



**UNIVERSITY
PREPARATORY SCHOOL**

PURSuing EXCELLENCE
TOGETHER

PANTHER PRIDE

Dear U-Prep Families,

It's a wonderful celebration for our entire school-community that our doors have remained open for full-time in-person instruction for five weeks! A huge THANK YOU goes out to our amazing staff, students, and families for the unified support of necessary protocols and practices during this pandemic. Included in this newsletter are pictures that provide a glimpse into our school environment under current conditions. Our students and staff are genuinely doing an incredible job managing the pivot. Moving forward, we are striving to continue with Monday through Friday in-person learning for as long as we are able to do so.

On point with the pandemic, we appreciate the diligence of our families in keeping students home when they aren't feeling well and in notifying our school office of such circumstances. This partnership is an important part of managing a shared road effectively. It's this partnership that enables our school-community to demonstrate strength and courage in the face of adversity; we are all working together to show what's possible during seemingly impossible circumstances. As such, it's an honor to be a part of U-Prep, a place where people aim high, work hard, and pursue excellence together.

Academic Conferences are nearly upon us, September 23-24. We will be following the Early Release Day Bell Schedule (see page 2) on both days. Conference appointments will be prioritized for students who aren't passing one or more of their classes. Mrs. Lanzi, Registrar, will contact parents of *in-person students* to set up conference appointments. Mr. Reagan, Distance Learning Coordinator, will coordinate communication with parents of *distance learning students*. Conferences may be in-person or virtual, depending upon the circumstances. Parents who attend in-person conferences are required to wear a mask and complete a Visitor Wellness Check at the check-in station in the main lobby. Scheduling of conference appointments will begin next week.

Let's keep up the great effort, one day at a time.

Sincerely,

Shelle Peterson
Superintendent/Principal



VIRTUAL STRINGS CLASS



YEARBOOK STUDENTS
BRAINSTORMING



CHOIR IN THE
COURTYARD



SIGNAGE & SANITIZERS



DANCE CLASS WITH A
TWIST

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 17	Junior High-School Pictures
Sept. 18	High School-School Pictures
Sept. 21	Early Release Day/1:35 PM
Sept. 21-25	Fall Spirit Week
Sept. 22	College Quest 2020 Event
Sept. 23-24	Academic Conferences
Sept. 23	SAT
Sept. 23	Senior Parent Info Night
Sept. 28	Early Release Day/1:35 PM
Sept. 28-Oct. 2	Senior Portraits
Oct. 5	Athletic Boosters Meeting
Oct. 9	First Quarter Ends
Oct. 12	Sober Grad Dine & Donate MOD Pizza
Oct. 14	PSAT
Oct. 15	Think Pink Day
Oct. 19	Early Release/1:35 PM
Oct. 20	JH Student of the Quarter
Oct. 21	Unity Day
Oct. 22	HS Student of the Quarter
Oct. 26	Early Release Day/1:35 PM
Oct. 30	Red Ribbon Day



UNIVERSITY PREPARATORY SCHOOL
2020-2021 ACADEMIC CONFERENCE SCHEDULE
September 23-24, 2020
March 3-4, 2021

6th & 7th Grade

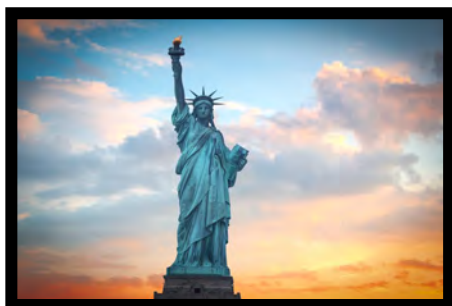
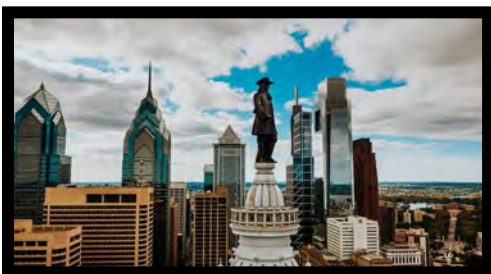
6th-7th ASAP	8:00-8:25
Period 1	8:30-9:05
Period 2	9:10-9:45
Period 3	9:50-10:25
Period 4	10:30-11:05
LUNCH	11:05-11:35
Period 5	11:40-12:15
Period 6	12:20-12:55
Period 7	1:00-1:35

