

## The Titan Voice Stevenson High School

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#### 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



January 31, 2025

#### Good afternoon Titan community,

Second semester is underway! As we hit the ground running, I would like to remind parents to continue checking Powerschool to stay on top of your students' grades and attendance. Our Spring Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on March 6 from 4:00 – 7:00. More information to follow.

Last week, the AP and elective class fair was held during all lunch periods. Informational tables were set up, allowing students to hear from both other students and teachers about various AP and elective courses.

The Writing Center (E-73) is OPEN during all lunches for student walk-ins and/or for electronic submissions. Email essays to <a href="mailto:angel.favazza@uticak12.org">angel.favazza@uticak12.org</a> (please allow 2 school days for tutors to read and respond to electronic submissions). We look forward to helping your student improve their writing!

Stevenson is offering FREE after-school credit recovery during semester two. Details can be found on the flyer in the Titan Voice.

Any student who has received an "F" as a semester grade in a course required for graduation (during grades 9, 10, 11, or 12) and has not yet retaken that course, can register for credit recovery using the link below. Please see the Credit Recovery Flyer in the Titan Voice for more information.

Registration Link: <a href="https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=aOI-uaQawUGz37nrhmVnJQIOKV4n7d5LsJRgnDWq4KFUMVYySTdDUFZWSTRGRDg4QjZWT1BGNzc2Ti4u&route=sh">https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=aOI-uaQawUGz37nrhmVnJQIOKV4n7d5LsJRgnDWq4KFUMVYySTdDUFZWSTRGRDg4QjZWT1BGNzc2Ti4u&route=sh</a> orturl

Students can check their past semester grades in PowerSchool and can contact their counselors with any questions.

Scheduling season is upon us!

- Counseling has started the scheduling process for the 2025-2026 school year. Counselors presented at Davis and Jeannette junior highs and in the Stevenson English classes for future juniors and seniors.
- During the month of February, counselors will begin to meet individually with students, including the Virtual Academy, to ensure that each student is on the right pathway to success to achieve their post-secondary goals.
- Each student is expected to turn in a completed Scheduling Form with proper signatures and input their courses into PowerSchool. Parent signatures are also required for students who are pursuing Advanced Placement, Accelerated, or Honors courses. Many new CTE courses have been made available, which may require students to leave and return to Stevenson by UCS transportation, for one hour per day.
  - Future Sophomores Scheduling Forms—Blue
  - Future Junior Scheduling Forms—Yellow
  - Future Senior Scheduling Forms—Pink

For more information on course selections and pathways to success for your student, please visit the UCS website and search under the "Academics" tab. <u>Utica Community Schools / Homepage (uticak12.org)</u>

In addition, students have a "scheduling" icon that was loaded on their ClassLink page for a quicker reference to all the scheduling materials.

Attention Parents and Students, included in this issue of the Titan Voice is the registration flyer for Credit Recovery. Credit Recovery is for students who have failed one or more of their courses that are required for graduation.

#### SENIORS-

On February 13th, Tamara Threatt, Admissions & Outreach Coordinator from Macomb Community College will be in the Media Center during all three lunch periods to help seniors interested in Macomb Community College finalize their college applications.

On February 14th, Felicia Pelto from MI Student Aid will be at Stevenson High School in the ECC all day presenting to seniors during their English hours. This financial aid presentation will be a comprehensive overview of the Community College Guarantee, as well as the benefits and importance of completing their FAFSA. Mrs. Pelto will answer students' questions about financial aid as well as help them complete their FAFSA.

#### SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Senior Scholarship opportunities can be found on our Stevenson Counseling Website under "scholarships". You can find the link here: <u>Counseling / Scholarships</u>

Scholarships are continuously updated. There are building scholarships, district scholarships, and state scholarships available! Do not miss out on a chance to apply!

If a student has a question regarding a scholarship process, please feel free to email or TEAMS Ms. Sullivan.

#### **JUNIORS**

PSAT/SAT testing is approaching fast! Preparation is key! SHS is offering free SAT Prep after school for every student! SAT Prep will run Monday – Thursday from 2:20-3:20. Mondays and Wednesdays will be preparation for the English portion of the SAT in the ECC, while Tuesdays and Thursdays will be preparation for the Math portion of the SAT in the SLR. Students should look for information posters around the school (links below) – use the QR code to sign up!

Math Prep Reading and Writing Prep

Congratulations to the following students for being awarded Student of the Month for January! Students were nominated by Stevenson staff for being positive contributors to both the classroom and the Stevenson High School community. The Stevenson High School Students for January are:

Aqib Ahmed, Yara Al-Badri, Sara Al-Chona, Saif Al-Naji, Alex Alyas, Florenca Alatto, Mohammed Hussein Ali, Mirna Bahri, Isabella Barshaw, Kevin Bazi, Cole Carbone, Mohamed Chehab, Avante Cholagh, Angelina Daniel, Kaylee Fisher, Valariana Gmerek, Elliott Graham, Anastazija Grubac, Angelo Jarjes, Rena Jazrawi, Trinity Kejbou, Julie Kochanek, Alanna Kosciolek, Cameron Lasecki, Jacob Lewandowski, Katie Loftis, Dolores Luna Negoshian, Kenan Mamedov, Carson Meacham, Raul Oraha, Bianca Platon, Madden Preston, Savannah Serra, Jules Sitto, Seth Walker, Mercedes Wiley, Zoe Wilmoth, Viola Yaldo, Amra Zecevic

A big congratulations to our January Teachers of the Month, as chosen by students: Mr. Lopo and Mr. Suminski! We're fortunate to have such dedicated educators like you!

Don't forget to check out the Titan Voice for our new sports newsletter!

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.

ATTENDANCE When a student has accumulated 11 absences\* in any one class over the course of a semester, the student will be notified in a meeting with an assistant/associate principal that they have lost credit in that class and that they are placed on an attendance contract to earn the credit back. There are two parts to a contract. First, the student must pass the class with a D- or higher. Second, the student will show improvement in attendance in ALL classes. Improvement is determined on a sliding scale which allows for 1 absence for every three weeks (rounded up) left in the semester for each class.

A reminder to all students, you are required to always wear your ID badge. Not only for security reasons, but because you need to scan them at lunch! So, please make sure you are wearing your ID badge around your neck.

STUDENT DRESS CODE Students must adhere to the guidelines outlined in the student <a href="https://example.com/handbook.co

• 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.

Every Friday is Titan Spirit Day! Please encourage your student to wear anything "Titan" or Red, White, and/or Blue!

