Penguin Families,

We may have heard that we are facing a potential teacher walk out next week. As of now, the plan is for school to be in session on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday as normal. There is a good chance that schools across Arizona including our own will be canceled on Thursday (and potentially beyond) if a teacher walk out occurs. Two groups representing Arizona’s educators announced last night that a majority of public school employees voted in favor of a statewide teacher walkout.

The Arizona Education Association and Arizona Educators United said more than 50,000 ballots were returned, and about 78 percent voted for the walkout. Tucson Unified School District will continue to develop specifics for how to best handle the situation for students, parents and staff members. The district will share information as quickly as possible and will have an update Friday. The most current and accurate information will be posted at www.tusd1.org, on www.facebook.com/tucsonunified and will be sent via email to families and staff through the Parentlink system. Questions can be sent to answers@tusd1.org. We will do our best to answer questions quickly and will continue to expand our FAQ. I will also keep you informed as I get the information. I know this is a stressful time and there is a lot of anxiety about this. I will continue to make sure you have all of the relevant information as I receive it.

Today, many UHS students left campus in a student lead protest that surrounded gun violence. This was not endorsed, organized or supported by University High School. This was entirely student created. The student organizers in their attempt to be transparent, created permission slips as a means to document who was participating. Unfortunately, despite these good intentions, it created a situation where it appeared that the school was creating a field trip for students to walk out of school. This was not the case and we apologize for that confusion. As the principal of this school, I want to make sure our students are safe. That is my number one priority. I asked to be kept in the loop when I heard this walk out was going to occur because I wanted to make sure if students walked, that school safety and the Tucson Police would be available to keep them safe. This does not mean I support or condone students leaving school, but it means that if students are going to make this decision, I want to know that safety personnel are watching out for them so that nothing bad happens. The majority of UHS students chose not to walk out today. Students should feel safe sharing their beliefs with others. I want all students, regardless of whether their beliefs are popular or not, to feel comfortable engaging in professional discourse with their peers about their beliefs.

We need many wonderful and dedicated volunteers to make the Grad Night party special for our seniors. At this point, we have just over 60% of all volunteer slots filled, which is great, but we have a ways to go!

Take a look at all of the fun ways to help out: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0B4AAEA62CA7F49-2018 If you have any questions, please contact Bess Ecelbarger at bje3@cox.net

Thank you for a great AZMerit Testing experience! All students who missed AZ Merit Math, Reading or Writing MUST check in with Ms. Morales in the counseling office during conference on Monday to make sure they make arrangements to take their tests on Monday and Tuesday.

Congratulations to our many UHS SARSEF winners! Please see page 2 to read about our winners and their projects!!!

I am asking you all to support our UHS Parents’ Association College and Career Campaign. We are the only high school in Southern Arizona that has a full time writing specialist to help support our students not only for their college and scholarship applications, essays and interviews but also in the writing development of all of our students. This is the type of service only available in elite private boarding schools on the east coast!!! At this point we have raised over $5K, but have $39K to go!! Please make your donation today!!! https://bit.ly/UHS-MOP-2018 Here is a great video about who Ms. Lori Minor is and what she does here at UHS!! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a187Hh2ppc0&sns=em

Amy Cislak, Principal

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2018 UHS Southern Arizona Regional Science and Engineering Fair (SARSEF) WINNERS

Kristen Alicea-Jorgensen
The Effect of Pyrethroid Insecticides on Transgenic Anopheles stephensi Mosquitoes
SARSEF Grand Award: 1st Place
The APS Scholarship for Problem Solving

Sonja Brett
Neuron Number in Honey Bees and Carpenter Bees
SARSEF Grand Award: 2nd Place

Carlos Doe
Making Autonomous Navigation Safer
SARSEF Grand Award: 3rd Place
State Farm Insurance Safety Award
Yale Outstanding Science & Engineering Award

Jennifer Espersen
Nuclear Powers the Future!
Air Force Future Leaders of STEM
Outstanding Project in Nautical or Submarine Sciences
TEP Award of Excellence

Deja Foxx
Teen Pregnancy and Determinants of Increased Rates of Cesarean Section (Special Focus on BMI)
SARSEF Grand Award: 2nd Place
Deena Jo Heide-Diesllin Foundation Community Award
Society for Science & the Public Award for Community Innovation

