



# Panther Pride

## A Message from Superintendent/Principal Shelle Peterson

This communication will be included in the March 3, 2016 Redding Record Searchlight as a "Speak Your Piece" editorial.

The purpose of this communication is to respond to the recent editorial regarding the incident that occurred between University Preparatory School and Williams High School at a basketball game on Wednesday, February 17. Let me be clear that we do not condone any behavior that does not align with our mission and core values, especially respect. Although we are disappointed in the poor choices of five students among a student body of 968, it is very disappointing that these actions led to stereotyping of our entire student body and school-community. Since the incident, terms such as "white flight", "elitist", "privileged", and "exclusionary" have been used to develop misperceptions about U-Prep and its students.

On point and in accordance with the most recent (2014) US Census Bureau data, 80% of Shasta County residents report as being White, Non-Hispanic. Our local context can hardly describe itself as diverse in comparison to the rest of the state; 38.5% of California residents reported as being White, Not Hispanic. As recorded on the California Dataquest website, which hosts multiple pieces of data for California schools, further data demographic comparisons can be made between seven other local high schools whose enrollment ranges between 516 and 1,371 students during the 2014-2015 school year. On the list of these seven schools, U-Prep ranks among the bottom three as having the lowest percentage of White, Not Hispanic students. The schools that placed first through fourth, one of whom is our neighbor, have percentages above U-Prep's with one other high school nearly equivalent to the County figure. Further, data gleaned from the CA Dataquest website makes evident that over the past six years, the U-Prep student body has become increasingly diverse (a change of 11%).

In response to the terms "elitist", "privileged", and "exclusionary", I offer the following: (1) If this were true, we would be offering Advanced Placement (AP) as an academic 'track' only accessible to those who make the cut. Rather, all juniors and seniors at U-Prep are immersed in AP English and history. Students are not placed into tracking and sorting systems leaving them to believe that the other classes are for the "smart kids". Having AP as the default curriculum *for all* is as academically inclusive as it gets. Further, AP is not an "elitist" curriculum as suggested in the recent editorial. Rather, it is *college curriculum* developed and designed by college instructors, calibrated by national Advanced Placement exams issued by the College Board whose mission is to expand access to higher education. U-Prep students seek the challenge of multiple AP courses, work very hard at their studies, and are committed to achieving their goals; (2) As a public charter school, we accept as many students as we have seats. Selection occurs randomly through a public lottery system. There are no admissions tests or fees. We serve all students and enjoy the flexibility offered within a charter setting to do so. Further, given the waiting lists, we would welcome the opportunity to expand and serve more students should the Shasta Union High School District administration be so inclined to work with us; and, (3) We have students attending our school that come to us whose parents didn't attend college, not just those whose parents did. All parents deserve access to an educational program they feel best meets the needs of their student. Every *student* deserves to be best prepared to compete for a job in our global economy, let alone compete for a seat in college if they so choose.

U-Prep is far from being a racist, privileged, or elitist school. As exemplified at the U-Prep and Williams basketball game, we don't deny that our work with students is not over nor have we 'arrived'; any one student not in alignment with our core values is a student who needs more support before they make a successful transition to a diverse society. We recognize that students come to us from more than 35 different school programs, mostly all within Shasta County. This means that if they enroll with beliefs and values counter to our mission, then our work is made more challenging yet more rewarding. But, we're not giving up. We are 'both feet in' and enjoying every minute of it.

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**Who We Are - Our Vision**

University Preparatory School is a small, grades 6-12, college preparatory school committed to university level preparation in fine arts, literature, languages, history, mathematics, science, and philosophy. Working together, University Preparatory School staff, parents, and community will offer students learning experiences needed to achieve their leadership and academic potential, to become creative thinkers, compassionate human beings, and ethical participants in a multi-cultural, democratic society. Students will be immersed in rigorous academics and meaningful extra-curricular activities and supported by a close-knit community of teacher/advisors, which will enable them to choose any course of post-secondary education.