The Titan Voice and the Stevenson website should be your first line of communication regarding information pertaining to Stevenson. When you go to our website, you will find the Titan Voice linked under News. Included in the Titan Voice is more information regarding: AP Testing, SHS Clubs, UCS District Flyers, Senior and Senior All Night Party information, and much more! Be sure to click on the Titan Voice Link and see what's happening at Stevenson!

With Titan Pride,

Kenneth L. Cucchi III

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#### **WEBSITES**

**Stevenson Website:** 

https://stevenson.uticak12.org

#### **District Website:**

https://uticak12.org



#### Utica Community Schools 2024-2025 Grant Funded Credit Recovery Program Semester 2 Stevenson High School

The credit recovery program is for high school students in need of make-up credits; students must have failed or lost credit in the course in order to enroll. \*Students must schedule an appointment or email their school counselor to determine needed course(s).

#### IMPORTANT:

- Students will earn a ½ credit for each course successfully completed.
- Students will receive a letter grade for each course completed.
- Students must attend one after school drop-in session to receive login and navigation information.
- After school drop-in hours are available for students to work on their course or receive extra support from the credit recovery mentor.
- Students must attend after-school sessions to complete all assessments (quizzes, tests, mid-term, and final exam) within each course.
- Students can access their course from home at any time.
- Courses are NOT NCAA eligible.

All courses offered will use the Subject.com program. These are computer courses that are self-paced and require a student to be on task and motivated. While there is a teacher available for assistance, there will not be direct instruction. Class schedule follows UCS calendar. When there is no school, class will not meet.

#### Classes begin Monday, February 3, 2025

Class Time: Monday: 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. Location: Stevenson High School

Wednesday: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Dates: February 3, 2025 – May 7, 2025 Cost Per Course: Grant Funded

#### First Semester = A Second Semester = B

Course Name	
Geometry A	
Geometry B	
Algebra I A	
Algebra I B	
Algebra II A	
Algebra II B	
Precalculus A	
Precalculus B	
Physical Science A	
Physical Science B	
Biology A	
Biology B	
Chemistry I A	
Chemistry I B	
Physics A	
Physics B	
Spanish I A	
Spanish I B	
Spanish II A	

Course Name		
Spanish II B		
French I A		
French I B		
French II A		
French II B		
World History A		
World History B		
US History I A		
US History I B		
Economics		
Government		
English (9) A		
English (9) B		
English (10) A		
English (10) B		
English (11) A		
English (11) B		
English (12) A		
English (12) B		

Course Name	Course Name Spanish Version	
Health	Geometry A	
Physical Education A	Geometry B	
Drawing I	Algebra I A	
Photography I	Algebra I B	
College Writing A	Algebra II A	
Cryptocurrency	Algebra II B	
Financial Literacy A	Precalculus A	
Intro to Computer Science	Precalculus B	
Music Production and Digital Media	Biology A	
Philosophy	Biology B	
Senior Seminar	Chemistry I A	
Course Name Arabic Version	Chemistry I B	
Geometry A	World History A	
Geometry B	World History B	
World History A	US History I A	
World History B	US History I B	
US History I A	Economics	
US History I B	Government	
Government		

Online Registration
Stevenson Credit Recovery Registration Link



## UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

# Take A Look At Our Future



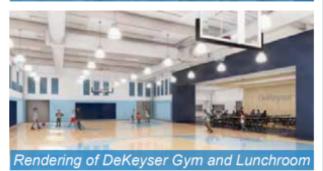
# Save the Date

Sunday, August 24, Beginning at 2 p.m.

DeKeyser Elementary represents the first step of our vision on how UCS school designs will spur growth and achievement. We hope you will take this opportunity to see how we are transforming the future, thanks to your support of the 2023 Safety and Success Bond Issue.

DeKeyser Elementary 39600 Atkinson Sterling Heights







Macomb Intermediate School District Parent Advisory Committee



# Make a Difference

### 2024 Nomination Form

The "Make a Difference" Award is given on an annual basis to individuals who have made a significant positive impact on the educational experience of a special needs student. The nominee must be presently employed by a school district within Macomb County or the MISD. As parents, we feel that it is important to recognize these people who have had a positive effect on the lives of our children.

Please consider the following criteria when completing your nomination. The candidate for this award must have the following characteristics, but is not limited to:

- Communicate with you as a parent
- Excite students to reach their maximum potential
- Meet your child's individual needs
- Help to increase your child's selfesteem
- · Demonstrate team member skills

Criteria on page 2 of this form

supporting the nominee MUST be provided for all nominations to qualify! Describe in detail the impact this special person has had on your child's educational experience. You may nominate a teacher, paraprofessional, support personnel, (OT, PT, social worker, psychologist, speech pathologist) or any school personnel who is involved in your child's education.

You are not limited by this form.

Feel free to include additional pages if needed.

#### Nomination Form

Must be completed along with supporting criteria document on page 2.

NOMINEE INFO	RMATION
Name of M.A.D.A	NOMINEE
Position of Nomi	nee (SE Teacher, Parapro, etc.)
Nominee works	it:
MISD Elem	entary
School District:	School Building:
Nominated by:	
Address:	City/Zip Code:
E-mail address:	Phone #:
Does your child	have a current IEP or IESP in place? YES NO

To nominate, Please: Complete this page and the required supporting criteria form (attached)

Return both the nomination form and supporting criteria by Friday, February 14, 2025.

> Return electronically to: Imiskelly@misd.net

or
Send by U.S. Mail to:
Laura Miskelly
Macomb ISD/Special Education
44001 Garfield Road
Clinton Twp., MI 48038

#### Questions? Contact anyone below:

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## ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW

#### WHY SHOULD I GET MY CHILD A YEARBOOK?

A reason that you should buy the yearbook is to keep it as a memory to remember the good times you had in school and to remember some old friends that probably moved.

#### IN A DIFFERENT LIGHT

#### **Order Now**

Order your 2025 Stevenson yearbook for the lowest price all year.
Yearbook and newspaper bundle for just \$90. This is a great opportunity to secure a treasured keepsake that captures the memories and moments of the school year.

Aug 1-Sep 13: \$90 plus Vanguard subscription
Sep 14-Dec 31: \$90

Jan 1-Distribution: \$100



https://www.jostens.com/apps/stor e/productBrowse/1063263/Adlai-Stevenson-High-School/2025-Yearbook/2024072415154253011 4/CATALOG\_SHOP/

#### SCAN ME

Scan the QR code above with your phone camera.





