

#### MARCH 8 - 22, 2024

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Visit our website at: http://Stevenson.uticak12.org

#### Vision Statement:

Stevenson High School will encourage and empower all students to acquire the necessary skills to be successful, contributing members of a diverse community and global society.

#### Mission Statement:

Our mission is to create a positive and challenging learning environment that encourages all students to achieve their greatest potential as responsible, productive members of a diverse society.

## A MESSAGE FROM MR. CUCCHI



Good afternoon Titan community,

It's hard to believe that we have almost made it to the end of the 3rd marking period. Thank you to the parents who scheduled and completed almost 600 conference sessions at our winter Parent Teacher Conferences. I hope that you were able to meet new teachers, discuss ways to collaborate to help your student seek and find new opportunities and had a great evening. Please keep this communication on going. Our students need to finish the school year strong. PowerSchool is a great tool to stay on top of your students' academic progress as well as their attendance. The 3rd quarter ends on March 22 and report cards will be posted in PowerSchool on April 4. Progress Reports will be posted on May 3. The 4th quarter ends on June 7 and final report cards will be posted in PowerSchool on June 14.

#### <u>Yearbooks</u>

The yearbook staff has ordered 100 extra 2024 yearbooks. If you have yet to purchase your copy, you can still reserve one of these. Just fill out the attached yearbook sales form and return with payment to Room A-2 with check (made out to Stevenson) or cash. Forms and payment can also be mailed to the school or given to the receptionist to put in Ms. Pantano's mailbox. Yearbooks may also be purchased on PaySchool. Yearbook sales forms are also in the Stevenson newsletter.

First come, first served. Don't miss out on preserving your year in Titan history. Your children and grandchildren will thank you. Questions: Contact Ms. Pantano at <u>paula.pantano@uticak12.org</u>

#### **COLLEGE AND CAREERS PATHWAY EVENT**

Next week is our College and Careers Pathway Event. We have over 70 colleges, universities, and trade schools attending. It will be held at Henry Ford II.

A list of the attending post-secondary institutions can be found on the <u>UCS Webpage - Academics - College</u> and <u>Career Readiness - College Central</u>

Most colleges and universities have purchased a product called <u>Strive Scan</u>. This tool is used at college fairs to receive student provided information electronically. This process prevents students from standing at the booth and filling out an information card for the post-secondary institution to follow up with additional information.

Students should register through this site, prior to attending this event. Once students register using the link or QR code below, they will be provided with a text message with a QR code. If a student is interested in sharing their information with one of the attending institutions, they will provide the QR code to the representative.



<u>Strive Fair -</u> <u>Registration</u> app.strivescan.com



#### Senior Parents

Caps & Gowns will be distributed to parents at the **MANDATORY SENIOR PARENT MEETING** on <u>Wednesday, April 17</u>. Please see the Titan Voice or the <u>Class of 2024 tab at the top of the website</u> for more important information. The website is updated as soon as we receive information.

Please see the Counseling Section in the Titan Voice for important information regarding FAFSA.

#### **Scholarship Opportunities for Seniors**

Mr. Cucchi has established a \$1000 scholarship for any senior who is pursuing a post-secondary educational program (trade school, community college or 4-year university). Please see the Titan Voice or the Class of 2024 tab at the top of the Stevenson website for all the details.

The 2024 **Superintendent's Scholarship** is now live and accepting applications through Monday, March 11. Here is the link to the scholarship: <u>https://www.uticak12.org/scholarship</u>. You can find a copy of the flyer in the Titan Voice.

**IMPORTANT** – We have now added a Counseling tab on our website! Be sure to check it out! At the top of the Stevenson website are tabs for each grade level. The information is updated with crucial information as soon as we receive it. Please check these tabs prior to calling or emailing the office. You will find the answers to most of your questions. See below for a copy of what the ribbon looks like.



#### Marching Band

It is that time of year again. The Titan Marching Band is getting ready to start planning their 2024-25 season! Please share our upcoming kick-off meeting information with students in your school and programs.

At this meeting, we will be discussing how the entire Stevenson Instrumental Music Program works and what we can offer your student. See the flyer in the Titan Voice for more information.

#### **Stevenson Hall of Fame**

The Stevenson Athletic Booster Club is excited to announce that nominations are now being accepted for the 2024 Stevenson Athletic Hall of Fame.

This nomination period will close on March 31, 2024.

Nominations will be reviewed by our Elector Committee and those who are selected for induction will be notified later this year.

We look forward to seeing everyone again at Stevenson's Performing Arts Center on September 26, 2024, when we induct our second class into the Stevenson Athletic Hall of Fame.

Please visit <u>2024 Stevenson Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Form</u> to submit your nomination. Additionally, you can stay updated on the Hall of Fame and current Stevenson Athletics by following "Stevenson High School Athletic Booster Club" on Facebook or by visiting out <u>website</u>.

If you have any questions, please email us at: <a href="mailto:stevensonhalloffame@gmail.com">stevensonhalloffame@gmail.com</a>

#### **Congratulations Titans!**

Congratulations to Rochelle Ferris! She qualified to go to the bowling state finals at Thunderbowl Lanes.

On Tuesday February 28, the tradition of taking our Level 2 EL/Content Literacy 2 students to observe the Citizenship Ceremony since the Pandemic continues. Since the students did not have the opportunity to go last year the EL/Content Literacy 3 students who had studied Government and Citizenship in Level 2 also joined on this field trip. They met with The District Judge Honorable Brandy McMillion and Macomb County Executive, Mark A. Hackel. Two of our Ukrainian students, **Diana Dorosh** and **Svitlana Kisil** lead the Pledge of Allegiance with 2 other students from Lakeview High School.

Wednesday, March 6 was signing day at Stevenson. Congratulations to our Titans who are going on to play college sports.



Another reminder is that students are expected to be in school on time. <u>Parking Permits may be suspended</u> for the following reasons:

- Excessive unexcused absences or tardies
- Careless or reckless driving
- Persistent disciplinary issues

Please continue checking the Stevenson website and Titan Voice for flyers for more information regarding important dates and information, counseling updates, and school and district happenings. This information is updated frequently.

Don't forget to change your clocks this weekend! Daylight savings 2024: time to reset your clocks and spring forward!