**MARCH IMPORTANT DATES**

<u>March 4-5</u>	Just Dance
<u>March 7</u>	Early Release 12:30/1:10
<u>March 11</u>	Trimathalon Shasta College
<u>March 11-13</u>	The Odd Couple
<u>March 12</u>	Senior Class Rummage Sale
<u>March 17</u>	Student of the Quarter Awards
<u>March 18</u>	JH Spring Dance
<u>March 21</u>	Career Day
<u>March 21</u>	Early Release 12:30/1:10
<u>March 23</u>	Open House
<u>March 24</u>	Blood Drive
<u>March 25-April 4</u>	Spring Break

# Assistant Principal Corner

*By Mrs. O'Leary, Mr. Carlson & Mrs. Cabral*

## Dress for Success at U-Prep

As the weather gets warmer it is time once again to remind students of dress code guidelines. Included in this article is a link to a PowerPoint presentation that parents can review with their students and hopefully clear up any questions about our dress code. The PowerPoint will also be available on the U-Prep website. Please also take the time to view the PowerPoint for the Prom dress code if you are parents of juniors and seniors who are planning on purchasing or renting prom wear.


At U-Prep the partnership between parents, students and school is the foundation of our culture and the environment. The dress code is an integral part of what makes our school unique and we ask families to support these rules. We feel that it is important to teach young adults how to present themselves in a business-like manner. We believe that our dress code contributes to the academic environment, allows students to focus on their work, and sets

U-Prep apart from other schools. Please feel free to contact Mrs. O'Leary, Mr. Carlson or Mrs. Cabral if you have questions or concerns about dress code.

<http://www.uprep.net/pdf/Prom%20Dress%20Code.pdf>



### 8th Grade Grad Ads



Grad Ads are a great way to give your graduate the special recognition they deserve, for everyone to see, in the 2016 Panthera Yearbook. Ordering is a simple two-step process.

**1**

Select the size ad you wish to purchase.

- \$50 - 1/8 page - 1 photo
- \$90 - 1/4 page - 1-4 photos
- \$170 - 1/2 page - 1-6 photos

**2**

Submit digital photos, message, & payment: digitally or physically.

**Digital Submission**

Email photos & message to: [gradads@uprep.net](mailto:gradads@uprep.net)  
 Note: orders will not be processed until checks are brought to the Ad's office or dropped in Mr. Bird's box in the main office.

**Physical Submission**

Bring a flash drive/disk and check to the Ad's office. Do not bring in physical photos—we do not have a scanner. Once the ad is printed, any flash drive or disk submitted to the school will be returned to your student (see Marchbook's Ad's).

**Deadline for Ordering: March 30th 2016**

If you have further questions, please email Mr. Bird at [bird@uprep.net](mailto:bird@uprep.net) and I will be certain to give you a more specific breakdown of anything which is unclear.



# In the Spotlight

## Science Bowl



### Congratulations to the Winners of the 2016 Redding Regional Science Bowl!

Melia M., Chris H., Erick B., Luke B. and Beau F. did amazingly well with a record of nine wins to only one loss. This is the **fourth year in a row** that **U-Prep** will be heading to **Washington DC** for the **National Competition** at the end of April. All participating **U-Prep Science Bowl** students teams sported **Science Bowl** t-shirts on Monday, February 29th. All competing students deserve congratulations for strong performances. The **U-Prep** teachers should congratulate themselves as well for the strong showings that **U-Prep** has had every year for the last seven years that **U-Prep** has been involved in **Science Bowl**. The staff at **U-Prep** have helped the students develop the strong science and math knowledge, the study skills and drive to succeed that are necessary, the ability to communicate well in groups under pressure, the ability to have a growth mindset in which getting a question wrong is an opportunity to learn and do better in the future, the positive attitudes and good sportsmanship that they all display. Every single one of the **U-Prep Science Bowl** students is an amazing all around student and person and they have developed into that because of **U-Prep's** rigorous classes where they have to strive to succeed and are excited to do so as well as being on sports teams and other academic competitions.

