



HILLCLIMBER HEADLINES

URBANA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

January 8, 2021

SAT. JAN 9

Boys Bball vs Ridgemont 10:00 am - UHS Gym
Girls Bball @ Ridgemont 10:00 am

MON. JAN 11

Boys Bball vs Shawnee 5:30 pm - UHS Gym
Girls Bball @ Shawnee 5:30 pm

THURS. JAN 14

End of 2nd Quarter
Boys Basketball @ London MS 5:30 pm
Girls Basketball vs London MS 5:30 pm - UHS Gym

FRI. JAN 15

No School - Teacher Work day

SAT. JAN 16

Boys Bball vs Northridge MS 10:00 am - UHS Gym
Wrestling @ Shawnee Invite 10:00 am

MON. JAN 18

Martin Luther King Day - No School

TUES. JAN 19

3rd Quarter begins

THURS. JAN 21

Boys Bball vs Northwestern 5:30 pm - UHS Gym
Girls Bball @ Northwestern 5:30 pm

FRI. JAN 22

Report Cards mailed

SAT. JAN 23

Wrestling duals @ Versailles 10:00 am

MON. JAN 25

Boys Bball @ Tecumseh 5:30 pm
Girls Bball vs Tecumseh 5:30 pm - UHS Gym

TUES. JAN 26

Wrestling Tri @ Triad 5:00 pm

FRI. JAN 29

Picture Day

TUES. FEB 2

Two Hour Delay - Teacher Inservice

FEB 3rd & 11th

Parent Teacher Conferences

WED. FEB 3

Boys Bball @ Northridge MS 5:30 pm

THURS. FEB 4

Wrestling Tri @ Shawnee 5:00 pm

MON. FEB 15

No School - President's Day

MON. MAR 1

No School - Teacher Inservice

FRI. MAR 19

End of 3rd Quarter

MON. MARCH 22 - FRI. MARCH 26

No School - Spring Break

CHROMEBOOK PAYMENTS

All Chromebook payments were due **October 23, 2020**. The scheduled payment has been placed on school fees.

2020-2021 Free and Reduced Priced Meal Applications

If you have not already done so, please fill out a new Free and Reduced Meal Application. Households that qualify for Free meals are eligible to have their students school fees waived. This process may also help in determining the P-EBT Card eligibility. If you have questions, please call the Food Service Dept. at 937-653-1427.

Congratulations to December

Students of the Month:

Five Points - Maybelle Davis, Gutridge - Kianna

Gsell, Mohawk – Brianna Johnson, and

Toll Run – Jordyn Carroll

UVA Students of the Month:

October - Chloe Nannarone

November - Jade Blankenship

December - Allison Myers

Congratulations to January

Students of the Month:

Five Points - Paris Grim, Gutridge - Emmaleigh

Culp, Mohawk – Lola Rice, and Toll Run –

Emmaleigh Culp, UVA - Zakai LeMieux

Congratulations to everyone!!

ATTENDANCE

Please call the school by 9:00 am if your child will not be attending 653-1439 option 1. We have voicemail, so you may leave a message 24 hours a day. If you do leave a message, **PLEASE STATE THE REASON** for the absence. A call with no reason given does not necessarily make the absence excused. If you do not have a phone, be sure to send a note with the student the next day explaining the reason for the absence.

UJHS PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Wed, Feb 3rd from 2:45 pm to 6:00 pm and Thurs, Feb 11th from 2:45 pm to 6:15 pm. Please call the guidance office at 937-653-1439 X2118 to schedule a virtual conference. You will be asked for a primary email address then sent an invitation with the Zoom link and when to join the meeting. If you do not have internet access at home, a phone conference can be scheduled instead. **We strongly encourage both parents and students to attend the scheduled meetings.**

Backpack Program

Urbana City School students may pick up backpacks full of weekend foods at the Caring Kitchen, located at 300 Miami Street from 3:00-4:30 p.m. every Friday.

Parent Access:

As the first semester comes to a close, it is the perfect time to create a Parent Access account if you have not yet done so. Parent Access allows you to check your child's grades in real time. If you have not yet created an account, please contact Kelli Marsh kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org 937-653-1453 ext 2126 to obtain the needed information.

