID, Access Password, and Relationship for each student.

Student Name	Access ID	Access Password	Relationship
1			Choose
2			Choose
3			

In order to complete the account set-up, you'll need to link students to your account. To accomplish this you'll need to provide the parent access ID and access password that is unique to each student and appears on the access letter provided by your child's school. The picture below shows the parent access id and password that will need to be entered next to the student's name. The **Access ID** is case sensitive.

*Sample*



### Link Students to Account

Enter the Access ID, Access Password, and Relationship for each student you wish to add to your Parent Account

Student Name	Access ID	Access Password	Relationship
1. Johnny Smith Jr	480V82	...	-- Choose

Parent/guardian ID here. Parent/guardian password here.

If you've used the parent portal prior to the 2012-2013 school year, your **parent/guardian ID and password** now become the **access ID and password** and can only be used to link students to your account. You can no longer use the parent/guardian ID and password to log on to the parent portal. You must complete this process even if you have only one student account. Once the account is set up, you will be able to log in to the portal once and view information for multiple children linked to your account.

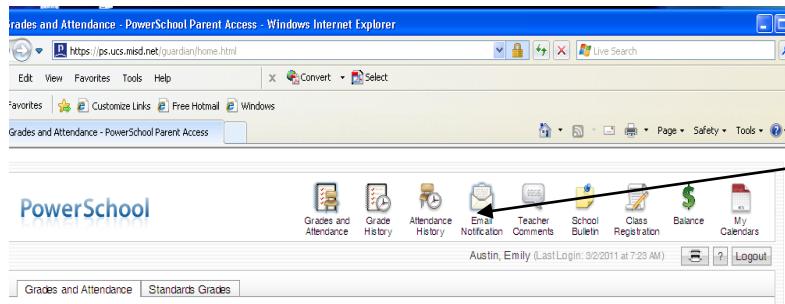
**There is no change to how the students access the parent portal.** Students do not need to set-up a single sign-on account and only need to provide the student ID and password (provided in the parent portal access letter).

## Chief Connection

### POWER SCHOOL EMAIL SYSTEM

The PowerSchool email system allows us to regularly send important school notices directly to you. To register for these updates, please log on to your PowerSchool account and sign up under the "EMail Notifications" tab.

Our goal is to have 100 percent of our parents enrolled in this system so that we can keep you better informed and reduce the use of paper in our school. Your help with this effort is greatly appreciated!



#### 1. Log into PowerSchool.

#### 2. Click on the Email Notification tab.

**Result:** The Email Notifications screen displays.

4. Click on in the boxes to the left of the **information** you want to receive.

5. Select **how often** you want the notification. Daily is not recommended.

6. Click in the box to the right of Send now.

7. Enter the **email address** you want the notifications sent to. Enter up to three e-mail addresses separated by commas.

Note: Please enter your email address even if you do not wish to have notifications sent at this time. Teachers can use this information to contact you, if necessary.

8. Click on **Submit**.

What information would you like to receive?

Summary of current grades and attendance  
 Detailed reports showing all assignment scores for each class  
 Detailed report of attendance  
 School announcements  
 Balance Alert (Note: Will only be sent when a student is low on funds.)

How often?

Send now?

Email Address(es)

### IMPORTANT

- The display of assignment due dates and the frequency of posted grades may vary across teachers. All teachers will post grades for progress reports and report cards. Individual teachers may update grades on a more frequent basis.
- If you have a concern regarding your child's grades we ask you to follow the steps below:
  - a. Speak with your child.
  - b. Have your child talk to their teacher.
  - c. Refer to the teacher's grading policy.
  - d. Contact the teacher via email or phone.
  - e. Contact the school administration via email or phone.
- Attendance concerns may be addressed by contacting your child's Associate Principal



## THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN RESEARCHING COLLEGES

It is never too early to start checking out college campuses. We used to visit college campuses even when we were on family vacations. I have to admit that I still like to check out schools. I do suggest you take your student to a college campus when school is in session (if possible). We do have November 5<sup>th</sup> off and that may be a perfect opportunity to set up a few campus visits. Here is a list of some things to consider when you are researching a college. *Remember to take notes and pictures so you can remember the different attributes of each college.*

1. Tuition/costs per year in-state/out-of-state? How many credits is this based on? Guaranteed for entire college stay? What is the cost per credit hour? Does this include room and board, required fees, average books/supplies? 
2. Opportunities for financial aid and scholarships. Scholarship deadlines.
3. Does this College/University have **THE PROGRAM(S)** I plan to pursue?
4. Admission requirements. Application deadline.
  - GPA
  - SAT or ACT – writing portion needed?
  - Recommendation letters
  - Essay
5. Enrollment. How many students apply and how many are accepted in the freshmen class? How long does it take to hear from the admissions office? If wait- listed, when can I expect a response?
6. Affiliations (public or private, religious or not, etc.)
7. Are classes taught by grad students or full professors?
8. Student organizations? Intramural sports?
9. Types of housing? Are freshmen required to live on campus?
10. Are freshmen allowed to have cars on campus? Yearly parking fees? How far is parking from on campus housing?
11. Computer availability? Computer lab hours?
12. Average time to walk from one end of the campus to the other? Security phones accessibility? Campus safety statistics.
13. How would I schedule a campus visit and when is the best time to go? Could I sit in on a class? Can I talk to a professor? Can I spend the night in a dorm?
14. Consider location – large or small town, climate, outside activities such as a movie theatre or bowling alley. Distance from home – trains or buses available? 
15. When do I have to make a deposit to hold my spot?

**QUESTIONS:** Have your students see their counselor.

Mrs. Krolczyk, Counselor - Students whose last names begin with A - Gru – [Virginia.Krolczyk@uticak12.org](mailto:Virginia.Krolczyk@uticak12.org)

Dr. Perry, Counselor – Students whose last names begin with Gry - Pass – [Lawrence.Perry@uticak12.org](mailto:Lawrence.Perry@uticak12.org)

Mrs. Carabelli, Counselor – Students who last names begin with Pat - Z – [Annemarie.Carabelli@uticak12.org](mailto:Annemarie.Carabelli@uticak12.org)

Mrs. Wynn, Career Development Facilitator (college/career questions only) – [Patrice.Wynn@uticak12.org](mailto:Patrice.Wynn@uticak12.org)