~ U-Prep Math & Science Teacher/Science Bowl Co-Coach Cory Poole





## College & Career Corner + Counseling News

*By Miss Haworth, Mr. Williams, & Mr. Maikranz*

### Career Day 2016

On Monday, March 21st, U-Prep will host it's 12th annual Career Day. We've invited 25 speakers from many different careers to share with our 8th and 9th grade students. Some of the highlighted careers that students will be able to learn about include: Athlete, Biologist, Doctor, Actor, Engineer, Lawyer, Detective, Musician, Chef, Surgeon and many more! This year's featured key note speaker will be Ryan Hall. Ryan is a retired professional athlete who graduated from Stanford University. Ryan competed in two Olympic games as a marathon runner and holds the U.S. record in the half-marathon.

All students, not just 8th and 9th graders are encouraged to dress their best on career day. We will have prizes for the best dressed girl and boy in each grade.



Our Panther Peer Tutoring Program is in need of 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students who would be willing to tutor after school. There are several benefits for becoming a Peer Tutor; it provides experiences that may help with employment, develops confidence and learning ability, builds self-esteem and creates a sense of pride in helping others. Becoming a tutor is a great opportunity to give back to the U-Prep community. Peer tutoring also looks great on college and job applications. Contact Mr. Maikranz in the counseling center if you have questions about joining our Peer Tutoring Program team. Sign up now and receive a U-Prep Peer Tutoring T-Shirt!

**Become A  
Volunteer**

# ARE YOU COLLEGE READY?

SIGN UP FOR ACT/SAT PREP AND  
START PREPARING FOR COLLEGE!

April 9<sup>th</sup>

SAT Prep from 8AM-12PM

ACT Prep from 1PM-5PM

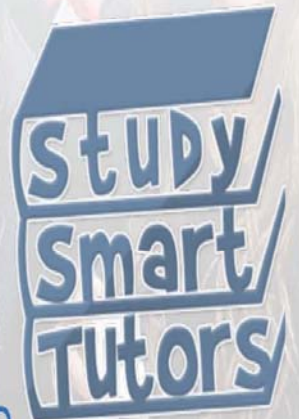
Payments can be made in the ASB Office.

Please make checks payable to University Preparatory School

## Why the SAT/ACT is Important

- SAT/ACT Scores can lead to scholarship opportunities
- The right score can help you get into the college of your dreams
- Taking the SAT/ACT is an essential step on the path to college!

\$30 Per Session



# VAPA NEWS

## VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

BRAD FOWERS ~ DEPT CHAIR/BAND & CHOIR

ROMNEY CLEMENTS ~ FALL MUSICAL DIRECTOR

ELIZABETH JOHNSON ~ STRINGS & PERCUSSION, SPRING PLAY

MARISSA KINNEAVY ~ DANCE

LURA WILHELM ~ VISUAL ARTS

## DANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Announcing the 2016  
University Preparatory School's  
Fall Musical



With music by Cole Porter, *Anything Goes* is set aboard the ocean liner S. S. American, where nightclub singer/evangelist Reno Sweeney is en route from New York to England. Her pal Billy Crocker has stowed away to be near his love, Hope Harcourt, but the problem is Hope is engaged to the wealthy Lord Evelyn Oakleigh. Joining this love triangle on board the luxury liner are Public Enemy #13, Moonface Martin and his sidekick -in-crime Erma. With the help of some elaborate disguises, tap-dancing sailors and good old-fashioned blackmail, Reno and Martin join forces to help Billy in his quest to win Hope's heart.