With Titan Pride,

Kenneth L. Cucchi III



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



# **Spring Application Week**

March 18-22, 2024



#### INSTITUTIONS WITH NO APPLICATION FEES

Adrian College Albion College Alma College Alpena Community College Aquinas College Baker College Bay College Bay Mills Community College Cleary University College for Creative Studies Concordia University Ann Arbor Cornerstone University Davenport University Delta College Ferris State University Glen Oaks Community College Gogebic Community College Grand Rapids Community College Grand Valley State University Henry Ford College

Hope College Jackson College Kalamazoo College Kalamazoo Valley Community College Kellogg Community College Kettering University Kirtland Community College Kuyper College Lake Michigan College Lake Superior State University Lansing Community College Macomb Community College Madonna University Michigan Technological University Mid Michigan College Monroe County Community College Montcalm Community College Muskegon Community College Mott Community College North Central Michigan College

Northern Michigan University Northwestern Michigan College Northwood University Oakland Community College Oakland University Rochester University Saginaw Valley State University Schoolcraft College Siena Heights University Southwestern Michigan College Spring Arbor University St. Clair County Community College University of Detroit Mercy University of Michigan-Dearborn University of Michigan-Flint University of Olivet Washtenaw Community College Wayne County Community College West Shore Community College

#### INSTITUTIONS WAIVING APPLICATION FEES

Institution	Waiver code (if needed)
Calvin University	1876
Central Michigan University	None for CMU app, FireUp2024 on Common App
Lawrence Technological University	LTU1932
Michigan State University	Spartan1855
Wayne State University	WSU2024

Questions about how colleges and universities are adapting to this year's FAFSA delays? We are tracking changes to deadlines to make sure you have up-to-date information.

Check out MCAN's Evolving FAFSA resource at <u>tinyurl.com/fafsaupdates24</u> or scan the QR code below with your smart device.





Stevenson High School Instrumental Music Department Attitude + Respect + Commitment = Success

# 2024-25 SHS Instrumental Music

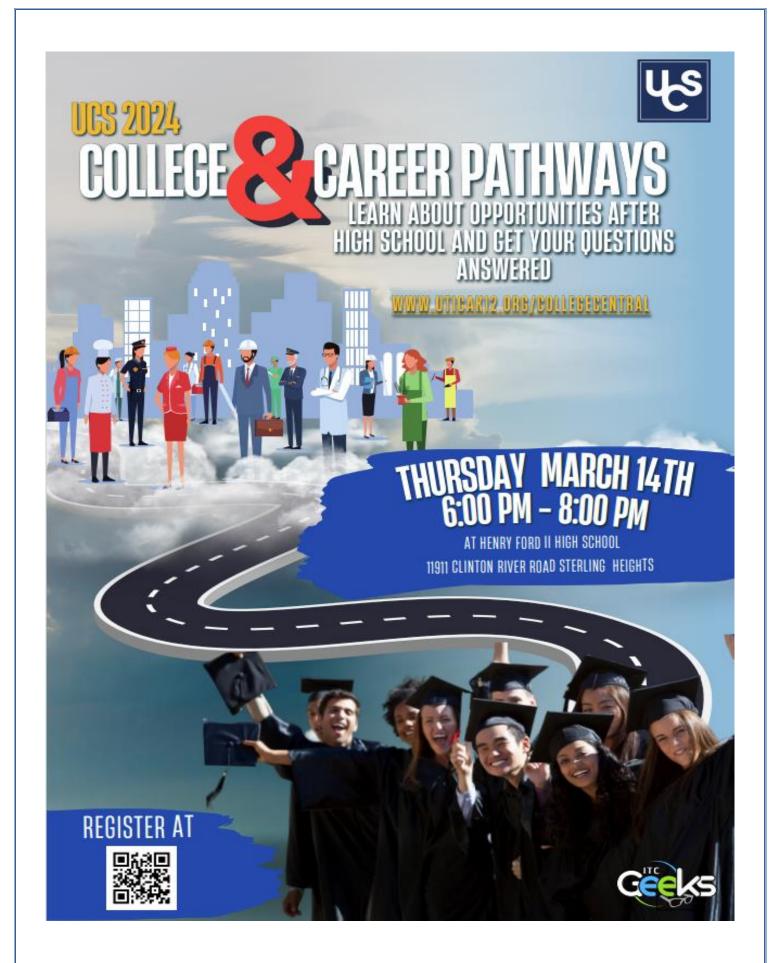
# Monday, March 18, 2024

## 7 PM - Stevenson Band Room

- Meet Mr. Yaros
- Marching Band
  - Home Camp: Mon Aug 5 Fri Aug 9
  - Away Camp: Sun Aug 11 Thu Aug 15
  - Season Overview (games/parades/performances/ rehearsals/summer activities)
  - Signup process, costs, due dates
  - Sports physicals
  - · Colorguard & Drumline info
- Instrumental Music Overview
  - Making band work in your schedule for 9th 12th grades
  - Course offerings
  - Performances (concerts) / Festivals
  - Student Travel
- Parent Involvement / Boosters

#### Stevenson High School Instrumental Music Department

39701 Dodge Park Rd. Sterling Heights, MI 48313 www.stevensonbands.org www.facebook.com/groups/stevensonbands



# Tips for receiving a \$1,000 UCS Superintendent's Scholarship



Be a graduating UCS senior.



Give your appraiser plenty of time to submit their recommendation.

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Submit your application before the 11:59 p.m. deadline on Monday, March 11.



# 2024 SUPERINTENDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

UCS graduating seniors are invited to apply for the 2024 Superintendent's Scholarship awards program.

Through the Utica Community Schools Foundation for Educational Excellence and other sources, **over \$30,000 in scholarships** will be awarded this year!

> NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS through 11:59 p.m. March 11, 2024

#### Stevenson High School

#### Principal Cucchi's Scholarship 2024

Mr. Cucchi has established a \$1000 scholarship for any senior who is pursuing a post-secondary educational program (trade school, community college or 4-year university).

There are only two requirements for this scholarship which are:

- o Senior on track to graduate in June
- Submit an essay answering the question- WHAT DOES STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL MEAN TO ME?

#### Essay Writing Requirements

- Must not be more than 1000 words in length.
- In the upper right-hand corner of the essay please type your first and last name followed by Stevenson High School Principal Scholarship 2024 on another line.
- The essay must address the following question:
   \*What Does Stevenson High School Mean to Me?\*
- Proper spelling, grammar, and structure must be used.
- It must follow proper MLA format for essays. Below are guidelines for the formatting of essays based on recommendations from the MLA (the Modern Language Association).
  - · Font: Your essay should be word processed in 12-point Times New Roman font.
  - **Double space**: Your entire essay should be double spaced, with no single spacing anywhere and no extra spacing anywhere. There should not be extra spaces between paragraphs.
  - Margins: According to the MLA, your essay should have a one-inch margin on the top, bottom, left, and right.
  - **Title**: Your essay should include a title. The title should be centered and should appear under the heading information on the first page and above the first line of your essay. The title should be in the same font as the rest of your essay, with no quotation marks, no underlining, no italics, and no bold.
  - **Indentation**: The first line of each paragraph should be indented. According to the MLA, this indentation should be 1/2 inch or five spaces, but pressing [Tab] once should give you the correct indentation.
  - Align Left: The text of your essay should be lined up evenly at the left margin but not at the right margin. In your word processor, choose "Align Left." Do not choose "Justify."

