

The Titan Voice **Stevenson High School**

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Visit our website at: <u>http://Stevenson.uticak12.org</u>

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



November 22, 2024

Good afternoon Titan community,

It's hard to believe how quickly the holiday season arrives! With Thanksgiving right around the corner, it's a great time to reflect on what we are thankful for. I am thankful for the amazing students, staff, and community here at Stevenson. I am proud of the hard work that continues to be done on a daily basis.

There is no school November 27 – November 29 for the Thanksgiving Holiday. This is the perfect time to recharge, enjoy quality time with loved ones, and savor the special moments of the season.

With only about four weeks left in the first semester, it's a great time to start preparing for the upcoming exams. First semester exams are just around the corner, and students will have the chance to showcase all the hard work they've put in.

Progress reports for the second marking period will be sent out via email on November 29, 2024. This is an important opportunity to review how students are doing and make any adjustments needed to finish the semester strong. Mid-term exams are scheduled for December 18, 19, and 20, with early dismissal at 10:24 am on these days.

Be sure to review PowerSchool regularly to ensure that your student is on track and to address any concerns before exams. Let's stay focused and finish the semester strong!

Fax 586-797-1901

The first exam is from 7:20 am – 8:49 am and the second exam is 8:54 am – 10:24 am.

- Wednesday, December 18: 1st and 2nd hour exams
- Thursday, December 19: 3rd and 4th hour exams
- Friday, December 21: 5th and 6th hour exams

Remember the final grade for the first semester comes from 40% of the 1st quarter grade, 40% of the 2nd quarter grade, and 20% of the final exam. Any combination of 2 Fs will result in a final grade of an F. Students are encouraged to take advantage of Titan Time Tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as any help their teachers offer.

Titan Time Tutoring is now available for students on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:15 – 3:15.

Tuesdays –Math – classroom C45ELA – classroom A11Thursdays -Science – classroom C39 on 11/21 and 12/12Science – classroom C45 on 12/5 and 12/19Social Studies/CTE – classroom A3

November 28-22 was <u>National Apprenticeship Week</u>. Stevenson celebrated on November 21 with the Schools to Tools Mobile Field Trip! 160 of our Career Technical Education students participated in the field trip featuring engaging hands-on challenges alongside dynamic virtual experiences that let our students step in to the world of the skilled trades.

<u>Parking Permits</u> As the weather is getting colder and more students are driving, I would like to remind you of our parking pass policy. Per the parking contract your student signed, your student could lose their driving privileges for the following reasons:

- · Careless or reckless driving
- · Persistent disciplinary issues
- Students who have accumulated 5 or more tardies and/or unexcused absences, may have their parking permit suspended. At that point, with responsible attendance, parking will be reevaluated.

If your student parks in the student parking lot after losing privileges, they will be suspended.

**Parking with no permit=stickered / Saturday School / Suspension

Please drive respectfully and safely, Officer Pawlik WILL issue tickets for driving recklessly.

<u>Sophomore parking permits</u> will be available to purchase on a first come first served basis. Starting December 13, students can submit their parking permit applications along with a copy of their driver's license and current registration for each car listed to Mrs. Bartold in the Associate Principal's office. Print the parking permit application from the Stevenson website's home page under "Parent Quick Links." Permits can be purchased for \$50 on PaySchools Central, cash (exact change please) or with a check or money order.

Parking permit applications can be printed from the home page of the Stevenson website under Parent Quick Links. This, along with a COPY of the student's driver's license and a COPY of the current registration for each car listed, can be brought to Mrs. Bartold in the Associate Principal's office.

Please see the Titan Voice for more information regarding UCS Legacy of Learning.

A huge congratulations to our Associate Principal, Dave Ersig, on earning his Doctoral degree! This is an incredible achievement and a testament to his dedication, hard work, and commitment to education. We are lucky to have such an inspiring leader here at Stevenson. Dr. Ersig's success is an example of what can be accomplished through hard work and dedication, and we celebrate this remarkable milestone with him!

