

Chief Connection

Utica High School
March 2014

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From the Principal's Desk



The winter months have been challenging but nothing can stop spring's arrival – Thursday, March 20th!

JUNIORS – Michigan Merit Exam – March 4th, 5th & 6th SOPHOMORES – PLAN Test – March 6th

STATE TESTING – Juniors

Juniors are now prepared to represent their high school by participating in state testing on March 4th– 6th, 2014. A letter has been sent to parents providing them with information regarding the testing schedule and how they can support this process. Utica High School has been one of the top performing high schools in Macomb County, and we expect nothing less this school year. We are proud of our Chieftains, and we wish them the best of luck on the state exams – see page 11 for details regarding the schedule.

PLAN TESTING – Sophomores

Sophomores will take the PLAN test at 7:20 a.m. on Thursday, March 6th. The PLAN test is a predictor of ACT success, and it will give educators data to assess students' academic needs.

March is National Reading Month

March is reading month and Chieftain know – U Read to Succeed! Reading week is scheduled for March 24th – March 28th with book club night being held on Wednesday, March 26th at 7:00 p.m. As always, we encourage parents to attend – light refreshments will be provided. This year, we have a great selection of books to talk about, and we appreciate all the teachers who have volunteered to host a session. We extend a special thank you to coordinators, *Ms. Melissa Kevonian*, English teacher, and *Mrs. Julie Wright*, Spanish teacher. See page 28 for a complete listing of books for March.

Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers. ~Charles W. Eliot

Sports Program Recognition

Athletes are recognized and celebrated not only for their physical acuity but for their intellectual ability as well. The following athletes were awarded college scholarships to support their efforts in acquiring a postsecondary education:

Sam Goepper, Football, Saginaw Valley State University

Jessica Juncaj, Gymnastics, Western Michigan University

Saraj Mauser, Softball, University of Detroit Mercy

Joe Mazza, Bowling, Webber University

Austin Perry, Soccer, Aquinas College

Mitch von Zittwitz, Football, Grand Valley State University

Also, we celebrate the accomplishments of wrestler, senior *Sam Mason* who qualified to compete at the state level.

The Chief Connection – School Store

The Chief Connection was one of 166 school-based enterprises in the United States that received “Gold Level Status” which will qualify them to compete at the DECA’s International Career Development Conference in Atlanta, Georgia during the month of May. We extend our congratulations to the instructor, *Mrs. Dana Boice* and seniors, *Timra Toma* and *Kelsey Weyland* and junior *Robert Syfert*. See page 30 for details.

The Warrior Yearbook

The Warrior Yearbook has been selected to be featured in the annual Jostens Publication, *Look Book* features the “best of the best” yearbooks published by Jostens. A team of experts selected 426 yearbooks from approximately 3,000 submitted for consideration. We are proud of the Warrior staff and the instructor, *Mrs. Stacy Smale*.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 13, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. As always, we expect parents to demonstrate their concern for their students' education by attending conferences.

CHIEFTAINS' PARENTS ROCK!

Proud to be a Chieftain,

Janet Jones

CAREER EXPO
Thursday, March 20th, 2014
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Eisenhower High School
See page 10 for details



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:

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."

Chief Connection is the official newsletter of Utica High School. It is published monthly by the principal.



Counseling

Check our web page for updates on counseling information. www.uticahigh.org
Utica High School counseling department phone: 586-797-2290
Counseling Admin. Assistant Mrs. Wiegand phone: 586-797-2360



A-Gru Mrs. Krolczyk Phone: 586-797-2361 Email: virginia.krolczyk@uticak12.org



Gry-Pass Dr. Perry Phone: 586-797-2369 Email: lawrence.perry@uticak12.org



Pat-Z Mrs. Carabelli Phone: 586-797-2364 Email: 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.

SCHEDULING 2014-15

Scheduling for the 2014-15 school year will begin in the middle of March for junior and sophomore students. Students should bring scheduling material home and discuss it with their parents. Completed schedules must be turned in by the date designated on the form. It is important that all students take time to prepare a challenging class load for next year. All students should be reminded their chosen high school program should not only be designed for high school graduation purposes but also to prepare themselves for their future. The high school counselors will be visiting the junior high feeder schools for scheduling beginning January 30. ***Please be aware that students taking year-long & advanced placement classes will be required to remain in those classes for the entire year.***

visit their websites at act.org and collegeboard.com. Additional free test-prep sites can be found at the Michigan Virtual University website, the Learning Express Library website and at Number2.com.

MME (Michigan Merit Exam) – The MME test is mandatory and will be given to **all juniors** on March 4th, 5th & 6th. The MME is comprised of several assessments. These include:

The ACT, including the Writing component
WorkKeys Applied Mathematics & Reading assessments
The Michigan-developed assessments: Science, Social Studies and Mathematics.

PLAN TESTING FOR ALL SOPHOMORES – The PLAN (10th grade version of the ACT) will be administered to all sophomores on the morning of Thursday, March 6th, beginning at 7:20 a.m. Information letters were sent home to all sophomores in late February with details.

AP TESTING- Each student who would like to take an AP exam this spring needs to have an AP Bulletin. This booklet gives the dates, times and other information to help students prepare for their AP exams. *Signing up for the AP exams will take place on-line from February 24th until March 15th.* Students will receive a flyer from their AP teachers on how to register and pay. Pre-gridding of AP answer documents will take place in April. **All AP exams will take place May 5- May 15, 2014.** Please contact your child's AP teacher or Mrs. Stratton (Mrs. Krolczyk substitute) in the counseling office with any questions or concerns.

ACT – Students should be aware that the ACT test is required for acceptance into a 4-year college or university. The next ACT test is scheduled for March 4, 2014, as part of the Michigan Merit Exam (MME). It should be noted that **all juniors** will be required to take the MME as part of the UCS graduation requirements, and there is no fee for juniors. Students wishing to take the next ACT test on April 12, 2014 or June 14, 2014 will need to register on their own at www.act.org.

ADDITIONAL ACT/SAT TEST-PREP INFORMATION - Students should also be aware that ACT and SAT test-prep workshops are available at various locations. Students are advised to see their counselor for dates, times and locations. Test- prep software and test-prep materials are available through ACT/SAT. For more information,

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COLLEGE/FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

SCHOLARSHIPS/FINANCIAL AID - Seniors interested in scholarships are strongly encouraged to visit the UCS district website www.uticak12.org. Click on "scholarships" in the bottom, left corner. Scholarship information may also be obtained by going to www.uticahigh.org, and clicking on "Weekly Notes" on the left side.

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal & State Aid) forms are available online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Parents can access this site through our Counseling Website link, "Financial Aid." Parent should be reminded that FAFSA forms should be submitted as soon as possible.

Note: Parents and students can also find key steps in the scholarship and financial aid process at our Counseling website link, "Counseling Notes."

CAREER EXPO - Utica Community Schools has scheduled "Career Expo" on Thursday, March 20, 2014, at Eisenhower High School from 7-9 P.M.

COLLEGE FAIR - Henry Ford II High School will be hosting a College Fair on Wednesday, April 16th, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. It will provide students and parents the opportunity to meet more than 60 college and post-secondary educational representatives to discuss admitting policies, suggested high school course choices, financial aid/scholarships, program offerings and tuition costs.

NCAA GUIDELINES FOR ATHLETES - Potential college student athletes must comply with NCAA Requirements. There are academic guidelines that must be followed in order to qualify to participate in sports at the post-secondary level. It is advised that you see your counselor or visit ncaa.org for information and procedures to follow.

SENIORS PLANNING TO ATTEND MCC IN THE FALL 2014 Seniors who have applied to MCC for the fall of 2014 should be reminded to take the COMPASS assessment test at Macomb. For information on dates, times and location, you are advised to visit Macomb's website at www.macomb.edu

OTHER COUNSELING INFORMATION

TUTORING - Parents should be reminded the National Honor Society has organized a tutoring program made up of 11th and 12th grade National Honor Society students at Utica High. This service is available to all students at Utica High. We have also sent a list of student tutors to our junior high and elementary feeder schools. Parents and students interested in getting this service should call or see their counselor for a tutor.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

The UCS Career Expo is set for

Thursday, March 20, 2014

7-9 p.m. at Eisenhower HS

Come and speak to individuals who are working in various careers and learn about the required training/education, job duties, career outlook and more.



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Utica High School's Advanced Placement Exam Registration

Advanced Placement registration and payment for AP exams will be open from **8:00 a.m., Monday February 24, 2014** and will close at **3:00 p.m., Friday, March 14, 2014**. The cost for the 2014 AP exams is \$90.00 for each test. ANY PAYMENT SUBMITTED AFTER 3:00 p.m., March 14, 2014 will be assessed a late fee.

Late Registration and payment will take place 3:01 p.m., Friday, March 14, 2014 and will end 3:00 p.m. Friday March 21. Any student that registers during this week will be charged a \$10 late fee (overall-not per exam).

Students **MUST** answer all of the questions when signing up in order to complete the exam registration. A confirmation page indicates that the exam registration process has been successfully completed.