#### Submission of Essay

Submit complete essay in paper format to your counselor by April 5th, 2024

#### Recipient Notification

 Recipient will be notified by May 3rd & expected to attend Senior Honors Night to receive the scholarship.







\$50 OFF!

### TO CELEBRATE OUR 50 YEARS OF PROVIDING DRIVER EDUCATION SERVICES TO THE UTICA COMMUNITY, WE ARE RUNNING A SPRING SPECIAL!

USE THE FOLLOWING DISCOUNT CODE WHEN REGISTERING FOR ANY OF OUR UPCOMING SPRING SEGMENT I COURSES AT EACH OF THE FOUR UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS HIGH SCHOOLS AND RECEIVE A \$50 TUITION DISCOUNT!

### **DISCOUNT CODE: SPRING2024**

REGISTER FOR THE CLASSES THROUGH OUR WEBSITE: https://www.courtesydrivingschool.com/locations.html

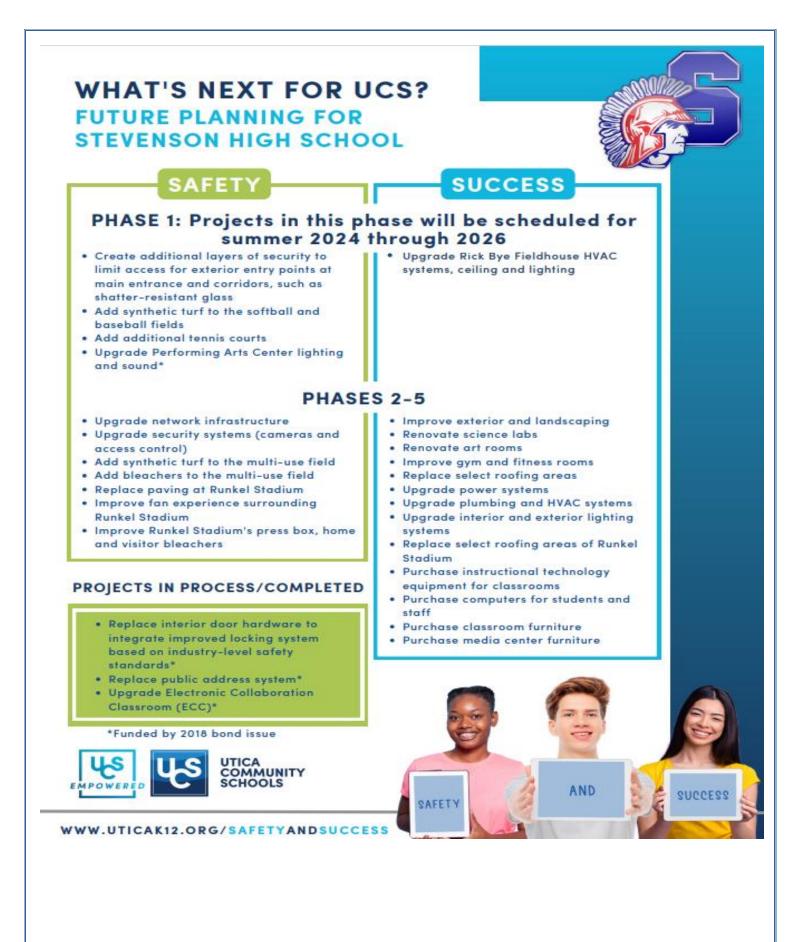
IF YOU TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS LIMITED TIME OFFER, NOT ONLY WILL YOU GET THE SAME OUTSTANDING SERVICE FOR \$50 LESS, BUT A PORTION OF YOUR TUITION WILL ALSO BE GIVEN TO THE UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS TO HELP FUND OTHER UCS PROGRAMS!





Expires 03/20/2024

54901 Mound Rd. Shelby Township, MI 48316 | P: (800) 256-9559 | F: (586) 677-9036



# UNLOCK YOUR POTENTIAL

UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

The Career and Technical Education (CTE) program pathways at Utica Community Schools prepare students for post-high school careers and life through real-world, hands-on learning.





## **PATHWAYS OFFERED**

- Architecture and Construction Trades
- Automotive and Small Engine Technologies
- Business, Finance, and Marketing
- Computer Programming and Information Technology
- Education and Family Consumer Sciences
- Design Engineering
- Medical Health Sciences
- Welding
- Woodworking



Check out informational videos on the newly revamped CTE site!

www.uticak12.org/cte

**EUGHRE** Tournament Fundraiser

# March 9, 2024 5-10pm

Mr. B's Shelby 48550 Van Dyke Shelby Township, MI 48317

**Tickets: \$25 Per Person** 

For more information contact stevensonsanp2024@gmail.com.

To support the Class of 2024 Senior All Night Party



Scan to purchase tickets or visit https://2024-stevenson-senior-allnight-party/cheddarup.com.

# **Student Parking**



# Open to Seniors and Juniors ONLY

\*MUST register for parking permit in front office

LOSS of driving privileges:

Irresponsible driving 1<sup>st</sup> Hour Tardies/Absences: 5= Loss of parking for a week (5 days) 10=Loss of parking for 5 weeks (25 days) 15=Loss of parking for semester (90 days)

\*If you park after losing privileges you will be suspended \*Parking with no permit=stickered/Sat School/Suspension

Drive respectfully and safely \*Officer Pawlick WILL issue tickets for driving recklessly