Mark your calendar for this year's <u>Pathways to Success</u>. This event will take place at Henry Ford II High School on December 5. Don't miss out on the exciting opportunity to explores post-secondary options and prepare for the future!

Hey Titans! Key Club is hosting its annual canned food drive this month, and we need your help! Cans will be collected during your 4th hour class and there are awesome prizes for the winning classes. To be eligible to win, your class must have at least 150 cans. The 1st place class will receive pizza and pop, 2nd place will receive cookies and milk, and 3rd place will receive candy!

Boxes will be dropped off in teachers classrooms on November 25th and 26th and cans will be picked up on December 9th and 10th. Teachers whose class gathers a minimum of 150 cans will also be entered into a raffle to win a sub for any day of their choice, paid courtesy of Key Club. Key Club members - donate a minimum of 5 cans and receive an hour for every 5 nonperishable cans (maximum of 15 cans donated). Let's gather as many cans as possible and show our Titan spirit! Good luck!

<u>COUNSELING DEPARTMENT</u> Check out the Titan Voice for the latest <u>Counseling Newsletter</u>!

If you or your family is in need of any holiday assistance, please contact your students' counselor to discuss available support options.

The <u>FAFSA</u> 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. See below for more FAFSA information.

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.

<u>STUDENT DRESS CODE</u> Students must adhere to the guidelines outlined in the <u>student handbook</u>.

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 and UCS. When you go to our website, you will find the Titan Voice linked under News.

Look for the next Titan Voice on December 13.

With Titan Pride,

Kenneth L. Cucchi III

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TITAN CTE STUDENTS EXPERIENCE Schools to tools Mobile Field Trip!

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FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS:

AUGMENTED REALITY EXPLORATION



LEVELING AND FRAMING CHALLENGE



VIRTUAL REALITY JOBSITE TOUR







CLICK ON THIS LINK TO LEARN MORE!

uticaK12.org/pathways PATHWAYS THURSDAY, DEC 5, 2024 FROM 6:00-8:30PM O SUCCESS AT HENRY FORD II HIGH SCHOOL 11911 CLINTON RIVER RD. STERLING HEIGHTS, MI 48313 PERSONALIZE YOUR JOURNEY FORWARD An Event Open To All Families! Created to ensure families and students are aware of the opportunities, services and ... T programs available to Utica Community Schools students. By beginning a plan early, parents can set their students on a path that best fits their needs and interests.

The UCS Legacy of Learning Pursue Excellence Live Your Passion Be Where You Belong





The design vision gives our students more space to work in groups on projects that develop essential skills such as collaboration, communication and problem solving.



The elementary classroom of the future remains focused on safety and provides an environment that gives teachers the flexibility to work with individuals and in small and large groups.

Reimagining UCS Elementary Schools

Thanks to UCS voters, our school district is embarking on a transformative approach to how our elementary school facilities will support future generations of learners.

As work began this summer, the reconstruction of DeKeyser Elementary is demonstrating our vision for the future.

By building, renovating and innovating, UCS is able to update elementary schools districtwide with facilities that encourage growth and achievement.

Through this transformation, the new design will:

• Create additional layers of safety.

- Support achievement through space that fosters learning communities.
- Provide teachers with the flexibility and technology for large and small group instruction.
- Provide a modern look that grows community pride and enhances property values.

For more information: <u>www.uticak12.org/safetyandsuccess</u>.



Attendance Area Review

With the reconstruction of elementary schools, Utica Community Schools is able to address long-standing issues related to school attendance areas.

The attendance areas for UCS were introduced in most cases when the facilities opened more than 50 years ago.

As a result, some neighborhood subdivisions are geographically disconnected from neighboring communities with boundaries that do not take advantage of major landmarks and roadways. Currently, the district's citizens Enrollment Distribution Advisory Committee is reviewing patterns for elementary schools feeding into Henry Ford II High School. A plan will be shared with the community by mid-December.