Remind:

If your cell number has changed, Remind needs to be updated. Please contact the main office at your child's school to update the school records. You will also need to change your number by logging into Remind (on the app or the web at www.remind.com) and updating your settings. You can also contact Kelli Marsh kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org 937-653-1453 ext 2126 if you have issues updating your Remind account.

Communication

Schools are successful when there is strong parental and community involvement. Communication is essential to foster a positive learning environment.

Students: Talk to Teachers, Counselor and/or Administrator, and PA(Student Access)

Parents: PA(Parent Access), email, telephone, conferences, face to face

Remind App: Enter 81010, Text@urbanj

Download PBIS Rewards App

Twitter: @urbana_jhs

Hillclimber Hoops:

As reported by Coaches:

7th Grade Boys Basketball

Ben Logan 10 Urbana 38

Kevin Endres 18 pts (1-1)

8th Grade Boys Basketball

Ben Logan 41 Urbana 48

Rees Hiltibran 14 pts, Sam Wilhelm 12 pts, Owen

Powell 10 pts (2-0)

7th Grade Boys

North Union 11 Urbana 42

Kevin Endres 11 pts (2-1)

8th Grade Boys

North Union 30 Urbana 26
Sam Wilhelm 12 pts (2-1)

7th Grade Boys

Indian Lake 31 Urbana 14 (2-2)

8th Grade Boys

Indian Lake 26 Urbana 34 (3-1)

7th Grade Boys

Urbana 24 Graham 38 (2-3)

8th Grade Boys

Urbana 38 Graham 21
Rees Hiltibran 16 pts (4-1)

7th Grade Boys

Bellefontaine 30 Urbana 18.
Urbana is now 2-4

8th Grade Boys

Bellefontaine 22 Urbana 42.
Rees Hiltibran 15
Urbana is now 5-1

7th Grade Boys

Urbana 28 Shawnee 32
Urbana is now 2-5

8th Grade Boys

Urbana 18 Shawnee 43
Urbana is now 5-2

7th Grade Boys

Urbana 18 Jonathan Alder 20
Urbana is 2-6

8th Grade Boys

Urbana 24 Jonathan Alder 30
Sam Wilhelm 10 Urbana is 5-3

7th Grade Girls Basketball

Urbana-21 Ben Logan-23

8th Grade Girls Basketball

Urbana-29 Ben Logan-20
Peyton Mounce scored 12 points for the climbers!

7th grade Girls

Urbana-37 Shawnee-22
Alex Dixon had 21, Alicia Venneman had 14

8th grade Girls

Urbana-44 Shawnee-19
Peyton Mounce had 19

7th grade Girls

Urbana - 21 Indian Lake - 25
Alex Dixon - 8

8th grade Girls

Urbana - 45 Indian Lake - 21
Peyton Mounce - 19

8th grade Girls

Urbana-36 Graham-21
Peyton Mounce scored 24 and Lyza Forson had 10.

7th grade Girls

Urbana-36 Bellefontaine-22
Alex Dixon scored 21 points.

8th grade Girls

Urbana-36 Bellefontaine-23
Peyton Mounce-16

7th grade Girls

Urbana-22 Jonathan Alder-33
Lanie Dingleline had 7 points

8th grade Girls

Urbana-33 Jonathan Alder-26
Peyton Mounce scored 13 points.