\*\*PARKING PASSES NOW AVAILABLE FOR SOPHOMORES

# SAVE THE DATES: STATE TESTING - 2024

- NWEA Tests
  - January 3-12
  - Algebra and Algebra 2 classes only
  - 1-2 class periods held during the math class only
- NAEP- National Assessment of Education Progress Participate in NAEP | NAEP (ed.gov)
  - February 14, 2024
    - 2 sessions 1<sup>st</sup> hour and 4<sup>th</sup> hour
    - 120 min test
    - 50 students- selected by NAEP
- WIDA
  - February 6 February 13
  - Broken up in 2 sessions per day
  - Eligible students only
  - o Students will need to sit for 2 different session (1 morning and 1 afternoon)
- Digital Readiness
  - March 19- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> hours
  - All 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students
- M-Step
  - April 8 April 19 (Make-ups may fall outside this window TBA)
  - Tested by the English class schedule.
  - Two tests (Science approximately 1.5 hours, Social Students approximately 1 hour)
  - VA/GA/UAIS students will take the M-Step in the afternoon on April 11
- ACT Work Keys and PSAT 10
  - Thursday, April 11
  - ACT Work Keys are paper pencil. (3 hours for standard, 4 hour 30 min for accommodated)
  - PSAT 10 is digital. (2 hours, 40 mins for standard, 3 hour 47 min for accommodated))
  - Juniors and Sophomores are in person, Seniors are asynchronous with virtual field trips TBD
- Digital SAT with Essay
  - April 16
  - 3 hours 30 minutes for standard and 5 hours 11 minutes accommodated.
  - o Juniors are in person, Sophomores and Seniors are asynchronous.
- Make- up SAT
  - Between April 17-April 26
- Make up PSAT 10
  - Between April 17-April 26
- Make- up Work Keys (1 day only)
  - o Thursday, April 25
- AP Testing Begins
  - May 6-20- Schedule TBA

#### **Attendance**

Regular attendance and active participation in class are integral parts of a student's total education. Students can achieve optimal educational benefits only through regular class attendance and a serious commitment to an educational program. Attendance rules have been developed to reduce/prevent chronic absenteeism. The U.S. Department of Education Civil Rights Data Collection defines chronic absenteeism as missing more than 10% of school days in a year.

#### Avoid Credit Review

A student should avoid being placed on Credit Review for accumulating more than 10 absences in any class. If placed on Credit Review, students should take the necessary steps to be removed from Credit Review. Students who do not take the steps to be removed from Credit Review will receive a final grade of an F in the class.

#### **Report an Absence**

Do Not call the office for attendance. You must call the attendance line at 586-797-1999.

When a student is going to be absent, parents/guardians should report the absence before the school day begins. Calls to the attendance line can be made 24 hours a day, seven days a week and will be received by an answering machine during non-school hours. The following reasons for an absence will be accepted as an excused absence: Student illness, hospitalization, doctor-ordered bed rest, mandatory court appearance that has been pre-arranged, death in the immediate family, family vacation that has been pre-arranged and approved, medical appointments and administrative permission. All other absences will be unexcused.

#### **Excessive Absences**

#### The school will notify the parent/guardian about excessive absences in the following ways:

When a student has accumulated between 7 and 10 absences in any one class per semester, the student's assistant/associate principal will send a warning letter through E-Mail to the parent and student (US. Mail if no email on file). When a student has accumulated 11 absences\* in any one class over the course of a semester, a letter will be sent via email (or US mail if an email address is not on file) stating the student has been placed on Credit Review and must follow the appeal process in order to earn credit in that class.

#### The following absences will be exempt from this absence total:

School-approved absences (field trip, student government activity, etc.), death/funeral of an immediate family member (mother, father, brother, or sister), court appearance when documentation is submitted, suspensions, and absences where a parent/guardian has submitted medical documentation supporting the absence within five (5) school days of the absence. Chronic medical conditions can be reflected in a doctor's note indicating the student has an ongoing medical condition that can cause them to be absent from school.

#### **Credit Review**

Definition of Credit Review Credit Review is a process designed to decrease chronic absenteeism in a way that is restorative in nature. Students who do not take advantage of the restorative nature of credit review will receive an F in any class for which they were placed on Credit Review.

#### **Tardies count toward Credit Review**

For Credit Review, every three tardies will count as one unexcused absence.

#### How do you get placed on Credit Review?

All students are limited to ten (10) parent-excused, unexcused, or truant absences per class period each semester. Upon the eleventh absence in any class period, the student loses credit in that class. The student will be required to continue to attend and pass the class to be eligible for the appeal process. In order to earn credit, the student must follow the proper appeal procedure.

#### Students should take action to restore credit as soon as they are placed on Credit Review

Students who have exceeded 10 days of absences can earn forgiveness hours (absence reduction) by participating in eligible programs. Availability of these programs may vary by the school the student attends. One hour of time is equal to one absence reduction in one class.

#### **Restore Credit**

To restore credit, students must submit an appeal demonstrating that they either did not have more than 10 absences or that they have taken action to restore the missed class time. A student who is denied credit for a class due to excessive absences may appeal that action in accordance with the following:

- The student must have a passing grade in the class that they were denied credit.
- The student must submit a completed appeal form to their assistant/associate principal

• The student's assistant/associate principal will review each submitted appeal. The assistant/associate principal will notify the student and parent of the decision in an email (or letter when no email is listed in PowerSchool). The decision of the assistant/associate principal is final, there is no further appeal.

#### A STUDENT WHO DOES NOT APPEAL THE LOSS OF CREDIT/OR FAILS TO EARN THE CREDIT BACK WILL HAVE EARNED AN "F" FOR THE FINAL SEMESTER GRADE IN THAT CLASS. An "F" will replace the "NC" in the permanent record.

Please see the student handbook for a more detailed explanation LINK HERE

#### SUPPORT YOUR FAMILY'S WELL-BEING

#### Dear Families,

We are committed to the well-being of our students, staff, and families to create a safe and healthy learning environment. In support of our ongoing commitment, we partnered with Care Solace to provide an additional layer of care for our community.

Care Solace helps individuals find mental health care providers and substance use treatment centers. Their Care Companion™ team is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, and 365 days per year to quickly connect you to carefully verified providers in your community.

Students, staff, and families may access Care Solace services in two ways:

- Call (888) 515-0595 at any time. Support is available in 200+ languages. A dedicated Care Companion<sup>™</sup> will help you every step of the way to research options, secure appointments, and follow up to make sure it is a good fit.
- For an anonymous search, answer a few questions to get matched with an extensive list of care providers at caresolace.com/utica.

Care Solace is now available for use at no cost to you. They will connect you with providers accepting all medical insurances including Medicaid, Medicare, and sliding scale options for those without insurance. All information entered on the Care Solace tool is completely confidential and securely stored.

Please note, this service is an optional resource available by choice and is not mandatory to use. Care Solace is not an emergency response service or mental health services provider. In the event of a life threatening emergency, please call 9-1-1 or the National Suicide Hotline 1-800-273-8255,

If you are interested in counseling-related services for your child, yourself, or another family member, please contact Care Solace for valuable assistance. This is a complimentary resource provided by Utica Community Schools.