ONCE registration is COMPLETE, students will need to *print* two copies of the confirmation page and return one copy WITH PAYMENT to **Mrs. Prentice, in the Main Office** at Utica High School (the other copy is the student's receipt). Please make all checks, money orders, or cashier's checks payable to Utica High School. **NO CASH ACCEPTED!**

Registrations and payment not turned in by 3:00 p.m., Friday March 21, 2014 **will be cancelled** and exams will not be ordered. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Please contact Mrs. Krolczyk, virginia.krolczyk@uticak12.org or 586.797.2361, if you have any questions.

To sign up- please visit

<https://user.totalregistration.net/AP/233630>

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- Arming all learning types with best practices to succeed
- Graphing Calculator fundamentals
- Critical tips for solving difficult math problems
- Working with Science charts, tables and graphs
- Order matters: Choosing the best way to combat the order in which to complete passages
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1:00PM-7:00PM SUNDAYS**

Saturday, March 1st Saturday, April 5th Saturday June 7th
Sunday, March 2nd Sunday, April 6th Sunday, June 8th

**CALL TO REGISTER TODAY, SPACES ARE LIMITED!
(586) 741-8706**

The Student Connection was recognized by Metro Parent Magazine as a "Top Tutoring Center in Southeast Michigan" for the 2013-2014 school



Success in College Guide: Steps 6 & 7 of 9

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Practice good money management

While the idea of money management may seem difficult, it's really not. It's like any other skill -- you just learn it. No matter the amount, you can start practicing now. Then when you have more of it, you'll already have good money habits in place.

You could live day to day, allowing the demands of the present to swallow up your money and time, or you could try something different. Money can be a tool. Manage it correctly and it can reduce the stress in your life. As you plan for the expected, and even the unexpected, expenses don't have to be scary obstacles.

Here are a few simple rules that can help you live within your means and manage debt so it doesn't manage you:

- [Establish yourself financially](#). (You can [take a simple test](#) that will tell you if your financial situation is getting out of control.)
- [Balance your checkbook](#) (even if you don't write checks often or ever, you should reconcile your records against your bank's records). Keep track of the ATM debit withdrawals you make on your account.
- Keep your "wants" under control by [establishing a budget](#) and sticking to it.
- [Use your credit cards wisely](#).

[Learn more](#) about managing your money.



Ask for advice

Having trouble with a class? Having second thoughts about your major? Having problems with your roommate? Sympathetic advice from your best friend, or your grandparents may be helpful, but sometimes advice from an expert can help solve the problem.

Administrators at your school want to see you succeed in college and have the knowledge to show you how it's done. Probably the best place to start is with your own Resident Advisor (or RA). If your RA isn't sure who to contact, then call your Academic Advisor. These two people on campus can assist with almost any question or problem you may encounter while attending school.

Major course of study

Academic Advisor: Your academic advisor may be able to offer the following suggestions:

- Classes that may not be as strenuous
- Recommendations of a professor whose personality may be a better match for you.
- Plan your classes for next year.
- Help schedule for a job with your academic schedule.

Can't remember who your advisor is? Don't worry: just go to your Academic Dean or the Department Chair for your major to find out who your advisor is.

Career Planning Center: Explore your career options. Stop by the career planning office. People there will be able to share information about opportunities for graduates with your major, offer some suggestions for majors that might suit you better, and discuss career options for various majors.



Housing

Resident Advisor (RA): Having roommate trouble? Is your dorm too noisy? Talk to your RA. He or she may be able to help you switch roommates or offer suggestions on how to find some quiet so you can get your studying done. RAs are usually students in their junior or senior year who've lived at your college for a few years and know the ins and outs of dorm life. It may pay off to stop and chat.

Dean of Housing: Want to relocate? If you don't like where your dorm is located or, for some reason, you just don't like your dorm, ask the Dean of Housing to help you find a new place. If you're ready to move out of the dorms and into an apartment off-campus, ask for suggestions on apartment buildings nearby or rental agents who have rental information.

Trouble paying college expenses

Financial Aid Office: If you're having a hard time paying your tuition or education-related expenses, stop by the Financial Aid Office on campus and speak to a counselor. If you haven't filled out your [FAFSA](#) (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), be sure to do so! Ask the financial aid counselor about scholarships and websites that may help.

Part-time jobs: Need extra money for school? Depending on your major, a part-time job can relieve some of the worries about having enough money to stay in school. If you have transportation, you could look at off-campus options (though you may prefer to stick by the campus so you can get back to studying as soon as you're done with work). Your school's Career Development Office probably has a continual up-to-date listing of part-time jobs available to students. Also check the classified ads in the campus newspaper, local newspapers, or [online job postings](#).



Graduate early with summer school or extra credits

Academic Advisor: If you want to accelerate or attend summer school, think ahead. Will all the courses you want to take be offered during the terms you want to take them? What are particular classes like when condensed into a summer term? What would the workload be like with that extra class? Your advisor can help answer all of these questions.

Bursar's/Business Office: Contact the Bursar's or Business Office and find out what tuition and fees would be if you took more than the standard course load. Some schools charge more if you take more than the standard credits per semester. If you're considering summer courses, find out what the per-credit charge would be. Some colleges charge more for summer classes than they do for classes during the academic year.

Financial Aid Office: If you take summer courses, how will that affect your financial aid eligibility for the academic year? What financial aid is available during the summer? Check with the Financial Aid Office.



Study-abroad and/or internship programs

Ask your academic advisor whether the study-abroad or internship program will count towards your degree requirements. Check with the Bursar's or Business Office to find out how much the study-abroad or internship program will cost. Is there any financial aid available while you're studying abroad or doing your internship? Be sure to talk with someone in the Financial Aid Office.

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

Registration: www.actstudent.org

Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
April 12, 2014	March 7, 2014	March 8–21, 2014
June 14, 2014	May 9, 2014	May 10–23, 2014



**Utica Community Schools
Career Expo**
*Thursday, March 20, 2014
at Eisenhower High School
from 7:00pm to 9:00pm.*

Utica Community Schools' Career and Technical Education Department is hosting **CAREER EXPO 2014**. Students in kindergarten through 12th grade, parents and staff are invited to this free event.

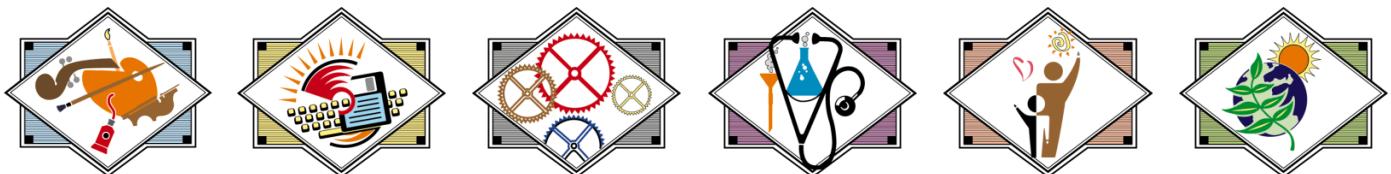
More than 100 careers will be represented by persons working in the Career Pathways of:

- Arts & Communications;
- Business, Management, Marketing and Technology;
- Engineering/Manufacturing and Industrial Technology;
- Health Sciences;
- Human Services; and
- Natural Resources and Agriscience

The Expo serves as an opportunity for students to explore career possibilities. The career representatives will provide information regarding education requirements, job outlook, potential earnings, job responsibilities, and the duties of a typical work day.

Students will also have the opportunity to meet with Career and Technical Education teachers to learn which high school courses can introduce them to the skills and training of careers in which they may be interested.

Free shuttle service to Eisenhower High School will be provided from Stevenson High School, Ford II High School and Wiley Elementary (across from Utica High School). Shuttle will run from 6:45pm to 9:15pm at 15 minute intervals.



Tackling the Test!

Michigan Merit Exam: March 4, 5, 6 2014

Tuesday, March 4th is a Juniors-only day.

See schedule below for arrival times for March 5th and March 6th

This time of year remains the busiest for all students, but mostly for juniors. In addition to working hard in school, students are scheduling for classes for the 2014-2015 school year, planning for their senior year and graduation, researching colleges and planning for the **Michigan Merit Exam (MME)**. The MME holds great importance for this year's junior class.

The Michigan Merit Exam is the state's assessment given to all of Michigan's eleventh graders. It consists of three major components: the ACT college entrance examination; the WorkKeys assessments; and Michigan assessments in math, science and social studies. The combined MME assessment measures student learning in the Michigan Merit Curriculum. All three days of testing contribute to the overall success of your student's Michigan Merit Exam score. Therefore, it is important that students recognize the importance of each of the tests taken on all three test days.

The state requires school districts to administer the MME March 4th, 5th and 6th. All students taking the MME will participate in required pre-test sessions prior to the test dates.

If you have questions regarding the upcoming assessments, please call your student's school.

Please see the **altered schedule** below for all 10th, 11th and 12th grade students.

Tuesday, March 4, 2014

Juniors should report by 7:10 a.m. and will be dismissed at approximately 12:30 p.m.

No School for all 10th and 12th grade students.

Wednesday, March 5, 2014

Juniors should report by 7:10 a.m. and will be dismissed when testing is complete at approximately 10:30 a.m.
LATE START for all 10th and 12th grade students.

