

October 31, 2025

# **The Titan Voice**

# Stevenson High School

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Visit our website at: http://Stevenson.uticak12.org

#### 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.

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#### A MESSAGE FROM MR. CUCCHI



Good afternoon Titan community,

Today marks the end of our first card marking period! First quarter report cards will be emailed to families on Friday, November 7. They will be available through your PowerSchool account.

As we move into the second quarter, please remember that the first semester is shorter than the second semester. Encourage your students to stay focused, maintain their momentum, and make every school day count. Daily attendance is essential for academic success! There are about 7 more weeks until the end of the semester, but the first big check-in is now.

Reminder: Daylight Saving Time ends this weekend. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night.

Important Reminder, there is no parking on the side streets across from Stevenson High School. There are "No Parking" signs along the street, and the police will be monitoring.

There is NO SCHOOL on Tuesday November 4 for Election Day.

Stevenson is creating a Wellness Room. If you would like to donate to help make the room amazing, please check out our <u>Amazon wish list here</u>. Thank you for your support!

IMPORTANT Reminder - students MUST BE ON TIME to class, or they could lose their parking permits.

**Senior Signing Wall** - Stevenson seniors are actively engaging their future-focused mindsets by signing the "I APPLIED" wall, marking their commitments to college, military, and workforce pathways. This is an exciting step in their journey toward achieving their post-secondary ambitions!



## Congratulations to our October Students of the Month:

Noor Abro, Marisa Adkins, Sara Al-Chona, Melak Ali, Zahraa Alqazzaz, Melina Bahri, Lamara Barbaro, Cole Carbone, Landon Chirco, Mary Dally, Stella Daoud, Lilly Domanowski, Mohamed Elsayed, Evander Essek, Victor Godek, Ava Goriel, Gracee Hart, Ayra Jaigirder, Karly Kays Jamo, Benjamin Jeffers, Jayden Johnson, Victoria Kabat, Ava Kasmika, Charlie Kennedy, Leah LaFave, Carter Lubeski, Megan Lucas, Thuy Mai, Maryam Mansi, Bandelle Markos, Sage Martin, Addison Matthews, Aiden Mobley, Lourd Oraha, Anuva Purkayastha, Jonathon Reese, Jr., Johntel Richmond, Savanna Salman, Renata Sawa, Zachary Scolfield-Campeau, Leyonel Shleymoon, Jules Sitto, Justin Stephenson, Samantha Swartz, Nathan Tanyen, Laressa Toma, Nhi Tran, Ava Van Heusden,

## The Writing Center (Room E-73) is OPEN during all lunches!

Honors Writing senior tutors offer face-to-face drop-in tutoring (walk-ins depend on tutor availability) and also accept online submissions. Electronic submissions can be sent to <a href="mailto:angel.favazza@uticak12.org">angel.favazza@uticak12.org</a>—please allow at least two school days for feedback.

Angelina Vitanovski, Nick Wesner, Lizbeth Yacoub, Mary Zaitouna, Alvi Zaman, Katrin Zaya

We look forward to helping you strengthen your writing, whether it's a college application essay, a research project, or anything in between!

**PLEASE NOTE: Stevenson High School is a CLOSED CAMPUS**, meaning students are <u>not allowed</u> to leave the campus during the school day.

Students are NOT permitted to have food or beverages delivered to Stevenson High School at any time during the school day. This includes Door Dash, Grub Hub, and any other delivery services or family members.

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.

#### **PARKING PERMITS**

#### <u>ATTENDANCE - (586)797-1999</u>

A parent must call the attendance line at (586)797-1999 the day of the absence or prior if your student will be absent, tardy or will have an early dismissal. The attendance desk will enter the attendance in PowerSchool. **DO NOT** call the main office for attendance.

- For early dismissals, please call the attendance line early in the day so the Attendance Secretary can enter the early dismissal in PowerSchool. The student should inform their teacher upon arriving to class, that they have an early dismissal.

#### **DRESS CODE**

Students must adhere to the dress code 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. • 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.