BUY YOUR 2025 YEARBOOK AT JOSTENSYEARBOOKS.COM





All school meals will be free this school year through the State of Michigan.

UCS families should complete the Education Benefits Form to qualify for athletic, testing, and other discounts:

Uticak12.org/familyportal



## LOOKING AHEAD

February 8 - 3rd Progress Report

February 17-21 - No School, Mid Winter Break

March 21 - 3rd Marking Period Ends

March 24-28 - No School, Spring Break

April 18 - No School, Good Friday

**April 16** - Senior Meetings (during school hours)

Mandatory Parent Meetings (evening)

May 12 - Senior Honors Night, invitation only

May 23 - Senior Last Day and Senior Picnic

May 26 - No School, Memorial Day

May 28 @ 6:00 - Senior Prom

**TBD** - MANDATORY Graduation Practice

**June 11** - Last Day of School

June 14 - Graduation at the O'Rena, Oakland University







Graduation Date: Saturday, June 14, 2025 @ Oakland University O'Rena

Stevenson 10:00 a.m.
 GLK-UAIS 1:30 p.m.
 Utica 4:00 p.m.

Graduation Date: Sunday, June 15, 2025 @ Oakland University O'Rena

·Eisenhower·ALC/Adult Ed·Henry Ford II10:00 a.m.1:30 p.m.4:00 p.m.

The FAFSA application opens on December 1st. Counselors have been encouraging students to get ahead by creating their FAFSA ID now. Parents and students will each need their own FSA ID.



## STEVENSON CLUBS

2024-2025 Clubs		
Albanian American Student Organization	Kelli.Mccloud	
Ambassabor Yearbook	Kaitlin.Edgerton	
AP Bio Club	Joseph.Bungart	
Black Student Union Club	Jessica. Malmsten	
Crochet Club	Lisa.Lucas	
Debate	Craig.Leland Jeffery.Lopo	
DECA (business)	Heather.Gabriel	
FCCLA	Kristina.Robinson Regena.Hampson	
Forensics	Jeffery.Lopo Craig.Leland	
French Club	Thomas.Boik	
HOSA-Future Health Professionals	Amanda.Blitz	
Key Club	Heather.Chase	
National Honor Society	Briana.Siwicki	
Peer to Peer	Cara.Reck, Samantha.Chowan-Herrera, Dennis.Gabbeart	
Powderpuff	Kelli.McCloud Briana.Siwicki	
Quiz Bowl	Jeffery.Lopo	
Science Olympiad	stevensonhighso@gmail.com	
Social Studies Olympiad	Carolyn.Frischman	
Spanish Club	Rachel.Williams	
Spanish NHS	Rachel.Williams	
Student Council	Lisa.Lucas	
The Young Entrepreneurs Club	Jordan.Tasich	
Thespian Club	Cheryl.Jackson	
Titan Theater Troupe	Cheryl.Jackson	
Tri M Music Honors Society	Michael.Yaros	
Vanguard (Newspaper)	Kaitlin.Edgerton	
	Teachers name @ uticak12.org	
Science Olympiad: Sheetal Malhotra & Rama Sundar	stevensonhighso@gmail.com	





Hello Senior Parents! We have a BIG fundraiser coming up in April...NIGHT AT THE RACES!!!!! There are several ways you can help and/or participate in this fundraiser.

- 1. Buy and sponsor a horse for the event \$25 a horse
- 2. Purchase tickets to the event (plus you can buy a horse also)

These options can be purchased through our Cheddar Up Link (<a href="https://class-of-2025-all-night-party.cheddarup.com">https://class-of-2025-all-night-party.cheddarup.com</a>)

3. Become one of the sponsors for the night (\$100-\$400). There are 3 different levels of sponsorship. Contact one of our committee members if you are interested in becoming a sponsor or e-mail us at <a href="mailto:2025SANP@gmail.com">2025SANP@gmail.com</a>

The two attached flyers will have more details on all of these options. As always, we encourage you to join the Senior Parent Facebook page to see updated information, post questions about other events, or share any information regarding our seniors!

<u>Stevenson High school Parent group for Class of 2025 - Facebook</u>

We will be starting up the Amazon Fun Raffles again after the Super Bowl. If you haven't joined that page and would like to get in on this fun fundraiser, please join that page as well! <a href="https://facebook.com/groups/581815464209420">https://facebook.com/groups/581815464209420</a>

Our next Restaurant Fundraiser will be at Wing Snob in February. Please look for more information to come for that event!

TIERED SPONSORS Flyer

**EVENT FLYER** 

**SPONSORS FLYER** 



**Instructional Resource Center** 

(14201 Canal Rd., Sterling Heights)

6:30-8:00 p.m.

### **MULTIPLE DATES:**

- -January 9, 2025
- -January 16, 2025
- -February 10, 2025
- -February 12, 2025

Get your FAFSA questions answered and your application completed!

Bring a laptop and have access to your social security number to expedite the process.



## COMMUNITY COLLEGE GUARANTEE



## **TUITION-FREE PATHWAY TO COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Beginning in Fall 2024, Michigan high school seniors and recent graduates are eligible for the Community College Guarantee through the Michigan Achievement Scholarship. This includes:

- Earning a skills certificate or degree tuition-free at their local community college.
  - In-district tuition, contact hours and mandatory fees.
- An additional \$1,000 Michigan Achievement Bonus for Pell-eligible students to use toward additional college costs.

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Be a Michigan resident since July 1 of the previous calendar year.
  - If you're a dependent student, your parent(s) must also be a Michigan resident since July 1
    of the previous calendar year. (We'll confirm this based on your FAFSA.)
- Graduate from a Michigan high school.
  - You're eligible if you earn a diploma, certificate of completion or earn a high school equivalency certificate in 2023 or after.
- Enroll full-time in college within 15 months of high school graduation.
- There are no income requirements for the Community College Guarantee.

Visit michigan.gov/achievement for full program details.

MI Student Aid

P.O. Box 30462 Lansing, MI 48909-7962 888-447-2687 michigan.gov/mistudentald





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#### Be FAFSA Form Ready: Create your StudentAid.gov account now

## You and a parent need StudentAid.gov accounts to be FAFSA® form ready

The new 2025–26 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), form is coming by Dec. 1,

2024. Submitting the FAFSA form is the first step to getting federal student grants, scholarships, work-study opportunities, and student loans. Who is eligible for federal student aid?

Make your form submission as easy as possible by doing two things. First, create your StudentAid.gov account now. Second, if you're under 24 years old, have your parent to create their account before December 1 as well.