**Audition Information:**  
August 17 & 18 in Room 127  
Prepare a Broadway or Disney Song to Sing



Tickets for U-Prep Dance Department's **Just Dance!** are on sale now in the ASB office. This is a show you will not want to miss! With over 120 U-Prep students performing jazz, lyrical, musical theatre, and so much more, it is going to be an amazing show. The students have been working hard for many weeks on their dances and would love to share their hard work with you!

Adults are \$7.00, students are \$5.00, and kids 5 and under are free.

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### 2016 U-PREP TALENT SHOW

This year's Talent Show on February 5th was another success for the students and the faculty with several new performers participating and a very creative staff number involving Star Wars references set to Adele's hit song "Hello". The winners of this year's Talent Show are as follows: First Place - Justis K., Mark C., and Jesse T. Second Place - Claire R., Skyler L., William E., Jacob K., Jonathan G., and Kaleb O. Third Place - Rebecca G. Honorable Mention - Nathan L. and Trent K. Congratulations to all of the participants for their extraordinary efforts!



### THE CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS

Marking the 12th consecutive year hosting the Celebration of the Arts, the Visual Art and Music programs at U-Prep combined to entertain guests with a myriad of artistic offerings. With live performances by several band, choir, and string ensembles along with featured soloists and small groups, the evening was filled with music and art by many of U-Prep's finest artists. Art students were producing art in real time for the public, guests were bidding on raffle baskets and enjoying sparkling cider and chocolate truffles while it lasted, and musicians were given a unique opportunity to perform in a non-traditional setting unlike any other. The Music Boosters would like to thank everyone involved for helping support the Arts at U-Prep and look forward to another exciting "Celebration" next year.



Coming to the Marr Auditorium is Neil Simon's *The Odd Couple*. Performances will be held Friday, March 11th, Saturday, March 12th, and Sunday, March 13th, at 7:30 PM. (That's right, no matinees.)

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students, they will be available in the ASB office or at the door.

When Felix the neat-nick gets thrown out by his wife, his poker buddy, Oscar the slob, offers to take him in.

What happens when two very different lifestyles mix it up in one New York apartment?



University Preparatory School presents



Directed by Elizabeth Johnson

**Friday, March 11th**  
**Saturday, March 12th**  
**Sunday, March 13th**  
**All shows 7:30 PM**

Marr Auditorium, 2200 Eureka Way  
Tickets \$8 adult, \$5 student  
Tickets available at  
U-Prep ASB office 245-2730  
or at the door



Presented in special arrangement with Samuel French Inc.



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### ART PERSPECTIVES FROM MS. LURA WILHELM

The Kiln is Here!

Ms. Wilhelm is elated to announce that next quarter all arts classes at U-Prep we will be working with ceramics. We will be hand building with pinch pots, coil sculptures and slab pieces. Look forward to seeing muddy hands in the process and beautiful glazed pieces as a product.



The Visual Arts Department at Celebration of the Arts displayed work created by students in Art I, II, III, IV, Honors Art and AP Art. Along with a display with over 300 art pieces, there were students demonstrating and explaining the art of block printmaking. To raise money for the Visual Art departments 8 students from Junior High Art Club and High School Art club donated an art piece they created during the event. Each student spent about 1-2 hours and spectators bid on their pieces. All participants did a wonderful job engaging the community with their art work.





# MOCK TRIAL



## U-PREP MOCK TRIAL COMPETES IN COUNTY COMPETITION

U-Prep's Mock Trial team competed in the Shasta County Mock Trial Competition the week of February 16-18. The team, comprised of 20 U-Prep high school students, prepared and presented a complete trial, including pre-trial to argue the Fifth Amendment, from opening statements to closing arguments with witness examinations and cross-examinations.

Though we did not take first place, our students scored extremely well in their trial presentation skills and knowledge of the trial details. Many of our team earned country awards, based on earning high scores by the county scoring attorneys. In addition, the judge awarded many of our students Presider's Awards. Our team was described as professional and impressive by the judge and the scoring attorneys. Over the course of this year's Mock Trial, beginning in August 2015 for this season, students learned about admissible evidence, closing arguments, US Amendments, the legal proceedings, objections, debate and presentation skills, team work and cooperation, analytic ability and many other valuable skills. The team ended the season having learned lifelong skills and with a strong placing and performance in the County Competition.