With Titan Pride,

## STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL 39701 DODGE PARK ROAD STERLING HEIGHTS, MI 48313

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#### **ADMINISTRATION**

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#### **Bell Schedule**

1<sup>st</sup> Hour - 7:15 - 8:13 2<sup>nd</sup> Hour - 8:19 - 9:16 am 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour - 9:22 am - 10:19 am 4<sup>th</sup> Hour - 10:25 am - 12:04 pm A lunch 10:25 am - 10:56 pm B lunch - 11:02 am - 11:27 am C lunch - 11:33 am - 12:04 pm 5<sup>th</sup> Hour - 12:10 pm - 1:07 pm 6<sup>th</sup> Hour - 1:13 pm - 2:09 pm

#### **Stevenson Website:**

https://stevenson.uticak12.org

## **District Website:**

https://uticak12.org





# **Announcements**



# Revised



To: 11th & 12th Grade Students at Stevenson HS and Parents/Guardians

Re: Michigan Rehabilitation Services Orientation

#### THIS ORIENTATION WILL BE IN PERSON

Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS) is a State of Michigan agency whose purpose is to assist individuals with disabilities that may be on an IEP to prepare for, obtain, and maintain employment. MRS is state and federally funded, so there is often no cost to the individual for the agency's services.

Some of the things MRS may be able to provide include:

- Vocational counseling & guidance help students discover their interests & talents and explore possible career <u>pathways</u>
- Accommodation assessments and accommodations if needed
- OJE On-the-Job Evaluation paid wages
- Job Training as appropriate for job goal
- Michigan Career and Technical Institute (MCTI) live on campus and train 'hands-on' in areas such as: Auto mechanic; Cabinetmaking; Cert Nurse Asst; Pharmacy Tech; Welding; Culinary; and more (free to MRS customers)
- Resume building and mock interviews
- Soft skills training/classes (social/interpersonal skills)

We are excited to offer an orientation where you can learn more about MRS's services and how they can help your child. Please join us on **Wednesday December 10, 2025, from 9:20-10:20 am** for the orientation and question/answer session with Simone R. Green, MRS counselor assigned to work with our students at Utica School District.

If you'd like to join us for this orientation, please contact Andrea Pilatowski at 586-797-1983 or andrea.pilatowski@uticak12.org or simply just be present on that day.

This is a great opportunity, and we hope to see you.

# Attendance Intervention Suite

## Stevenson High School

39701 Dodge Park Sterling Heights, MI 48313 September 26, 2025

## Dear Parent or Guardian,

I am writing to inform you about an exciting new program we are implementing starting October 6, 2025. To enhance communication regarding student attendance, we will be utilizing **Attendance Intervention**, a PowerSchool product designed to streamline updates and alerts for families.

With Attendance Intervention, you will receive text messages and email alerts directly from teachers and school leaders, keeping you informed about your child's attendance in real time.

## What makes Attendance Intervention unique?

- No Login Required: Messages will automatically be sent to the phone number and email address the school has on file for you.
- Direct Communication: Each message will come from a unique phone number associated with the sender. This direct line allows you to easily save the sender's number in your phone and reply directly to them, if desired.
- Absence Alerts: Families will be notified if a student is absent from school in a timely fashion.
- Say Goodbye to Language Barriers: Attendance Intervention translates text and email messages into more than 90 languages, based on the preferred language on file.

We are confident that this program will enhance communication and ensure we are all working together to support our students' successes. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to the school office.

Thank you for your continued partnership in your child's education.

Sincerely,

Kenneth L. Cucchi III

#### Stevenson High School Communication Process Flowchart

#### How to Effectively Communicate with Stevenson High School Officials

Parents are often discouraged when they attempt to communicate with school officials only to be referred to others in order to resolve a problem their child may be experiencing in school. To prevent that frustration, parents should become informed about the "Communication Process Flowchart." This sequence is in place to assist parents on where to begin their communication regarding their problem or concern.

Most parent and community questions are easily and completely answered by communicating directly with the staff member closest to the situation. As you move further along the flowchart, the staff is less directly involved and usually needs additional time to research the situation before they can give you an answer. If you do not hear back from the person you have contacted within two (2) business days, it is appropriate to reach out to them again before moving along to the next level of the flowchart. We do not expect your questions or concerns to go unanswered for a long period of time. Each situation should first be addressed at whatever level the initial action was taken with appeals moving on to the next level on the "Communication Process Flowchart." The easiest way to communicate is via e-mail while a phone call is the next preferable way.