8th Grade & High School

8th ASAP/**O.H.	8:00-8:25
Period 1	8:30-9:05
Period 2	9:10-9:45
Period 3	9:50-10:25
Period 4	10:30-11:05
Period 5	11:10-11:45
LUNCH	11:45-12:15
Period 6	12:20-12:55
Period 7	1:00-1:35

Mission & Vision

University Preparatory School is an educational community invested in developing confident, capable, and compassionate citizens; its mission to immerse all students "in rigorous academics and meaningful extra-curricular activities" is supported by a collaborative and close-knit community of staff, students and parents and is based upon educational research and professional experience. The faculty and staff work together to provide students with many opportunities to excel academically and develop their potential as educated leaders and citizens in the 21st century through a rich and varied extra-curricular program. This vision is supported by offering a seven- period day to students from grades 6 through 12 so that they may pursue academic interests, such as studying multiple world languages or continue their development in the arts, including dance, drama, art, and music. The objective of this mission is to enable all students to become self-motivated, competent, and lifelong learners.



EAST COAST TRIP

The 2021 8th grade East Coast Trip has tentative plans! The dates are June 7-13, 2021. Please contact Mrs. Bright for more information, sbright@suhsd.net

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

HIGH SCHOOL ADVISOR: KENT SMITH

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL ADVISOR: JASPAL GADDY

FALL SPIRIT WEEK 2020

TV SHOWS THEME

*MONDAY, 9/21**OUTERBANKS**BEACH/HAWAIIAN ATTIRE**TUESDAY, 9/22**ALL AMERICAN**SPORTS ATTIRE**WEDNESDAY, 9/23**THE OFFICE**BUSINESS ATTIRE**THURSDAY, 9/24**DUCK DYNASTY**CAMO**FRIDAY, 9/25**BLUES CLUES**SPIRIT WEAR*



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JUNIOR HIGH ASB NEWS

Besides Spirit Week, JH ASB is hosting bi-weekly trivia questions in ASAP classes. Our first round of winners were the ASAP classes of Mr. Love (6th), Ms. Clements (7th), and Mrs. Adams (8th). Thanks to all of our Panthers for participating. A new round is starting this week!

Also, look for information about how to start and be a part of student-led clubs at the beginning of October. We're glad to have everyone back on campus and look forward to hosting as many activities and events as possible.

HIGH SCHOOL ASB NEWS

Student Government is excited to be back on campus and utilizing their creative energies to find new ways to share school spirit and build community. ASB is excited to have the opportunity to host their first Spirit Week, September 21-25, with school spirit days themed around popular tv shows. There will be games on the quad at lunch too! Throughout the month of September, Student Government is hosting an all-high school jeopardy challenge in the daily announcements. Students are able to win prizes at the end of the month for answering the questions correctly on Instagram.



U-Prep Delivers on These Four Promises:

- We prepare students for university-level admissions through offering a challenging academic environment. They will be prepared for the highest post-secondary endeavor (4-year university) regardless of their post-secondary choice.
- We provide academic and relational supports within a close-knit community of faculty and advisors.
- We strive to build positive working relationships with students and families.
- We empower students to develop their unlimited potential through offering new challenges and engagement in leadership opportunities, the visual and performing arts programs, athletics, and rigorous academics.

Our Motto:

Pursuing Excellence Together



VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

Brad Fowers-Department Chair ♦ Elizabeth Johnson-Strings & Percussion ♦ Romney Clements-Fall Musical
Marissa Kinneavy-Dance ♦ Lura Wilhelm-Visual Arts

VISUAL ARTS NEWS

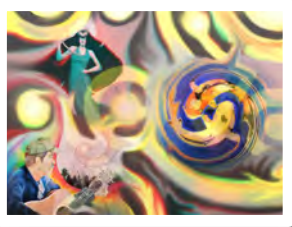


AP and Honors Art students will display their work at the Old Shasta Coffee Company, (across the street from U-Prep) Thursday, September 10 through Monday, November 1.

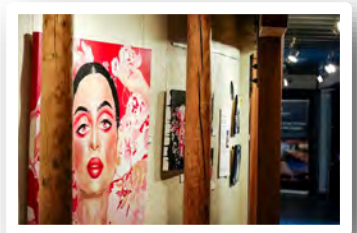
Art in Public Places

U-Prep junior high and high school art students will be working in conjunction with Project Rainforest and City of Redding on an art sculpture to be installed at Caldwell Park. Each student will be creating a portion of a mosaic that surrounds the sculpture. It is a truly exciting project to be included in! Ms. Wilhelm is looking forward to sharing more details in the near future.