Through this review, neighborhood schools would foster a stronger sense of community and provide more students with access to updated facilities that encourage growth and achievement.

The 2023 Bond Issue - Improving every school with a focus on safety

The \$550 million bond issue represents the largest facility improvement investment in the history of Utica Community Schools.

The bond issue, supported by 70 percent of district voters in 2023, is focused on safety and provides improvements at every UCS school.

Examples of projects that are benefiting schools districtwide include:

- Additional layers of safety, such as replacement of doors, installation of safety locks, and shatter-resistant glass.
- Walls and doors installed at former "Open Concept" schools. These were completed in 2024.

- Improved parking lots through redesigns and/or repaving.
- Install new playground equipment and replace playground surfacing at all elementary schools.
- The continued implementation of the school district's long-range facility improvement program, including roofs, heating and cooling systems, and electrical and plumbing infrastructure.
- Improved athletic fields for all high schools and fan-friendly stadium renovations. This project is scheduled to begin in the spring.

To see a list of projects by school with updated timelines, please see our website: <u>uticak12.org/safetyandsuccess</u>

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Attendance Area Updates

Nith the reconstruction of elementary schools, Utica Community Schools is able to address long-standing concerns related to school attendance areas.

Through reconstruction of buildings and consolidation of school attendance areas, we are able to give more students access to apdated facilities designed to support learning with innovative instructional spaces.

The goal is to better serve families so elementary students attend schools within their larger neighborhoods and can advance together with their peers to secondary schools.

Currently, the district's citizens Enrollment Distribution Advisory Committee (a standing citizens group with representatives of each school that annually reviews attendance areas) is reviewing patterns for elementary schools feeding into Henry Ford II High School.

This includes Browning, Dresden, Ebeling, Graebner, Harvey and Havel Elementary Schools. The review also includes portions of attendance areas for DeKeyser and Oakbrook elementary schools that are located north of Clinton River and fast of Van Dyke.

Henry Ford II Feeder Elementary Schools

School	%Capacity	Building Age	Enrollment Trend(+-)	јн	HS
Browning	64%	65	-48	Bemis	HFII
Dresden	63%	67	-93	Bemis	HFII
				Eppler	UHS
Ebeling	92%	46	+103	Bemis	HFII
Graebner	71%	52	-79	Bemis	HFII
Harvey	70%	56	-49	Bemis	HFII
				Shelby	UHS
				Jeannette	SHS
Havel	76%	52	-68	Bemis	HFII

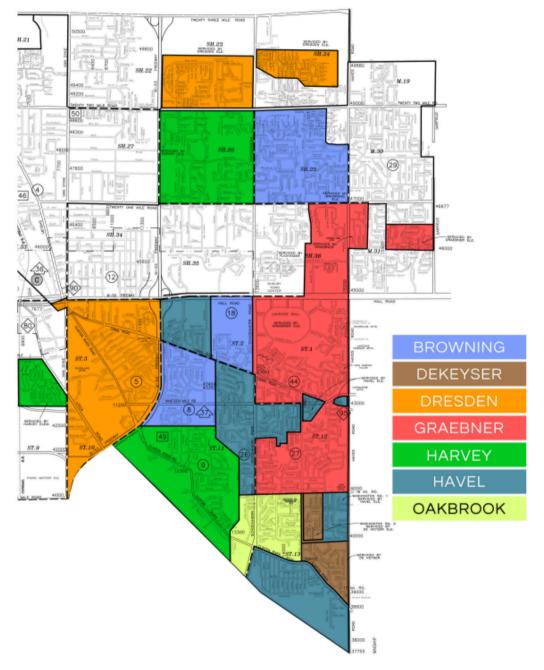
The chart above lists the schools that feed into Henry Ford II High School, along with the following: the percent of capacity at the school, its age, enrollment trends over the past 10 years and the junior high and high school feeder schools.

