



January 19, 2012

Superintendent's Message



As the year moves along, we are pleased to share that we continue to have many of our students on our Honor Roll lists for second quarter. The PTA will celebrate Honor Roll students this Thursday at 6 pm. Dinner will begin at 6 pm and the recognition will begin at 6:30 pm in the Theater for Lower and Middle School students. Upper School students will have their recognition in the Forum (cafeteria).

As the new year begins, preparations are underway for the upcoming school year. To give families an additional opportunity to review the draft 2012-2013 calendar in advance, we will be mailing you a copy of the draft 2012-2013 calendar to gain your input before recommendations are made for next school year. The final 2012-13 calendar will be based on family and staff input.

Thank you for all of your support and for helping us reach such high levels of excellence.

Dr. Anderson

Important dates

- Thursday, Jan. 19th—PTA meeting and Honor Roll certificates distributed
- Thursday, Feb. 2nd—Big Smiles Dental Clinic, K-5th grades— Sign up forms coming home soon!
- **FRIDAYS**: Students may wear blue jeans with no holes and a UA/uniform shirt
- Friday, February 17, 2012 — **Early Dismissal** for Students
- Monday, February 20, 2012 — **NO SCHOOL** (President's Day)

Attendance Reminders

Turn in your child's doctor & dentist notes to Ms. Foster. This will excuse your child's absence.

Call the Attendance Line at 412.5950 if you child is going to be absent. Students who arrive tardy 4 times or more and/or who leave school early will have those absences marked as one (1) day of absence.

Please make appointments for after 3pm when possible!

Help us reach our goal of 95% attendance by having your child at school, on time, every day!

UA Dental Clinic Underway

We have developed a partnership with the UMKC Dental Clinic. Through the generosity of UMKC and Friends of University Academy, a dental clinic will be in operation for the 2012-12 school year at UA. Students will be able to get dental cleanings and some dental work completed at UA. Construction will begin this year and it is expected that the clinic will be finished by July. We are excited about the continued expansion in services we can provide to our students and we are thankful for the partnerships that allow for these kinds of projects to happen. Once the project is complete, you will receive information on how students will be able to access the services available.

Special Visitors in 2nd grade!

2nd grade recently finished reading Officer Buckle, a story about a police officer named Officer Buckle and his dog, Gloria, who give presentations to schools about safety. To wrap up the story, 2nd grade had some special visitors. The Kansas City Police Department's K-9 officers and their dog visited with students, answering their questions about working with a police dog.



Parent Pick Up Reminder

All Lower School "Parent Pick Up" students are to be picked up **no later than 3:30 pm** (per p. 19 in the Student/Parent Handbook)

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Welcome Back!! We hope that the break was relaxing, refreshing, and rejuvenating; especially since the weather was so great. Staff was excited to see the smiling faces of their students. Students were ready to return to see friends and discuss what they did over the break. Our staff spent the break preparing for second semester to ensure that the students are engaged. We are half way through the school year and teachers are hard at work preparing students for success.

Mr. O’Neal Math 8th-9th Grade Math

Mr. O’Neal has posted online tests on his webpage to provide students the opportunity to practice. These assessments will help prepare them for the MAP test as the types of questions are similar to what students will see on the MAP. While Mr. O’Neal has only required students to take two of the online tests, students are encouraged to take all of the assessments for additional practice.

ACT

University Academy will host the second ACT of the year on February 11, 2012. All juniors and some seniors hoping to improve their scores have registered. You should have registered by January 13, 2012. Good Luck to all students who will be testing on this date. The next ACT test date will be April 14th, 2012. The deadline for registration will be **March 9th, 2012**. Please see Ms. Mathews for registration.

Art Students

Last Fall, Cheyenne Albright and William Smith presented their art portfolios for an apprenticeship at MyArts KC in the Crossroads Arts District. Their art portfolios were accepted and they each successfully completed 72 hours of service in the arts. So successful in fact, that they interviewed for paid positions and are now both PAID artists at MyArts. Quite an accomplishment. Congratulations to both Cheyenne and William for a job well done!

Inclement Weather

Please make sure that we have current phone numbers for your child. In the event of inclement weather where school is cancelled or the start time is delayed, you will receive a phone call through *Connect-Ed*, which is a telephone calling system. You can also view Channels 4, 5, 9 and 41 to see if classes are canceled for University Academy students.