10:50 a.m.	Arrival time for 10 th and 12 th grade students
11:05 a.m. – 2:11 p.m.	Students attend 4 th – 6 th hour classes
2:11 p.m.	Students dismissed

ALL MORNING AND 4TH HOUR SHARED TIME PROGRAMS ARE CANCELLED

Thursday, March 6, 2014

Full Day of School for all students

- Juniors should report at 7:10 a.m. to complete the Michigan components of the MME.
- Sophomores will complete the Plan test from 7:20 a.m. – 10:22 a.m.
- Seniors attend Senior Seminar from 7:20 a.m. – 10:22 a.m.
- Regular Schedule will resume for the afternoon with lunch and 4th – 6th hour classes.
- **All afternoon BLOCK shared time programs will run on schedule.**

ALL MORNING AND 4TH HOUR SHARED TIME PROGRAMS ARE CANCELLED

HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE FOR ALL STUDENTS

MARCH 4TH, 5TH AND 6TH



DAY 1: TUESDAY, MARCH 4TH

- 7:10 11th grade students arrive for testing
12:30 11th grade students dismissed from testing
*No School for 10th and 12th grade students

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5TH

- 7:10 11th grade students arrive for testing
10:30 11th grade students dismissed from testing
10:50 10th and 12th graders arrive
2:11 10th and 12th graders dismissed from school

*AM share time classes and 4th hour share time programs are cancelled
*PM block share time programs will run as scheduled

DAY 3: THURSDAY, MARCH 6TH

- 7:10 11th grade students arrive for testing
7:20 10th grade arrive for testing
7:20 12th grade arrive for Senior Seminar
10:22 Students dismissed from testing/Senior Seminar
10:28 – 2:11 Schedule resumes with lunch and 4th – 6th hour classes
*AM share time classes and 4th hour share time programs are cancelled
*PM block share time programs will run as scheduled

College Connection



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

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, March 8, 2014

The 10:00a.m.—1:00 p.m. event is open to juniors. Register at www.emich.edu/admissions

COLLEGE INFORMATION FOR SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS AND SENIORS: DON'T MISS OUT ON UPCOMING EVENTS!!

Engineering/Computer Science Experience at University of Michigan—Dearborn

The College of Engineering and Computer Science at the University of Michigan-Dearborn will be hosting the seventh annual **"Engineering/Computer Science Experience on March 22, 2014.** This day is designed to encourage junior-and senior-level students to consider engineering and computer science careers through interaction with UM-Dearborn faculty, students, staff, and alumni. There is a high demand for engineering and computer science graduates, and the event promotes the opportunities available to the young men and women who enter these fields. The highlight of the event is the chance to compete for scholarships and cash or other prizes in one of three contests—engineering, computer programming or web design—allowing students to partner together to have fun and to challenge their abilities in one of these areas. To register for this event or for more information contact Lisa Remsing at 313-593-5510 or lremsing@umich.edu

CENTRAL MICHIGAN LEADERSHIP CAMP 2014

Camp 1: May 18th—May 20th, 2014

Camp 2: June 6—June 8th, 2014

Leadership Camp is a three day program for prospective CMU freshmen who are interested in exploring leadership in a fun and interactive way. Leadership Camp is facilitated by some of the most diverse and outstanding student leaders from our campus. Participants begin establishing connections to other students and the university before they even graduate

high school. It is an incredible journey that puts participants ahead. Register early as there are only 150 available spots per camp!

Visit www.cmich.edu/Lcamp for additional information.

CALVIN COLLEGE: VISIT DAY !

March 7th, 14th 2014 8:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

April 4th, 11th, 25th 2014 8:00a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Fridays at Calvin—a day of events designed for all students. You will meet Calvin students and faculty, sit in on classes in your area of interest and get to know others who are also serious about a career in your field. Visit www.calvin.edu/visit for a schedule of the day and to register. You may also call 800-688-0122.

AQ DAYS AT AQUINAS

March 28, 2014

In less than five hours you will see what life at Aquinas College is really all about. Don't like this date? Schedule your visit for another date at aquinas.edu/undergraduate.

FINE ARTS AQ DAY AT AQUINAS

MARCH 21, 2014

Students interested in theater, music, art and creative writing, 14 entertaining breakout sessions offered! To register call 800-678-9563 by March 17, 2014.

SUMMER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

OTIS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN

College Preparatory Program—Los Angeles, CA July 7—August 1. Summer learning opportunities in Architectural Design, Landscape, Interiors, Communications, Digital Media,

Fashion Design, Fine Arts, Product Design, Toy Design, Creative Writing.
www.OTIS.EDU/summer-art or call 310-665-6864

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY PRE-COLLEGE PROGRAM

Make the Nation's capital your classroom this summer!

1—6 weeks of College Intensive, Summer Immersion or Summer Arts. Visit precollege.gwu.edu/summer-immersion for additional information.

Session I: July 13—July 25, 2014

Session II: July 27—August 8, 2014

SUMMER ACADEMY AT CALVIN

10th—12th graders—JUMPSTART your college experience!

June 22—July 18, 2014

Earn college credit, live on campus and form friendships with Summer Academy Students from all over the world, increase your readiness for college life and academics, experience Calvin's Christian learning and living environment and earn up to a \$2,000 grant toward Calvin tuition!

www.calvin.edu/pre-college/programs, call 616-526-6749 or email: precollege@calvin.edu.



Discover Macomb

One-Day Event for Future Students and Their Parents!

Saturday, February 15, 2014
10am–1pm
Center Campus, K Building, Cultural Center
or

Saturday, March 29, 2014
10am–1pm
South Campus, K Building, Room 301

Start college at Macomb and save \$15,000. Find out how.

- Learn why Macomb should be your first choice for education
- Find out about our nearly 200 academic degree and certificate programs
- Discover the advantages of Early Admission and Dual Enrollment
- Check out the campus
- Meet faculty, staff, and students
- Get financial aid info
- Enjoy raffles, giveaways, and food

Register Today!
www.macomb.edu/discovermacomb
For more information: 586.498.4008

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Discover. Connect. Advance.



FAFSA WORKSHOP

See how easy it is to apply for financial aid at Oakland University's FAFSA Workshops starting in January! These events are designed for high school seniors and their parents who would like assistance in filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students and their parents will have the opportunity to fill out the FAFSA online with the professional assistance of OU's financial services staff.

Appointments are available in January, February and March.

Register now at oakland.edu/visit.

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Understanding the College Process

Are you interested in learning:

- Which classes prepare your student for college.
Graduation requirements vs. admission requirements
- What students can do outside of high school to prepare
- Why your student should visit their college choices
- How college admission advisors make their decision
Ninth grade counts!
- What types of financial aid are available
- What is FAFSA
- What does it take to be successful in college



Parents of students in 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th grade are welcome to

**JOIN US APRIL 3, 2014
Utica High Auditorium
6:30 p.m.**

Presented by Oakland University and Utica High School

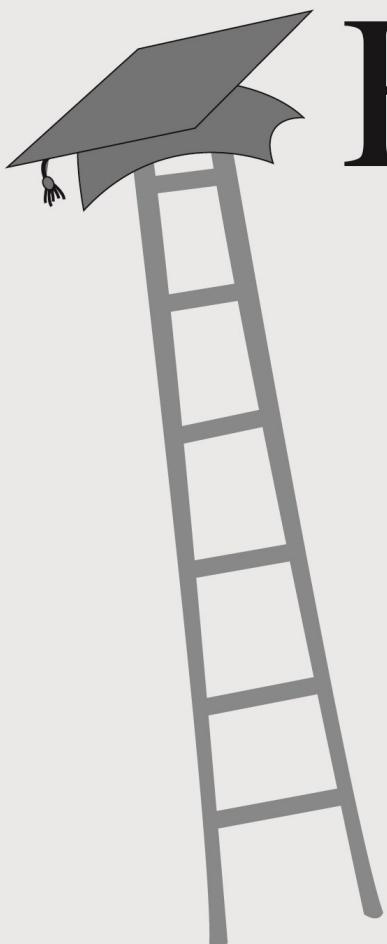


Incoming sophomores, juniors and seniors interested in exploring Science, Technology, Design and Science careers should check out the Summer Camps at Lawrence Tech University. Camps are one week long and run throughout the summer. Day camp costs range from \$400-\$650. Residential camp is higher. Camps include:

Forensic Summer Science Institute
Leadership Institute
Portfolio Development 1 & 2
Psychology
Sketching for Architecture and Design
Web Design
Basic Design
Biomedical Engineering
Building Big
Architectural Engineering
Architecture and Interior Design 1 & 2
Automotive Engineering
Creativity and Ingenuity in America
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Game Art 1 & 2
Industrial Design 1 & 2
Robotics and Music
Transportation Design 1 & 2
Biotechnology
Imaging and Graphic Design
Motorsports
Thermal Science and Energy

For more information, check out http://www.ltu.edu/community_k12/summer_camps.asp or call 800-225-5588 for details.