## A SUPER SATURDAY FOR U-PREP ATHLETES



Varsity Soccer Girls Win 3rd NSCIF Title in 4 years!



Quinn S. will head to wrestling's state championships after placing second in Northern Section Masters wrestling championship. Good luck Quinn!



# JUNIOR HIGH SPORTS

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## Junior High A Baseball & Softball

### Baseball "A" Coach

#### Mike Williams

3/10 Mtn. View @ UPrep 3:30  
3/16 Parsons @ Parsons 4:00  
3/17 Bould. Creek @ UPrep 3:30  
3/21 Grant @ UPrep 3:30  
3/23 Sequoia Gold@UPrep 3:30

All U-Prep Baseball Home games will be played at the K-3 field in Caldwell Park.

### Softball "A" Coach

#### Jered Ratliff

3/10 Mtn. View @ UPrep 3:30  
3/16 Parsons @ Parsons 4:00  
3/17 Bould. Creek @ UPrep 3:30  
3/21 Grant @ UPrep 3:30  
3/23 Sequoia Gold@UPrep 3:30

Softball games will be played on campus at the softball field behind the gyms.

### Winter Sports Recap:

The Winter Season was very kind to our Panther Family. Our boys' basketball teams had the best showing in school history. Our 6th grade team under the charge of Coach Maikranz ran their record to a perfect 16-0. They walked away with 3 first place finishes in area tourneys as well. The UPrep 7th grade squad finished the season in second with a 4-2 league record and wound up with an overall record of 15-4. They took home two 1st place trophies, as well as a 2nd and a 3rd. Our 8th grade team finished in 2nd place with a record of 4-2 with a 2nd place and two 3rd place finishes in local tourneys. They did give our cross-town rival their first loss in 53 games! Both of our junior high girls soccer teams represented U-Prep very well this season at the Redding Soccer Park with a 2nd place and 4th place finish for our "A" and "B" teams respectively. Our "A" team entered the season ending tourney with an undefeated record.

## Junior High "B" Baseball and Softball

### Baseball—Mike Dean

3/9 Mistletoe @ BLD 3:30 3/9 Mistletoe at BLD 3:30  
3/15 Sequoia @ Sequoia 4:00 3/15 Sequoia @ Sqa 4:00  
3/17 Turtle Day @ T.Bay 4:00 3/17 Turtle Day @ T.Bay 4:00  
3/22 Bethel @ UPrep 3:30 3/22 Bye  
3/24 Buckeye @ UPrep 3:30 3/24 Buckeye @ UPrep 3:30

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### Softball—Steven Schuster

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## Junior High Track

Junior High Track will start officially on April 5, but Coach Johnson will be holding preseason workouts each Thursday leading up to Spring Break. See Mrs. Johnson in the PE office for questions!



*"I can accept failure, everyone fails at something. But I cannot accept not trying."* – Michael Jordan

# High School Athletics



[www.uprepathletics.net](http://www.uprepathletics.net)

**MONICA CABRAL** ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATOR

**CORY REAGAN** ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

**SARAH KENDALL** ATHLETIC SECRETARY

Our high school basketball teams have turned in the best season to date this year under the superb coaching of Mark Stephens for varsity boys and Steven Schuster for varsity girls. After a tough preseason schedule for our boys, the boys turned in an 8-1 league record for a share of first place with Hamilton High School. The boys finished 9-2 in the second half of the season and will proudly hang the SVL North Championship banner in the gym with pride knowing it is the first in the program's history! Congratulations to Beau F., Kyle C., and Myles F. for their all-league selections. Great job Panthers!