Overview

- Through the implementation of 2023 Bond Issue, UCS is addressing complexities in attendance areas that were largely developed 50 years ago.
- Current attendance areas feature some neighborhood subdivisions geographically disconnected from neighboring communities and boundaries that do not take advantage of major landmarks and roadways.
- The facility review process includes the reconstruction/replacement of elementary schools and consolidation of elementary buildings.
- By updating select elementary schools and consolidating school attendance areas, UCS will create greater access for students to updated facilities that support growth and achievement.
- Schools are being evaluated based on three criteria: overall safety, age of the facility and enrollment patterns and trends for the school.
- Attendance areas currently under review include those feeding into Henry Ford II High School and areas of DeKeyser and Oakbrook elementary schools located north of Clinton River.
- Input is being received from the Enrollment Distribution Advisory Committee (EDAC), which is comprised of parent/guardian representatives from each school.
- More information and a community survey is at: <u>uticak12.org/buildingforthefuture</u>

Attendance Areas Under Review

Below are the current attendance areas that are under review. The review will improve school boundaries and study the merger of school communities based on safety, age of the school and enrollment trends. The review is going hand in hand with improvements through the 2023 Safety and Success Bond Issue.



More Information - <u>http://www.uticak12.org/buildingforthefutur</u>e Share Your Thoughts - <u>http://www.uticak12.org/facilityreview</u>



MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE GURANTEE THROUGH MICHIGAN ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP! LOOK AT NEXT PAGE FOR FLYER!

STEVENSON NEWSLETTER

COMMUNITY COLLEGE GUARANTEE

> FAFSA FORM OPENS DECEMBER 1 XELLO DAYS DECEMBER 3-6 THANKSGIVING BREAK NOVEMBER 2.7

UPCOMING EVEN

COUNSELING

COUNSELING LUNCH SERIES: EVERY <u>TUESDAY</u> AND <u>THURSDAY</u> COUNSELORS ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP SENIORS WITH FAFSA AND COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

REMINDER



CHECK OUT

If you or your family needs any assistance for the holiday season, please reach out to the counselors for resources/support!

READ MORE ON OUR COUNSELING WEBSITE:

HTTPS://WWW.UTICAK12.ORG/DOMAIN/362



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/mistudentaid





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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. <u>Check this chart</u> 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.



FIND OUT WHY EVERYONE NEEDS FAFSA!!!!!

FAFSA QUESTIONS ANSWERED



8:30 AM - 2 PM

STEVENSON COUNSELING OFFICE

DEC 4

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

*FAFSA ID COMPLETION *FAFSA APPLICATION *MISCHOOL AID





During December Stevenson's counseling team will be offering walk in lunch help <u>during all lunch hours</u> on TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

We'll answer questions and give you one-on-one help as needed. No Appointment Needed

Bring your lunch and a friend to the counseling office!

Get help finding money for:

- 2-year colleges
- 4-year colleges
- Hot Jobs
- Trade Programs

Learn about:

- Community College Guarantee
- Michigan Achievement Scholarship
- Tuition Incentive Program





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.





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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.

PAYMENT PLANS AVAILABLE ON JOSTENS ORDER CENTER!



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: <u>Uticak12.org/familyportal</u>



LOOKING AHEAD

- November 27-29 No School, Thanksgiving Break
- November 29 2nd Progress Report
- December 1 FAFSA application opens for Seniors
- December 5 Future Focus event Henry Ford II High School
- December 18-20 Mid Term Exams, half day for students, dismissal 10:22 am
- December 20 2nd Card Marking Ends
- December 23-Jan 3, 2025 No School, Winter Break
- January 6, 2025 School Resumes
- January 10 2nd Quarter Report Cards Posted in Powerschool
- January 20 No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- February 8 3rd Progress Report
- February 17-21 No School, Mid Winter Break
- March 24-28 No School, Spring Break
- March 21 3rd Marking Period Ends
- April 18 No School, Good Friday
- April 16 Senior Meetings
- May 12 Senior Honors Night, invitation only
- 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





STEVENSON CLUBS

20	24-2025 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
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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 Sunda	r stevensonhighso@gmail.com





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

10:00 a.m.