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April 16, 2014 | 6:30-8pm

Henry Ford II High School
11911 Clinton River Rd
Sterling Heights, MI 48313

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MARCH 2014

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Discover what makes Macomb a great first choice

It could be the lower tuition or the small class sizes. It could be the active campus life or the dedicated professors. It could be that it's close to home, credits transfer easily or that it comes highly recommended.

There are many reasons Macomb Community College is the first choice of one out of three of your fellow graduating seniors in Macomb County, and on an upcoming

Saturday you and your parents have the opportunity to ask College staff and students about all of them.

"I wanted to get the hang of college before transferring to a four-year university," says Lindsey Tucker, who graduated from Cousino High School last year and is studying accounting at Macomb. "It's been an awesome experience."



Accounting is one of nearly 200 associate degree and certificate programs that Macomb offers. Many lead to jobs in high-demand fields that

offer good pay and job security. Before that, however, you have to pay for college, and Macomb has more than a hundred private scholarships available as well as knowledgeable staff to help you and your parents navigate through federal financial aid requirements.

Discover Macomb on Saturday, March 29, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Student and Community Center (Building K) on Macomb's South Campus is a great opportunity for you and your parents to learn about all that Macomb has to offer. There will also be food, raffles, giveaways and, of course, a look at the campus. To register or for more information, go to www.macomb.edu/discovermacomb or call 586.498.4008.

Next stop: New York City

If you were one of the young artists from across Michigan's thumb area who attended a reception at the Lorenzo Cultural Center on Macomb's Center Campus Monday, Jan. 27, you were in some pretty good company—Andy Warhol, Stephen King and Robert Redford to name a few.

Artist, writer and actor, respectively, all three were past winners of The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards, which has been encouraging the young and talented since 1923. Locally and with a focus on the art, the annual competition for seventh through twelfth graders is sponsored by

Macomb Community College and the College for Creative Studies (CCS), which offers scholarships to winning juniors and seniors.

This year's competition drew more than 2,399 entries from 855 students attending schools in Macomb, Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and St. Clair counties, including 91 art portfolios. Of those, 557 were on exhibit in the Lorenzo Cultural Center through Feb. 9, including the top 156 (individual works and portfolios) Gold Key and American Vision winners that have been sent to New York to be judged nationally.

"Winning a scholastic award is proof that what you are doing as an artist is valuable and someone recognizes it," said the reception's keynote speaker, Colin Fury, a Macomb alum and CCS graduate, former Scholastic Gold Key winner and co-owner of his own firm—Detroit-based TAKD Design. He also promised the aspiring artists that "Following your dream" would be worth it in the long run.

It was a message well-received by Megan Baniak, a senior at Henry Ford II High School, who may find herself in New York's Carnegie Hall June 6 to accept a national award. Baniak took best of show with her portfolio this year, adding to an impressive string of scholastic awards that began with a national silver medal in junior high.

"The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards competition has truly changed my life and impacted me in a way that will give me the drive and determination to reach my goal of having a career in art," said Baniak, who is deciding between three colleges that specialize in art and design, including CCS. "My ultimate goal is to figure out how I can have a career I love in some avenue of art."

Is a bachelor's degree in your future?

The Macomb University Center Open House on March 27, 4:30 to 7 p.m., is a great place to start thinking about where you want to be four years from now.

Through partnerships with some of Michigan's leading colleges and universities, the University Center is a close-to-home option for earning a bachelor's degree. You can take your first two years of coursework at Macomb and then transfer into a bachelor's degree program at the junior level, with many agreements in place between Macomb and its University Center partners to ensure that transfer is a smooth one.

The colleges and universities offering bachelor's and master's degree programs at the University Center are Central Michigan University, Ferris State University, Madonna University, Michigan State University (Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine only) Northern Michigan University, Oakland University, Rochester College, University of Detroit Mercy, Walsh College, Wayne State University and, soon, Western Michigan University.

In addition, Oakland University and Wayne State University both offer concurrent enrollment options: Macomb2Oakland and Wayne Direct.

For more information about the University Center or its open house on March 27, go to www.macomb.edu/uc.



Citing the influence of avant-garde designer Betsey Johnson, Megan Baniak, best of show winner at the Scholastic Art Awards entered this paintbrush dress as part of her portfolio. "Fashion has always captivated me in a way that has allowed me to express my creative passions as an individual," said the Henry Ford II High School senior. "I chose... paintbrushes because I wanted to use an ordinary object...and transform it past the point of its usual purpose."

A section just for you on new website

Beauty, they say, is in the eye of the beholder, and after March 10, Macomb's website will be a lot easier to behold by all who use it.

Easier to navigate and view, with great search and live chat options, the new and improved website contains sections just for high school students, parents and high school counselors, as well as business and the community.

Look for it beginning March 10 at www.macomb.edu.

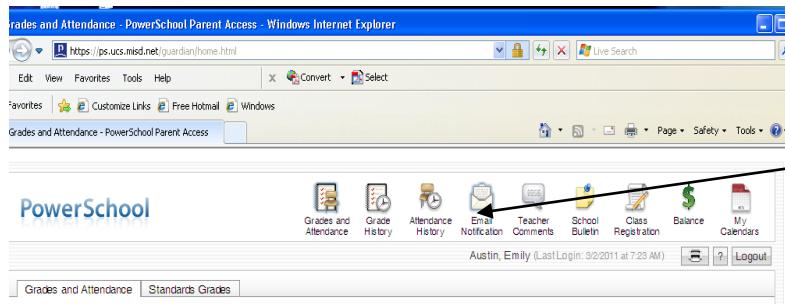


Chief Connection

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**.

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

IMPORTANT DATES:

March 3 - April 11, 2014		World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA)
March 4—6, 2014		ACT/MME Testing
March 17—April 4, 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 23, 2014	8:30 a.m.	Senior Panoramic Picture—Main Gyn
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 Honors 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
May 28—30, 2014		Seniors Final Exams
May 30, 2014		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 All-Night Party Update***

The Senior All-Night Party (SANP) will take place on the night of graduation June 7, 2014.

"Proud of our 2014 Graduate" yard signs for \$14.00 and SANP tickets for \$70.00 are still available; please contact the SANP committee at UHSANP2014@yahoo.com or visit us at conferences on March 13, 2014, from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. to answer questions about the FORD DRIVE 4 UR SCHOOL, selling tickets for the party and yard signs.

Upcoming meetings for the Senior All-Night Party committee are Tuesday, March 4, 2014, and Tuesday, March 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in room 155. We NEED parents to come to the meetings and learn about all of the exciting plans the committee has planned for our seniors!



Fund-raiser for Utica High School

WHAT: Senior All Night Party

Take a free test-drive and Ford Motor Company will donate up to \$6,000 to your school.

The more people who drive, the more you'll earn for your school.
You do the math.

Ford donates \$20 for each valid test drive*

WHERE: Suburban Mazda of Sterling Heights
40331 Van Dyke Ave
(south of Suburban Ford-between 17 & 18 mile)

WHEN: Saturday - March 15, 2014
Stop by anytime between 10:00am & 3:00pm

Questions?
Contact: UHSANP2014@yahoo.com

See our facebook page: UHS Senior All Night Party

facebook.com/drive4urschool

*NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER WITH A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE AND VALID AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE. Donation of \$20 per valid test-drive, Up to 300 total test-drives, for a maximum total donation of \$6,000 per event. Limit one (1) donation per household.

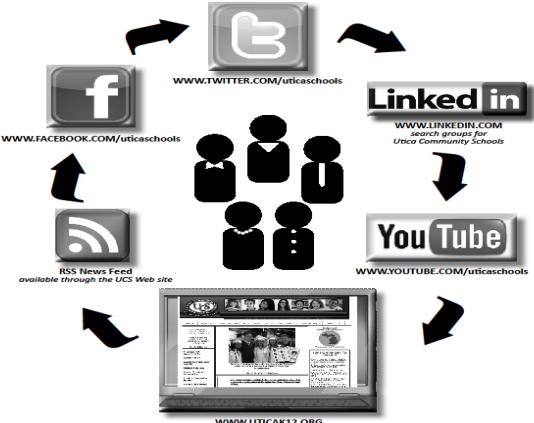


2013–2014 UCS & UTICA HIGH SCHOOL



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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 4, 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 16, 2014	6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.	College Fair—Henry Ford II
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
May 28—30, 2014		Seniors Final Exams
May 30, 2014		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

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.uticak12.org.



More than 50 colleges will be in attendance at the UCS'

Annual College Fair

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2014

6:30—8:00 P.M.