The varsity girls team finished undefeated in the SVL North League again for the second straight year and entered playoffs as the number one seed, which is a first in the program's history as well. The Lady Panthers will face Corning in round two of playoffs looking to advance to the section finals at Shasta College on March 5. Shayla A., Savanna F., and Sophia A. were selected as all-league honors, while Shayley H. was named the league MVP. Both Coach Schuster and Coach Stephens were named Co-Coaches of the Year for the SVL North League.

The U-Prep wrestling team had a stellar appearance at the division tournament on Feb. 20th. Matt B. finished 6th, Colton T. finished 5th, Payton A. took 4th on that day. Quinn S. took home the runner up trophy with a 2nd place finish and John B. came home the division champion! All wrestlers will be advancing to Masters. Best of luck to our Panther wrestlers.

Boys soccer finished their season with a tough loss to Gridley in the first round of section playoffs. They did however finish the season with a 6-8-6 record with a team made up of mostly underclassmen. Many of the ties and losses came down to one goal which ensures the future is bright for the boys soccer at U-Prep.

The Lady Panthers finished the regular season with a 21-1-1 record complete with an undefeated record in the SVL North league for the second straight year. They faced Yreka in the section finals and pulled out thrilling victory for the 3rd section title in four years!

## Boys Baseball

**Varsity Coach: Cory Reagan**

**JV Coach: Brad Baker**

3/1 Orland @ Orland H. S. (JV/V) 4:00/4:00  
 3/3-4 Enterprise Tourney (JV) @ EHS TBA  
 3/3-5 Cougar Classic Tour. (V) @ Foothill TBA  
 3/8 Central Valley @ UPrep (JV/V) 1:30/3:30  
 3/10-12 Colusa Tourney (JV/V) @ Colusa TBA  
 3/15 Fall River @ UPrep (V) 3:30  
 3/16 Anderson @ Anderson H. S. (JV/V) 4:30/7:00  
 3/18 Central Valley @ CV H. S. (JV/V) 3:30  
 3/22 Weed @ UPrep (V) 4:00

## Girls Softball

**Varsity Coach: Bobby Shufelberger**

**JV Coach: Matt Williams**

3/4 Mt. Shasta @ Mt. Shasta H. S. (V) 3:30  
 3/7 Burney @ Burney H. S. (V) 3:30  
 3/9 Los Molinos @ Los Molinos H. S. (V) 3:00  
 3/11 Williams (DH) @ UPrep (V) 1:30/3:30  
 3/15 Fall River (DH) @ TBA (V) 2:00/4:00  
 3/17 Mercy @ UPrep (V) 4:00  
 3/22 Weed @ UPrep (V) 4:00  
 3/22 Central Valley @ CV H. S. (JV) 4:00  
 3/24-26 Los Molinos Tourney @ Los Molinos TBA

## Boys Golf

**Coach: Bob Lowden**

3/7 Monday Oroville Par 3 @ Table Mountain GC 1:00  
 3/14 Monday Willows @ Glen Country CC 12:00  
 3/21 Monday Wolfpack Invite @ Gold Hills GC 9:00  
 3/24 Thursday Pleasant Valley Invite @ Bidwell GC 12:00

## Boy Tennis

**Coach: Andy Pire**

3/1 Central Valley @ CV 3:30  
 3/3 West Valley @ WV 3:30  
 3/4 Mercy @ UPrep 3:30  
 3/10 Willows @ UPrep 3:30  
 3/15 Live Oak @ Live Oak 3:30

## Track and Field

**Coach: Kristen Reagan**

3/16 Friendship Meet @ WV 3:00  
 3/18 Panther Relays Fundraiser @ UPrep  
 3/23 All Comer Meet @ UPrep 3:00  
 3/26 Burt Williams Invite @ CV 10:00

This ability to conquer oneself is no doubt the most precious of all things sports bestows. -Olga Korbut





Robyn Johnson - High School Advisor  
Jaspal Gaddy - Middle School Advisor

## Prom is right around the corner!



**Venue: Riverview Golf Course**

**Date: April 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 6:00PM to Midnight**

**Who: Junior and Senior Event**

**(Sophomores may attend if asked)**

**Cost: \$50.00 (per person)**

**This includes:**

Dinner, dancing, and unlimited photo booth to all!

