

Urbana High School

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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to seniors **Morgan Boyd** and **Jeren Howell** for being nominated and chosen as Student of the Month for October.

UHS PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent - Teacher conferences are scheduled for Tuesday, November 18th during the hours of 3:00 – 6:30 p.m. Please call the counseling office at 653-1424 to schedule a conference with your student's teacher(s). **We strongly encourage both parents and students to attend the scheduled meetings.**

BLOOD DRIVE

A Blood Drive, sponsored by the UHS National Honor Society, is scheduled for Tuesday, October 23, 2025. Students must be 16 years old to donate. Please see Mrs. Leonard to pick up a permission form and register. All permission forms must be competed and turned in by October 20th to participate. Solvita is responsible for the collection process, medical support and safety procedures.

PBIS

The UHS PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) Leadership Team is excited to continue celebrating students who go above and beyond in demonstrating our three UHS Core Values: Own It, Do the Work, and Respect. This year, staff members will recognize students through Positive Referrals submitted via Public School Works. These referrals highlight students who are making a positive impact in our school community. When a student receives a Positive Referral, their parent or guardian will be notified by email, including the reason for the recognition. Students recognized through Positive Referrals will be entered into weekly prize drawings, along with a quarterly drawing for a chance to win a gift card. We're off to a great start and are looking forward to another positive and productive school year! In addition, the PBIS Team will be hosting a Thanksgiving Food Drive to support the Caring Kitchen in providing meals for local families, as well as a spiritwear fundraiser to support ongoing PBIS initiatives. Stay tuned–more details coming soon!

ABSENCE REPORTING & ATTENDANCE

A parent or guardian must call the school attendance office (937-653-1414) before 9:00 a.m. to report student absences. **Emails will not be accepted as a method of reporting absences.** If no call is received by 9:00 a.m., the school will attempt to contact the primary number on file between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. If contact cannot be made, the student must bring a signed note from a parent or guardian upon returning to school. This note must include the date of the absence and the reason for the absence. Students may not be absent for more than 8 days or 48 hours during the school year without written documentation from a physician or verification of court attendance. Absences beyond this limit that are not properly documented will be considered unexcused and may be subject to truancy procedures in accordance with state and district policy. **Students must be in attendance a minimum of four full class periods in order to participate in or attend athletic contests, musicals, dances or other scheduled events.** If a student becomes ill while at school, he/she must contact the school nurse. Students are not to contact a parent without receiving authorization for dismissal. The absences will be considered unexcused and disciplinary action will occur. Vacations during the school year are discouraged; however, requests for approval may occur. Upon a written request or phone call from a parent/guardian, a vacation form will be given to the student for teacher and parent signatures. The completed form is to be returned to the attendance office at least five days prior to the absence. Requests made or submitted after the absence will not be excused. Vacation days DO count toward the 8-Day/48-Hour absence rule. If a student is absent for minor illness or medical issue, we do expect students to continue to stay current on their assignments and any assessments that are permitted to be done from home. When absent, students should email their teachers and check their Google Classroom accounts daily.

JOSTENS

Seniors were given graduation packets from Jostens in September. Seniors must order a cap, gown and graduation tassel. You can order online at URBANA HIGH SCHOOL URBANA, OH - Graduation | Jostens or call 937-280-4350. See Mrs. Jacobs with questions.

CHROMEBOOKS

Chromebook payments for the 2025 - 2026 school year are due by the end of the First Quarter (October 17, 2025). If scheduled payment is not made, payment amount will be placed on school fees. Students may pay school fees in the main office during lunch or after school. Fees can also be paid through the website under Quick Links (A-M), choose Fee Payments and then follow the prompts. Grade cards will be held and course credit cannot be certified until fees have been paid. Students will also not be allowed to attend school dances or receive a work permit until fees are paid or a payment plan is arranged. Fees are required to be paid in full to attend Prom and to participate in the graduation ceremony. Students are reminded to bring their Chromebook fully-charged to school every day. See Mrs. Jacobs with any questions.