- 1. Create your StudentAid.gov account or make sure you can access your existing account by signing in to StudentAid.gov.
- 2. If you're under 24, get a parent to create their account. Check this chart to confirm whether a parent or spouse also needs to have an account before you can submit your FAFSA form.

Having trouble? Get <u>answers to common questions</u> about creating a StudentAid.gov account.

What do I need to create a StudentAid.gov account?

- Name (exactly as it appears on your Social Security card if you have one)
- Date of birth
- Personal email address
- Social Security number (if you have one)

Remember: You'll have only one StudentAid.gov account to use for the rest of your life, so make sure to use an email address that you'll have access to even after you graduate from school or change jobs.

How do I know if a parent or spouse also need to create an account?

- Check this chart to see whether any other contributors, like a parent or spouse, also need to create an account before you can submit your FAFSA form.
- If you're still not sure whether you need a parent to sign your form, confirm if you're an independent or dependent student.

• If you're a dependent student, you (or your parent) can use the Who's My FAFSA Parent wizard to figure out which parent, guardian or spouse also needs to create an account.

What if I don't have a Social Security number (SSN) or my parent doesn't have an SSN?

- If you have an SSN, you must provide it when creating an account. All students must have an SSN to create a StudentAid.gov account unless you are from the Freely Associated States (Micronesia, Marshall Islands, or Palau). Check eligibility here.
- If you are a parent or spouse who does not have an SSN, you can still create a StudentAid.gov account to contribute to a student's FAFSA form. When creating your account, leave the SSN field blank and select "What if I don't have a Social Security number?"
- If only one parent has an SSN, that parent is the one who should create an account and join the student's FAFSA form as a contributor.

Note: if you get a message saying the SSN you entered is already in use when you try to create a StudentAid.gov account, make sure you entered the SSN correctly. If you entered the SSN correctly, then it's likely you created an account previously or someone else (such as a parent) created an account for you. Try logging in rather than creating a new account. If you have trouble logging in, try resetting your password or using another email address. You can also check with a parent to see if a StudentAid.gov account already exists for you. If you're sure an account has not already been created, contact the office of Federal Student Aid for more help. Do not attempt to use an ITIN or other value in place of an SSN for online account creation. Learn more about the FAFSA form at fafsa.gov.

A Message for Seniors & Families,

We are halfway through senior year for the Class of 2025.

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is now available. We recommend that every senior complete the FAFSA.

The sooner you complete it, the sooner you will begin receiving the financial aid offers that will help you make choices about your future pathway.

The FAFSA is required for all students who would like state and federal financial aid for two-year and four-year colleges and for the skilled trades programs and hot jobs certificates offered at Macomb Community College.

To be ready to complete the FAFSA each senior and at least one parent must create a **Federal Student Aid (FSA) account**. Parents with older kids in college or their own loans may already have an account.

#### Create Account | Federal Student Aid

If you are wondering how many parents/step-parents in a family will need an account, this chart may help:

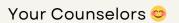
Which Parent To List As a Contributor | Federal Student Aid

#### **College Decisions**

Please remember that college decisions aren't perfect, and they don't reflect your value as a person.

- 1. **Admitted.** Congratulations! You can go to this college if you choose, but you don't need to commit to any college until Decision Day (May 1st).
- 2. **Deferred.** This means your application will be considered a second time with the regular applicant pool. Follow the school's instructions on how to demonstrate your continued interest.
- 3. **Denied.** This is difficult news to get. It can help to remember that you have many options and that there are many paths to a happy life! See you counselor if you need help making a "Plan B."

Allow yourself time to feel all of your feelings as you make the transition to your future beyond high school and remember that we are here to help you reach your goals!







Go to the Stevenson website, click on the senior tab to find more information from Jostens.

Please note: Students MAY NOT decorated their caps or gowns.



## STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2025

GRADUATION ORDER INFORMATION



# SENIORS DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR CAP & GOWN!

















#### Questions?





Attention Parents: UCS does not support Senior Skip Day and that day will be considered an unexcused absence. Please refer to the attendance policy in this newsletter.

Parents, Mark Your Calendars!

Senior Meetings - April 16
Caps and Gowns will be distributed at the Parent Meeting

Honors Night - May 12, invitation only

Senior Picnic & last day - May 23

**Senior Prom - May 28** 

Graduation - June 14 @ 10:00 am, Oakland University O'Rena

Senior All Night Party - June 14

NAME VERIFICATION – Class of 2025 – Please fill out the Senior Name verification form. It is located in the Class of 2025 tab at the top of the Stevenson website.

If your student's name is not correct in Powerschool, please email Caren.king@uticak12.org ASAP. The spelling on this form will be used to print your student's diploma.





## Senior All Night Party Information

Hello Titan Families!

The Senior All Night Party Committee wants to share updates and new information about the SANP!

- T-Shirt and Yard Signs can still be purchased through the Chedder Up link (<a href="https://class-of-2025-all-night-party.cheddarup.com">https://class-of-2025-all-night-party.cheddarup.com</a>)
- We are in the beginning stages of planning a GREAT fundraiser in April and are looking for businesses who are interested in being a sponsor for the fundraiser event. Please contact us at 2025SANP@gmail.com if you would like more information
- Next SANP meeting is January 13th at 7 pm.
- If you are interested in volunteering or have any other fundraising ideas, please contact us.

## IMPORTANT SENIOR INFORMATION

#### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16**

MANDATORY SENIOR PARENT MEETING

- 5:00 LAST NAME BEGINNING WITH A-L
- 6:30 LAST NAME BEGINNING K-Z

CAPS AND GOWNS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO PARENTS

#### **MONDAY, MAY 12 AT 7:00**

HONORS NIGHT (BY INVITATION)
\*INVITATIONS WILL BE SENT OUT AT THE END OF APRIL

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

PROM @ PENNA'S

#### FRIDAY, MAY 23

SENIOR PICNIC AND SENIOR'S LAST DAY

#### **SATURDAY, JUNE 14**

**GRADUATION CEREMONY AT 10:00 AM** 

- O'RENA AT OAKLAND UNIVERSITY
- SENIOR ALL NIGHT PARTY
  - URBAN AIR



## Sitting Fees

#### Indoor Studio Sessions

Indoor sessions are held at our studio in Troy. All indoor sessions include one retouched yearbook image emailed.