**2013 COLLEGE VISITS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>College</b>	<b>Location</b>
Tues. - 10/1/13	1st hr.	Wayne State University	ECC
Tues. - 10/1/13	2nd hr.	Grand Valley University	ECC
Wed. - 10/2/13	5th hr.	University of Michigan FLINT	Counseling
Wed. - 10/2/13	6th hr.	University of Toledo	Counseling
Thurs. - 10/3/13	3rd hr.	Lawrence Tech University	Counseling
Thurs. - 10/3/13	4th hr. (A/B)	Kettering University	Counseling
Fri. - 10/4/13	3rd hr.	Specs Howard School of Media Arts	Drama/Auditorium
Mon. - 10/7/13	2nd hr.	Western Michigan University	ECC
Mon. - 10/7/13	3rd hr.	Eastern Michigan University	ECC
Tues. - 10/8/13	6th hr.	Saginaw Valley State University	ECC
Wed. - 10/9/13	1st hr.	Paul Mitchell, the School	Counseling
Wed. - 10/9/13	3rd hr.	Motion Picture Institute	Drama/Auditorium
Thurs. - 10/10/13	2nd hr.	Albion College	Counseling
Tues. - 10/15/13	4th hr. (A/B)	University of Michigan DEARBORN	Counseling
Thurs. - 10/17/13	2nd hr.	Baker College	Counseling
Thurs. - 10/17/13	3rd hr.	Macomb Community College	ECC
Mon. - 10/21/13	3rd hr.	Madonna University	Counseling
Mon. - 10/21/13	6th hr.	College for Creative Studies	Counseling
Tues. - 10/22/13	2nd hr.	Bowling Green State University	Counseling
Tues. - 10/22/13	4th hr. (A/B)	University of Michigan ANN ARBOR	ECC
Wed. - 10/23/13	1st hr.	Aquinas College	Counseling
Wed. - 10/23/13	5th hr.	Hope College	Counseling
Thurs. - 10/24/13	6th hr.	Alma College	Counseling
Tues. - 10/29/13	3rd hr.	Adrian College	Counseling
Thurs. - 10/31/13	5th hr.	Ferris State University	Counseling
Mon. - 11/4/13	4th hr. (A/B)	Rochester College	Counseling
Thurs. - 11/7/13	5th hr.	Hillsdale College	Counseling
Mon. - 11/11/13	2nd hr.	Cleveland Institute of Arts	Room 127

**DATES AND LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE! PLEASE, listen to announcements.**

**Students are allowed to register for up to three (3) college visits yearly. If you DON'T register, you can't attend!**

**REGISTER BY 2 p.m. the day before the visit. If the visit is on Monday, students must register by 2 p.m. Friday.**

Register at <http://uhs.uticak12.org> - college visits. Students **MUST** enter an email address.

Please remember to write the date & time in your planner, reminder passes are NOT sent.

Students must make up all missed work.

# College Connection



*everything you need to know to prepare for life after high school*

## SENIORS: IT'S TIME TO START APPLYING TO COLLEGE

College applications are available online through the universities individual websites. Once you have completed the application, you must request your transcripts be sent electronically through Parchment.com.

Selecting the right college or university is an important decision. The Utica counselors are ready to help as the seniors navigate the college admission process. If there is any additional information needed, or if the counselors can provide any other support to the students and their families, please contact us.



### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN APPLICANT INFORMATION

This year, U of M is continuing an early admissions option. The primary goal of implementing an Early Action program is to

give students a guaranteed decision date. For students who have Michigan as one of their top-choice schools, a decision of admit, defer or deny before the end of December allows them to plan accordingly. The Early Response application deadline for prospective freshman applying for Fall, 2014, is November 1<sup>st</sup> and the application must be **postmarked by November 1<sup>st</sup>**. All Early Action admissions decisions will be released the third week of December. Students whose applications are complete after the Early Action deadline will receive decisions on a rolling basis, approximately 8-12 weeks after their completed application is received by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Final deadline for applications will continue to be February 1<sup>st</sup> (applications must be postmarked by this date). Students should keep in mind that as the application volume continues to increase, the later a student applies and competes his or her file, the more competitive the review process may become. For more information and FAQs regarding Early Action, please visit: [www.admissions.umich.edu](http://www.admissions.umich.edu).

**Note:** Students who apply via early action but don't meet the requirements or deadlines will be rolled into the regular decision applicant pool. All materials must then be postmarked by February 1 and decisions will be released by mid-April.

### Go BLUE FRIDAYS: U OF M DEARBORN 2013

Join U of M Dearborn for campus tours, a special presentation and lunch. This is a great opportunity to find out about degree

programs, scholarships, financial aid, and the admission process. Events begin in October. See website for dates at [umd.umich.edu/visit](http://umd.umich.edu/visit)



### UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON OPEN HOUSE 2013

Sunday, October 20th & Sunday, November 10th  
Space is limited!!

RSVP at [admission.udayton.edu/open house/](http://admission.udayton.edu/open_house/)  
Email [admissions@udayton.edu](mailto:admissions@udayton.edu) or call 800- UDPRIDE  
Or call 800-UDPRIDE!!



### SENIORS EXPLORING ENGINEERING AT PURDUE

Connect with current Purdue engineering students, faculty, staff and practicing engineers. Explore multiple areas of Engineering. Have your questions answered from representatives from *First Year*

*Engineering, Admissions and Financial Aid.* Take part in tours of the engineering campus and residence halls! Monday, October 13, 2013, 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. Visit [Www.purdue.edu/WIEP](http://Www.purdue.edu/WIEP) for more information! Or email: [puwie@ecn.purdue.edu](mailto:puwie@ecn.purdue.edu)

### ATTENTION SENIORS INTERESTED IN APPLYING TO ANY OF THE NATION'S SERVICE ACADEMIES: YOU NEED TO TAKE ACTION NOW!

Applications for nomination to the Service Academy are due to the Shelby Office by October 25, 2013. Applications for nominations are located in the counseling office.

Any questions students may have regarding the admission process of a particular Academy should be directed to that Academy's Admission office. Information can be obtained through the contact information below:

**U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY** <http://www.usfa.edu> or (719) 333-2520.

**U.S. MERCHANT MARINE** <http://www.usmma.edu> or (516) 773-5391.

**U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY** <http://www/usma.edu> or (845) 938-4041.

**U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY** <http://www.usna.edu> or (410) 293-4361.



### DePaul University

DePaul is coming to the Detroit area! There will be a regional reception for area high school students during which you can explore everything DePaul and Chicago have to offer.

You can also learn about their application process, financial aid, the variety of academic programs DePaul offers and the unique benefits of attending a college in the vibrant city of Chicago. October 16, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at the Embassy Suites, Livonia, MI. For more information, visit: [Www.go.depaul.edu/regionalreception](http://Www.go.depaul.edu/regionalreception)



### Meet Lawrence Tech!

Lawrence Tech is committed to providing students with opportunities to explore different career and education paths. Check out their offerings for this year and call 248-204-3160 for more information and to register!

Exploration Day—Friday October 18, 2013 8AM—1PM  
High school sophomores, juniors and seniors participate in three interactive, hands-on-sessions specifically designed to expose students to the rich variety of programs LTU offers.  
Blue Devil Days --Saturday, November 2nd and December 7th 9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.— Students and families meet faculty from each of the University's four colleges, tour campus, and attend presentations on financial aid, housing and campus life.  
Blue and White Days— Students have the opportunity to speak with an admissions counselor, take a tour, meet students and have lunch with the faculty! Select Saturdays through December

Saturdays: 10/11, 10/25, 11/8, 11/22, 12/13 10AM—1PM

### Colorado State!

Your life is an open book, and you can write your own chapter at Colorado State University. This is a place where you can explore your interests in a way that reflects your values and goals. So get ready for an education that's personal, challenging and relevant. Tap into the spirit of service that unites our campus community. And build a foundation for a future of unlimited possibilities.  
[Www.admissions.colostate.edu](http://Www.admissions.colostate.edu)

Dec 1 Early Action deadline to apply for fall admission

Feb 1 Regular deadline to apply for fall admission

March 1 FAFSA priority submission date



### Senior Crimson Days 2013

September 28th

October 12th

November 9th

Seniors: you and your parents are cordially invited to visit the



Grove City College campus. Simply choose from of the three dates above. Registration will begin at 8:00 am and the program will begin at 9:00 a.m. Visit [www.gcc.edu/futurestudents](http://www.gcc.edu/futurestudents) for additional information or call 726-458-2100.