HENRY FORD HIGH SCHOOL

Open for students grades 8—12



Utica Community Schools

Career & Technical Education

Utica Community Schools offers Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs at all four of our district high schools as well as the Instructional Resource Center. These programs are designed to prepare students for a broad range of employment opportunities and continuing education. Follow-up studies continue to find that the most successful high school graduates were those who took a college-prep program and a Career Technical Education program of study. CTE programs are staffed by teachers with related business and industry experience that enhances the learning process with real-world relevance. CTE programs are offered in these areas:

CTE PROGRAMS	PREREQUISITES
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Automotive TechnologyBusiness Pathways<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Microsoft Office• Accounting• Website DevelopmentConstruction TradesDesign Technology Pathways<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Architecture• Engineering• Mechanical Drafting• MechatronicsFamily & Consumer ScienceLaw EnforcementMachine ToolMarketing/School StoreMedical Health Science CareersSmall EnginesTeacher Cadet/Future EducatorsWeldingVisual Technology	<p>Some CTE programs are taught at one high school only, but programs are available to students at all high schools. A complete program of study in a CTE area usually involves a sequence (or multiple) of courses. Advanced courses often have the preceding course as a prerequisite. For these reasons, students should plan early to include CTE as part of their high school experience.</p>

All CTE programs adhere to the District's policies of nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, gender, age, disability, height, weight or marital status in all programs, activities, and employment. In addition, arrangements can be made to ensure that the lack of English language skills is not a barrier to admission or participation. Support services are available through Carl D. Perkins Education Act for students with special needs. Inquiries related to nondiscrimination policies should be directed to: Civil Rights Coordinator, Director of Human Resources Utica Community Schools, 11303 Greendale, Sterling Heights, MI 48312 Phone: (586) 797-1134. Nondiscrimination inquiries related to disability should be directed to: Director of Special Services (same address) Phone: (586) 797-1022



Community Education

Youth & Teen Enrichment

Winter/Spring 2014



Community Education offers a wide variety of programs for every age from infant to adult. Included in our brochure is a full selection of enrichment classes currently scheduled in our schools and throughout the community.

For a full listing of classes please visit our website
www.ucscopycommunityeducation.com



UCS Swim Program

Joe Dumars Fieldhouse

Waza Dragons Soccer

American Gymnastics & Cheer

Elite Indoor Sports

All About Learning

Academic Inspiration

Mad Science

Young Rembrandts

Sew Many Things

Graceful Moves Dance

Linsey's Dance & Cheer



Rhythm Pointe Dance Academy

Mathnasium

Tiny Tunes Piano

Evola Music



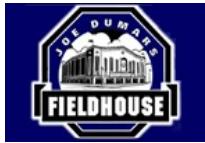
Basic Babysitting

Master K's Karate

Windemere Equestrian Center

Suburban Ice

For more information or to register with Visa/MasterCard or Discover, please call 586-797-6900 or visit our website at www.ucscopycommunityeducation.com.



REFUND POLICY

Unless otherwise indicated, refunds will be the amount of tuition less \$10 processing fee. Refunds will be granted for all classes, excluding classes that meet one or two times, prior to the start of the 2nd class. No refunds after the second class. Classes that meet one or two times will only be refunded prior to the start of the class. Material, book, and disk fees will not be refunded. If a class is cancelled, a full refund will be issued in the manner in which it was paid. No refunds for Swim or Sports Camps.

RETURN CHECK POLICY All returned checks are subject to a \$25 processing fee.

19th ANNUAL UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS CHESS TOURNAMENT

Date/Time: Saturday, **March 29th, 2014**, 9:00 a.m. - 1:40 p.m., awards at 2:20 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Place: **Henry Ford High School; 11911 Clinton River Road; Sterling Heights, Michigan 48313**

Type: It's an unrated, fun tournament!

Grades: Open to any Kindergarten through 12th Grade Student from any school!

Sections: The sections will most likely be Kindergarten – 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th – 8th, and 10th – 12th.

Registration: **By Mail or Delivery Only!** Early Registration Deadline is for forms **postmarked no later than 03/01/14**. Late Registration Deadline is for forms **postmarked between 03/02/14 and no later than 03/15/14**. Receipt of registration will be confirmed via email. If you prefer you may include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your child's registration and the confirmation letter will be mailed to you. Confirmations will be sent within a week of receipt. You must check-in at the tournament by 8:30 a.m. on **March 29th**, or the player(s) will have to forfeit their first game.

Rounds: 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m.

Time Control: 20 minutes each player, per game. Games that are still in progress after 20 minutes will have clocks put on them, set at 10 minutes per side. Games that don't have clocks will be judged by the tournament directors.

Awards: Trophies to, at least, the top **3** players in each section! Medals will go to the players by points. Bronze: 3.0 - 3.5 points, Silver: 4.0 - 4.5, Gold: 5 points. A special participation memento will be given to all competitors. Awards are conducted from 2:15 to 3:00 p.m.

Entry Fee **\$13** Early Registration Entry Fee per player (**Postmarked no later than 03/01/14**)
\$18 Late Registration Entry Fee per player (**Postmarked between 03/02/14 and 03/15/14**)
SORRY, we reserve the right to DECLINE any registrations received after 03/15/14. Or your registration may be accepted but your child(ren) may have to play in an older age section.

Information: Scott Burnham - Tournament Organizer, Website: www.UCSChessTournament.weebly.com
Work telephone: Roberts Elementary 586-797-6128; email: UCSChessTournament@gmail.com

Food: **NO PEANUT OR TREE NUT PRODUCTS ALLOWED IN THE SCHOOL DUE TO ALLERGIES!**
Food will be sold on the premises: Donuts / Bagels / Coffee / Juice / Pizza / Hot Dogs / Nachos & Cheese / Chips / Candy / Desserts / Pop / Water / Gatorade. Concessions will be handled by the Roberts Rooks Chess Club, with the proceeds being used as their annual fundraiser to help fund future club and tournament expenses. Thanks!!!



Registration Form for the 2014 UCS Chess Tournament on March 29th, 2014
Early Registration Due Date is 03/01/14; Late Registration Due Date is 03/15/14 (postmarked)

Name (please print first and last) _____ Grade _____ School _____

Name (please print first and last) _____ Grade _____ School _____

Name (please print first and last) _____ Grade _____ School _____

Street Address _____ City/State/Zip _____ Telephone Number _____

e-mail address (please print clearly) _____ Parent's Signature _____ Total \$ Enclosed _____

Confirmation received only by email or by returning a self-addressed stamped envelope with your entry.

Make Checks Payable to: Utica Community Schools

**Mail or Deliver Entries to: Roberts Elementary School, UCS Chess Tournament
2400 Belle View Drive; Shelby Township, Michigan 48316**

Check Dated: _____ Check Amount: \$ _____ Check Number: _____ Date Received: _____ Date Deposited: _____

Visit our website at www.ucschesstournament.weebly.com. Pertinent information and the registration form is available for download.

Attention all UCS high school sophomores, juniors and seniors: If you can sing, have we got a deal for you!

The Utica Community Schools Foundation for Educational Excellence (UCSSEE) is sponsoring its sixth annual Arts & Idols Gala on Thursday, May 29 at the Palazzo Grande in Shelby Township. In addition to a gourmet dinner and displays of amazing artwork by UCS students and art teachers, the event will showcase some of our most talented singers competing for a \$3,000 first place prize, \$2,000 for second place and \$1,000 for other participants.

So UCS sophomores, juniors and seniors, in order to compete for the cash prizes at the Gala in May, you must first audition on Saturday, March 15 at the Instructional Resource Center, 14201 Canal Road in Sterling Heights.

Here's how to register for an audition:

If you are in a choir class, see your choir teacher. Or you can go to our website: www.artsandidols.com and fill out an application. Your completed application should be emailed to: artsandidols@ucsfoundation.org.

We would really love to hear you sing! Last year's first place winner was from Eisenhower and the runner-up was from Ford II. This year, why not you?!

The UCSSEE is a nonprofit organization made up of area business and community leaders. Since 1986, the Foundation has raised more than \$1 million for scholarships to students, educational grants to teachers, support for Camp Literacy and many other programs. Each year, proceeds from the Arts & Idols Gala go to scholarships for UCS graduating seniors pursuing postsecondary studies. If you have questions, call 586.491.7131.



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 - Keyboards, Mice & Scanners
 - Audio/Video & Projection Equipment (Stereo Receivers, Speakers, Etc.)
 - Cameras; Old Style & Digital
 - Phones; Old Style, New "Smart", PDAs, Cell, Business & Home
 - Calculators; Desk & Handheld
 - Servers & External Hard Drives
 - All Other Drives; CD, DVD, Hard & Floppy
 - All Cord/Wire; Computer, Electrical & Cable Types
- Miscellaneous Electronic Small Items; Digital Picture Frames, Clocks,
- Personal Music Players & Video Games



The Utica High School Fine Arts Department Presents:



HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Book by
David Simpatico

Songs by

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Ray Cham, Greg Cham and Andrew Seeley;
Randy Petersen and Kevin Quinn; Andy Dodd and Adam Watts;
Bryan Louiselle; David N. Lawrence and Faye Greenberg;
Jamie Houston

Music Adapted, Arranged and Produced
by Bryan Louiselle

Based on a Disney Channel Original Movie
Written by Peter Barsocchini

7:00 p.m.

March 27, 28, 29

Tickets available on-line after March 1st at www.showtix4u.com
Or at the door if not sold-out.

Box office opens 45 minutes before curtain.

Adults \$10.00 Children 12 and Under \$7.00



Disney's High School Musical is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI) All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019 Phone: 212-541-4684 Fax: 212-397-4684 www.MTIShows.com

U READ TO SUCCEED BOOK NIGHT!!

Wednesday, March 26th, 7:00 p.m., UHS Cafeteria

Students pick a book based on what interests them.