7th Grade Girls

Urbana - 19 Northridge - 41
Alex Dixon with 12 points

8th grade Girls

Urbana - 46 Northridge - 13
Peyton Mounce - 19 points
Lyza Forson - 13 points



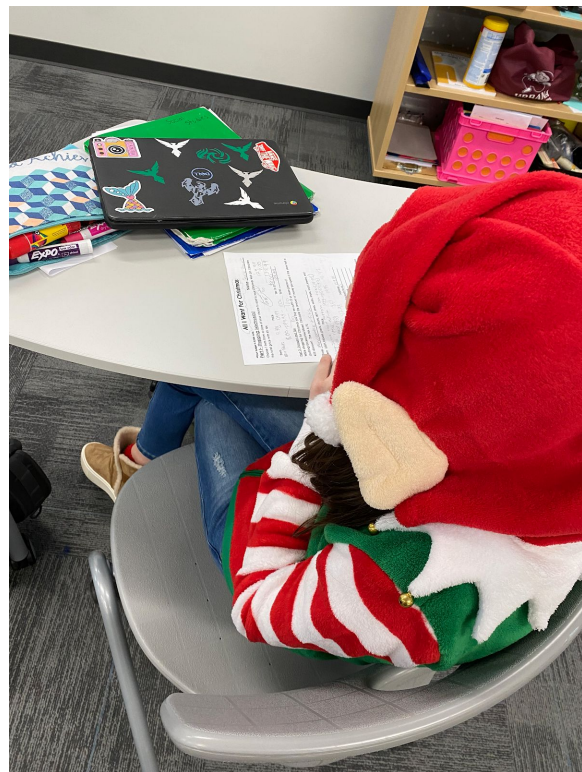
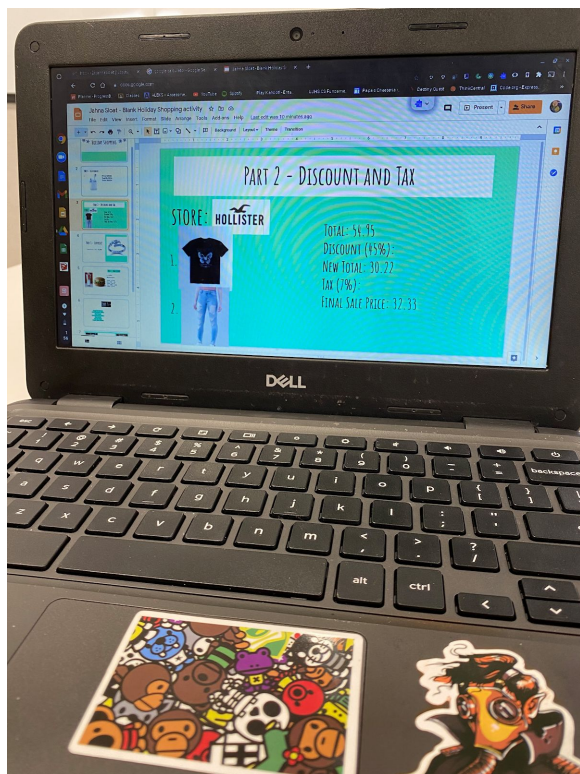
What's happening in the Classrooms...

6th and 7th grade Health

As the first semester is coming to an end so will be our semester long Health classes. Our 6th grade Health class just finished our program of Life Skills before Christmas Break. After break we will take a summative test over lessons 11-15 and finish up. The swap classes are half done with the material. We will start getting into our talks about how to have good communication with other people. 7th grade Health will also be finishing up its semester work. We are finishing our work on physical activity and fitness.

Mr. Bowdle

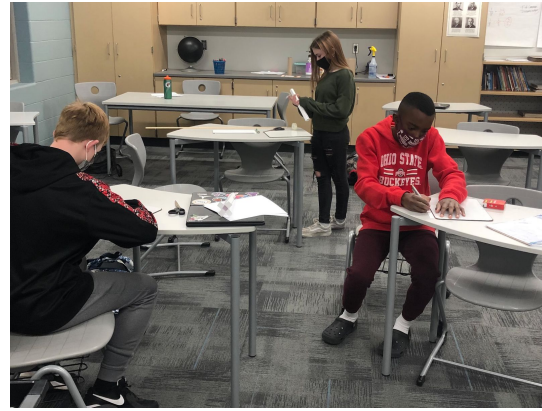
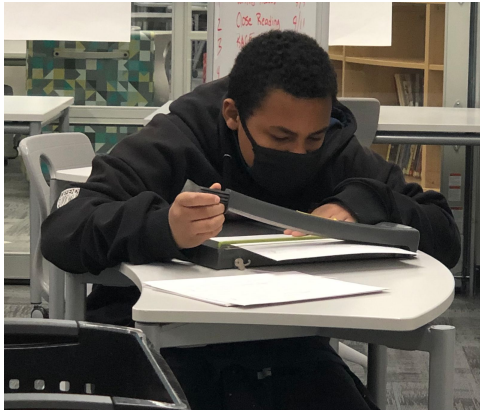
In 7th grade math, students have been learning about discounts, markups, commissions, taxes, and tips. Students have been doing a holiday shopping project to practice the skills.