<b>Yearbook Session</b> 4-6 Proofs	\$30	
<b>30 Minute Studio Session</b> 20-25 Proofs - 2-3 outfits	\$45	
20-25 Proois - 2-3 outilis		

1 Hour Studio Session 40-50 Proofs - 3-5 outfits

#### **Outdoor Sessions**

Sessions are held at an outdoor location of your choice. Locations more than 10 miles from our studio may incur an additional travel fee.

#### 45 Minute Outdoor Session

30-40 Proofs - 2-3 outfits

## Proofs

#### Online Viewing

You will receive an email with a link to your private proof gallery within 3-4 weeks of your session. This gallery will be active for one year. If you wish to have your gallery reopened online, call our office.

Note: Proofs are watermarked and are for viewing purposes only.



## **Portraits**

#### Packages:

\$80

\$100

You may only order one pose for each package.

Package A - \$130.00	Package B - \$95.00
2 - 8x10	1 - 8x10
4 - 5x7	3 - 5x7
4-3½×5	4-3½x5
16 - Wallets	12 - Wallets
1 - Digital Image	

#### Package C - \$80.00 Package D - \$65.00 1 - 8x10 2 - 5x7 2 - 5x7 4 - 3 \% x 5

2 - 3 ½ x 5 8 - Wallets 12 - Wallets

# A la Carte

#### There are no fees for additional poses.

em	Description	Price
01	1 - 11×14	\$40
02	1 - 8x10	\$25
03	2 - 5x7	\$25
04	4-3½x5	\$25
05	8 - Wallets	\$25
06	1 - 16x20 mounted	\$70
07	1 - Digital Image	\$30
	High Resolution, Copyright Free	
80	1 - Digital Image Add-On	\$20
	High Resolution, Copyright Free	

#### Extras:

Digital Wallet Personalization Free
Basic Retouching on Ordered Images
Removes blemishes and stray hairs
Teeth Whitening \$10/Pose
Peluxe Retouching \$30/Pose
Retouching beyond basic, such as

removing braces
"Please contact us to discuss retouching concerns

## Yearbook Picture

Your yearbook portrait will be taken at your school. Once you select your favorite pose, we will crop the image to your school's specifications and send it to your yearbook advisor by the school deadline.







Kaiser Studio | 1825 Birchwood Drive | Troy, Michigan 48083 | 248.619.9119 | www.kaiserstudio.com

## **JUNIOR INFORMATION**

Stevenson is offering SAT prep classes after school. Please see attached flyers for more information. Be sure to sign up using the QR codes on the flyers. Drop ins are welcome if there are seats available.

# ATTENTION JUNIORS! FREE SAT MATH PREP

February 4th or 6th: Test Overview

 $X = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ 

February 11th or 13th: Heart of Algebra

February 25th or 27th: Advanced Math Part 1

March 4th or 6th: Advanced Math Part 2

March 11th or 13th: Problem Solving & Data Analysis

March 18th or 20th: Geometry & Trigonometry

WHERE?
In the SLR

WHEN?

2:20PM to 3:20PM

HOW?

Sign up for just ONE session per week Bring your LAPTOP and CHARGER







STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL

# READING AND WRITING SAT PREP WORKSHOP

Work with a Stevenson High School
English teacher to improve your
performance in four content domain
areas (Information and Ideas, Craft
and Structure, Expression of Ideas, and
Standard English Conventions).

STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL
IN THE ECC 2:15-3:15

#### 6 Sessions taught twice a week

Intro & Test Background & Context- 2/3 and 2/5 Craft & Structure- 2/10 and 2/12 Information & Ideas- 2/24 and 2/26 Expression of Ideas & Rhetoric- 3/3 and 3/5 Grammar #1- 3/10 and 3/12 Grammar #2- 3/17 and 3/19



Scan the QR code to register



## **JUNIOR INFORMATION**



To register online, enter <u>events.misd.net</u> in the Google Chrome Search Bar, then click return:

- Type "Student SAT Prep" into the search bar
- Select your desired workshop date and click "register"
- Follow the registration instructions to complete payment. You may have to create an account if you do not already have one
- Please remember online registration is a commitment to attend and pay

#### Payment must be received <u>7 days prior to class.</u> This is also the registration and cancelation deadline.

You may pay with credit card during registration or mail a check (made payable to MISD) along with a copy of your printed registration to:

> MISD/Consultant Services Dept. Attention: Katie Birchall 44001 Garfield Rd Clinton Township, MI 48038

For questions regarding registration/payment, please contact: Katie Birchall at kbirchall@misd.net or (586) 228-3492

For questions regarding workshop content, please contact: Kevin Tule, Data and Assessment Consultant at <a href="https://kww.net.org/kevistanta-regarding-re

#### Student SAT Prep Workshop

2024 - 2025



The MISD is pleased to announce multiple offerings of this 1-day workshop designed for high school juniors:

#### **Dates**

January 25, 2025 February 8, 2025 March 8, 2025 March 15, 2025

From 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



#### The Spring SAT is coming!

Will you be ready?

Are you a high school junior preparing for the Spring Digital SAT exam? Sign up for a <u>Student SAT Prep</u> Workshop!

Classes are presented by experienced high school teachers:

ELA: Mark Julien, UCS Henry Ford II High

Math: Michelle Wood, UCS Eisenhower High

#### This workshop will:

- Show you the exact format of the test and the types of questions to expect on each section of the test
- Teach you specific SAT and testing strategies
- Give you practice with pacing
- Show how to access practice tests and answer keys that you can use at home

Registration is mandatory and limited, so please register online today by visiting: <a href="mailto:events.misd.net">events.misd.net</a>



#### Multiple Dates to Choose From:

(\*Students choose and register for the date that best works with their schedule)

January 25<sup>th</sup>, February 8<sup>th</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup>, *or* March 15<sup>th</sup>

#### Time:

Registration/Check-in begins at 7:30am Session will begin promptly at 8:00am. 8:00am - 2:00pm

#### Where:

#### MISD - Room 100B, located near the south entrance

Macomb Intermediate School District 44001 Garfield Road Clinton Township, MI 48038

#### Fee\*:

\$50.00 --- Macomb County Students \$75.00 --- Out of County Students

Registration includes lunch

\*Credit cards accepted ONLY at time of online registration

Please bring a pencil and a calculator or download the free Desmos App (online calculator).





## SOPHOMORE INFORMATION

Parking permit applications for Sophomores will be available starting in January 2025. You can find the application form on the Stevenson website under "Parent Quick Links."

To complete your application, please submit the following to Mrs. Johnston in the Associate Principal's office:

- The completed parking pass application
- A copy of your student's driver's license
- A copy of the vehicle registration

Sophomores will be able to purchase parking permits starting January 6, 2025. Passes will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis, so be sure to submit your application early!