Menu: your choice of chicken or tri-tip served with a dinner salad, rice, roasted vegetables, and dinner roll.

**All attending students are not permitted to leave before 10:30PM without parent permission and/or phone call home**

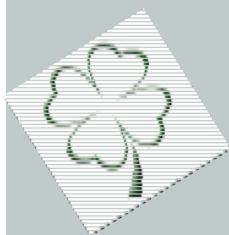
**\* Please visit [uprep.net](http://uprep.net) for the prom dress code slideshow\*\***

# MARCH

**Upcoming ASB Events:**

**03/16- SUPER SWAG SALE**

The Student Store will be holding a big sale during Open House. Please stop by to purchase your U-Prep Swag.



**03/17- St. Patrick's Day**

All students are encouraged to wear green to school. St. Patrick's Day activities will take place during lunch.

**03/18- Junior HighDance**

Hoosier Gym

6th Grade: 5:30-7:00PM

7th/8th Grades: 7:00-8:30PM



**03/24- BLOOD DRIVE**

**\*High School Students only\***

Sign Ups and Permission slips will be available outside of room 182.



# Come and Join Our Team!



## Important Election Dates:

### **April 15th-**

ASB Board position  
Application PICK UP

### **April 22nd-**

ASB Board position  
Applications DUE

### **April 25th– April 29th**

ASB Board interviews/  
Approval of election run

ASB Elections will run  
May 3rd– May 17th

## High School Student Government

### Commissioner Positions:

Applications will be available  
**April 26th**

Application will be DUE back May 3rd.  
Interview Dates and time will be posted  
outside room 182.

## *April 2016*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30





# BOOSTER NEWS

## ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

Our next meeting will be March 7, 2016 in room 299. If you are interested in being a Booster or would just like to know what our organization is all about, please plan on attending. We look forward to seeing you!



### MUSIC BOOSTERS

U-Prep Music Boosters provides volunteer and other support services to all of the U-Prep music programs: Beginning Strings, Choraliars, Concert Band, Concert Choir, Drum Corp, Jazz Band, Jr. High Orchestra, Mixed Choir, Prep Band, and Symphonic Orchestra. Support may include set-up and clean up for music concerts, the "Celebration of the Arts" held every February, and fundraising activities.

Music Boosters works to raise money to enhance all music programs and the music experience for all U-Prep students. This includes assisting in the purchasing of performance uniforms, musical instruments and other items that cannot be purchased with school funds. Funds raised by Music Boosters also contribute to trips taken by the various music groups.

Membership in Music Boosters is automatically extended to all parents and legal guardians of students participating in the Music Department at U-Prep. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month during the academic school year!

**Please contact Brad Fowers for more information.**



The Theatre Arts Boosters are already looking forward to next year's production. Auditions will happen during the first week of school next August. We will then hold our first parent meeting the following week. Please consider joining us and becoming a member of our family. It is a great way to make connections, forge friendships, and fulfill your volunteer hours. Please feel free to contact the main office if you would like more information.

### KEEP IN TOUCH

U-Prep provides many communication options for you to stay informed with our latest news and happenings. Subscribe to our daily bulletin (Paw Prints), visit [uprep.net](http://uprep.net), subscribe to Panther Pride, check out the marquee! We periodically send emails, all-calls and mailings so if you have had a change of address, phone number or email please make sure to notify our offices.