They read it and participate in discussions led by various teachers and administrators on March 26th.

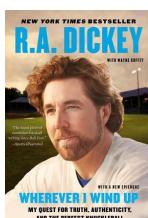


JOYLAND BY STEPHEN KING

Devon Jones--"a twenty-one-year-old virgin with literary aspirations ... and a broken heart"--who spends the summer of 1973 at Joyland amusement park in North Carolina. Devon makes new pals, proves himself to the hard-core carnies, saves a girl's life, befriends a dying boy (who has a secret gift), and falls for the boy's protective, beautiful mother. The first half of the story is sweet and nostalgic, with modest hints of menace to come. Devon learns to "sell fun" and "wear the fur" (carny-speak for dressing as Howie the Happy Hound, the park mascot), but he also learns about the woman who had been killed in the Funhouse, whose ghost still haunts Joyland. The second half gets spookier, spinning into a full-on murder mystery--but also a love story, and a coming-of-age-story, with some supernatural fun woven in.

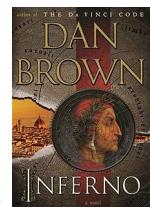
THE FIRST PHONE CALL FROM HEAVEN by Mitch Albom

The First Phone Call from Heaven tells the story of a small town on Lake Michigan that gets worldwide attention when its citizens start receiving phone calls from the afterlife. Is it the greatest miracle ever or a massive hoax? Sully Harding, a grief-stricken single father, is determined to find out. An allegory about the power of belief--and a page-turner that will touch your soul--Albom's masterful storytelling has never been so moving and unexpected.



WHEREVER I WIND UP by R.A Dickey

In 1996, R.A. Dickey was the Texas Rangers' much-heralded No. 1 draft choice. Then, a routine physical revealed that his right elbow was missing its ulnar collateral ligament, and his lifelong dream—along with his \$810,000 signing bonus—was ripped away. Yet, despite twice being consigned to baseball's scrap heap, Dickey battled back. Sustained by his Christian faith, the love of his wife and children, and a relentless quest for self-awareness, Dickey became a star pitcher for the Toronto Blue Jays and one of the National League's premier players, as well as the winner of the 2012 Cy Young award. In *Wherever I Wind Up*, Dickey eloquently shares his quintessentially American tale of overcoming extraordinary odds to achieve a game, a career, and a life.



INFERNO by Dan Brown

In the heart of Italy, Harvard professor of symbology, Robert Langdon, is drawn into a harrowing world centered on one of history's most enduring and mysterious literary masterpieces . . . Dante's *Inferno*. Against this backdrop, Langdon battles a chilling adversary and grapples with an ingenious riddle that pulls him into a landscape of classic art, secret passageways, and futuristic science. Drawing from Dante's dark epic poem, Langdon races to find answers and decide whom to trust . . . before the world is irrevocably altered.

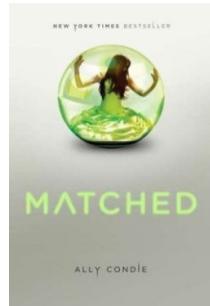
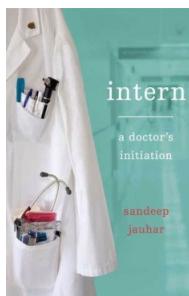


THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE by David Finkel

In *Thank You for Your Service*, Finkel has embedded with some of the men of the 2-16 (from the front lines of the war in Baghdad) here in the States, after their deployments have ended. He is with them in their most intimate, painful, and hopeful moments as they try to recover, and in doing so, he creates an indelible, essential portrait of what life after war is like—not just for these soldiers, but for their wives, widows, children, and friends. *Thank You for Your Service* is an act of understanding, and it offers a more complete picture than we have ever had of these two essential questions: When we ask young men and women to go to war, what are we asking of them? And when they return, what are we thanking them for?

MATCHED by Ally Condie

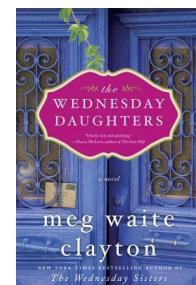
For Cassia, nothing is left to chance--not what she will eat, the job she will have, or the man she will marry. In *Matched*, the Society Officials have determined optimal outcomes for all aspects of daily life, thereby removing the "burden" of choice. When Cassia's best friend is identified as her ideal marriage Match it confirms her belief that Society knows best, until she plugs in her Match microchip and a different boy's face flashes on the screen. This improbable mistake sets Cassia on a dangerous path to the unthinkable--rebelling against the predetermined life Society has in store for her. As author Ally Condie's unique dystopian Society takes chilling measures to maintain the status quo, *Matched* reminds readers that freedom of choice is precious, and not without sacrifice.

**INTERN by Dr. Sandeep Jauhar**

Intern is Sandeep Jauhar's story of his days and nights in residency at a busy hospital in New York City, a trial that led him to question our every assumption about medical care today. Residency--and especially the first year, called internship--is legendary for its brutality. Working eighty hours or more per week, most new doctors spend their first year asking themselves why they wanted to be doctors in the first place. Jauhar's internship was even more harrowing than most: he switched from physics to medicine in order to follow a more humane calling--only to find that medicine put patients' concerns last. He struggled to find a place among squadrons of cocky residents and doctors. Then, suddenly stricken, he became a patient himself--and came to see that today's high-tech, high-pressure medicine can be a humane science after all.

THE WEDNESDAY DAUGHTERS by Meg Waite Clayton

It is early evening when Hope Tantry arrives at the small cottage in England's pastoral Lake District where her mother, Ally, spent the last years of her life. Ally—one of a close-knit group of women who called themselves the Wednesday Sisters—had used the cottage as a writer's retreat, yet Hope knows little about her mother's time there. Traveling with Hope are friends Anna Page and Julie, who have come to help Hope sort through her mother's personal effects, yet what they find is a tangled family history. Hope finds a stack of Ally's old notebooks tucked away in a hidden drawer, all written in a mysterious code. As she, Julie, and Anna Page try to decipher Ally's writings—the reason for their encryption, their possible connection to the Potter manuscript—they are forced to confront their own personal struggles.



GO CHIEFTAINS

About the Cover**Abe Lincoln Art**

Art students were required to create a 4x6" creative interpretation of the American flag still keeping the colors to red, white and blue. The flags were then collaged together to create the background for the artwork. President Lincoln was then painted in the foreground only in shadows so that the American flags still appeared as highlights within his face and body. This portrait of Abraham Lincoln will be displayed in the Media Center. We thank the art students and our talented, creative art instructor Mrs. Jennifer Allore.



For the third straight year, Utica High School's school store has brought home the gold.

The School-Based Enterprise (SBE) at Utica High School was among 166 school-based enterprises in the United States achieving Gold Level status this year and will be recognized at DECA's International Career Development Conference in Atlanta, Georgia.

This is the third year the Chieftain Connection earned gold certification. The students who worked on the re-certification were Timra Toma, Kelsey Weyland and Robert Syfert with the assistance of their advisor Dana Boice. The store has operated for more than 30 years.

School-based Enterprises are effective educational tools in helping to prepare students for the transition from school to work or college. For many students, they provide the first work experience; for others, they provide an opportunity to build management, supervision and leadership skills.

While some in the education community have only recently discovered the value of school-based enterprises, marketing educators and DECA advisors have used them as a powerful learning lab for more than four decades.

DECA's School-based Enterprise (SBE) Certification Program was developed to provide recognition for outstanding achievement by school-based enterprises and to motivate SBEs to strive for excellence and to grow.

School stores can be certified at three levels: Bronze, Silver or Gold. In order to apply for the certification, SBEs must submit extensive documentation showing how they have achieved set standards that are outlined in the certification guidelines.

After the documentation is submitted, a review committee evaluates the documentation to determine which level of certification has been achieved.

Complete information about DECA's School-based Enterprise Certification Program can be found at www.deca.org/sbe.

UTICA HIGH HOSA STUDENTS ARE THE BEST!

Utica High HOSA students attended the February 8th, Region 4 Leadership Conference at Fraser High School. HOSA students pick a medical related event and then competed against students throughout Macomb County. Out of approximately 95 HOSA students in our Medical Health Science, Medical Dental Assisting and Nursing Assisting classes, 88 competed.

Utica High School has developed a strong reputation at our Leadership Conference and this year's HOSA students did not disappoint. We had approximately 35 students place in the TOP FIVE in their event with 1st, 2nd & 3rd place earning medals and an additional 17 students who placed in the TOP TEN overall. The students that placed in the TOP FIVE will have the opportunity to compete at the HOSA State Leadership Conference in Traverse City this April. Please congratulate these students for their hard work and dedication to HOSA.