### Grand Valley University

This year Grand Valley University will be hosting three evening informational receptions from 7:00—8:30 PM in the Detroit area on the following dates and locations:

October 22nd—Sheraton— Novi

October 15th—Best Western Sterling Inn

October 16th—Marriot Detroit— Southfield

Please call 800-748-0246 to register in advance or visit <https://www.edu.gvsu.edu/admissions/undergraduate/events>.

GVSU Laker Experience Days expose prospective freshman and their families to the diverse opportunities made available to Grand Valley students.

October 12th, 25th and November 2nd. Call 800-748-0246 for more information.



### Western Michigan University

Haworth College of Business at Western Michigan University would like to invite prospective students and parents to visit! 9 am to 2pm on several upcoming Fridays. Contact: [halberd.bates@wmich.edu](mailto:halberd.bates@wmich.edu) or (269)378-4829 to RSVP and schedule a visitation.

### McNally Smith College of Music

Has their All Access Pass Fall Open House set for

Saturday, October 5th from 10 am – 2 pm. Open house is a great opportunity for families to learn about the degree programs and meet with faculty, admissions staff, current students and financial aid representatives.

Space is limited. Register at [www.mcnallysmith.edu/openhouse-rsvp](http://www.mcnallysmith.edu/openhouse-rsvp).



### AQUINAS COLLEGE Aquinas College

Makes all the difference in the world. Fine Arts AQ Day is set for Friday, October 4th

from 9:15 am – 3 pm. Entertaining! Exciting! Fun! All words to describe Aquinas' annual exploration into the arts. Play your instrument, sing, act, draw, paint, write, sculpt....it's all here for you as you attend two interactive sessions featuring Aquinas professors. The day includes a tour of the 107 acre

campus and a complimentary lunch. To register for the visit go to: [www.aquinas.edu/fad](http://www.aquinas.edu/fad) or call (800) 678-9593.

### Brown University

Interested in attending Brown? Known internationally for excellence in academics and innovative research, Brown offers a wide range of undergraduate concentrations, master's programs and doctoral degrees. Learn more about Brown October 14, 2013 at Greenhills School in Ann Arbor. Space is limited. Register at [www.brown.edu/go/brownnearyou](http://www.brown.edu/go/brownnearyou).



### Ohio State

Please note that The Ohio State University has changed some deadlines. November 1, 2013 is a key date. It is both their early action deadline and the deadline for priority consideration for merit scholarships and Honors and Scholars Programs. For more information, check out <http://www.osu.edu/futurestudents/>.

### SCHOLARSHIP SCAMS

If you have to pay money to get money, it's probably a scam. Every year, several hundred thousand students and parents are defrauded by scholarship scams. Scam operations often imitate legitimate government agencies, grant-giving foundations, education lenders and scholarships matching services, using official-sounding names containing words like "National," "Federal," "Foundation" or "Administration." Visit: [www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.shtml](http://www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.shtml) to learn how to identify such scholarship scams. In general, be wary of scholarships with an application fee, scholarship matching services who guarantee success, advance-fee loan scams and sales pitches disguised as financial aid seminars.

### ACT, SAT, AND AP EXAM TESTING FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

A student with a documented disability may be eligible for accommodations for the above-mentioned tests.

To be eligible, the student must:

1. have a disability that necessitates testing accommodations.
2. have documentation on file at school that supports the need for requested accommodations and meets the Guidelines for Documentation and receive and utilize the requested accommodations due to the disability for school-based tests.

For the ACT and SAT exams, the Eligibility form must be submitted with the October, December or April test registration by the regular or late registration deadline.

For the AP exams, the Eligibility form should be submitted five weeks prior to test day to allow adequate time for processing and notification.

**NOTE: It is the parent's responsibility to contact their child's counselor to obtain the necessary eligibility form.**

### NCAA INFORMATION

As a prospective athlete at a Division I or II institution, a student has certain responsibilities to attend to before he or she may participate at the collegiate level. Information concerning who needs to register with the Clearinghouse and what documents should be submitted can be found at [www.ncaaclearinghouse.net](http://www.ncaaclearinghouse.net).

### COLLEGE TIMELINE GRADE 10—12

#### 10TH GRADE

Take the PLAN! This is a practice test for the ACT. Make informal visits to college campuses. Get a feel for what different college campuses are like. Start thinking about what is important to you in a college (size, location, cost, majors, etc.) Attend a local College Fair!

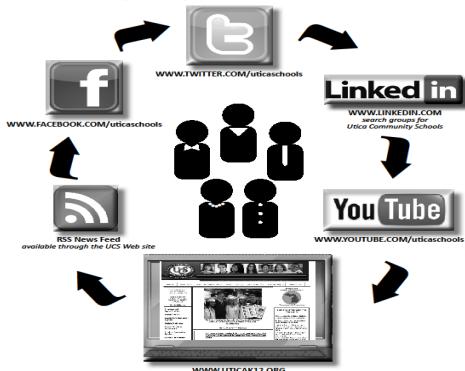
#### 11TH GRADE

Begin your serious college research by meeting with college representatives at your narrowed down choices! Take the PSAT in October if you fared well your sophomore year. Think of your interests and abilities. Look into scholarship opportunities. If you are thinking about playing a sport, register with the NCAA. [Www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)

#### 12TH GRADE

Re-visit the colleges on the top of your list. Retake the ACT and/or SAT if needed, register at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org). Begin filling out college applications—be aware of deadlines! Complete the Financial Aid process. Request your transcripts. Meet with your counselor.

#### Parents, stay connected to UCS!



Utica Community Schools now offers parents more ways to access school district news and information — any time, anywhere. Find UCS on Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, RSS, LinkedIn and the district website, [www.utica12.org](http://www.utica12.org).



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## Students benefit from Page to Stage grant And teachers, too!

It's better than a Tony. Page to Stage, the innovative Macomb Center for the Performing Arts series that brings literature to life through stage adaptions of well-known plays, novels and autobiographies, has received a \$25,000 grant from the Community Foundation to expand its programming.

Debuting with "The Diary of Anne Frank" during the Macomb Center's 2010-2011 season, Page to Stage began as a collaboration with four national touring companies. It was distinguished from other Macomb Center offerings by morning performances (more suited for field trips) and reduced admission prices for elementary, middle and high school students.

The field trip-friendly performances and modestly (\$5) priced tickets for students are still a Page to Stage hallmark, with a study guide component also available to assist teachers in using Page to Stage as a learning tool in such areas as language arts, social studies, literature, community values, fine arts, and natural and physical science.

The Page to Stage lineup for 2013-14 has more than doubled from last season and includes: *Fahrenheit 451* on Oct. 18, *Tomas and the Library Lady* on Oct. 24, *The Shape of a Girl* on Nov. 21, *Aladdin and Other Enchanting Tales*



on Jan. 11, *Black Boy* on Feb. 4, *The Great Mountain* on Feb. 27, *The Snail and the Whale* on March 11 and *The Miraculous Worker* on March 27.