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Area Of Concern	First Level	Second Level	Third Level	Fourth Level	Fifth Level
Instruction/Curriculum	Teacher	Counselor	Associate Principal	Principal	Board Office
Athletics	Coach	Stevenson Athletic	Associate Principal	District Athletic	Board Office
		Director		Director	
Special Education	Teacher	Special Education	Counselor	Associate Principal	Principal
		Staff			
Student	Teacher	Counselor	Associate Principal	Principal	Board Office
Concerns/Guidance/Health					
Related Concerns					
Classroom Discipline	Teacher	Counselor	Associate Principal	Principal	Board Office
Non – Classroom School	Teacher	Counselor	Associate Principal	Principal	Board office
Discipline					
Classroom Concerns	Teacher	Counselor	Associate Principal	Principal	Board office
Scheduling	Counselor	Associate Principal	Principal	Board office	
Concerns/Changes					
Transportation	Bus Driver	Associate Principal	Transportation	Board Office	

# Titan Time Tutoring

## Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:15 to 3:15

Begins week of September 30th

## **Tuesday Tutoring**

Math in A6

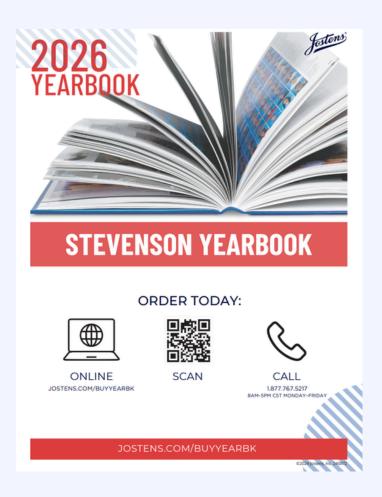
#### Science

C45 9/30,10/14,10/28, 11/18, 12/9 C39 10/7, 10/21, 11/11, 12/2, 12/16

ELA in E78

## **Thursday Tutoring**

Social Studies/CTE in A3



# **YEARBOOKS ARE ON** Order a yearbook early because last



jostens.com/yborder



# Follow us on **Social Media**

We'd love to keep in touch @shs.ambassador









Students must scan their school ID to get lunch and buy a la carte items

Families are asked to complete the School Meals & Summer EBT application of the Education Benefits form by clicking here

EBF Packet
Arabic EBF Packet
Spanish EBF Packet

Click here to add money to your student's lunch account

Completion of the EBY application is critical for those who may be eligible for pay to participate funding, price reductions/waivers for testing fees, etc. Snacks and a la carte items will still be available for purchase. Parents can also send money to their child's account vie <a href="https://utica.familyportal.cloud/">https://utica.familyportal.cloud/</a>

Students are
NOT permitted
to have food or
beverages
delivered to
Stevenson High
School at any
time during the
school day. This
includes Door
Dash, Grub Hub,
and any other
delivery
services.



# **Student Info**



#### **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.

#### **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 click here for the UCS attendance policy

#### **PARKING PERMITS**

Mrs. Johnston is accepting parking permit applications from juniors and seniors. The permits are \$75. 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. 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. 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

#### 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.

Please <u>click here</u> for the UCS Dress Code policy



# Fines and Fees



Ä Please check your student's PowerSchool account 'Dashboard' for Outstanding fees. Outstanding fees should be paid immediately. Fee details can be viewed by clicking on **Site Map** in the upper right corner, then **Balance**, then **Transaction**.

- The most common fees are Replacement Student Ids\* \$5.00 each, Replacement Lanyard\* \$3.00, Senior Class Dues \$30.00, Junior Class Dues \$15.00, or Sophomore Class Dues \$15.00. \*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 Parking Permits or participate in Athletics and other extra-curricular activities, including August Titan Days, Homecoming and Prom until all fees/obligations are cleared or on a payment plan. Seniors with outstanding fees will not receive their diplomas until all fees are paid.

#### PAYSCHOOLS CENTRAL - 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 link.



# GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **Bell Schedule**

## **Start Time End Time** Period 1st Hour 7:15 8:13 2nd Hour 8:19 9:16 3rd Hour 9:22 10:19 4th Hour 10:25 12:04 A Lunch 10:25 10:56 B Lunch 11:02 11:27 C Lunch 11:33 12:04 5th Hour 12:10 1:07 6th Hour 1:13 2:09

#### 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 Barb Johnston at Barbara.Johnston@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.