Calming the Chaos of Mental Health Care

#### YEARBOOK – IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

The publication classes produce the pictures and memories of the school year and are a priceless part of every student's life. Thanking you in advance for your support.

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#### SHS REMINDERS

I would like to remind students and parents that Stevenson is a closed campus, meaning students are not allowed to leave for lunch. Parents should not be calling students out for lunch; they will not be able to leave. Also, students are not allowed to have outside food dropped off or delivered during the school day. School lunches and breakfasts are free to all students this year.

I will continue to provide you with school and district information. I do my best to communicate through email (Titan Voice) every other Friday during the regular school year. This should be your <u>first line</u> of communication regarding information pertaining to Stevenson. If you go to our website, you will find it linked under News. The Titan Voice has contact and general information, updates, policies, and many other items pertaining to Stevenson.

ATTENTION – The school day ends at 2:14 p.m. Students must exit the building by 2:30 p.m. Any student who is staying after school must be under the supervision of a staff member, coach, or teacher. If practice is not immediately after school, students are expected to go home and return at their practice time. Also note that students are not allowed in the gyms at any time unless a coach or teacher is present.

#### Student IDs

School ID Badges Ensuring safety and security for all students and staff is a priority each day. In addition to enhancing security, the wearing of ID badges provides a professional setting and promotes College and Career Readiness for all students.

Wearing of IDs is required as part of many workplace environments, as well as on many college and university campuses. One student ID and lanyard will be provided to every student at no cost.

The benefits and reasons for students wearing a current student ID card are:

- To be in class
- To borrow library books and textbooks
- To obtain early dismissal
- To allow movement during school, going to and from restrooms, etc.
- To be on campus before or after school
- To participate in school activities, assemblies, dances, etc. at school.

#### **Student ID Guidelines**

A student's ID card authorizes him/her to be on the school campus. EVERY student must wear his or her student ID card while on school grounds. It is crucial that the school staff is able to identify everyone on campus. Identification of staff and students is a safety issue and will not be compromised. Student IDs may be left in the student's assigned locker overnight to ensure the student ID is not left at home. The following guidelines must be adhered to when wearing student ID cards:

• Student ID cards must be worn and visible at all times (i.e., not kept in a purse, pocket, or backpack).

- The student ID card must be presented to any school staff member or person of authority upon request.
- The front and back of the student ID card cannot be altered (i.e., no markings, other photos, etc.). Defacing or altering the student ID is prohibited.
- Wearing another student's ID card is prohibited.

• Lost, stolen, altered, damaged and/or defaced student ID cards must be replaced immediately. Students who fail to adhere to the above guidelines are subject to a lunch detention (or after school detention) and a

replacement fee of \$5.00 to replace a lost ID badge. Students can purchase a new lanyard from the school or purchase one on their own. Tear away lanyards are recommended. Students who are insubordinate or persistently disobedient are subject to further school consequences.

#### Student Dress Code

#### Students must adhere to the guidelines outlined in the student handbook.

• Indecent, tattered, or unsafe dress or footwear, or attire that calls undue attention to the wearer or has lettering or symbols that are disrespectful or derogatory are not allowed.

• Beach wear, low-cut tops, tank tops, sleeveless tops, muscle shirts, see-through clothing, short skirts or shorts, pajamas, tight clothing without proper coverage and clothing exposing the shoulders or mid-section are not allowed.

- Students should not wear clothing with inappropriate advertising like Playboy shirts or similar items.
- Hats are not allowed in school unless explicit permission for a medical or religious reason is reached.
- Knee length shorts and skirts are acceptable. Shoes must be worn.
- Outerwear, such as coats and hats, is not to be worn in school.
- Clothing that promotes illegal substances or drugs, illegal activities, violence, tobacco, or alcohol is prohibited.
- Clothing or head coverings worn as group identifiers that promote a disruptive school climate are prohibited.
- Clothing consistent with religious or cultural beliefs is acceptable.
- Jewelry and accessories that may be deemed dangerous are prohibited.

#### Attendance Policy

Another important reminder is to take time with your student to review the UCS High School Credit Review Rules and Procedures. In short, it starts by saying that a student has a responsibility to attend, be on time and prepared for each scheduled class. When a student nears or is at 10 absences (any combination of absences or tardies) they will meet with their Associate Principal and parents will be notified. At 11 absences the student will enter Credit Review and can restore those credits by making up the lost time for the classes via a contract made with their associate principal. This cannot be recovered short of testing out, taking the class via scheduling, credit recovery or summer school. Please take the time to read and discuss this with your students, and make sure they understand.

#### Attendance and Early Dismissal Procedures

Please call **586-797-1999** and follow the prompts: 1 = Early Dismissals 2 = Late Arrival 3 = All Day Absences Please do not call the main office for attendance. When an Early Dismissal is necessary, a PARENT MUST call in the dismissal before the student leaves. Otherwise, your student will be marked unexcused. Also, your student must check in with the Main Office before they leave campus to ensure their safety. PowerSchool is now generating automated phone calls to parents informing them of any absences for their students daily. Please use your Parent Portal to view your student's attendance.

If you have any concerns, email the individual teacher directly through the <u>staff tab</u> of the school's website or through the PowerSchool. If a correction is warranted, the teacher will request one. Our goal is to have call-ins recorded before the office closes for the day. However, if you have any questions regarding your student's attendance, please wait 24 hours to ensure that all records are complete and up to date.

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I would like to remind students and parents that Stevenson is a closed campus, meaning students are not allowed to leave for lunch. Parents should not be calling students out for lunch; they will not be able to leave. Also, students are not allowed to have outside food dropped off or delivered during the school day. School lunches and breakfasts are free to all students this year.

#### Parent Student Handbook

Please be sure to review the UCS 9<sup>th</sup> grade – 12<sup>th</sup> grade 2023-2024 UCS <u>Parent Student Handbook</u> which can be found on the Stevenson and UCS district website. Please familiarize yourself with the new and old information.