Each Page to Stage show is open to the public, and those with more mature themes feature evening as well as daytime performances. The New York-based American Place Theatre's Literature to Life®, one of the original collaborators in Macomb's Page to Stage, will also

offer limited in-class residencies when they bring *Black Boy* to Macomb during Black History Month in February. The production is based on the autobiography of noted 20th century author Richard Wright, with detailed insights about growing up black in a racist society.

In addition to the recent grant from the community foundation, Page to Stage also receives funding from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, ArtWorks, The Kresge Foundation, Target, the Macomb Community College Foundation and from Julius Cicchini, a Macomb Center patron and donor who contributes annually in honor of his late wife, Anna Mae.

## Water quality is HEART of new Macomb/WSU degree

A collaborative effort between Macomb, Wayne State University, the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority and Macomb County to develop a field-based water research center has received a \$25,000 planning grant from the National Science Foundation.

The Huron to Erie Alliance for Research and Training (HEART) Center will focus on improving ecosystems and the quality of life in and along the St. Clair River, Lake St. Clair, Detroit River and the western portion of Lake Erie.

HEART will operate two field stations at Lake St. Clair Metropark in Harrison Township and on Belle Isle in Detroit. Students from both Wayne and Macomb will be involved in the research that focuses on urban waterways and the environment. The project is expected to provide recreational, economical and ecological benefits to the area and lead to a new four-year

degree program in freshwater studies. Students accepted into the program will be able to take their first two years at Macomb and then transfer to Wayne State, with the HEART Center figuring prominently in the coursework offered at both schools.

"Macomb County owes its unique character to Lake St. Clair, making it essential for the College to be a part of any efforts to preserve its ecological integrity while maximizing its economic impact," said Jim Jacobs, Macomb president. "These waterways also provide an excellent classroom for our students, and they, as well as the community, will benefit greatly from the knowledge and opportunities generated by this research center."

## New art class requires walking shoes

And you don't have to be a Macomb student to sign up

Gone are the classroom walls and PowerPoint presentations. Beginning next year, there will be a new course option for fulfilling the humanities requirement for an associate degree at Macomb, with classes meeting in Italy, Greece and Turkey.



Macomb is introducing Fine Art Appreciation—Travel Abroad in the Spring 2014 Semester. With the guidance of Todd Mitchell, Macomb art professor, students will begin their studies in Bernini's Rome, visit Michelangelo and other Renaissance artists in Florence, follow the footsteps of Pericles in Athens and sail Homer's "wine-dark sea" between Greece and Turkey.

The travel portion of the course will last about two weeks. Upon their return, students will meet on campus to discuss their experiences and share insights via classroom presentations. The three-credit course will cost approximately \$2,500 plus tuition, with a monthly payment plan available. Look for registration information in Macomb's Spring/Summer 2014 Schedule of Classes.

Although designed for students, the trip is also open to those not interested in earning college credit—as space allows. Contact Mitchell, 586.286.2166 or mitchell@macomb.edu, for more information.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

October 18, 2013	8:30 a.m.	Jostens Meets with Seniors—Auditorium
October 18, 2013	4:00 p.m.	Homecoming Parade
October 18, 2013	7:00 p.m.	Homecoming Game
October 19, 2013	7:30 p.m.—10:30 p.m.	Homecoming Dance
October 25—26, 2013	10:28 a.m.—12:07 p.m.	Jostens Senior Order Collection—Cafeteria
November 2—3, 2013	10:28 a.m.—12:07 p.m.	Jostens Senior Make Up Day—Cafeteria
March 3 - April 11, 2014		World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA)
March 4—6, 2014		ACT/MME Testing
March 17—April 8, 2014		Senior Speech Sigh Up—Main Office
March 18—20, 2013		ACT/MME Make Up Testing
April 16, 2014	1:00 p.m.	Senior Speech Contest—Main Office Conference Room
April 28, 2014		Prom Guest Applications available—Main Office
April 29—30, 2014	7:00 p.m.	MANDATORY Parent/Student Meeting—Auditorium
May 5—15, 2014		Advanced Placement Exams
May 6, 2014	2:30 p.m.	Prom Ticket Sales—Main Office
May 8, 2014	7:00 p.m.	Senior Honor's Night (Invitation Only) - Auditorium
May 12—16, 2014	Lunch Hours	Prom ticket Sales
May 16, 2014		Last Day to Purchase Prom Tickets
May 19—22, 2014		Senior Week
TBD		Seniors Final Exams
TBD		Senior Last Day/Senior Picnic
June 3, 2014	9:00 a.m.	Senior Cap & Gown Pick Up—Auditorium
June 5, 2014	6:30 p.m.—11:00 p.m.	Senior Prom at Palazzo Grande
June 6, 2014	7:00 p.m.	UHS Baccalaureate—Auditorium
June 7, 2014	4:00 p.m.	Graduation Ceremony—Palace of Auburn Hills
June 7, 2014		Senior All-Night Party



## Senior Photo Information

All seniors are encouraged to be photographed at Prestige, Utica's official senior class photographer.

- If you are not photographed by Prestige, you will not be included in the Senior Class Composite and will not receive a copy.
- Seniors who are photographed at Prestige do not have to turn in their photographs to be included in the Warrior yearbook; the photos are sent directly to the yearbook staff.
- If you choose to be photographed by another studio, you must hand-deliver a digital image to the yearbook adviser by December 6, 2013. Do not trust your studio to do this!

**PLEASE NOTE THAT PHOTOS MUST BE TAKEN BY A PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER, WITH THE BACKGROUND DESCRIBED BELOW, OR IT WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED IN THE YEARBOOK. STUDENTS MAY NOT SUBMIT PHOTOS TAKEN THEMSELVES/PHOTOSHOPPED.**

### Portrait Specifications

1. The head size (measured from top of hair to chin) should be no more than 1/3 of the vertical measurement of the file. For instance, in a printed 2" x 3", the head cannot be larger than 1 inch in size.
2. Standard light blue-grey yearbook background, plain. No other colors allowed.
3. No double exposures, multiples, over-the-shoulder, or group shots with animals and other objects. Photos must be straight forward without angled shoulders.
4. No cap and gown portraits; no hats, T-shirts, drapes, bare shoulders, spaghetti straps, sleeveless or low-cut tops.
5. No backlighting.

### Digital Specifications

1. Digital images are required; prints will not be accepted.
2. Submit images on CD files, clearly labeled with student name.
3. Images can be either .jpg or .tiff files.
4. Images must be set at a minimum of 300 dpi.

*Important Notes:*

- Remember that if you are not photographed at Prestige, you will not appear in the Senior Class Composite and will not receive a complimentary copy.
- If you do not turn in a digital copy of your senior picture, if the photo does not meet the specifications above, or if you fail to meet the December 6 deadline, you will not be included in the yearbook.
- Seniors' student ID photos *may* be used in the yearbook if we do not have a senior portrait.
- Remember that studios take up to a month to process your photograph, so schedule a sitting accordingly.

## Prestige Portraits

*Utica High School's Official Senior Class Photographer*

**Shelby Township Studio**

46855 Hayes Road

**Shelby Township, MI 48315**

(586) 532-9300



## Senior All-Night Party Update

The Senior All-Night Party (SANP) will take place on the night of graduation (date to be announced).