January College Connection & FAFSA Meeting

During the PTA meeting on Jan. 19th, 6 pm, UA will host a Financial Aid Rep who will review with families how to apply for FAFSA and to answer any questions that families may have regarding financial aid for college.

Parents of sophomores or juniors who are interested in their students participating in EIL (Experiment in International Living) should come to the PTA meeting to talk with students who participated last summer. For additional information please contact Ms. Mathews.

Acuity

Students will take the Acuity C Assessment February 13th-17th. Data from this assessment will be compared to the previous Acuity results to determine areas of improvement for students.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Now is the time to update your contact information in PowerSchool!

If you or your Emergency Contacts have a new phone number, please complete the attached form and return it to the Administrative Assistant in Lower, Middle or Upper school. Thanks!

Lower School 2nd Quarter PRINCIPAL'S Honor Roll

2nd Grade

Abdullah, Julius
 Adams, Brenden
 Amerison, Jamaiyah
 Baker, Brandon
 Banks, Kimee'
 Boyce, Shalom
 Brenson, Sydney
 Bui, Ethan Max
 Burns, Da'Nya
 Campbell, Lauren
 Chatman, Sye'
 Daniels, Austin
 Davis, Jaeda
 Dowls, Cheyenne
 Frazier, Jasmyrn
 Harrell, Zakairyn
 Harris, Kamila
 Harris, Te'Viana
 Jackson, Eriyan
 Jackson, Jason
 Jones, Floyd A
 Lofton, Kyndell
 Long, A'Mylah
 Montoya, Diego
 Paul, Damarcus
 Ray, Tyler
 Sellars, Noah
 Stevenson, Kortez
 Todd, Izrael
 Tyler, Isley J
 Vaughn, Jayda

3rd Grade

Lang, Noah
 Looney, Joardy
 Terrell, Christian
 Wooten-Moore, Kendra

4th Grade

Blythe, Tessa
 Bragulla, Chaniere
 Johnson, Jayden
 Lee-Pounds, Germani
 Rentie, Kearra
 Smith, Faryn
 Usher, Meredith
 White, Le'Onia

5th Grade

Getahun, Mahlet
 Kemp, Sydnee
 Looney, Bernadette
 Minnenhall, Ashanti

A & B Honor Roll

2nd Grade

August, Serenity
 Burton, Jaydah
 Davis, Brooklyn
 Ersery, Gary
 Ford, Timiah
 Foster, Skye
 Francois, Shaelsa
 Fuller, Ja'Mayah
 Harris, Victor
 Hawley, De'Ante
 Herbin, Jordan
 Holland, Malaia
 Khalifah, Salahu-din
 Lapsley, D'Amanii
 Martin, Ja'Cobee
 Mays, Damir
 Moore, Anaya
 Redmond, Joshua
 Rivers, Mariah
 Robinson, Shamarie
 Ross, Tylin
 Spencer, Courtnee
 Taylor, Brittany
 Thompson, Taelor
 Walker, Sadiq
 Wyley, Jaden

3rd Grade

Allen, Lee
 Bradford, Anya
 Brown, Samilah
 Carter, Samaya
 Clarkson, Eejan
 Davis, Mikilah
 Freeman, Alana
 Howard, Exavier
 Jackson, Lorenzo
 Johnson, Alexsaundrea
 Johnson, Jamil
 Johnson, Jordan
 Jordan, Mia
 Lindsey, Tyler
 Littlejohn, Alyssa
 McDonald, Devawna
 Mendoza, Johnathan
 Murrell, Keith
 Norwood, Camren
 Oates, Skylar
 Redmon-Talley, Mauriana
 Sanders, Aunnica
 Sowemimo, Olamide
 Tesfay, Aida
 Velasquez, Christopher
 Ward, Tatyana
 Willard, Vyan

4th Grade

Benites, Tiffany
 Boyd, MyAun
 Davis, Jordan
 Dawson, Kai
 Glover, Samuel
 Glover, Solomon
 Hawkins, Jamesha
 Howard, London
 Kwizera, Aliyah
 Mack, Cameron
 Montoya, Jose
 Sellars, Wayne
 Smith, Jalen
 Spriggs, Emon
 Weaver, Ja'nae
 Workcuff, Yaszmyne