## 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 <u>PAID</u> 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 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students with a GPA-2.0 Minimum.



Attendance: Must be excellent at school; including tardies and unexcused absences from 9th grade and beyond.



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



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



Grades are based on: Student completed time books; employer quarterly evaluations; attendance at monthly meetings with coordinator in addition to other tasks.



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 2025-2026



#### CONNECTING STW TO CTE CLASSES







#### Automotive and Small Engine Technologies

CTE Auto I

- ·CTE Advanced Auto
- ·CTE Advanced Automotive
- Technologies Capstone
- ·CTE Small Engine Repair I
- ·CTE Advanced Small
- Engine Repair
- •STW Auto Tech Intern
- •STW Small Engine Repair

#### Design and Engineering

•CTE Design & Engineering

- I CAD
- ·CTE Design & Engineering II – CAD
- II CAD
- •CTE Advanced Design &
- Engineering CAD

  CTE Design & Engineering
- Capstone CAD
- STW Design Engineering

#### Welding

CTE Welding I and II

#### Woodworking

- CTE Woodworking
- ·CTE Advanced Woodworking
- +CTE Furniture & Cabinet Construction
- ·CTE Advanced Woodworking Capstone
- STW Woodworking Intern

#### Architecture and Construction Trades

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 and Marketing

- ·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

#### Computer Science and Information Technology

- ·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

#### Education and Family Consumer Sciences/Human Services

- 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

#### Medical Health Science

- ·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.

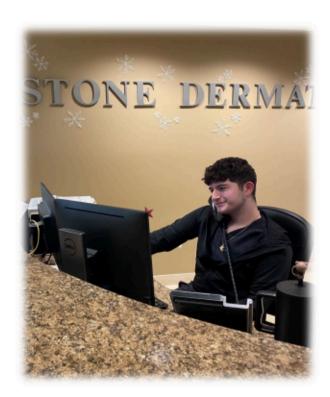
Do I automatically get a parking permit if I am enrolled in STW?

No. STW students do not receive any preferential treatment obtaining a parking permit.

 Can I participate in co-curricular activities (ex: sports, dance, religious obligations) and still be enrolled in the School to Work program?

It is very difficult to do with after-school practice schedules, talk to Mrs. Gendelman.

## TITAN SCHOOL TO WORK



## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

#### What is School to Work...

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## Meet a current student...

Name: Emmanuel

Grade: 12th Grade

Related Class: CTE Nursing Assistant

Future Career Goal: Dermatology Physician Assistant

School to Work Position: Medical Receptionist-Dermatology Practice

I love my job because:
I like that it I can see the medical field at such a young age, my coworkers, and learning opportunities that come with my internship.

Students should consider this program because: You will learn about the professional workforce and build your resume.

For more information about how to apply to the School to Work program contact:

Mrs. Janet Gendelman

janet.gendelman@uticak12.org

586.797.2059



## **Titan Sports**



Athletic Director: - Steve Robinson steven.robinson@uticak12.org

#### **Check out our new Stevenson Athletics newsletter!**

Participating in Stevenson Athletics? Complete your 2024-2025 Athletic Profile today! All sports physicals and athletic forms are collected electronically through Student Central/BIG Teams (https://studentcentral.bigteams.com), 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.

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

Physicals (dated 4/15/24 or later) must be UPLOADED to your Student Central/Big Teams account and all on-line Athletic Forms must be completed by both the student athlete and parent/guardian. Paper copies will not be accepted. Please refer to the Parent Quick Links on the Stevenson Home Page for a copy of the MHSAA Physical Form. Families that receive lunch benefits must complete the financial assistance form to apply the benefits to Pay to Participate.

#### **ONCE TEAMS ARE FORMED:**

Pay to Participate payment must be paid via PaySchools (Click on the PaySchools: Pay Here in Student Central) or go to www.payschoolscentral.com

Winter Pay to Participate payments are due Monday, November 25, 2024...

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

\*All outstanding Powerschool fees must be cleared, or on a payment plan, prior to participating in athletics

Questions? Please contact your coach or Remi Darroch, Bookkeeper, remi.darroch@uticak12.org 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 annually 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.

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CONTACT: stevensonathleticboosterclub@gmail.com

#### **NEXT BOOSTER CLUB MEETING IAN 14**

Booster meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month in the ECC at 7 p.m. Meeting dates for the remainder of the 2024-25 school year are:

2/11/25 3/11/25 1/14/25

4/8/25 5/13/25

#### WINTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for concessions at all home games and tournaments.

Each shift worked earns \$20 to the SHS sport of your choice. Sign up today!







#### CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE

As we move into the winter season, we are excited to launch a newly redesigned Stevenson Athletic Booster Club website. The new site is userfriendly with enhanced functionality, making it a convenient one-stop-shop for supporters and fans alike.

StevensonAthleticBoosterClub.com

#### **FOLLOW & LIKE**

Follow & tag us with game reminders, highlights, photos & scores.

@Stevenson High School Athletic Booster Club



@stevensonboosters



SHBoosters

OUR MISSION is to promote school spirit, sportsmanship, and attendance at all Stevenson athletic events while supporting the purchase of essential athletic equipment not covered by the District. Open to all SHS parents, family, alumni and community members, we raise funds through activities like concession sales and special events. These funds help purchase equipment and provide \$1,000 scholarships to four senior athletes annually. The Booster Club is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

## The UCS Legacy of Learning

# Pursue Excellence Live Your Passion Be Where You Belong



## **Attendance Area Update**

The 2023 bond issue provides an opportunity for UCS to begin a transformation of its school facilities. As reconstruction and replacement plans move forward, a unique opportunity exists to evaluate long-standing issues with attendance areas and create a stronger sense of community by linking school boundaries.

By building, renovating and innovating, we are able to give more students access to facilities that are being redesigned with a vision that encourages growth and achievement.

#### A Vision for the Future





Utica Community Schools has begun the transformation of elementary buildings. The reconstruction of elementaries, beginning with DeKeyser Elementary this school year, follows our UCS Empowered Strategic Plan and creates a long-range vision to:

- · Create additional layers of safety and security
- Support achievement through an environment that fosters engaged learning
- Provide teachers with the flexibility and technology for large and small group instruction
- Offer a modern look that will foster community pride and enhance the desirability and quality of life in neighborhoods

For more information, visit <u>Uticak12.org/buildingforthefuture</u>.