Parents, how can you help?

Attend a planning meeting (Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>).  
Volunteer to work on a committee.  
Volunteer to work the night of the party.  
Make a donation.

We are looking for donations of:

Prizes  
Money  
Food

Please contact [uhsanp2014@yahoo.com](mailto:uhsanp2014@yahoo.com) if you are able to help or you would like to be added to the email notification list.

\*Upcoming SANP events:

Planning meetings at UHS, room 155 at 7:00 p.m. on October 8<sup>th</sup>, November 12<sup>th</sup>, and December 3<sup>rd</sup>.



# 2013–2014 UCS & UTICA HIGH SCHOOL



October 1, 2013	7:00 a.m.—Noon	Picture Re-Take Day—Cafeteria
October 14, 2013	9:30 a.m.	Sounding Board Meeting—Main Office
October 16, 2013		PSAT Testing-10th Gr Mandatory, 11th Gr Voluntary
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October 28 - December 6, 2013		Michigan Online Interim Assessments - 10th Grade Only
October 31, 2013		End of Marking Period
November 2—November 3, 2013	10:28 a.m.—12:07 p.m.	Jostens Sophomore Order, Senior Make Up Day—Cafeteria
November 6, 2013	7:00 p.m.	Financial Aid Night—Utica High School—Auditorium
November 11, 2013	9:30 a.m.	Sounding Board Meeting—Main Office
November 13, 2013	5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.	Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 14, 2013	10:22 a.m.	Early Dismissal
November 14, 2013	12:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.	Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 27—November 29, 2013		No School—Thanksgiving Break
December 2, 2013		Classes Resume
December 9, 2013	9:30 a.m.	Sounding Board Meeting—Main Office
December 23—January 1, 2014		No School—Winter Break
January 2, 2014		Classes Resume
January 13, 2014	9:30 a.m.	Sounding Board Meeting—Main Office
January 15—January 17, 2014	7:22—10:22 a.m.	Early Dismissal—Mid-Year Exams, End of Semester
January 20, 2014		No School—Martin Luther King Day
February 10, 2014	7:00 p.m.	Sounding Board Meeting—Main Office
February 10 - March 14, 2014		Mi Access 11th Grade Only
February 17—February 21, 2014		No School—Mid-Winter Break
February 24, 2014		Classes Resume
March 3 - April 11, 2014		World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA)
March 4—March 6, 2014		ACT/MME Testing
March 10, 2014	9:30 a.m.	Sounding Board Meeting—Main Office
March 13, 2013	5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.	Parent/Teacher Conferences
March 17—April 8, 2014		Senior Speech Sign Up—Main Office
March 18—March 20, 2013		ACT/MME Make Up Testing
March 20, 2013	7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.	Career Expo—Eisenhower
March 28, 2014		End of Marking Period
April 7—April 11, 2014		No School—Spring Break
April 14, 2014	9:30 a.m.	Sounding Board Meeting—Main Office
April 16, 2014	1:00 p.m.	Senior Speech Contest—Main Office Conference Room
April 18, 2014		No School—Good Friday
April 29—April 30, 2014	7:00 p.m.	MANDATORY Parent/Student Meeting—Auditorium
May 5—May 15, 2014		Advanced Placement Exams
May 8, 2014	7:00 p.m.	Senior Honor's Night (Invitation Only) - Auditorium
May 12, 2014	11:30 a.m.	Sounding Board Luncheon
May 23—May 26, 2014		No School—Memorial Day Weekend
May 27, 2014		Classes Resume
TBD		Seniors Final Exams
TBD		Senior Last Day/Senior Picnic
June 3, 2014	9:00 a.m.	Senior Cap & Gown Pick Up—Auditorium
June 5, 2014	6:30 p.m.—11:00 p.m.	Senior Prom—Palazzo Grande
June 6, 2014	7:00 p.m.	UHS Baccalaureate—Auditorium
June 7, 2014	4:00 p.m.	Graduation Ceremony—Palace of Auburn Hills
June 7, 2014		Senior All-Night Party
June 3, 2014	7:45 a.m.	Department Recognition Awards Breakfast
June 9, 2014	9:30 a.m.	Sounding Board Meeting—Main Office
June 11—June 13, 2014	10:22 a.m.	Early Dismissal—Exams
June 13, 2014	10:22 a.m.	Early Dismissal—Last Day

## About the Cover

To motivate seniors, Disaster Relief At Work founder Greg Martin spoke to every senior English class about his organization, which sends buckets filled with supplies to disaster areas. "It was motivating because it reminded us that we can help others," senior Donovan Andrews said, "and think more about helping others than ourselves." Service projects are a requirement for completing English 12 , culminating with a presentation after seniors complete community service hours.



## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

The Florence Burk Chapter of the National Honor Society is in the process of accepting applications from students. In order to be considered for membership, students must be a junior or senior with a 3.45 GPA. Students must also be involved in community and school service.

The NHS meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:45 a.m. in the ECC room. The next scheduled meeting is on October 8, 2013. The Executive Board meets the first Tuesday of each month in room 234 at 6:45 a.m. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 1, 2013.

On October 8th, NHS will begin its fall fundraiser. We will be selling Entertainment Books for \$25.00 and we also have Christmas wrapping paper and other items for sale. If you are interested, please see an NHS member. All fundraising money must be turned in by October 31st.

Our tapping ceremony will be held on October 25th in the cafeteria for current members and students who were accepted into the National Honor Society. The formal initiation will be held on December 5, 2013, in the Arthur Harper Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

If you are in need of a tutor, our tutoring lists will be available the end of October. We are in the process of compiling the list at this time. As soon as the list is available we will be sending it to our feeder schools as well as the counseling office here at Utica High.

All service hour opportunities and tutoring requests are posted on the NHS website at [www.uticanhs.weebly.com](http://www.uticanhs.weebly.com). All National Honor Society information is also posted there. If you have questions, contact Linda Kammann at [linda.kammann@uticak12.org](mailto:linda.kammann@uticak12.org).



## Meet Mr. Voakes - Associate Principal Intern

I would like to first introduce myself. My name is Ken Voakes and I am the Associate Principal Intern at Utica High School. I am very happy to be part of the Utica High School family and I look forward to what the 2013-14 school year will bring. I come to Utica High School serving two years at the UCS board office, as a teacher on special assignment. I worked with teachers and administrators throughout the district with data collection and the use of DataDirector, our district data warehouse. Additionally, I also supported schools in the school improvement process.

Prior to the board office, I taught English, Government, Debate, and Forensics at Eisenhower High School for four years. I also taught at many of our junior high schools prior to making the move to the high school.

I oversee the second half of the alphabet (L-Z), as well as attendance for all students in all grades. I encourage both students and parents to contact me if the need ever arises. As this school year moves on, I anticipate the continuous academic success of our students. I applaud the tremendous job that our staff does in working with our students each and every day.

## Military Moms of Michigan

This is an organization that supports the military overseas who have ties to Michigan. We are collecting soup labels and coupons for them.

We are collecting labels from the Campbell's corporation. All labels will be sent to the Veterans' Administration Hospital for Children in Grand Rapids. The hospital can turn these labels in for cash to purchase equipment and educational games and toys for the hospital.