5th Grade

Barnes, Ezra
 Graves, Rae'Nia
 Johnson, Vichelle
 Jones, Angel
 Lawrence, Marnae
 Mays, DheVaune'
 Melson, Brandon
 Moore, Beverly
 Mourning, Giacomo
 Rivers, Myah
 Smith, Anwar
 Townes, Eriana
 Wolfe, Aunna

Middle School 2nd Quarter PRINCIPAL'S Honor Roll

6th Grade

Maxwell, Safiya
McDaniel, Mariah

8th Grade

Piggie, Frenklyn
Smith, Jazmyne

Middle School 2nd Quarter A & B Honor Roll

6th Grade

Austin, Avery
Banks, Movonn
Berhane, Arsema
Butler, Terry
Dickerson-McKinney, Malik
Graham, Je'niq
Gravelly-Moss, Tateanna
Hall, Sophie
Johnson, Dominica
Jones, Josiah
Kemp, Aniah
Lyles, Sydney
Mansaw, DaVon Christopher
Owens, Kellan
Perkins, Iyanla
Smith, Brittany
Watson-Anderson, Bette Jean
Zweifel, Amaya

7th Grade

Dillard, Taj'zhere
Garrett, Mya
Herron, Ke'ona
Jones, Avionne
Moss, Dominique
Okonkwo, Ikechukwu (Ike)
Powell, William
Ward, Shyriahana
Williams, Che'

8th Grade

Coates, Caila
France, Brianna
Henderson, Aliyah
Hewitt, Arion
Hill, Christen
Hunter, Aliyah
Hunter, Ashli
Logan, Keturah
Muhammed, Imani
Paul, Desmond
Rodriguez, Varissa
Summers, Alex

Upper School 2nd Semester PRINCIPAL'S Honor Roll

9th Grade

Eke, Nosakhare

10th Grade

Bryant, Jaebrielle
Murray, Jaedren
Okonkwo, Uche'
Wells, Aliyah
Woods, Joshua

11th Grade

Beckett, Isabelle
Beckett, Jackson
Eke, Osasere

12th Grade

Arancillo, Angelica
Smith, T'Nicqua
Williams, Dionna

Upper School 2nd Quarter A & B Honor Roll

9th Grade

Amin, Khadija
Banks, Zakieya
Boyd, Savannah
Davis, Taejah
Foster, Adriana
Green, Raenelle
Johnson, Jasmine
King, Yisrael
Magee, Shawndrea
Newton, Maya
Reid, Imani
Ross, Kacee
Thompson, Cynise

10th Grade

Everette, Imani
Jackson, Christian
Moss, Cathrine
Pickens, Keturah
Riley, Tyler
Rodney, Jounee
Upton, Kelli

11th Grade

Abercrombie, Destiny
Arnold, Karly
Campbell, Chanelle
Crockett, De'Jahna
Kalu, Blessing
Okonkwo, Judith
Partee, Darren
Williams, Cydney

12th Grade

Crosby, Stesha
Dean, Remy
Eveland-Pulido, Joseph
Ford, Lindsey
Ford, Tylor
Fritz, Mikayle
Harrison, Martez
Johnson, Denzel
Jones, Demond
Kinchelow, Jasmine
Pittmon, Latasha
Scott, Demika
Sharif, Zeynab
Slaughter, Davion
Stanley, Tiara
Terrell, Estevan
Williams, Jade
Winfrey, Bryson

Congratulations!

University Academy Emergency Contact Information *UPDATED* January 2012

Please complete all information below. Please print.

Date: _____ Student's Legal Name: _____
Last First MI

Address: _____

_____, _____
City State Zip Code

Grade: _____ Teacher: _____

Custodial Parent/Guardian Information

Person 1 Name:	Person 2 Name:
Relationship to Student:	Relationship to Student:
Home Phone:	Home Phone:
Place of Employment:	Place of Employment:
Business Phone:	Business Phone:
Cell Phone:	Cell Phone:
Email Address:	Email Address:

The following persons **ARE** authorized to pick up my child *(ID must be presented)*

Name	Relationship to Student	1 st Phone Number	2 nd Phone Number

Your student(s) will only be released to the parent/guardian or individual(s) listed above.