# **LOOKING AHEAD**

November 4 - No School, Election Day

November 26-28 - No School, Thanksgiving Holiday

December 17 -19 - Half Days - exams

December 22-January 2 - No School, Winter Holiday Break

January 14 - No School, Teacher PD

January 19 - No School, MLK, Jr. Day

February 16 - 20 - No School, Mid-Winter Break

March 30 - April 3, Spring Break

May 22 - 25 - No School, Memorial Day Holiday

June 8-10 - Half Days - exams

June 10 - Last Day of School

# **Stevenson Links**

## Below are direct links for Stevenson High School

**Athletics** 

<u>Athletics - Big Teams</u>

**Athletic Boosters** 

**Athletic Forms** 

**Athletic Physical Forms** 

Attendance Procedures

Bell Schedule

**Bus Runs** 

**Contact Information** 

**Counseling Department Information** 

**Curriculum Guides** 

**Device Insurance** 

**Food Services** 

Grade Pointe Average (GPA)

Meal Magic Family Portal (You can also add

money to your child's lucnh account here)

**Medical Forms** 

New Student Registration

Parent Volunteer

Parking Permit - Seniors

Parking Permit Rules

Parking Permit Regulations

PaySchool Central

PowerSchool sign in

<u>PowerSchool - Creating an account</u>

<u>PowerSchool - Adding a Student</u>

<u>Scholarships</u>

Secondary/Career Path

Student Handbooks

Stevenson Website

**Tech Support** 

**UCS Website** 

Work Permit 16-17 Years of Age

Work Permit UNDER 16 years of age

Yearbook Information

# The College Lunch Series will continue for the month of November!



#### **Stevenson Counseling Department Newsletter**

Parents, please visit <u>mi.gov/ACHIEVEMENT</u> for details on the **Michigan Achievement Scholarship**. Many of our students qualify for this opportunity once they complete their **FAFSA**. All seniors that were in school on October 7th, did complete their FSA ID, however, parents need to complete their FSA ID as well. Once both the student and parent complete the FSA ID, FAFSA will notify families (usually within a few days) that it is time to complete the FAFSA.

The last week of October was full of daily activities celebrating our students' post-secondary plans. One highlight was the "I APPLIED" Wall, where seniors proudly signed their names and shared where they plan to go after graduation. The excitement was contagious—it's inspiring to see our students taking charge of their futures!

As we approach the end of the first quarter, please continue to check PowerSchool to stay updated on your student's academic progress. If your child is struggling in any class, encourage them to take advantage of Titan Time Tutoring, available after school every Tuesday and Thursday. NHS student tutoring is also available upon request—just reach out to the Counseling Office for more information.

#### FOR AP STUDENTS AND PARENTS ONLY

During the week of October 1st, you should have received an email from a company called APTS requesting that you submit a deposit for your May 2026 AP Exam(s).

You are required to submit a deposit of \$53 for each of your AP Exams by Monday, November 3, 2025, in order to test in May 2026.

If you have submitted your AP Exam deposit(s) after the date and time noted above, please disregard this message.

Please check your emails and spam folders for an email from one of the following APTS addresses: <a href="mailto:info@aptsusa.com">info@aptsusa.com</a> or <a href="mailto:payments@aptsusa.com">payments@aptsusa.com</a> or <a href="mailto:billing@aptsusa.com">billing@aptsusa.com</a>

Subject line that will say: 2024-2025 AP Exam Deposit Due for [Student Name]: Utica Community Schools

- \*If you do not plan to test, please email me to let me know so I can update your exam status.
- \*If you plan to test, but cannot find our emailed invoice, please contact APTS at info@aptsusa.com ASAP.
- \*If you plan to test but need to request removal of an exam from your invoice, please follow the directions at the bottom of your invoice and contact the APTS cancellation desk (<u>cancel@aptsusa.com</u>) ASAP.
- \*If you need to apply for a fee reduction, you need to qualify for free and reduced lunch which is determined by your household income and assets. To apply, please use the link below and the hyperlink for the application is under reduced fee application.

Please refer to our Stevenson High School AP Webpage for all important AP Information.

Counseling / Advanced Placement (AP)

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.