The coupons, both current and expired, are distributed to military bases around the world where they can be used in the base stores. The manufacturers will honor them for up to six months after the expiration date.

MMOMs are looking for donations of all types to mail to the Marines overseas. Please visit the website: [www.jocokyroots.com/OCFriends.htm](http://www.jocokyroots.com/OCFriends.htm) to see what the military personnel have requested.

**Coupons, soup labels and donations can be delivered to room 234.**



Please continue to collect items for Ronald McDonald House:

Metal can tops can be dropped off to Dr. Dabrowski, in Room 229.

## Chief Connection

Students and parents, the Chief Connection has all-new Chieftain apparel, sweatpants and accessories! Stop by and shop for activities, sports games or to update that wardrobe!



**Store Hours: 10:20 a.m.-12:00 noon, or by appointment.**

Phone: 797-2411

Dana Boice—Director, School Store

Fully stocked with new Under Armour, Nike, Jansport and Gear clothing and accessories.

## Book Club

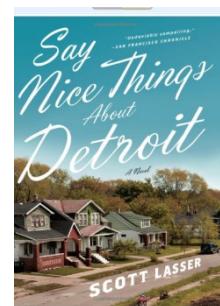
Tuesday, October 22, 2013, 7:00 p.m.

Join us at Barnes & Noble on Hall Rd & Hayes

### **SAY NICE THINGS ABOUT DETROIT by Scott Lasser**

Twenty-five years after his high school graduation, David Halpert returns to a place that most people flee. But David is making his own escape—from his divorce and the death of his son. In Detroit, David learns about the double shooting of his high school girlfriend Natalie and her black half-brother, Dirk. As David becomes involved with Natalie's sister, he will discover that both he and his hometown have reasons to hope.

*Say Nice Things About Detroit* takes place in a racially polarized, economically collapsing city that doesn't seem like a place for rebirth. But as David tries to make sense of the mystery behind Natalie's death and puts back the pieces of his own life, he is forced to answer a simple question: if you want to go home again, what do you do if home is Detroit?



The Utica High School Theatre Department Presents

# I WAS A TEEN-AGE DRACULA

A mystery-comedy by Gene Donovan



**Wednesday, Friday, Saturday** 7 p.m.  
**Oct. 30**      **Nov. 1**      **Nov. 2**

**Tickets 8.00    12 and under 5.00**

Produced by special arrangement with The Dramatic Publishing Company of Woodstock, Illinois

**UCS school lunch rooms are serving up important menu changes as a result of new federal regulations.**

The changes will create healthier menu items for our students by requiring larger portions of fruits and vegetables. In addition, our lunches will feature more whole grains, along with lower sodium content.

The new federal law also mandates that every school district adjust its meal prices to ensure the overall rate is comparable with federal reimbursement rates. As a result, the new requirements mandate an increase in lunch prices for all Utica Community Schools. **Student lunch prices for the 2013 - 2014 school year will be \$ 2.50 for elementary, \$2.75 for junior high and \$ 2.80 for high school. Breakfast served at Utica High School from 6:50am to 7:15am will remain at \$1.40.**

Food Service staff members are ready to continue their partnership with parents to make sure our students are well-nourished and ready to learn.

**Start the day right – come join us for breakfast!**

A nutritious breakfast is available for students when they arrive at school each morning. The cost is \$1.40, milk included. For students with an approved free or reduced price application on file, the price is 30 cents or free. A variety of food choices are offered. Milk alone is .45 cents. We look forward to serving our students the most important meal of the day!

**DEPOSITING LUNCH MONEY INTO YOUR CHILD'S ACCOUNT:**

Parents can go to [www.sendmoneytoschool.com](http://www.sendmoneytoschool.com) to pre-pay for their student's lunch meals, and never worry about lost money again! Click on "create a new account." The district offers special discounts if you pay in advance.

**FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS:**

Parents who think they might qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch can go to the main office or, for your convenience, can go to [www.lunchapp.com](http://www.lunchapp.com) and fill out the application online. Notification of benefits is faster using the online service. If you have already signed up on [www.lunchdeposit.com](http://www.lunchdeposit.com), your username and password will not change. Visit the district website at [www.uticak12.org](http://www.uticak12.org), or contact the Food Service Department at 586-797-1185 for questions.

Please keep in mind that if your student qualifies for free and reduced lunch, he or she will also qualify for reduced costs on specific national exams.

**Parking at Utica High School**

Please keep a watchful eye for students crossing the streets and making their way into the building from the student parking lots. Also, use caution as students use the cross-walk on Shelby Road.

Please DO NOT park on Shelby Road, either before or after school. The Shelby Township Police will issue tickets to those parked on Shelby Road.

Also, unless you have a permit from the State of Michigan licensing bureau, DO NOT park in spots reserved for the physically challenged. They are monitored daily by the Shelby Township police.

Remember, the speed limit in all parking lots is **10 mph**. Feel free to wait for your student at the end of the school day in the Wiley Elementary parking lot.

**Parents:**

For access to your student's grades, absences, etc., please don't forget to pick up your student's

**Power School log-on.**

See Ms. Burke in the counseling office, and have your ID available in order to receive it.

**Reporting an absence?**

Please call the Attendance Office

Early Dismissal: 586-797-2471

Late Arrival: 586-797-2472

All Day: 586.797.2473

**Attention Parents: New e-mail system to keep parents informed!**

We are pleased to announce a new e-mail system that will allow us to regularly send **important school notices and newsletters from the Board Office directly to you.**

To register for these updates, please **log on to your PowerSchool account and sign up** under the "E-Mail Notifications" tab. Our goal is to have 100 percent of our parents enrolled in this system so that we can keep you better informed and reduce the use of paper in our school. Your help with this effort is greatly appreciated!

# Notes from Student Council...Kimberly Hodsdon



## HOOTON HOMECOMING 2013

The student council is busy planning the 2013 UHS Homecoming Week! The theme this year is “Winter Wonderland,” and it is sure to inspire wonder in current Chieftains and alumni alike. Here is a list of all the homecoming festivities:

Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> – Winter Olympics! Class Competition Assembly 8:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.  
\*Sophomores wear RED, Juniors wear BLUE, Seniors wear WHITE

Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> – Stay in your P.J.’s – We’re Snowed In! - Pajama Day.

Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> – Homecoming T-Shirt and/or Winter Accessories day.  
\*Purchase a homecoming t-shirt for \$7 during lunches and/or wear your scarves, mittens, etc.

Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> – Walking in a Winter Wonderland of Ugly Sweaters! Wear your ugliest sweater!

Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> – Snow Your Pride! Wear Orange & Black!  
\*Parade starts at 4:00 p.m., Game at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> – Winter Wonderland Homecoming Dance! 7:30 – 10:00 p.m. UHS Gym  
\*All guests who do not attend UHS must accompany a UHS student and have an approved Outside Guest form on file in order to attend the dance. Forms are available in the main office and are due no later than October 2<sup>nd</sup>!

\*All UHS students AND Outside guests must follow the dress code for the dance. See below.

\*All UHS students must adhere to the school dress code while participating in spirit week.