POWDER PUFF GAME



The Urbana DECA chapter, along with the Urbana Athletic Department, will be hosting the 4th Annual Powder Puff game at Climber Stadium on October 25th. Tickets will be sold pre-sale and at the gate for entry at $5 a piece. Event sponsors are requested and encouraged! Junior and Senior girls of Urbana High School will compete in a friendly Powderpuff football game, while they are cheered on by the junior and senior boys and the Marching Band. Food trucks and vendors will also be set up. This year's benefits will be the Urbana YMCA youth sports programs. It will be a fun event with lots of excitement and we're looking forward to seeing the community come support! Help us reach our goal of $13,000 fundraised! Please direct any questions to thomas.russell@urbanacityschools.org

FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONAL FEES

The Free and Reduced Application 30 day carry over from last year has come to an end. Students lunch statuses were updated on October 8th if an application was not submitted for approval. Free and Reduced Applications are available in the main office or on the Urbana City Schools website www.urbanacityschools.org. During the 2025 -2026 school year, Ohio Revised Code 3313.642 prohibits districts from charging instructional fees for those eligible for free lunch through this program. To receive the instructional fee waiver, the Sharing Information with other Programs Form must be completed and returned.

TOWER

We kicked off our 2026 Yearbook Sales already. You may visit yearbookforever.com to order online or turn in orders to Mrs. McKellop in room 224. Yearbooks are $60 each. Options to purchase items such as name plates, icons, and dust covers can be made online. Prices will go up in January, so don't wait! Get your book of memories before it is too late.

THE URBANA APP

Rooms allows you to customize notifications you receive via Email and SMS. To find these settings on the app, click your name in the top right corner of the screen. The following options are available to turn on in varying combinations, choose one:

Instant Delivery: Get notified instantly when you receive an unread message

Hourly Digest: Receive a text message hourly with a collection of all unread messages

Daily Digest: Get a text with a collection of all unread messages, delivered at your scheduled time

Enabled in combination:

Hourly digest email for messages: Receive hourly emails about any unread messages, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 7pm based on your time zone.

SMS notifications for announcements: Get text notifications for unread announcements in your rooms.

Daily digest email for announcements: Receive a daily summary of all class announcements in Rooms, delivered between 6 p.m. and 8 PM.

You can access a Parent FAQ sheet by clicking HERE. The FAQ sheet can also be found in the app and on our website at urbanacityschools.org. If you are experiencing any issues with the app, please contact Kelli Marsh: kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org or 937-653-1453 ext. 2126.

PARENT ACCESS

We now have an app available for Parent Access. In the Google Play Store or Apple App Store, search for "Progressbook Parent and Student" to find and download the mobile app. If you already have an account - tap login, choose Urbana City Schools, tap go, enter your username and password and tap sign in. Students will follow the same directions but will tap Students Sign in with Google. If you have a registration key and need to create an account - open the app, tap login, choose Urbana City Schools, tap go, scroll down to the New to Progressbook? section, tap create account, on the next screen tap New Parent Account and follow the prompts on the screen to complete registration. You can watch a short video about how the app works at https://bit.ly/UCSParentAccess If you need a registration key please contact Kelli Marsh at kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org

FINALFORMS

If you have not yet done so, please make sure to update all student information on FinalForms. Parents/Guardians need to sign forms online at urbana-oh.finalforms.com each year. If you have previously logged into your account, login to that same account and update your forms. If you have never logged in- choose "Login" under the Parent Icon and then choose "Never Logged In"- DO NOT CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT. Enter your email address. A confirmation link will be sent to you. If you do not receive a confirmation link, or have any issues, please contact kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org.

HOMECOMING FUN

Congratulations to the UHS Homecoming court and finalist! **The Urbana High School 2025 Homecoming Queen is……Camri Lantz!**





UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17
End of First Quarter
Chromebook Payments Are Due!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20
Records Day / No School for Students

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21
Start of Second Quarter

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22
7:00pm. FAFSA Informational Workshop

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23
8:00 – 11:00am. NHS Blood Drive

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24
Activity Schedule for PBIS Assembly
Report Cards Released

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25
2:00pm. Marching Band Concert @ Auditorium
5:00pm. Powder Puff Game @ Climber Stadium

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27
7:30pm. Fall Choir Concert @ Auditorium

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31
7:35am. Picture Retakes

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10
7:00pm. FFA Greenhand Ceremony @ Auditorium

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14
Building Newsletter Released

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18
3:00 – 6:30pm. Parent – Teacher Conferences
6:00pm. Board Meeting @PK8

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19
6:00 – 7:30pm. PBL Exhibition (Daytime during CT)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21
Two Hour Delay / Teacher Inservice

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24 – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28
Thanksgiving Break / No School for Student

Stay up to date with all Athletic events by going to https://schools.snap.app/UrbanaOH