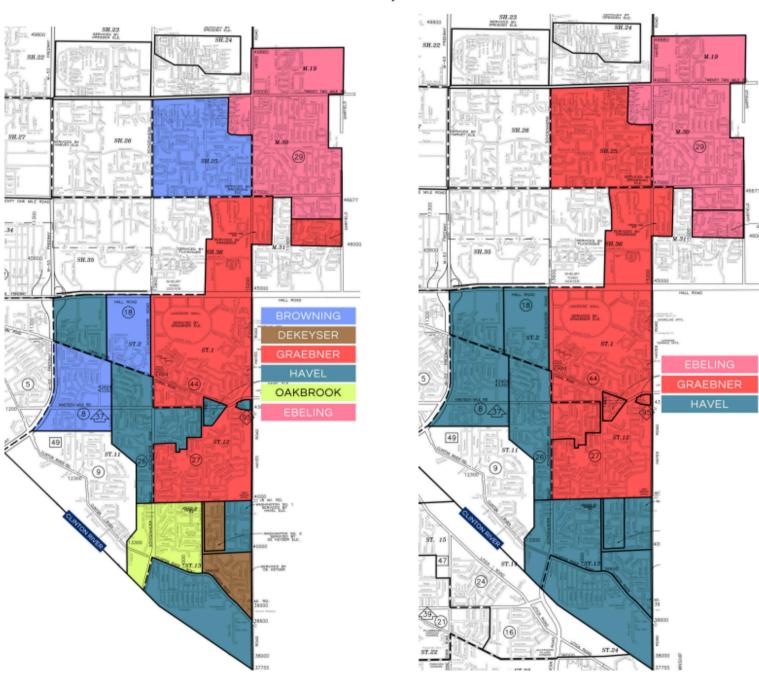
#### Overview

- Through the implementation of the 2023 bond issue, UCS is addressing long-standing issues within attendance areas that were largely developed 50 years ago.
- Currently, DeKeyser Elementary is under reconstruction. During the next two years, reconstruction will occur at Havel Elementary and Graebner Elementary.
- The following changes are being made under a plan for select schools in the Henry Ford II elementary feeder pattern:
  - Consolidation of the Browning Elementary attendance areas into Havel Elementary and Graebner Elementary.
  - Additional changes that follow the natural boundary of the Clinton River for the Havel Elementary attendance areas. Portions of Oakbrook and DeKeyser Elementary schools – which are separated from the schools by the Clinton River – will be combined with contiguous Havel Elementary communities.
  - A portion of Havel Elementary School where students cross Schoenherr Road will be merged with the neighboring Graebner Elementary community, which is closer in proximity to the neighborhood.
  - A small portion of Graebner Elementary in Macomb Township that is disconnected from its attendance area will be merged with a contiguous Ebeling Elementary neighborhood.

See page two for a detailed map of attendance area updates.

## **Attendance Area Updates**

Below are current and revised attendance areas <u>scheduled for fall of 2027</u>. The attendance revision is made in conjunction with planned reconstruction at Havel Elementary and Graebner Elementary. The reconstruction work is part of a long-term vision for our schools that is focused on safety and designs that support innovation, growth and achievement. The revised attendance areas provide more students access to reconstructed elementary schools and reconnect communities.



More Information - <u>www.uticak12.org/buildingforthefuture</u> Feedback/Questions - <u>www.uticak12.org/feedback</u>





### **Stevenson Titans Athletic Department**

#### Steve Robinson – Athletic Director

#### **Stevenson Athletics Event Admissions Policy**

- All students (home and guests) must present a school ID for entrance to the event.
- 2. Only high school students from UCS and the competing school shall be admitted without adult supervision.
- 3. All students must be seated in the upper bleacher area even if they are accompanied by an adult.
- 4. All junior high / middle school students must present a school ID AND be supervised by an adult. The adult must attend the event with the student and may not leave the student unsupervised.
- 5. All Stevenson Athletic events are entirely cash free. Presales on GoFan are the best and most efficient means of entry. Be advised that there is a \$1 service fee added to all ticket sales.
- In order to avoid fees, yearly athletic passes (student, adult, and/or family) can be purchased from the bookstore or athletic office.
- 7. All senior citizens (62+) and children under 12 (with an adult) are admitted free of charge.
- 8. All patrons must remain in the stands or concourse area. Only team and athletic department personnel are allowed on the sidelines, field or court. Please don't gather in door or aisle ways.
- Stevenson has a strict no re-entry policy, and no bags or containers will be allowed.

# Stevenson Titans Winter Varsity Head Coaches '24 - '25

Boys Basketball: Ryan Joseph

Girls Basketball: John Nemens

Wrestling: Bradley Martin

**Boys Swim: Eric Platte** 

Dance: Kristina Robinson

Cheer: Callie Marcinkowski

**Boys Bowling: Tim Rosso** 

Girls Bowling: Kim Maddy

Utica/Fraser Hockey: Stephen Erwin





### **PROJECTS**



- Continue safety focus through ongoing projects to enhanced door hardware and impact and shatter resistant glass.
- Enhance technology through installation of interactive projectors and teacher voice amplification system.
- Create Stevenson athletic field site at 16 Mile and Dodge Park, including:
  - Synthetic turf softball and baseball fields
  - Relocate tennis courts
- Upgrade Rick Bye Fieldhouse HVAC systems, ceiling and lighting.

Our district is continuing to move forward with the commitments made to UCS voters as part of the 2023 Safety and Success Bond Issue. Over the summer, significant improvements were made to our auto shop area and portions of our roof.

This spring, work will begin on a series of improvements to our athletics facilities that will enhance safety and be a visible reflection of our Titan pride.

The centerpiece will be a new complex at the current fields at Dodge Park and 16 Mile roads. There will also be improvements to the Rick Bye Fieldhouse.

While we keep the end goal in mind, we recognize this work will require some flexibility on our part. Your support is appreciated.

Go Titans!



#### Q and A about Stevenson High School Improvements

What is the timeline for the improvements? Work on the athletic field improvements will begin this spring and continue through the spring of 2026.

## Why are the new areas not being built on Stevenson High School property?

There is limited space available at Stevenson to ensure field equity with other high schools. In addition, space on the site will need to be available for the planned improvements to Runkel Field.

#### How will this impact our athletics season?

Our athletics department will be working closely with coaches to ensure that our seasons can continue without interruptions. During certain portions of the improvement process, practices or games may be staged at other available facilities. Flexibility will be important as we work to transform our facilities.