1:30 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

•Eisenhower •ALC/Adult Ed •Henry Ford II

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.





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.



Jostens

Questions? Email: Hollandsworth.OfficeJh@jostens.com or Call/Text: 586-781-5618





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.



ATTENTION SENIOR TITAN PARENTS!!!!! PLEASE SEE ALL OF THE EVENTS, SALES, AND FUNDRAISERS YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN TO HELP OUR SENIORS HAVE AN AMAZING SENIOR ALL NIGHT PARTY AT URBAN AIR ON JUNE 14TH!!!!

Our Cornhole Tournament with raffles was a great success. We were able to raise over \$1000 at this event! A huge thank you to all of the companies who generously donated items for the raffles and the event: A.S. Home Repairs LLC, First Watch (Shelby), Mr. Miguels (Utica), Exploring (Cornhole Set), Dr. Katie Grech (Loving Health Chiropractic), Great Baraboo, Potbelly, Smokey Bones, IMF Cornhole, and Danielle Harrison

<u>Restaurant Fundraisers</u> will be coming up in December (Sidecar Slider Bar) and January. More details will be shared in the next Titan Voice.

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS CAN BE PURCHASED USING OUR CHEDDAR UP LINK: <u>https://class-of-2025-all-night-party.cheddarup.com</u> (just scroll to find the item(s) you want to add to your cart).

SANP Tickets: The current price for a ticket to the Senior All Night Party is \$90 and will remain this price through Oct 31st (it will increase to \$100 on December 1st).

Senior Shirts: Class of 2025 Senior Shirts are on sale and available for \$20! See attachment for image.

Yard Signs: Senior Yard Signs are on sale and available for \$25! See attachment for image.

Our next Parent Meeting is December 5th!!!

If you have any questions, please Email the Senior All Night Party Committee at: <u>2025SANP@gmail.com</u>

Make sure you join the Senior Parent Facebook group: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/1349000849823678</u>



Sitting Fees

Indoor Studio Sessions

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

Yearbook Session 4-6 Proofs	\$30
30 Minute Studio Session 20-25 Proofs - <i>2-3 outfits</i>	\$45
1 Hour Studio Session 40-50 Proofs - 3-5 outfits	\$80

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



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:

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\$100

You may only order one pose for each package.

Package B - \$95.00

Package D - \$65.00

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3 - 5x7 4-3%x5 12 - Wallets

2 - 5x7

4-3%x5

8 - Wallets

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4 - 5x7	
4-3½×5	
16 - Wallets	
1 - Digital Image	

Package C - \$80.00

1 - 8x10 2 - 5x7 2-3%×5 12 - Wallets



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02	1 - 8x10	\$25	
03	2 - 5x7	\$25	
04	4-3%×5	\$25	
05	8 - Wallets	\$25	
06	1 - 16x20 mounted	\$70	
07	1 - Digital Image	\$30	
	High Resolution, Copyright Free		
08	1 - Digital Image Add-On	\$20	
	High Resolution, Copyright Free		
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Digital Wallet Personalization Free Free Basic Retouching on Ordered Images Removes blemishes and stray hairs Teeth Whitening \$10/Pose Deluxe 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

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. Bartold:

- 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 firstcome, 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 11th and 12th 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).



Coordinators visit work sites to ensure a safe and productive training environment and build relationships with employers.

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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.

GREAT OPPORTUNITIES STILL AVAILABLE!

