Union Elementary School

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Dates to Remember

Wednesday, September 20th

Early Release Day-Dismissal @ 1:15 p.m.

Wednesday, September 20th

UES PTC Meeting @ UES 6:00 p.m. All parents invited to attend!

Tuesday, September 26th

5:30 p.m. Band Informational Evening for parents of 4th, 5th & 6th grade students

Wednesday, October 4th

School Picture Day

Friday, October 6th No School- Workshop Day

Monday, October 9th
No School- Indigenous Peoples' Day

Emergency Drills

UES held two evacuation/fire drills this week as part of our Emergency Management Plan designed to keep students safe in case an unforeseen incident presents itself. As part of this plan, we will also conduct a Lockdown Drill in the near future designed to provide another means of keeping students safe.

Band Informational Evening

The Union Elementary School Band will be having an information evening on Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 5:30 in the music room. All 4th, 5th, and 6th graders are invited and encouraged to participate in band. The students have the option of choosing Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, and Percussion. David French Music will be our rental provider this year. If you think a rental might not be for you but you'd like to try an instrument, please see Mr. Phillips and we will figure it out. Hope to see you and your adults on the 26th!

Mr. Phillips, UES Music

UES PTC Meeting

The first UES PTC meeting will be held here at the school in the staff work room at 6:00 p.m. on September 20th. All parents and guardians are invited and encouraged to attend. We have many ideas for events this school year and would welcome any other suggestions from parents! We hope to see you here!

AIO Weekend Meals Program

Last week students received forms to sign up for the weekend meal program. Pre K and Kindergarten students will bring their papers home today if you haven't already gotten them. The students who return this form will receive a bag every Friday here at school from the AIO Food Pantry. There is no cost to enroll and no qualification guidelines. Everyone is welcome to sign up! These bags contain a selection of fun, healthy, easy to prepare snacks and meals. If you need a new form just contact the office. The first bags will go home Friday!

9/11 Remembrance

On Monday, 9/11, a few carefully-chosen words were shared over the announcements which honored the memory of those who lost their lives on 9/11/2001. As proud Americans, we feel a sense of obligation to keep these memories alive for this and future generations.

Students recognized for positive behaviors!!

Our PBIS monthly theme for September is Respect/Manners- I will show respect by using good manners.

Congratulations to the following students for being recognized this week for our targeted positive behavior:

Pre K - Brayson Gamage & Lucy Brown Kindergarten - Ashton Bowen & Addie Hatch

1st Grade - Jason Corbett & Alden Evangelos

2nd Grade - Bailey Robinson & Levi Yenor

3rd Grade - Bailey Elwell & Phillip Jura

4th Grade - Brayden Bendtson & Evelyn Evangelos

5th Grade - Bentley Robinson & Calvin Ward

6th Grade - Linkyn Smith & Brigid Mills

Super Citizens





Student Feature: Bentley Robinson Grade: 5



I like UES because: I have no homework and I get to help my family more. After school I help my uncle clear out some land so he can build a house.

My favorite books include: Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Percy Jackson, and the Million Dollar Race.

My favorite tv shows and movies include: I like to watch Survivor. My favorite singers and bands include: My uncle and I listen to AC/DC and Boston during our car rides.

My favorite foods include: chicken tenders and french fries from Zach's Shack. I also like the tacos that my mammy makes for me.

My hobbies include: playing baseball and Minecraft.

When I grow up I want to be: an architect and design houses or maybe even design cars.

If I could live anywhere in the world I'd live in the Bahamas because I like the beach and warm weather.

Pictures Wanted!!!!

Each UES family is asked to submit one or two family or individual student pictures which show them having fun this summer. Pictures can be emailed to <u>Allison_davis@rus40.org</u>. Mrs. Davis will compile all the photos and create a slideshow for our lobby display monitor. Students really enjoy seeing themselves "on tv." We hope to have the slideshow complete by Sept 22nd. so please send in those photos!











Annual Online Registration

Parents must complete the On-Line Registration as part of the enrollment process. To date 66% of our families have completed this essential task. We hope to have this number at 100% by October 13th. Click on the link below to get started. If you don't already have a log in, contact Mrs. Davis in the office @ 785-4330 or email allison_davis@rsu40.org. If you need more assistance, please stop by the office and Mrs. Davis will walk you through the process using one of our computers. This is fairly difficult to complete on a cell phone so this option might work better for you.

Infinite Campus Parent Portal Web Link

Congratulations to.....

Ms. Barrows, who recently received funding from Donorschoose.org to outfit her library with supplies for her Makers' Space and Lego Wall centers.

Mrs. Snell, who received new classroom supplies: storage bins, shaving cream, classroom snacks, dot paints, kinetic sand, etc. from an Amazon Wishlist. Many parents in her class contributed funds to make this happen for our students!

Parent Volunteers

UES would like to thank Dave McKellar, who has agreed to replace the PTC Bottle Bin located on our school grounds. It is in disrepair and we look forward to what he has in store for us. A special thank you to Viking Lumber as well for donating the materials. Thank you to the McKellar family for returning bottles for the UES PTC again this year. Union Redemption gives us .06 per returnable! We would like to remind parents and community members to be sure that bags placed in the returnable area are just **returnable bottles and cans**. **We do not accept recyclables**.

We would also like to thank Jen Evangelos, who will begin a gardening project with several of our classrooms in the near future. Students will plant bulbs this fall and enjoy the fruits of their labor in the spring when beautiful flowers arrive.