8th Grade Science

With the end of the semester in sight, 8th graders will be focusing on the following topics: reproduction, heredity, and diversity of species. At the end of the 2nd quarter, current science students will be transitioning to social studies for the 2nd semester. I wish them all good luck with the rest of the year!

7th grade Science, Semester 1 is in the beginning stages of building our paper roller coasters. Students have been challenged to socially distance themselves with their coaster group to design, construct, and promote a new roller coaster for a new attraction coming to Urbana. Stay tuned for Exhibition Day on January 15th. Can they do it or will their coasters get a sign that says “Attraction coming soon?”



In the picture with the paper cutter, Keighan Peltier. The other picture is JJ Johnson, Mia Clark, and Pryce Bass

Where it all began!

By Mary Ober and Jahna Sloat

Where it all began! E.W.B. (Elmer Washington Bryant) Curry was just 17 years old when he started his very first school in Delaware Ohio in January of 1889. Dr. Curry’s neighbor, Isaac Merriday, offered his kitchen shed, located at the back of his house, for Dr. Curry to use. Curry rented the kitchen shed for 50 cents per month. Dr. Curry also taught at the Delaware Night School for 2 years and he was the first African American to teach at the night school. Once the Shed School started, he charged his students 25 cents per week for tuition.. He called his school the “The Place of Knowledge for Old and Young”. Dr. Curry’s school accepted all genders, races, and ages (from 12 and up). For example, Curry’s first student was a 50-year-old man who was a day laborer. Dr. Curry was such a distinguished person that on Wednesday, Oct. 9, the City of Delaware unveiled an honorary street sign commemorating the life and work of Elmer Washington Bryant Curry (1871-1930).

Dr. Curry moved his school to Mechanicsburg Ohio in September of 1895. The school opened with 19 students and 3 teachers. After the first year the school did not have any graduates and it started losing support in the community. So in order to keep up the school's support Dr. Curry and his then fiance held their wedding ceremony and invited everyone to it. Later in September of 1897 the Baptist Association removed the support and closed down the school. Brothers Charles Swayne, W. T. Hill, D. R. Jones and J. H. Chavers recommended Urbana to Dr Curry.

6th grade ELA

During the second quarter, 6th grade ELA students read the book Maniac Magee. We studied vocabulary and began answering questions using the RACE response. The RACE response has students restating the question, answering the questions, citing evidence from the story to support their answer, and explaining how the evidence supports. We also started teaching figurative language which we will continue during the 3rd quarter.

7th grade ELA

7th grade ELA just wrapped up reading Ben Mikaelson's Touching Spirit Bear while focusing on elements of plot as well as figurative language. This story is a great coming-of-age story that teaches the students the importance of friendship, forgiveness, and second chances. The students are currently working on a final project for the book to show their understanding of the story's many themes. Finally, in the coming weeks we will be shifting our focus to reading a dystopian novel titled The Giver by Lois Lowry with a focus on argumentative writing.

8th grade ELA

8th grade ELA completed the novel Don't you Dare Read this Mrs. Dunphrey before winter break. The novel taught students the importance of journal writing. The remainder of this quarter will be used to teach the skills and techniques of narrative writing. In 3rd quarter, 8th grade ELA will continue to expand their knowledge of reading and writing using select short stories.

6th and 7th grade UJHS Math

6th and 7th grade UJHS Math students have been focusing on problem solving with percent and applying their skills to real world situations like dining out, shopping, and borrowing/investing money. UJHS 8th grade students have been working on solving equations with variables on both sides and investigating different solutions which may result. Also, 8th graders have been investigating the slope of a line given a graph, ordered pairs, or an equation. Utilizing real world applications like a roof or stairs help to develop concrete student understanding.