Brianna Hadley
 Amanda Lynch
 Madison Allen
 Rebecca Snider
 Brianna Schick
 Kelsey Mather
 Sam Polina
 Sally Humam
 Matt Miller
 Megan Baranski
 Marina Vitanovski
 Abby Grube
 Chelsea Haggerty
 Olga Kovalchuk
 Ashley Spagnuolo
 Justina Yousif
 Samantha Merandi
 Lydia Essenmacker
 Jaymi Gittens
 Caroline Oroake

Michelle Balanger
 Aurelie Guitar
 Libin Vaidyan
 Andrei Rotar
 Hannah Yacoub
 Anna Harms
 Laryssa Copen
 Alyssa Lafever
 Arienne Patano
 Samantha Torongeau
 Macenzie Wessle
 Stephanie Torongeau
 Ashley Michol
 Andrew Nguyen
 Maher Megaly
 Marshal Tan
 Stuart McCloskey
 Ana Serafimovska
 Miranda Burns

Karlee Romp
 Alyssa Clements
 Jalpa Patel
 Natalie Harms
 Ashleigh Daubert
 Tim Johnson
 Tyler Meholic
 Nolan Bogdan
 Mitch Fraser
 Sabrina Powell
 Jacob Peplinski
 Mahima Tripathi
 Melissa Shanteau
 Kelsea McGregor
 Noelle Mancini
 Juliana Caporuscio
 Kim Wiezebecki
 Bri Halliwell
 Jenn Zudor



Physical Education Program

President's Challenge Award Winners

GOLD Award Winners

Jacob Dickinson	Chloe Fortune	Amy Mize
Megan Sorensen	Emily Stewart	Dina Bija
Emily Brohl	Gabrielle Fruehauf	Amanda Marnon
Raegan Randolph	Sara Hayes	Alex Dedvukaj
Rafael Espinosa	Nebojsa Marceta	Sam Goepper
Kumehnnu Gwilly	Austin Jakubik	Tyler Jakubik
Blake Vallie	Shayna Buhagiar	

Silver Award

Casey D'Amico	Anthony Harris
Brady Labrada	Ryan Shuck
Cameron Avis	Nikolas Beers
Peter Gjini	Jason Grohman
Eric Martinez	Madison Bankstahl
Saxton Baumann	Mia Bosankic
Marinel Cruz	Kristiana Kodra
Kasey Krueger	Alida Narkaj
Justine Palushaj	Sara Swiatkowski
Sarah Timko	Breann Wissner
Angela Zona	Katelyn Couch
Aspen Gamez	Jenna Johnston
Angela King	Olivia Kirma
Antonella Lupo	Summer Watkins
Olivia Windorf	Ryan Bankstahl
Giovannie Braun	Lancer Casem
Caroline Franzen	Erika Himmel
Sarah Klinker	Davina Nguyen
Brittany Weston	Ciera Von Zittwitz
Joe Zaremski	Tom Bicja
Joe Brown	Chris Dedvukaj
Jack Kraemer	Frank Malaj
Michael Russell	Matt Sabol
Joe Smith	Tyler Townsend
Antonio DeCocco-Cole	
Miriah Vantroostenberghe	

Chieftain Award

Gabriel Espinosa	Joseph Halikos	Anthony Kesto
Mohammad Khan	Gjergi Ndoj	Charles Plumhoff
Connor Putrich	Jake Robinette	Ryan Blakeman
Shayne Bullaro	Robert Clark	Dominic Dawood
Andriy Fediv	Alec George	Jackson Hintz
Ryan Hupfel	Sinan Kalemaj	Kristopher Kue
Jacob Maddox	Jared Shekoski	Lucas Stanley
Ceion Strange	David Wagner	Muqdad Yalda
Luna Abdulghani	Kayla Hoover	Shelby Jeffrey
Lucy Picari	Nicole Morsfield	Marli Scalici
Courtney Kola	Taylor Matt	Sarah Rusk
Samantha Wager	Leanna Bolde	Noah Brenizer
Ryan Butterworth	Dan Jones	Anna Lewis
Anthony Alu	Jacob Ciner	Caden Ebeling
Michael Frick	Paul Marble	Michael Pavelek
Sarah Przybylo	Mitch Von Zittwitz	Zachary Yono
Jennifer Barbosa-Saucedo		

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 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 and box 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.



National Honor Society News

The National Honor Society's next meeting is scheduled for April 15, 2014 at 6:45 a.m. in the ECC Room. The Executive Board meeting is scheduled for March 25th, at 6:45 a.m. in room 234.

All seniors need to have completed their twenty-five (25) service hours by March 28, 2014, in order for their names to be engraved on their medallion. Seniors are also encouraged to check with Ms. Kammann to see that all their requirements have been completed. NHS members are encouraged to check in room 234 as well as at www.uticanhs.weebly.com for updated service hour and tutoring opportunities. This website has all the necessary forms for all NHS members.



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 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 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, your username and password will not change. Visit the district website at 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. Killius 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

It is truly AMAZING what happens when we join together - we become a force of nature, and as a force of nature we can provide disaster relief to those affected by natural disasters. As a school we raised over 10,000 points for DRAW! I cannot thank you all enough for taking the time and energy to promote, motivate, and inspire of your students to help our student council have the most successful bucket drive DRAW has ever seen! I don't know for sure yet, but I think we have a VERY good chance at winning the STATE CHARITY OF THE YEAR AWARD!!! Here are all the class and team totals:

Team 1 - 815 total points

Allore-242
Bologna-52
Bronski-32
Dabrowski-404
Day-85

Team 2 - 4,199 total points *WINNING TEAM!

Farr-236
Grieco-1,465 *2nd Place Winner!
Haley-198
Hodsdon-132
Ignasiak-10
Kammann-1,326 *3rd Place Winner!
Kevonian-787
Koehn-18
Konnie-27

Team 3 - 1,719 total points

Counseling Office-348
LaPratt-329
Larson-682
Machak-222
Polium-3
Rice-77
Rojeski-1
See-57

Team 4 - 3,413 total points

Main Office-555
Skalski-5
Smale, C-20
Smith-806
Struck-1,796 *1st Place Winner!
Swanson-8
Vigus-128
Wright-95



From your School Social Worker Mary Ellen Bross



SOCIAL WORK MONTH 2014

School social workers interact with parents and other staff to put all the pieces together to make a student's educational experience the best it can be. They participate as members of each school's total educational team. School social workers also play a central role in creating partnerships between home, school, and community to ensure students' academic success. They are uniquely trained at the master's degree level to provide specialized services that include helping with:

**Grades, Behavior, Homework
Learning ,Interpersonal Relationships
Family Transitions, Substance Abuse
Suicide Prevention, Bullying
Referrals to Community Agencies**

In the area of special education, school social workers participate as a member of the multidisciplinary evaluation team to identify the social and emotional needs of students. They work with parents and teachers to implement plans to facilitate academic success and are involved in the process of assessing the need for behavioral interventions and developing behavior plans for dealing with problematic behavior in school. School social workers often provide direct services to students on an individual or group basis to assist with their academic and behavioral success in school. Feel free to contact me at 586-797-2200 (UHS) or 586-797-1600 (Ford II) for more information or assistance.

**Mary Ellen Bross, LMSW, ACSW
School Social Worker-UHS/FORD II**



FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR...Jim Vigus

Athletic Boosters website: www.uhsathleticboosters.net

Utica High Athletic Booster Club Meetings: March 3rd, 7:00 p.m., ECC Room.
April 14th, 7:00 p.m., ECC Room.

Booster Club Euchre Tournament March 21, 2014, at The Palazzo Grande, doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Tryouts:

All Spring Sport Tryouts begin Monday March 10th.

If you have questions about tryouts please contact the varsity coach.

Boys Track: Megan Berry
Girls Track: Roger White
Baseball: Mark Moehlig
Tennis: Chris Dabrowski
Softball: Deonna Giacoma
Lacrosse: Gabe Marquez
Soccer: Dave Moran

Megan.berry@uticak12.org
Roger.white@uticak12.org
Mark.moehlig@uticak12.org or call 586-243-1175
Christine.dabrowski@uticak12.org
dgiacoma@solake.org
Gabriel.amarquez@yahoo.com
dmoran37@gmail.com

Utica High Home Athletic Events:

Varsity Boys' Baseball: 3-24 Stevenson (scrimmage), 4:30 p.m.
3-27 Dakota (scrimmage), 4:30 p.m.

Lacrosse: 3-25 Port Huron, 5:30 p.m.
3-27 Stevenson, 5:30 p.m.

Girls' JV/Varsity Soccer: 3-31 Stevenson, 5:00 p.m.

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

**Next Booster Meeting: March 18, 2014
 7:00 p.m. – Band Room**

YOU'RE INVITED!

General Membership Meetings:

3rd Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 p.m. in the Band Room (unless otherwise noted.)
 March 18th, April 15th, May 20th, and June 17th.

STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Devin Aebi, senior tuba player with the Utica High School Wind Ensemble was selected to be in the 2014 MSBOA All-State High School Orchestra. Over 2,560 students registered to audition for a spot in one of the 4 All-State Ensembles. Devin was chosen as the top tuba player in the state and the only tuba player in the All-State Orchestra which performed on January 18, 2014 in Grand Rapids.

Congratulations Devin!