## HOMECOMING DANCE DRESS CODE

### Ladies

1. Dresses should be semi-formal for Homecoming and cover all areas that would normally be covered by undergarments.
2. Dresses can be backless, but be sure that they are not too low cut (below the waist).
3. Spaghetti straps or strapless dresses are perfectly acceptable as long as necklines are not extremely low cut.
4. You can wear a 2-piece dress as long as the 2 pieces MEET. BARE STOMACHS or BARE MIDRIFFS ARE NOT PERMITTED.
5. Plunging necklines must not show anything that should normally be covered by an undergarment.
6. See-through apparel is not permitted and gowns or dresses with slits that are above mid-thigh are not acceptable.

### Gentlemen

1. Gentlemen are to wear a suit or dress pants and a sport coat.
2. Gentlemen MUST leave their shirts on for the duration of the dance.
3. No jeans of any kind.

\*Ladies and gentlemen are to wear dress shoes – athletic shoes are unacceptable!

**\*LET YOUR DATES KNOW! THEY WILL BE HELD TO THESE SAME STANDARDS! Students who attend our school will be held responsible for their dates' attire and behavior.**

**FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR...Jim Vigus**Athletic Boosters website: [www.uhsathleticboosters.net](http://www.uhsathleticboosters.net)

Utica High Athletic Booster Club Meeting:

Monday, October 7th, 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

***Home Athletic Events:***

Varsity Football:

10/4	Stevenson, 7:00 p.m.
10/18	Roseville, 7:00 p.m. Homecoming

Boys' JV Football:

10/10	Anchor Bay, 7:00 p.m.
10/24	Henry Ford II, 7:00 p.m.

Boys' Freshmen Football:

10/10	Anchor Bay, 4:30 p.m.
10/24	Henry Ford II, 4:30 p.m.

Girls' Swimming: (Home meets at Eisenhower)

10/1	Anchor Bay, 6:00 p.m.
10/15	Lakeview, 6:00 p.m.
10/17	Regina, 6:00 p.m.
10/22	L'Anse Creuse North, 6:00 p.m.

Girls' Varsity Volleyball:

10/10	Eisenhower, 7:00 p.m.
10/15	Warren Mott, 7:00 p.m.
10/24	Warren Woods Tower, 7:00 p.m.
10/29	Port Huron, 7:00 p.m.

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10/29	Port Huron, 4:30 p.m.

Boys' Varsity/JV Soccer:

10/2	Chippewa Valley, JV, 5:00 p.m., Varsity, 6:30 p.m.
10/9	Henry Ford II, JV, 5:00 p.m., Varsity, 6:30 p.m.

Boys' Freshmen Soccer: (All games played behind Utica High)

10/3	Grosse Pointe South, 4:30 p.m.
10/7	Grosse Pointe North, 4:30 p.m.
10/8	Stevenson, 4:30 p.m.

***Winter sports start dates:***

November 4, 2013

Ice Hockey  
Competitive Cheer  
Girls' Basketball  
Boys' Basketball  
Wrestling  
Boys' Swimming

November 11, 2013

November 18, 2013

November 25, 2013

***Displaying Good Sportsmanship***  
The Athletic Association has set rules as to how players are to behave during a competition. There are also rules and guidelines outlined as to how spectators should conduct themselves. Of course, spectators are present to motivate and cheer the team to victory. However, spectators/fans are not allowed to make taunting or offensive statements directed towards the players, game officials or the opponent's spectators. Utica High School has consistently received praise and accolades from local, state and national organizations for displaying good sportsmanship (representatives from many athletic organizations attend our games). It is important that we stay focused on "cheering our team to victory" during a competition. In recent reports regarding sportsmanship at UHS, officials have called our students "classy kids," and made the following comments: "UHS athletes compete at a high level," and "Coaches, players and fans are all a class act." Our expectation is that you continue the tradition of displaying good sportsmanship at athletic events.



# Band and Orchestra Happenings

**BAND AND ORCHESTRA BOOSTER NEWS**  
Mary Biernaczonek – UHS Band & Orchestra Publicity Officer



[www.uticabands.org](http://www.uticabands.org)

Next Booster Meeting: October 15, 2013  
7:00 p.m. – Band Room

## **YOU'RE INVITED!**

### **General Membership Meetings:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 p.m. in the Band Room (unless otherwise noted.)  
November 19<sup>th</sup>, January 21<sup>st</sup>, February 11<sup>th</sup> (changed because of Winter Break), March 18<sup>th</sup>,  
April 15<sup>th</sup>, May 20<sup>th</sup>, and June 17<sup>th</sup>.



August 29 Home Opener Football Game!

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

### **UCS Annual Band-A-Rama**

This year's event is hosted by Stevenson High School. The Marching Bands from Eisenhower, Ford, Stevenson and Utica High Schools will come together on **Sunday, October 6th at 7:00 p.m. at Runkel Field at Stevenson**. All four high schools will present their halftime and competition show performances. Tickets are available at the door for \$5.00 for adults and high school students. Junior high and elementary students are **FREE!** Don't miss this entertaining evening with proceeds from gate sales benefitting the Louis Gonda Memorial Music Scholarship Fund. Utica High School Marching Band's show is "Bond, James Bond."

### **MSBOA Marching Band Festival**

This year's festival dates are yet to be finalized, but will be most likely be **Tuesday, October 8th**. Check the UCS TV channel for updates on time and location. Mr. Sauer will also be sending information home with your student. Please try to purchase your tickets in advance from the Boosters – see Michele Campbell or contact her for tickets via email [macjfc@wideopenwest.com](mailto:macjfc@wideopenwest.com).

All early ticket sale proceeds will go to the UHS Boosters; if purchased at the gate, the proceeds will go to the MSBOA Organization.



# Band and Orchestra Happenings

## HOME FOOTBALL GAMES

October 4, October 18 (Homecoming)

## OCTOBER EVENTS

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|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| October 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Mini Band Camp                |
| October 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Band A Rama                   |
| October 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Marching Band Festival        |
| October 12 <sup>th</sup> | Cedar Point trip              |
| October 18 <sup>th</sup> | Homecoming Parade and Dinner! |

## FUNDRAISERS

### Cheese Cake Sale

Sale will begin Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, until Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> (last football game, too) - All order forms and money are due in the orange box. On Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, cheesecakes will be delivered to the band room around 1:00 p.m. Students can pick up their orders after school until 5:30 p.m. If you have any questions contact Donna Senn at 586-718-5214 (cell).

### Citrus Sale

Our Annual Indian River Fresh Florida Fruit Sale will begin **October 10<sup>th</sup>, and run through November 12<sup>th</sup>**. Navel oranges, grapefruits, tangelos and combo packs are available. Fruit may be ordered from any band student or by calling Karrie Jackard at 586-726-9366 or 586-242-3677. Online ordering is also available! Contact Karrie for online ordering instructions. Fruit will be available for pickup in the band room on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### Raffle the Band/Mount Clemens Parade

This is one of our favorite fundraising events. **“Raffle the Band”** involves selling tickets to have our Marching Band perform LIVE at the winner’s home, business, church or wherever they choose within a reasonable distance of Utica High School (up to the Music Director’s discretion). The Chieftains will be marching in the Mount Clemens Parade on Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup> (the day after Thanksgiving). On the way home from the parade, the winner of the “Raffle the Band” fundraiser views the live performance of our show at their designated location. **Tickets are \$5.00 or 5 tickets for \$20.00**. The drawing will take place on Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, and the winner will be contacted. **Volunteers are needed to sell tickets at the home football games**. Information and tickets will be sent home with the students. Contact Tina Kasic at 248-321-9893 or e-mail [kmkasic@gmail.com](mailto:kmkasic@gmail.com) with any questions.