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 2024-2025





CONNECTING STW TO CTE CLASSES



Automotive and Small Engine Technologies	Design and Engineering	Welding	Woodworking	Architecture and Construction Trades
•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 Intern	+CTE Design & Engineering I – CAD +CTE Design & Engineering II – CAD +CTE Advanced Design & Engineering - CAD +CTE Design & Engineering Capstone – CAD +STW Design Engineering Intern	•CTE Welding I and II •STW Fabrication Intern	•CTE Woodworking •CTE Advanced Woodworking •CTE Furniture & Cabinet Construction •CTE Advanced Woodworking Capstone •STW Woodworking Intern	•CTE Architecture I - CAD •CTE Architecture II - CAD •CTE Architecture - CAD •CTE Architecture - CAD •CTE Advanced Architecture - Capstone •CTE Construction Trades •CTE Construction Trades Capstone I •CTE Construction Trades Capstone I •CTE Construction Trades Capstone I •STW Architecture Intern •STW Construction Trades Inter

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 in obtaining a parking permit.

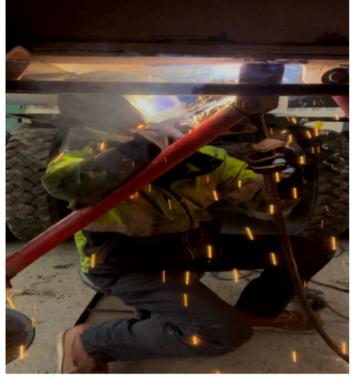
 Can I participate in co-curricular activities (ex: sports, dance, religiousobligations) and still be enrolled in the School to Work program?

Very difficult to do with after school practice schedules, talk to your coordinator.

GREAT OPPORTUNITIES STILL AVAILABLE!

For more information contact <u>Mrs. Gendelman (janet.gendelman@uticak12.org)</u> via TEAMS or at 586.797.2059/586.797.1660

TITAN SCHOOL TO WORK



MADE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

What is School to Work ...

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-thejob training, and help students make career decisions.

Our Students will:

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- Receive a **GRADE** and **CREDIT** towards graduation for this full year course.
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Meet a current student...

Name: Seth

Grade: 12th Grade

Related Class: CTE Fabrication

Future Career Goal: Deisel Mechanic

School to Work Position: Diesel Mechanic Technician

I love my job because: I have the ability to use tools and knowledge to fix and repair Diesel Powered Systems. I can apply logical thinking and problem-solving skills. It is very rewarding to finishing large projects in my workplace.

Students should consider MADE and STW because: It allows you to start in a job that you are interested in and gives you the opportunity to see the real world.

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

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 (<u>https://studentcentral.bigteams.com</u>), 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 <u>www.payschoolscentral.com</u>

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, <u>remi.darroch@uticak12.org</u> 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.



OUR MISSION: 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 student parents, family, community members, and alumni, 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.

ORDER YARD SIGNS BY DEC 2



Celebrate your athlete with a custom yard sign. Taking orders now for winter sports. \$30 each. Order <u>here</u>.

BECOME A BOOSTER CLUB MEMBER



Scan to Join! Just \$20 for the school year.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

Over 40 Booster Club members and friends volunteered at the Stevenson concession stand this fall and earned more than \$3,300 directly for the SHS team of their choice. Thank you to every volunteer who made this successful season possible! Want to get in on the action? Sign up for winter concessions today!

FOLLOW & LIKE

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

@Stevenson High School Athletic Booster Club

@stevensonboosters

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WINTER CONCESSIONS

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 here



2024-25 MEETING SCHEDULE

Booster meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month in the ECC at 7 p.m.

All are welcome.

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

• 5/13/25

4/8/25

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Stevenson Titans Athletic Department

Steve Robinson – Athletic Director

Stevenson Athletics Event Admissions Policy

1. 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.

9. 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





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. Bartold is accepting parking permit applications from 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. *Junior parking permits will be available for on a 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.)

PARKING is NOT allowed by students and/or parents in the Court House/City Center parking lot. Dropping off students in this area is also not allowed.

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



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.

PAYSCHOOLS CENTRAL - Follow these easy steps:

-Create an account from your computer or tablet at: <u>www.payschoolscentral.com</u> -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 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 <u>586-797-1999</u> 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.

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.

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
 - Education Benefits Forms
 - Aplicación gratuita y reducida en Español
 - <u>التطبيق مجاناً وتخفيض الناطقة بالعربية</u> ٥

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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