

2025-2026



10 THINGS FOR BACK-TO-SCHOOL



Suggested school supply lists for elementary students are available on school websites. Specific information on secondary school supplies will be shared by your classroom teachers during the first few days of school. It is generally recommended that secondary students have writing notebooks (one per class, different color), pens, pencils and highlighters.



All school offices will be open to the public for the new year on **Monday, August 11**. High school offices are open through the summer.



Registration dates for UCS secondary schools have been scheduled throughout August. For information on these dates, please see your school's website.



Bus stops will be emailed to eligible families on the afternoon of **Monday, August 18**.



It has not yet been determined by state lawmakers if school meals will be free for families. Once determined, information will be shared with families. Menus are available at: <https://uticak12.nutrislice.com>. Families should complete a Education Benefits Form through their Family Portal - uticak12.org/familyportal. This will help families that qualify receive reduced registration fees for AP courses, discounted internet access and more!



Your child's elementary teacher will be posted on PowerSchool after 3 p.m. on **Thursday, August 21**. An email will be sent to elementary families immediately after the information is posted.



In your child's PowerSchool account you are required to complete your annual update which includes 1) Making any changes to the Student Address, Student Contacts & Health Information, 2) Parent Student Handbook, 3) Technology Device Use Agreement, and 4) Technology Device Insurance Opportunity. Forms will be available beginning Wednesday, July 16. (Due: **Friday, August 22**).



Utica Community Schools is proud to deliver 1:1 technology to our students. UCS is once again offering an annual insurance plan to help families if there is an accident that causes damage to the school issued device. Technology Device Insurance will be available for purchase via PaySchools Central between Monday, August 11, 2025 and **Friday, September 5, 2025**. The price will remain at \$20 per device. More detailed information will be provided in August. Follow this link for more info: <http://www.uticak12.org/device>



School begins on **Tuesday, August 26**. This is a ½ day for elementary students and a full day for secondary students. Available calendar dates are at: <http://www.uticak12.org/calendar>



Have a question about the start of the school year? Just ask us! Use this link (<https://www.uticak12.org/Page/152>) for a list of school and district contact information or email ucs@uticak12.org.