Mara Harwin
Identifying the mechanisms behind toxoplasma gondii strain specific differences in Alzheimer's Disease mouse models
SARSEF Grand Award: 3rd Place

Richard Nabahe
Graphene Oxide and Carbon Nanotube Welding
SARSEF Grand Award: 2nd Place
Jonathan S. Paul
Investigations of Different Methods to Extract Signals of Interest in Future ATLAS Collision Data
SARSEF Grand Award: 2nd Place

Colton Payne
Bursting Your Bubble: How Knowledge of Economic Theory Impacts Decision Making
SARSEF Grand Award: 2nd Place
SAPA 1st Place

Joaquin Pesqueira
Are the “fireworks” in the Fireworks Galaxy unique?
Astronomy Achievement Award for High School Excellence in Astronomy Award

Olivia N. Pietz
The Impact of Age on Hippocampal-Prefrontal Interactions in Rats
SARSEF Grand Award: 2nd Place
Achievement in Research in Psychological Science

Addamae Root
Marine Dissentigration of Biodegradable Microplastics
SARSEF Grand Award: 1st Place
Excellence in Critical Thinking
Pulse of the Planet Award
Stockholm Junior Water Prize Regional Award

Cole Porter Sohn
Virtual Reality University
SARSEF Grand Award: 1st Place
Excellence in Computer Science
Excellence in Engineering Scholarship
Spark Gap Award
Yale Outstanding Science & Engineering Award
Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support University High School. Come in to the Chipotle at 5870 E Broadway Blvd Ste 3002 in Tucson on Tuesday, April 24th between 4:00pm and 8:00pm. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you’re supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to University High School.

Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.
Obtaining extra academic support and college guidance is an important issue for all UHS students. The UHS Parents’ Association provides funding for two essential staff members in the College and Career Counseling Center. We provide a grant for Ms. Lori Minor to work with our students and parents in a variety of areas including writing college applications, scholarship essays, DBQs, FRQs, test taking skills, note taking skills, PSAT, SAT and ACT preparation, and running student study groups. Here is what a former UHS student had to say about working with Ms. Minor:

“As a senior, I find Ms. Minor has been a priceless asset for editing college application and scholarship essays. At UHS, students strive for excellence, and Ms. Minor’s adept skill and experience in college administration and creative essay writing enable us to achieve our full potential. Additionally, she is a much needed addition to the beloved counseling and student support team for all grade levels.”

— Rachel Done, UHS Class of 2015
Current Student at Yale University

Please consider make a donation to the UHSPA March of the Penguins campaign for the UHS College and Career Counseling Center Sustainability Fund. With your contribution, we will continue to provide grants for the positions occupied by Ms. Lori Minor and Ms. Paty Hanzlick so that they may continue to provide individual attention to UHS students with their college planning.

Here’s a link to make a tax deductible, charitable contribution:


Or send your UHSPA March of the Penguins contribution to:

University High School Parents’ Association
5425 E. Broadway Blvd #451
Tucson, AZ 85711
Thank You For Generously Supporting the UHS College and Career Counseling Center

Donor Name(s):________________________________________________________

Student Name(s):______________________________________________________

Graduation Year(s):____________________________________________________

Address:_________________________________________________________________

City:________________ State:__________ Zip:______________________________

Phone:_________________________________________________________________

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☐ Please check only if you wish your gift to anonymous and not publically recognized by the UHS Parents’ Association

Yes! I am supporting the
UHS College and Career Counseling Center
for the following amount:

☐ $1,000  ☐ $500  ☐ $250  ☐ $150  ☐ $100  ☐ $_______

☐ Check enclosed made payable to
UHS Parents’ Association  ☐ Please bill my credit card

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All Parents, We Need Your Help!
Donations desperately needed!

Keeping our Kids Safe, Making Memories for a Lifetime
Graduation Night is one of the most dangerous nights of the year for teens.
Please help us give them a party that is better than any other!
This Event is entirely privately funded - no School District subsidy

Without Student Registrations and Corporate and Parent Donations, we can’t make it happen!