## LOOKING AHEAD



- March 14 College and Careers Pathway Event, @ Henry Ford, 6:00 pm 8:00 pm
- March 25-29 No School, Spring Break
- April 5 3rd quarter Report Cards emailed home
- April 16 Digital SAT with Essay
- April 17 Mandatory Senior Parent Meetings, caps and gowns will be distributed
- April 23 25 District Art Show, @ Sterling Heights Community Center
- <u>March 25 29</u> No school, Spring Break
- <u>May 3</u>  $4^{th}$  quarter Progress Reports emailed home
- May 6 May 10 AP Testing dates
- May 13 May 17 AP Testing dates
- <u>May 24</u> Last day for seniors
- <u>May 27</u> No School, Memorial Day
- June 5- 1st & 2nd Hour Midterm Exams, Half Day for Students, dismissal 10:22 a.m.
- June 6 3rd & 4th hour exams, Half Day for Students, dismissal 10:22 a.m.
- June 7 5th and 6th hour exams, Half Day for Students, dismissal 10:22 a.m.
- June 9 Graduation Ceremony, Oakland University O'Rena @ 4:30
- June 14 4th quarter Report Cards emailed home



## **TITAN SPORTS**



#### Athletic Director: Tim Brandon TIMOTHY.BRANDON@UticaK12.org



SHS ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

Please add Booster Club on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter! http:// stevensonhighschoolboosterclub.godaddysites.com

We need information from coaches and families to post on social media!!

## How Can You Help?

Concessions - Volunteer needed for concessions!! We paid out over \$6,500 to teams last year for volunteers who helped in concessions during events.



Membership- Cost of membership is \$20. Please send the QR code below to signup. We need families to support the club to continue supporting SHS teams. We currently have 108 families in the club.



Athletic Yard Signs- Show your support of your student athlete by purchasing a yard sign. \$25/sign. QR code below! Sale 3/11-3/22



# **Contact Info**

stevensonathleticboosterclub@gmail.com

Stephanie Jenkins-President Cheryl Bollinger - Vice President Vicki Carlino - Secretary Corry Olszewski- Treasurer Rachel DeMenter, Michelle Williams, Kim Herdell- Member at Large

#### Scholarships-

Senior Titan athletes are eligible to apply for our (4) scholarships awarded in May. Parents must be booster members by 4/15/24. Information on applications will come out at the end of March.

#### 2024/2025 SHS Booster Board-

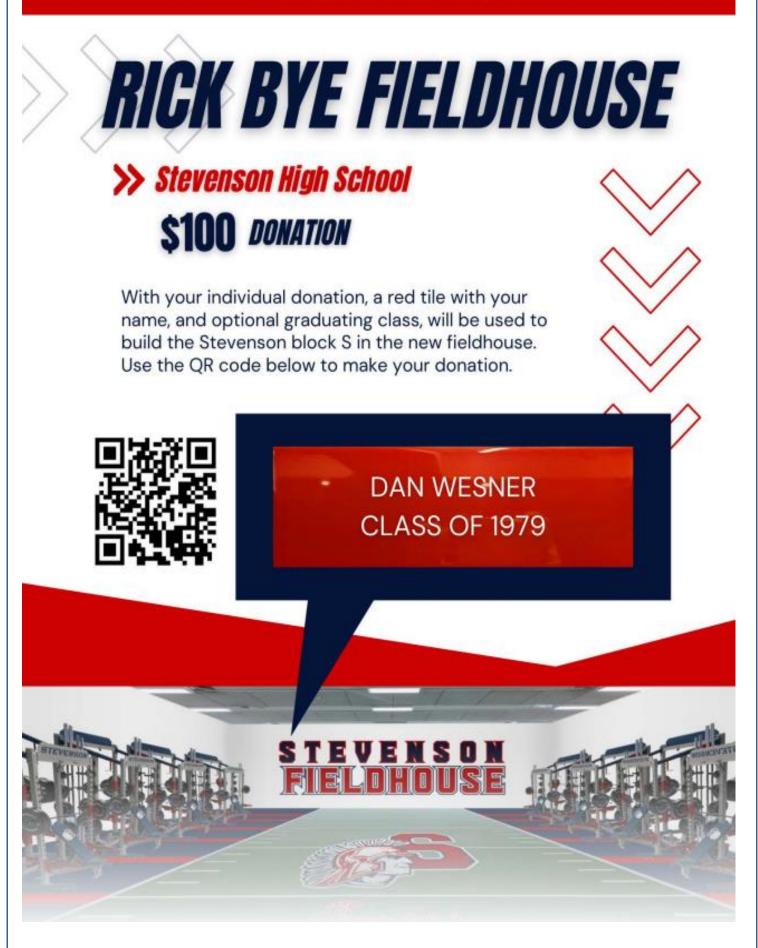
We are looking for people interested in volunteering for the booster board for 2024/2025. We need volunteers to continue the club.

#### Rick Bye Fieldhouse-



Our fundraising campaign is asking for donations for improvements needed in the fieldhouse. Tiles can be purchased for donations \$100+.

Stevenson Athletic Booster Club Presents



#### STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL 2023-2024 SPRING SPORTS COACHING STAFF



BASEBALL		
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BOYS GOLF		
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Varsity Assistant	Bill Meister	Wmeister64@comcast.net
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GIRLS TENNIS		
Varsity	Kristen Khamis	kristen.khamis@uticak12.org
JV Coach	Tom Hayman	thomas.hayman@uticak12.org

Participating in Stevenson Athletics? Complete your 2023-2024 Athletic Profile today! All sports physicals and athletic forms are collected electronically through Student Central/BIG Teams (<u>https://studentcentral.bigteams.com</u> formally PlanetHS), paper copies will not be accepted. Both the student athlete **AND** their parent/guardian need to set up an account in Student Central/BIG Teams to complete the necessary one-time forms that allow you to be eligible to tryout/join any sport, any season, during the school year.

**PLEASE NOTE**: An MHSAA pre-participation sports physical is required for all students who participate in sports. Valid 2023-2024 physicals must be dated 4/15/23 or later. Please refer to the Parent Quick Links on the Stevenson Home Page for a copy of the **MHSAA Physical Form**.

#### **BEFORE TRY-OUTS:**

Physicals (dated 4/15/23 or later) <u>must</u> be UPLOADED to your Student Central/Big Teams account and all <u>on-</u> <u>line</u> Athletic Forms must be completed by both the student athlete and parent/guardian. Paper copies will not be accepted.

#### ONCE TEAMS ARE FORMED

Pay to Participate Fee must be paid via PaySchools (Click on the **PaySchools: Stevenson High School** in Student Central) or go to <u>www.payschoolscentral.com</u>

# All Athletic Forms and Pay to Participate payments <u>MUST</u> be complete before athletes can participate in season practices, games, meets or tournaments.