Congratulations to the following students that won the Districts Gonda Scholarship

Chris Merril, Ryan Herc, Trevor Macks, Jose Arizmendi, (Utica High students) and Charlene Dukes (Jeanette Jr. High/ UHS Marching Band)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Band Festival

Our bands are working hard on their Festival Pieces for Band Festival coming up on March 13 at Anchor Bay High School. Report times are as follows:

Symphonic Band

Call time @ UHS - 3:15 PM
 Performance Time - 6:35 PM
 Leave on bus - 8:15 PM
 Arrive back at school - 8:45 PM

Wind Ensemble

Call time @ UHS - 5:15 PM
 Performance Time - 8:15 PM
 Leave on bus - 9:40 PM
 Arrive back at school - 10:10 PM

Officer Elections

The election committee is now taking nominations for the Booster Board 2014-2015. The duties of the officers are listed at the end of this newsletter. The nominations should be made to one of the election committee members and will be announced at the March meeting. Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the March 18th meeting. Each person nominated will be given time to speak about their candidacy at the March meeting. The election will be held at April 15th meeting with results announced at the end of that meeting. If you know of any parents that have 8th grade students, who will be in Marching Band during their 9th grade year, please encourage them to get involved.

Please email your nominations with the Subject: **Band Booster Board Nomination** to:

Karrie Jackard - 586-726-9366 or jri84@comcast.net

Laura Kerr - 586-876-2448 or kerrclad@wowway.com



Band and Orchestra Happenings

Red Wings Game

Utica Band and Orchestra Night is Sunday March 30, Tampa Bay versus the Detroit Red Wings. A huge thanks to all that have purchased tickets!

Bowling for the Band Friday April 25 at our new location Shelby Lanes see attached flyer for details.

Put on your favorite bowling shirt, go get that dusty bowling ball out of the closed and sign up for the annual Bowling for the Band fundraiser! This is one of our larger and popular fundraisers. It will be held on **Friday, April 25 with check in at 6:30 p.m. and bowling beginning at 7:00 p.m.** at Van Dyke Bowl. Tickets are \$20.00 per person, which includes 2 games of bowling , shoes, pizza and pop. There will be raffles and prizes and fun! Flyers will also be posted at school. Please contact Cindy Feeman at cdplus3@comcast.net

We are asking each family that has a student in band to donate something for this fundraiser. If each family donated one item, we will be able to create some great gift baskets and raffle prizes.

Suggested donations:

- gift cards
- theme items (items to put together a movie night basket such as popcorn, dvd, candy)
- bottles of beverages (to create baskets of cheer)
- wine/wine glasses
- services - If you can provide a service or in business yourself (like housecleaning), you could donate that service.
- money - place an envelope in the orange box with bowling donation written on the envelope. We will use it to purchase items for the raffle.

Please drop off your donation to the band room with your name on it. The bowling fundraiser is usually one of the more successful ways to raise money. Your help is greatly needed to make this a success.

REMINDERS:

Our picture collector this year is Katie Parsons. Please send her any pictures from any event all year long. Katie would appreciate pictures given to her on a CD or DVD. They fit in the Orange Box in the band room. She will be putting together the DVD that all band students will receive at the end of the year.

FUNDRAISERS

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. The UHS Band Code for Meijer is **297542**. If there are any questions, contact Tina Kasic (248) 321-9893 or kmkaskic@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 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



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 or from the Utica High School main www.uticahigh.org and choose **UHS Band** under “**QUICK LINKS**.”

FACEBOOK

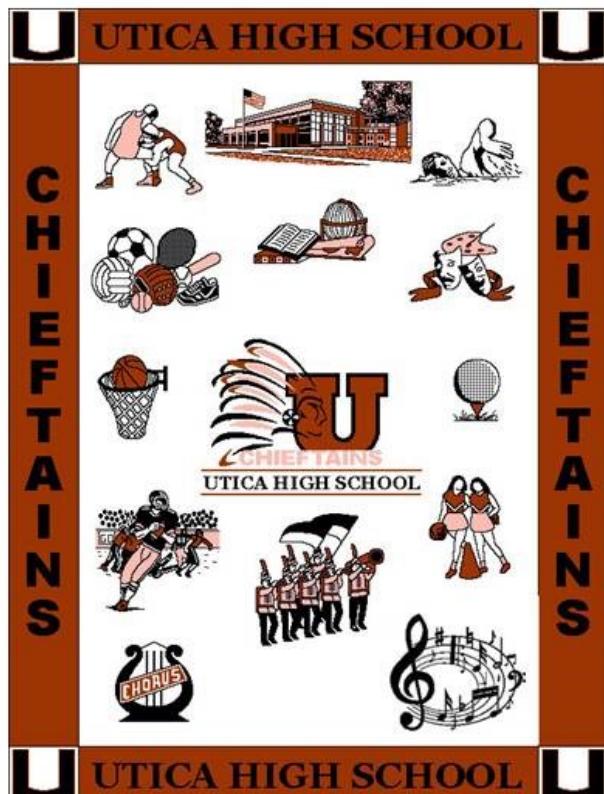
Utica High School Band or from the Boosters’ website under “Quick Links” Utica Band Facebook.

BAND STORE

Please visit our website at www.uticabands.org under Quick Links. We have many items that would make GREAT Christmas presents. Afghans are back and updated with a new picture of Utica High School!

LIMITED QUANTITIES AVAILABLE!

UTICA HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS
present
UTICA HIGH SCHOOL AFGHANS
“The Perfect Gift for the Holidays, Birthdays & Graduation”



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

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

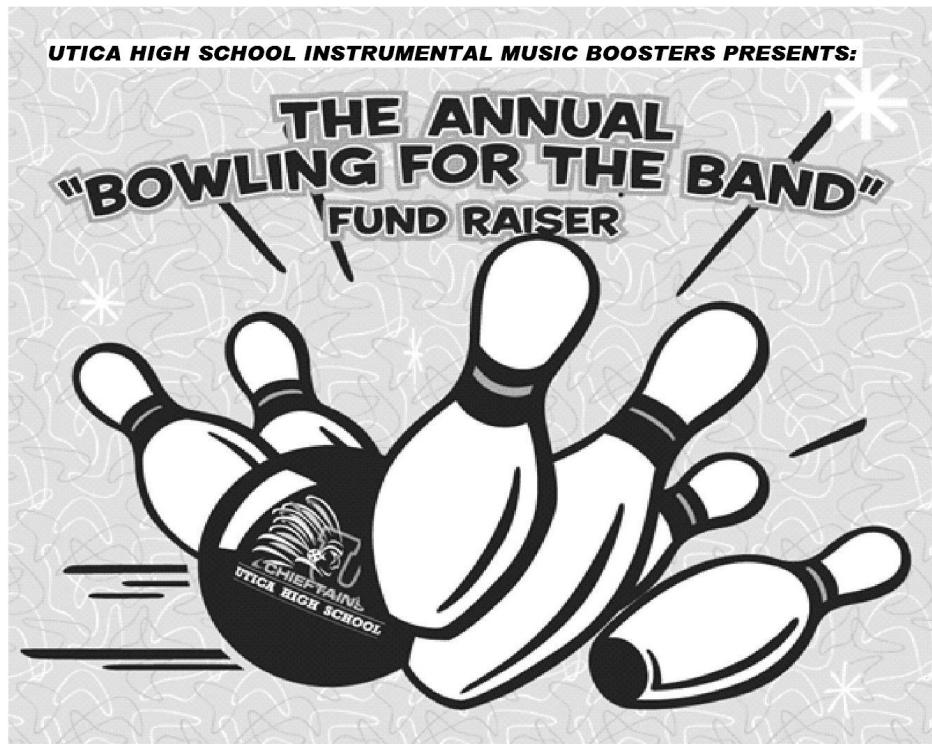
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Band and Orchestra Happenings

Enjoy a night out with friends and family!
Sign up now for "BOWLING FOR THE BAND"
2 games, shoes, pizza and pop are all included in
your \$20 ticket price.

Support the band and have fun!



Friday, April 25, 2014
Check in begins at 6:30pm
Bowling begins at 7:00pm
Shelby Lanes - 50721 Vandyke
Ticket cost is \$20.00 per person
Includes 2 games of bowling, shoes, pizza and pop
Sign up as teams of 6
Lane sponsorships are available with a \$100.00 donation
Basket Raffles for prizes and 50/50 will be available
Mystery and Lucky Lane will be collected at check in.

Any questions, please contact Cyndi Freeman
cdplus3@comcast.net or 586.566.9358

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Ms. Janet Jones, Principal,

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<http://uhs.uticak12.org>

UCS District website:

www.uticak12.org



DATES TO REMEMBER



Mar 3—Apr 11	WIDA
March 4—6	ACT/MME Testing
March 10	Sounding Board Meeting, Main Office, 9:30 a.m.
March 13	Parent-Teacher Conferences, 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
Mar 17—Apr 4	Senior Speech Sign-Up
March 20	Career Expo, Eisenhower, 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.
March 28	End of Marking Period
April 4	Last Day Senior Speech Sign-Up
April 7—11	No School—Spring Break
April 14	Classes Resume
April 14	Sounding Board Meeting, Main Office, 9:30 a.m.
April 16	Senior Speech Contest—Main Office Conference Room
April 16	College Fair, Henry Ford II High School, 6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
April 18	No School—Good Friday
April 21	Classes Resume
April 29—30	MANDATORY Parent/Senior Meeting, Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.



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.