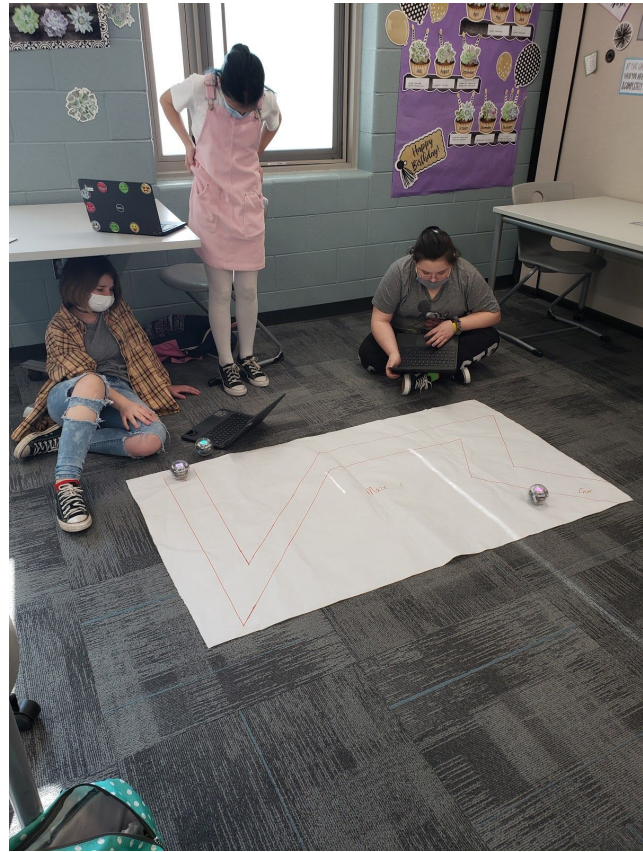
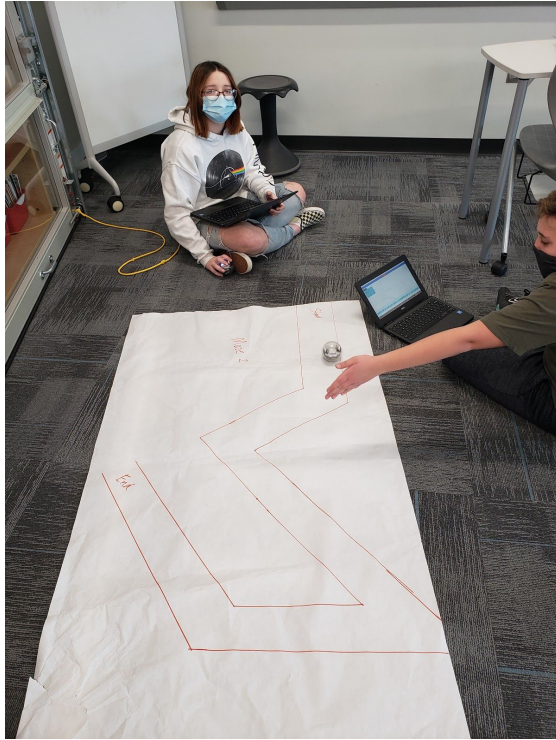
Also, Please be aware that many students have not yet met their ALEKS topic goal for the 2nd quarter. This counts as an important summative grade that will impact the final grade for Math for all 6th, 7th and 8th grade students. Please check ProgressBook and discuss this upcoming goal with your UJHS student to make sure that he/she is working to meet this goal.

LLI 6,7, and 8

Students in Mrs. Lacy's class took part in a hands on approach to reading. After reading about "National Cookie Day," they then took part in making their own cookies. Each student was given a cookie package with ingredients and were instructed to read and follow directions. Once they finished the cookies they were instructed to take a picture of their tasty treat, and shared it with me for their final product. I can proudly say with this homework assignment I had a 100% completion rate. My hope is that they will continue their love for reading recipes and make many more tasty treats.

6th Grade CSF

Students in 6th grade CSF have been practicing block coding. They are creating programs that lead a Sphero Bolt through a maze. Students loved working with the “robots” and did a great job working through the frustrations of working with new technology.



This Year for 2020

Love what you see in the mirror

Make Time for Creativity

Never say no to adventure

Eat more green food

Send handwritten thank you notes

Give out too many compliments

Be kind to strangers

Volunteer your time and skills

Give the present of presence

Learn from others

Make 2020 the best year of your life so far...

“This is a new year. A new beginning. And things will change”

- Taylor Swift