Questions? Please contact your coach or Remi Darroch, Bookkeeper, <u>remi.darroch@uticak12.org</u> or 586-797-1903. If you qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch, then you will qualify for financial assistance with the Pay to Participate Fee. Please note: Free & Reduced Meal Applications must be filled out after July 1st. Therefore, if you haven't already re-applied, you will need to do so ASAP online at https://utica.familyportal.cloud before Free or Reduced Status can be verified. Be sure to fill out the Sharing Information Form to link information.

For more information about game schedules and athletic links, please see our athletic website below: Adlai Stevenson High School (stevensonathletics.com)

## **COUNSELING INFORMATION**



Students will be assigned their counselor by last name as follows:

A-De, CORE, LCCE - Mrs. Boettcher Di-Jon, AVID - Ms. Dilday Jor-Kn, MADE - Mrs. DiLorenzo Ko-Ric - Mrs. Newell Rid-Z – Ms. Sullivan Counseling Secretary - Ms. Carter 
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 sarah.carter@uticak12.org
 586-797-1980

For students: How to schedule a meeting with your counselor:

1. Send your counselor a message through TEAMS.

2. In this message please explain the reason for your request.

3. Expect a response within 24 hours. If your situation is urgent and needs immediate attention, please come directly into the counseling office and Ms. Sarah Carter will direct you from there.

Counselors just received an update explaining that, due to issues with the new FAFSA, **financial aid award letters will not be available until later in the spring**. So, please hang in there, and keep being patient. We know this can be unsettling, but it is not your fault, and you don't need to worry.

A few things to do while you are waiting:

- 1. Make sure your first semester transcript was sent to the college(s) you applied to if you haven't done that yet. Contact your counselor if you need any help.
- 2. Everything is delayed, but it will happen in time. Be sure to stay on top of reading any emails that are coming from the college(s) you've applied to.
- 3. Learn more about the college(s) you are most excited about. Once you get your financial aid award letters in the spring, next steps will be choosing your college, making an enrollment deposit there, deciding on housing options, and attending orientation. Lots of excitement ahead!

If you haven't applied to a college yet or completed the FAFSA, it is not too late. Michigan is hosting **Spring Application Week**, March 18-22, to motivate seniors who haven't applied yet, to **APPLY**. Many colleges are offering free applications during this week—please see attachment. Counselors are here to help.  $\bigcirc$ 

On **Tuesday, April 2nd**, during 3rd hour and all 4<sup>th</sup> hour lunch periods (A, B, and C), Sarah Williams from Macomb Community College will be coming to Stevenson to individually help any seniors who still need help applying. Sarah is kind and wonderful, so please stop by our **MCC APPLY DAY** in the Media Center. Macomb is a great place to start for not only college degree programs, but also **Michigan Hot Jobs** and **Skilled Trades**.

#### FAFSA – You can still complete it now if you haven't yet --<u>not too late</u>!

- Before completing the FAFSA, every senior and one parent will need to create an FSA
   ID: <u>Create Account | Federal Student Aid</u>
- Families can complete the 2024-2025 FAFSA at this link: <u>FAFSA® Application | Federal</u> <u>Student Aid</u>
- Families can call <u>1-800-433-3243</u> for any help needed with the FAFSA.
- We recommend having the parent and student sit together to work on the FAFSA. The easiest way seems to be if the parent starts their section first. The student can then complete their section.

#### The FAFSA can help students access free money for:

- Training for Michigan's hottest jobs
- Training for Trades
- Two-Year and Four-Year Colleges

We want to **every** senior to receive the benefits of completing the FAFSA, and we are here to help! **This is really important for your future!!** 

For parents: How to schedule a meeting/phone conference with your child's counselor:

1. Call the counseling office at 586-797-1993; or email your child's counselor directly during normal school hours.

2. In that message, please explain the reason for your request.

3. Please understand that attempting to meet without notice could result in having to be turned away due prior professional commitments.

FAFSA Resources for Students and Families – FAFSA resources for students and families have been added to a new web page, including updated information on the 2024-25 FAFSA. Click here for more information. FAFSA Resources (michigan.gov)



#### SCHOOL TO WORK(STW/CO-OP) MAKING THE CONNECTION



• The objective of our STW Program is to connect classroom learning with work-based learning experiences, prepare students for the move from classroom to the workplace, support supervised on-the-job training, and help students make career decisions.

#### • Our Students will:

- Develop the essential skills and habits required in the workplace.
- Receive a <u>GRADE</u> and <u>CREDIT</u> towards graduation for this full year course.
- · Gain valuable PAID work experience to help build a resume for post-secondary programs and future employment in a variety of career areas.

#### WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?



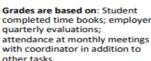
Open to 11th and 12th grade students with a GPA-2.0 Minimum



Students work 10 hours a week at minimum, 24 maximum per child labor laws. Must have reliable transportation and leave school after 5th hour.



Attendance: Must be excellent at school: including tardies and unexcused absences from 9<sup>th</sup> grade and beyond.



completed time books; employer quarterly evaluations; attendance at monthly meetings with coordinator in addition to other tasks.

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Enrollment/Completer in CTE Courses related to internship placement(see courses listed on back).



Coordinators visit work sites to ensure a safe and productive training environment and build relationships with employers.

#### Next Steps...

- 1. Talk with your parents about STW; Can you do it?
  - ✓ Transportation
  - ✓ Extracurricular activities
  - Availability (employer provided schedule)
- 2. Scan the QR Code to Apply
- 3. Schedule a time to meet with Mrs. Gendelman
- 4. Obtain Parent signatures for Policies/Grading
- 5. Create your resume/request references
- 6. Set Up Your Voicemail

SCAN HERE TO APPLY FOR 2024-2025



For more information contact Mrs. Gendelman (janet.gendelman@uticak12.org) via TEAMS or at 586.797.2059/586.797.1660

## CONNECTING STW TO CTE CLASSES





Automotive and Small Engine Technologies	Design and Engineering	Welding	Woodworking	Architecture and Construction Trades
TE Auto I TE Advanced Auto TE Advanced Automotive echnologies Capstone TE Small Engine Repair I TE Advanced Small ngine Repair TW Auto Tech Intern TW Small Engine Repair tern	-CTE Design & Engineering     I – CAD     -CTE Design & Engineering     II – CAD     -CTE Advanced Design &     Engineering - CAD     -CTE Design & Engineering     Capstone – CAD     -STW Design Engineering     Intern	•CTE Welding I and II •STW Fabrication Inte	-	•CTE Architecture I – CAD     •CTE Architecture II –     CAD     •CTE Architecture – CAD     •CTE Advanced Architecture -     Capstone     •CTE Construction Trades     •CTE Construction Trades     Capstone I     •CTE Construction Trades     Capstone II     •STW Architecture Intern     •STW Construction Trades Intern
Business, Finance Marketing		Science and In Technology	Education and Family Consumer Sciences/Human Services	Medical Health Science