**U-Prep** wishes to sincerely thank all of our parent & family volunteers. We appreciate your time and your donations. We are grateful to have you as part of the **U-Prep** family. Together we make a **difference!**

**SOBER GRAD NEWS****Shop and Dine to SUPPORT SOBER GRAD:**

We will be holding our Annual Rummage Sale on Saturday, March 12th from 6 AM to 3 PM, and Sunday, March 13th from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

We will be accepting donations of large and small items at the UPPER PARKING LOT of U-Prep on Monday, March 7th through Friday, March 11th between 7:30-8:00 AM and from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. For any questions please contact our Rummage Sale Coordinator, Kathleen Hankins at [Kathleen.hankins@gmail.com](mailto:Kathleen.hankins@gmail.com).

After you shop the Rummage Sale, please join us at our Damburger Fundraiser from 10:00AM-3:00PM. Enjoy "THE BEST BURGER IN TOWN"! 25% of sales will be donated to Sober Grad.

**STAY INFORMED...**

[uprepsobergad.org](http://uprepsobergad.org)

or click on "Support UPREP on [uprep.net](http://uprep.net).

**IMPORTANT REMINDER****FROM THE ATTENDANCE & HEALTH OFFICES:**

Students must have "Permit to Leave" from the Attendance Office before leaving campus. If a student is ill, they are instructed to go to the health office where a call to a parent/guardian will be made, the health clerk will notify the attendance office and a permit will be issued. If a student has an appointment, the attendance office asks that the student either bring a note that morning or the parent/guardian place a phone call to the office at least one hour in advance of requested release time. These measures ensure that your student will be ready and waiting for you without delay. During the school day certain classes can be more difficult to reach than others, i.e., PE, Music, Dance, etc. Please do not leave campus without first obtaining a permit to leave. Leaving without a permit may result in a truancy.

**Traffic Safety Reminders**

Thank you for always keeping in mind our students safety when picking up and dropping students off at school. Please always use the lower lot when picking up in the afternoon. The front drive is available for morning drop-off only. If you plan on dropping off or picking students up on Eureka Way, please be advised that the Redding Police Department patrols on a regular basis.

**U-Prep Scrip Program**

Scrip is gift cards and certificates for your favorite places to shop. They look and spend just like you bought them in the store. By purchasing scrip from U-Prep, you are helping the school earn needed funds for our school and you are reaching your donation goal for the year. The great thing about scrip is you never buy anything you don't need and you never pay more than face value of the gift card or certificate.

You can place your order online at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com), email your order to [uprepscrip@suhsd.net](mailto:uprepscrip@suhsd.net), or call/text Sylvia Hill at 356-3944. Checks are payable to U Prep Scrip. For complete information go to [uprep.net](http://uprep.net)





# U-PREP OPEN HOUSE



Join Us Wednesday  
March 23rd, 2016  
6:00pm-7:30pm

Meet the teachers, staff and tour the school.

View your student's work and enjoy seeing how your student spends their day.

Parent organizations will be present in the lobby.

# University Preparatory School

## 2015-2016 School Calendar

1st Quarter Ends: October 9 (39)  
 1st Semester Ends: December 17 (43)  
 3rd Quarter Ends: March 11 (46)  
 2nd Semester Ends: May 26 (47)

**Shaded = Student Attendance Days (175)**

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Early Release Days
Academic Conference
Final Exams
Back-To-School Night
Open House
Graduation

### PLEASE NOTE:

Revised Open House date  
is March 23rd, 2016

### 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 8  
 Washington Day observed . . . . . Feb 15  
 Spring Break . . . . . Mar 25-Apr 4  
 Memorial Day . . . . . May 30

Easter - March 27

### CERTIFICATED DATES

School Starts: August 17  
 School Ends: May 26; **Graduations May 27**  
 School Work Days ○ Aug 14  
 May 27  
 Jun 1  
 Staff Development Days △ Aug 13  
 Jan 4  
 April 4  
 Snow Day Makeup: Apr 4  
*(If snow day makeup is used, then April 4th Staff Development day will be moved to May 31st.)*