Senior AP Art Show: January 1-31, 2021



Senior AP artists will be displaying their works at the Mosaic (The Sheraton Hotel) Gallery. This year five U-Prep seniors will display six art works of various sizes as well as portions of their portfolio for this event. More details are forthcoming.



STRINGS PROGRAM NEWS



Strings teacher, Mrs. Johnson, and U-Prep wish to thank our families for their willingness to support the strings program by helping to provide instruments.



Your partnership is greatly appreciated!

College & Career Corner + Counseling News

Mrs. Mason, Mr. Williams, & Mr. Maikranz



The last four years, U-Prep's 8th grade class has taken a tour of CSU Chico in the fall. This year, due to Covid 19 restrictions, 8th graders are taking a virtual tour of the campus during their advisory period. You are welcome to check out the tour for yourself by visiting this website: [CSU Chico Virtual Tour](#)

SENIOR STUDENTS & FAMILIES

The annual Senior Letter for the class of 2021 is on its way to your mailbox! This letter serves as a comprehensive guide to your senior year.



IMPORTANT DATES

Senior Transition Class Begins



September 14

College Quest 2020



September 22 (see flyer)

Virtual Senior Information Night



September 23

Financial Aid Night



October 5



College Quest 2020 College Fair

A Live Virtual Event for North State Families

September 22, 2020

5:00pm-7:30pm

100+ Colleges &
Universities - Live

Career Pathway
Information

Military Service
Information

Financial Aid
Workshop

FA Workshop Time
5:30pm
1 hour session

Trade School
Information



Check Out the College Quest 2020 Event Page for Details

https://collegeoptions.org/college_quest/

Thank You Sponsors

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PANTHER STUDENT STORE

Check out the new Panther swag in the Student Store! Drop by Room 183 and check out all of the awesome newly arrived apparel. New items are also available to purchase on the Web

Store for pick up.

Student Store/ASB Office Hours

Monday - 7:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Tues. - Fri. - 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM



PANTHERS

COMMUNITY NEWS



The U-Prep Sober Grad committee is in need of parent volunteers so that we can celebrate this year's senior class in style! Parents of all grade levels are welcome! Meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 6 PM in room 302. Come join in on the fun and camaraderie!

Senior info packets are going home with seniors on Monday, September 14. Packets include the Sober Grad certificate information and order form. The time is now for seniors to start selling those certificates!

You can follow us on social media:

Instagram @ UPrep.2021

Facebook @ UPrep 2021

Group Me App @ Sober Grad

Snapchat @ uprepsg21

We can also be reached by email: uprepsg@gmail.com

Sober Grad is holding a MOD Pizza Dine & Donate on Monday, October 12th! More info to come!

Stay tuned for other fundraisers to come your way!

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS



Grab a deal on Athletic Boosters' memberships this year! A one year membership is \$35!

Support our Panther athletes! Athletes of all sports will be pre-selling tamales in October, with delivery in November.

Athletic Boosters meet the first Monday of every month.



Redding Recreation is ready to roll out the Fall 2020 Activity Guide, exclusively digital! Please select the following link to see all that Redding Recreation has to offer!

<https://www.cityofredding.org/departments/activity-guide/-fsiteid-1>

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Jen H., earns for hockey

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Becca L., earns for tuition

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University Preparatory School 2020-2021 School Calendar

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1st Quarter Ends: October 9 (43)
 1st Semester Ends: December 17 (43)
 3rd Quarter Ends: March 19 (47)
 2nd Semester Ends: May 27 (42)

Shaded = Student Attendance Days (175)

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FINAL EXAMS
MINIMUM DAY
ACADEMIC CONFERENCES
 Special Bell Schedules are
 subject to change due to
 COVID-19 circumstances

HOLIDAYS/RECESSES

Labor Day Sep 7
 Veteran's Day Holiday Nov 11
(by law must be Nov 11 if a weekday)
 Thanksgiving Break Nov 23-27
 Winter Break Dec 18-Jan 4
 Martin Luther King Day Jan 18
 Lincoln Day observed Feb 15
 Washington Day observed Feb 16
 February Recess Feb 15-19
 Spring Break Apr 2-Apr 12
 Memorial Day May 31

Thanksgiving - November 26
 Easter - April 4

CERTIFICATED DATES

School Starts: August 11 Graduation: May 28
 School Ends: May 27
 Staff Work Days ○ Aug 10
 May 28
 Jun 1
 Staff Development Days △ Aug 7
 Jan 5
 Apr 12
 Snow Day Makeup: June 1
*(If snow day makeup is used, then June 1
 work day will be moved to June 2)*

Board Adopted 9-4-19