## What is the status of improvements to Runkel Field?

The Swinehart Field and Runkel Field improvements will be staggered to ensure we are meeting the expectations of our community for field availability and resources available to athletes. Swinehart Field will receive work intially, with work at Runkel Field scheduled to begin shortly after the reconstruction of Swinehart is complete. Improvements to Runkel and Swinehart fields will result in equitable facilities for all students.

#### Where can I get more information?

See www.uticak12.org/stevensonbond or call our office, 586–797–1900.





#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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## **Announcements**

#### **School Safety and Security**

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 purchase lunch
- 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 can identify everyone on campus. The 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:

- 1. Student ID cards must always be worn and visible (i.e., not kept in a purse, pocket, or backpack).
- 2. The student ID card must be presented to any school staff member or person of authority upon request.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Wearing another student's ID card is prohibited.
- 5. 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.



## Announcements

#### **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 - 586-797-1999

A parent must call the attendance line at 586-797-1999 if your student will be absent, tardy or will have an early dismissal. The attendance desk will enter the attendance in Powerschool by the end of the school day. For early dismissals, the student will be written an early dismissal pass that they can pick up from the attendance desk.

#### DO NOT call the main office for attendance.

PARKING ON DODGE PARK UPDATE - We have been working with the City of Sterling Heights to improve the safety for students who are crossing Dodge Park to get to and from school. Over the past couple of years, we have had several serious incidents that have reinforced the need to take additional steps to keep our students safe.

We are pleased that a flashing crosswalk sign (called "Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons") is being installed that will alert drivers that they are approaching a pedestrian crossing.

The second is that the Dodge Park Road cut out in front of our school will no longer be available for families who are waiting for their students at the end of the day or dropping them off in the morning. The city has already put in stripes to indicate that cars may not park in the area.

Your support is appreciated for these improvements. It is important that we are all doing our part to ensure the safety of our Titans.



## Announcements

#### PARKING PERMITS

Mrs. Johnston is accepting parking permit applications from sophomores, juniors and seniors. The permits are \$50. You can find the Parking Permit Application on the Stevenson website: Stevenson High School under Parent Quick Links. Please print it and bring copies of all required documents. \*Sophomore and Junior parking permits will be available first come, first served, based on availability and eligibility. PARKING is NOT allowed by students and/or parents in the Court House/City Center parking lot or along Dodge Park Road. Dropping off students in this area is also not allowed.

#### ATTENDANCE PROGRAM

We will continue the Attendance Program that began at the end of last school year. Parking permits are dependent on attendance. Students who have accumulated 5 or more tardies and/or Unexcused absences, will not receive their parking permit for the 1st five weeks of the school year (October 1st 2024). At that point, with responsible attendance, parking will be reevaluated for the school year. In addition, outstanding fees must be paid in full to be eligible for a parking permit. (Contact Remi Darroch, Bookkeeper, at remi.darroch@uticak12.org, 586-797-1903 for questions about your students fines.)

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Reminder that students are expected to be in school on time. Parking Permits may be suspended for the following reasons:

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

PLEASE NOTE: Students are NOT permitted to have food delivered to Stevenson High School at any time during the school day. This includes Door Dash, Grub Hub and any other delivery services. Food bought from an outside restaurant is not permitted.



## Fines and Fees



Ä Please check your student's PowerSchool account 'Dashboard' for Outstanding fees. Outstanding fees should be paid immediately.

- The most common fees are Replacement Student Ids\* \$5.00 each, Replacement Lanyard\* \$2.00, Locker Lock, 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 Central: <u>click here</u> or on the <u>Stevenson Home</u> Page 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 remi.darroch@uticak12.org, 586-797-1903.

IMPORTANT: Students with outstanding fees/obligations cannot purchase 2024-2025 Parking Permits or participate in Athletics and other extra-curricular activities, including August Titan Days and Homecoming until all fees/obligations are cleared.

#### <u>PAYSCHOOLS CENTRAL</u> - Follow these easy steps:

- -Create an account from your computer or tablet at: www.payschoolscentral.com
- -Complete the account registration by selecting register, enter your profile details, setting up your password via the email link that will be sent to you, then logging in.
- -Add your children to your account using their student ID numbers. ID numbers are found on their report card available through PowerSchool.
- -If you like, enter credit card and/or banking information as forms of payments to use with your PaySchools account.

A complete guide (with screen shots) is available at this <u>link</u>.



# Attendance



#### **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. When a student has accumulated 11 absences\* in any one class over the course of a semester, the student will be notified in a meeting with an assistant/associate principal that they have lost credit in that class and that they are placed on an attendance contract to earn the credit back. There are two parts to a contract. First, the student must pass the class with a D- or higher. Second, the student will show improvement in attendance in ALL classes. Improvement is determined on a sliding scale which allows for 1 absence for every three weeks (rounded up) left in the semester for each class.

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

<u>Please do not call the main office for attendance</u>. 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 staff tab 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.

Please <u>click here</u> for the Stevenson attendance policy



## GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **BELL SCHEDULE**

Period	Start Time	End Time
1st Hour	7:20	8:18
2nd Hour	8:24	9:21
3rd Hour	9:27	10:24
4th Hour	10:30	12:09
A Lunch	10:30	11:01
B Lunch	11:07	11:32
C Lunch	11:38	12:09
5th Hour	12:15	1:12
6th Hour	1:18	2:14

#### **MEDICATION**

If your student requires medication to be taken during the school day, please bring in the UCS medical forms and their medication Monday through Friday from 8:00 – 2:30. Please contact Michelle Bartold at Michelle.Bartold@uticak12.org for further information

#### **SCHOOL DAY NOTES**

Students should be exiting the building by 2:30 unless they have an after-school event. This is for their safety and the security of the building.

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#### FREE MEALS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

- Thanks to the state of Michigan putting Michigan School Meals in the budget, UCS students will receive free breakfast and lunch throughout the 2024-25 school year.
- All UCS families are asked to complete the Education Benefits form <u>Here</u> enter "Utica Community Schools" and follow
  the prompts. These forms help wave fees for pay-to-play sports, lower internet costs, reduced AP/college application
  fees and more!
- Most online forms are processed within two (2) working days compared to 10 using paper applications.
- Paper copies of these forms are distributed to all student households or are available at your child's school.
  - Complete the forms and return them to your child's school or mail them to Utica Community Schools, Food & Nutrition Services, 11303 Greendale, Sterling Heights, MI 48312
  - o Education Benefits Forms
  - o Aplicación gratuita y reducida en Español
  - التطبيق مجاناً وتخفيض الناطقة بالعربية ٥

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