#### CTE Accounting I

- -CTE Accounting II
- •CTE Introduction to Marketing
- -CTE Advanced Marketing
- **CTE School Store Operations**
- CTE Small Business/Specialty
- Marketing
- •CTE Microsoft Office •STW Business/Management Intern
- -STW Finance Intern
- STW Marketing Intern

•CTE AP Computer Science Principles

- •CTE Computer Science I •CTE Computer Science II
- CTE AP Computer Science A

•CTE Cybersecurity

•CTE Computer Networking and Repair

•CTE Web Page Development I •CTE Web Page Development II

·STW Information Technology Intern

-CTE Child Development-Early Childhood -CTE Child Development-School Aged -CTE Future Educators I -CTE Future Educators II -CTE Law Enforcement -STW Future Educator Intern •CTE Medical Science I •CTE Medical Science II •CTE Nursing Assistant •CTE Sports Medicine •STW Medical Intern

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can I use my current job as a School to Work placement?

Possibly. You may ask the Coordinator to evaluate your current job as a possible STW placement.

- Can I begin my STW experience in the summer? Yes. If the employer is offering summer employment.
- Do I automatically get a parking permit if I am enrolled in STW? No. STW students do not receive any preferential treatment in obtaining a parking permit.
- Can I participate in co-curricular activities (ex: sports, dance, religiousobligations) and still be enrolled in the School to Work program?

Very difficult to do with after school practice schedules, talk to your coordinator.

For more information contact <u>Mrs. Gendelman (janet.gendelman@uticak12.org)</u> via TEAMS or at 586.797.2059/586.797.1660



#### 2023-2024 Parking Permits

Students are only allowed to park in the parking lot if they have a parking pass. Parking is now available for Sophomores. <u>All paperwork must be on file with the school.</u> You can find student parking information located in the PARENT QUICK LINK section on our website: <u>https://stevenson.uticak12.org/</u> Please contact <u>michelle.bartold@uticak12.org</u> with any parking questions you may have.

Parking permits are \$50. You can find the Parking Permit Application on the Stevenson website. <u>Home - Stevenson</u> <u>High School (uticak12.org)</u> Please print it and bring copies of all required documents to Mrs. Bartold in the main office.

Parents MUST call the SHS <u>attendance line</u> (586) 797-1999 and choose the appropriate option to excuse their student. <u>It must be a parent/guardian that calls in and not a student or sibling</u>. Please spell your child's last name and include their grade. <u>Do Not</u> call the main office.

## **FINES & FEES**



- Please check your student's PowerSchool account 'Dashboard' for <u>Outstanding fees</u>. Outstanding fees should be paid immediately.
- The most common fees are Replacement Student Ids\* \$5.00 each, Replacement Lanyard\* \$3.00, Locker Lock \$12.00, Senior Class Dues \$25.00, Junior Class Dues \$10.00, or Sophomore Class Dues \$10.00. \*All students are required to have their School Id with them and visible while on school property. We provide each student their first Student Id and Stevenson lanyard free of charge. Students without their School Id are required to purchase a replacement ID, replacement Lanyards are also available.
- All fines can be paid via PaySchools: <u>click here</u> or on the <u>Stevenson Home Page</u> Hover over For Families, then Select: PaySchool Link.
- Fines may also be paid with Cash/Check/Money Order at the Bookstore window during school hours. If you have a question about your student's fees, please contact Remi Darroch, Bookkeeper, at <u>remi.darroch@uticak12.org</u>, 586-797-1903.

## **SENIOR NEWS & INFORMATION**



#### <u>Please check PowerSchool to ensure that your First, Middle and Last names are spelled</u> <u>correctly!</u>

This is where we get the spelling of the name for your diploma! If there is an error in PowerSchool, please contact Caren.King@uticak12.org AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

#### **COUNSELING UPDATE FOR SENIORS:**

#### **Transcripts**

Most colleges will want to see your first semester grades. At our counselor meeting yesterday, we were told that UCS will have <u>transcripts ready by Jan. 31st</u>. Once we receive them, we can begin sending them for you.

**Common App Schools** - Counselors will automatically send transcripts to any school you applied to via Common App once they are available.

**Direct App Schools** - If you applied direct to a school on their website, request your transcript via Xello from your ClassLink: <u>How students request a transcript (xello.world)</u>

You can request them any time, and we will send them when they are ready.

#### FAFSA – It is FINALLY available

- Before completing the FAFSA, every senior and one parent will need to create an FSA ID: <u>Create</u>
   <u>Account | Federal Student Aid</u>
- Families can complete the 2024-2025 FAFSA at this link: FAFSA® Application | Federal Student Aid
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#### College Apps

 It is not too late to start new college applications. If you haven't applied yet, and need help, come see your counselor. Most college applications can be done in 10-20 minutes. Let us help you plan for a great future!!

#### **IMPORTANT DATES for Seniors**

MANDATORY Senior Parent Meetings - Wednesday, April 17 -(5 pm last names A-L and 6:30 pm last names M-Z) -Caps & Gowns will be distributed after the meeting

- > Honor's Night (invitations will go out at the end of April) Monday, May 13 @ 7pm
- > **Prom** Wednesday, May 29 @ 7 pm, Penna's
- Senior's Last Day May 24, 2024
- **Graduation Ceremony** O'Rena at Oakland University on Sunday, June 9, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.

Stevenson redesigned our cap and gowns last year (Beginning with the class of 2023). Please see our new design below.







\$20 / Shirt

SENIOR ALL NIGHT PARTY





JUNE 9 2024

PURCHASE YOUR SENIOR T-SHIRT, YARD SIGN AND TICKET



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT STEVENSONSANP2024@GMAIL.COM

## **JUNIOR NEWS & INFORMATION**



#### DIGITAL SAT PREP WORKSHOP:

Registration is now open for the Student Digital SAT Prep Workshop! We encourage junior students to join us and learn more about these changes to prepare for the exam this spring.

This one-day workshop will be held in-person at the MISD, with multiple dates to choose from:

- March 9, 2024
- March 16, 2024



Attached is a workshop brochure with more information. <sup>4\_Flyer\_8.14.23\_ACC</sup>

Registration is online at events.misd.net (type "Student Digital SAT" in the search bar).

## **SOPHOMORE NEWS & INFORMATION**



Parking Passes are now available for Sophomores. Please see the Stevenson website for more information.