### Meijer Community Rewards

Shop at Meijer and help the band boosters earn money! **There is no cost to participate.** You can find applications in the band room or apply online at [www.meijer.com/mcrorgs](http://www.meijer.com/mcrorgs). The UHS Band Code for Meijer is **297542**. If there are any questions, contact Tina Kasic (248) 321-9893 or [kmkasic@gmail.com](mailto:kmkasic@gmail.com)

### Kroger Community Rewards

This is the easiest fundraiser ever! Register your Kroger Plus Card and every time you shop, the Boosters start earning a rebate! **Important Notice:** The current Kroger “year” ended on April 30. To continue earning rewards, everyone must re-sign up for Kroger Community Rewards immediately if you have not already done so. You must sign up again in April to continue earning rewards during the coming year, May 1, 2013, to April 30, 2014. It’s easy for you to enroll or re-enroll in Kroger Community Rewards. Visit [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) click on “Michigan” and click on “Enroll” or “Re-enroll”. All participants must have a valid online account at Kroger.com and must sign up online to participate. **Organization members can no longer scan their group’s barcode at the registers or service desk.** Our organization is listed under “**Utica High School Band and Orchestra Boosters**” and our organization number is **82739**. Questions? Contact Tina Kasic (248) 321- 9893 or [kmkasic@gmail.com](mailto:kmkasic@gmail.com)



# Band and Orchestra Happenings

**UPDATES**

Pertinent information regarding practices, parades, fundraisers, etc. can be found on the UCS TV Channels: Channel 15, Wide Open West and Channel 22 & 903, Comcast. Also reference our website directly at [www.uticabands.org](http://www.uticabands.org) or from the Utica High School main [www.uticahigh.org](http://www.uticahigh.org) and choose **UHS Band** under “**QUICK LINKS**.”

**FACEBOOK**

Utica High School Band or from the Boosters’ website under “Quick Links” Utica Band Facebook.

**Front**

## Utica High School Band Fundraiser

**Back****\$20 each**

# Have a Seat!!!

**\$15 each**

Available at sporting events or  
to order a seat contact:

Laura Kerr  
**(586) 876-2448**  
[kerrclad@wowway.com](mailto:kerrclad@wowway.com)

# **UHS Band & Orchestra Boosters**

present the sale of

# **UTICA HIGH SCHOOL AFGHANS**

**“The Perfect Gift for the Holidays, Birthdays & Graduation”**

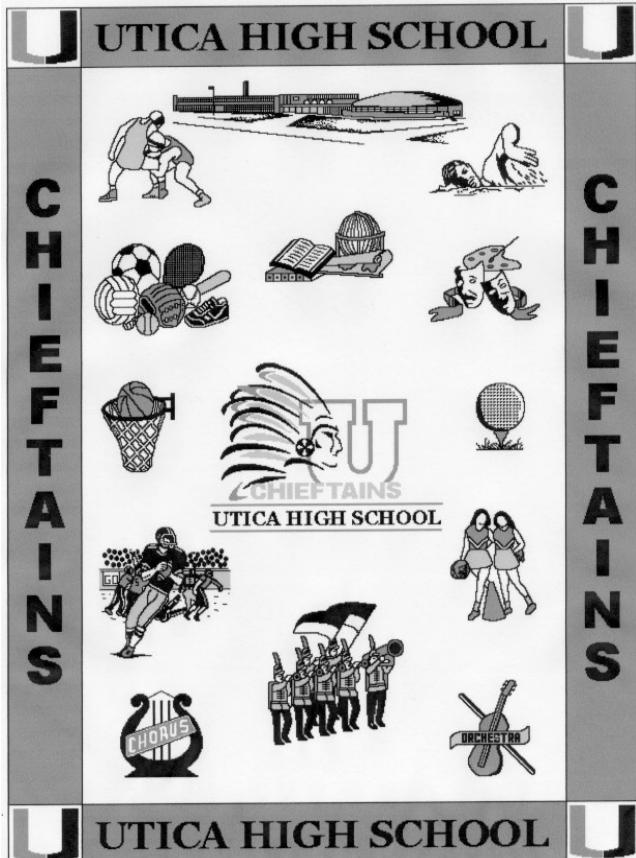
*For additional information, or to submit an order (with payment), please contact:*

*Laura Kerr  
UHS Band & Orchestra Boosters  
(586) 876-2448  
[kerrclad@wowway.com](mailto:kerrclad@wowway.com)*

**COST OF AFGHAN - \$40**

(Approximate size is 48" x 66")

The afghan can be personalized by embroidery of your first name and year of graduation - \$5



## **ORDER FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

YES! I wish to order a UHS afghan. Enclosed is payment of \$40 per afghan. Please make checks payable to: *UHS Band & Orchestra Boosters*.

PERSONALIZATION: If personalization is desired, please list first name and year of graduation. Personalization is an additional \$5 per afghan.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED** \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery time: 2 weeks. You will be called and your afghan can be picked up at UHS. For more information, please contact Laura Kerr.

**Utica Community Schools**  
11303 Greendale  
Sterling Hts., MI 48312

**Utica High School**

47255 Shelby Road  
Utica, MI 48317

**Main Office:** 586-797-2200

**Attendance Office:**

All Day 586-797-2473

Late Arrival 586-797-2472

Early Dismissal 586-797-2471

**Counseling Office:** 586-797-2290

**Fax Number:** 586-797-2201

**Ms. Janet Jones, Principal,**

**Email:** Janet.Jones@uticak12.org

**Utica High Home Page:**

<http://uhs.uticak12.org>

**UCS District website:**

[www.uticak12.org](http://www.uticak12.org)



## DATES TO REMEMBER

October 1	Picture Retake Day, Media Center
October 2—3	Jostens Sophomore Order, Senior Make Up Day, Cafeteria, Lunch Time
October 14	Sounding Board Meeting, Main Office, 9:30 a.m.
October 14—18	Spirit Week
October 16	PSAT Testing, 10th Grade Mandatory, 11th Grade Voluntary
October 16	Practice ACT, 11th Grade
October 18	Homecoming Parade, 4:00 p.m.
October 18	Homecoming Game, 7:00 p.m.
October 19	Homecoming Dance, 7:30 p.m.—10:30 p.m.
October 28	Michigan Online Interim Assessments Begin, 10th Grade Only
October 31	End of Marking Period
November 5	No School—Professional Development
November 6	Financial Aid Night, Utica High Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.
November 11	Sounding Board Meeting, Main Office, 9:30 a.m.
November 13	Parent-Teacher Conferences, 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
November 14	Parent-Teacher Conferences, 12:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
November 27—29	No School—Thanksgiving Break



**Nondiscrimination in Education**

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act and the Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act, it is the policy of Utica Community Schools that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, sex, age, disability, height, weight, or marital status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination during any instructional opportunities, programs, services, job placement assistance, employment or in policies governing student conduct and attendance. Any person suspecting a discriminatory practice should contact the Executive Director of Human Resources at Utica Community Schools, 11303 Greendale, Sterling Heights, MI 48312 or call (586) 797-1000.