$35,000 Party for 248 people for 8 hours of Outrageous Fun!
We have less than 50% of the donations made by this time last year!

TAX DEDUCTIBLE

Grad Night Ticket Scholarship Fund
No student should miss this party because of financial constraints!
Scholarships are available for financially challenged students.
Students: see Ms. Volkenking.
Those scholarships are made possible by parent donations.
Please, Sponsor a student

Donate Here!
OR
mail Checks to:
UHSPA Grad Night
5425 E Broadway # 451
Tucson, AZ 85711

Checks payable to UHSPA-GNP
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DONATIONS OF $200 OR MORE GET A LOGO OR NAME ON THE PARTY T-SHIRT!
Advertise your business!
To Make your tax credit donation online please see the following steps:

1. Visit [https://az-tucson.intouchreceipting.com/](https://az-tucson.intouchreceipting.com/) You can either sign in directly under your student’s account or you can just make a direct donation (see the red circle!) without logging in. Guests who do not have students at the school will find making a direct payment without an account easier.

2. When you get to the general payment page (without logging in) you will notice you can select the school who receives your donation. Because we share a Finance manager, UHS is listed with Rincon “Rincon University” (don’t worry though! UHS has their own accounts—please check carefully to ensure you click on the correct school account. Please consider applying your tax credit to “University Undesignated”. This is the general account that helps pay for field trips, competitions, band instruments and much much more! Under the memo you can apply the student’s name you want your tax donation applied to benefit (AP Exams, Sports fees, Travel Club, Band, Choir, etc... etc... etc..!)
**UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL**

**Modular Monday (Schedule #1)**
- Period 0: 7:00—7:55
- Conference Period: 8:00—8:55
- Announcements: 9:00—9:05
- Period 1: 9:05—10:00
- Period 2: 10:05—11:00
- Period 3: 11:05—12:00
- Lunch B: 12:05—1:00
- Period 4B: 1:05—2:00
- Period A: 2:10—3:10

**Modular Tuesday (Schedule #2)**
- Period 0: 7:00—7:55
- Conference Period: 8:00—8:55
- Announcements: 9:00—9:05
- Period 2: 9:05—10:00
- Period 4B: 10:05—11:00
- Lunch B: 12:05—1:00
- Period 6: 1:15—2:10

**Staff Development Wednesday (Schedule #4)**
- Period 0: 7:00—7:55
- Period 1: 8:00—8:55
- Period 2: 8:55—9:55
- Period 3: 9:55—10:55
- Period 4B: 10:55—11:55
- Lunch B: 11:55—12:55
- Period 5: 12:55—1:55
- Period 6: 1:55—2:55
- Professional Dev.: 2:10—3:10

**Sequential Thursday/Friday (Schedule #3)**
- Period 0: 7:00—7:55
- Announcements: 8:00—8:05
- Period 1: 8:05—8:55
- Period 2: 8:55—9:55
- Period 3: 9:55—10:55
- Period 3A: 10:55—11:55
- Period 4: 11:55—12:55
- Lunch B: 12:55—1:55
- Period 6: 1:55—2:55
- Professional Dev.: 2:10—3:10

**Assembly (Schedule #6)**
- Fall: September 5th
- Winter: January 16th

**Early Dismissal Conferences (Schedule #5)**
- Period 0: 7:00—7:55
- Period 1: 8:00—8:30
- Period 2: 8:30—9:10
- Period 3: 9:10—9:50
- Period 4: 9:50—10:30
- Period 5: 10:30—11:30
- Early Release Dates: September 15th
- February 10th

**Back to School Open House**
- August 15th, 6-7:30 p.m.

**Parent Teacher Conferences**
- Thursday, September 14th, 4-6 p.m.
- Thursday, February 15th, 4-6 p.m.

**Fall/Spring Final Exams (Schedule #7)**
- Period 0: 7:00—7:55
- Period 1: 8:00—8:50
- Period 2: 9:00—9:50
- Period 3: 9:50—10:50
- Period 5: 10:50—11:40

**Fall/Spring Final Exams (Schedule #8)**
- Period 2: 8:00—9:10
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- Period 6: 10:20—11:40

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