- Create your StudentAid.gov account or make sure you can access your existing account by signing in to StudentAid.gov.
- 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 answers to common questions 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?

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

Federal Student Aid | StudentAid.gov

830 First St. NE, Washington, DC 20002

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). <u>Check eligibility</u> 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.



# **Senior Information**



# **SENIOR YEARBOOK** PHOTO INFORMATION

All senior photos are due October 31, 2025.

The yearbook staff will use a photo from Kaiser Studio, or a photo that has been uploaded to ybkplus.com. If there is not a photo uploaded, the yearbook staff will use registration photos. If there was not a photo taken this year, the yearbook staff will use a previous year's photo.

if you encose to be printegraphic at another studie and would like to appear in the yearbook, please take this letter with you so the proper specifications can be met. Please note that photos must be taken by a professional photographer, with the background described below, or it will not be published in the yearbook. STUDENTS MAY NOT SUBMIT PHOTOS TAKEN THEMSELVES OR PHOTOSHOPPED.

REGISTRATION AND COMPOSITE PHOTOS:
This is the only free option available for senior photos
Registration photos will be used for the composite. Dress to impress
on registration dates for your photo. Outside photos are not

#### PORTRAIT SPECIFICATIONS:

- 3. No cap and gown portraits; no hats, T-shirts, drapes, bare shoulders, spaghetti straps, sleeveless or low-cut tops.
  4. No backlighting.

#### DIGITAL SPECIFICATIONS:

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  1. Digital images are required; prints will not be accepted.

  2. Images can be either .jpg or .tiff files.

  3. Images must be set at a minimum of 300 dpi.

  4. Student will submit the image through a secure link sent to their school email. Submission cannot be completed by a studio.

okplus.com submissions will be enabled in late September.

#### **DUE date:** October 31, 2025

If NOT using a Kaiser OR a registration photo, please upload to ybkplus.com using your student's UTICA email address. This link will open in late September.

#### LAST CHANCE PHOTOGRAPHS, \$10 FOR EACH SITTING

Kaiser will be here on Oct. 9 and Oct 10 for senior portraits. With a makeup date on Oct. 13 for any missed sessions.

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK AND A REGOGNITION AD TODAY!

lostensvearbooks.com

Kaiser Studio cs@kaiserstudio.com 248-619-9119

# STEVENSON YEARBOOK RECOGNITION ADS

**DEADLINE:** 02/06/2026

COLOR AD		
Full Page	\$325.00	
1/2 Page	\$200.00	
1/4 Page	\$135.00	
1/8 Page	\$75.00	









How is the ad deadline determined?





# **OUTSIDE SENIOR** PHOTO FUNDRAISER



#### PICTURE PURFECT FOR A PURPOSE

Stevenson seniors: Book your \$50 outdoor photo mini-session—30 minutes at Stevenson or Dodge Park! Receive 5 lightly edited photos within 2 weeks of the photo shoot. Proceeds support the yearbook's trip to a national journalism conference. Rain dates available.

\$50 for a photo session.

Exact Cash or Checks can be made out to Stevenson High School.

Questions can go directly to adviser, Kait Edgerton at kaitlin.edgerton@uticak12.org

\*Please note photos cannot be used for the yearbook senior photo or class composite.

#### **PICK YOUR LOCATION AND TIME**

#### SIGN UP LINK: http://bit.ly/4dDIPP2

When you sign up make sure you carefully select your location and time. Please note the rain dates that will be set for each. Money is due at the time of the photo shoot.



- -Cornhole tournament... high schoolers invited too!!! Bring cash upon arrival
- -Dine to Donate—- Sidecar Slider Bar, Monday, November 10 from 11am-11pm @44935 Hayes Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48313
- -Next senior shirt order deadline is December 1st. Orders placed through Chedder up
- -Senior all night party ticket sales will begin Dec. 1st Tickets will be on sale for \$100 until Feb. 28th. After Feb. 28th there will be a price increase. Ticket sales will be done through Chedder up



# Class of 2026 Graduate Lawn Signs - Now Available!



Celebrate your Titan's upcoming graduation with a custom Class of 2026 Lawn Sign! Show your pride and support as they approach this major milestone.

Orders can be placed now through our CheddarUp site:

Click below to order your sign (link is active)

https://class-of-2026-lawn-signs.cheddarup.com

You can also scan the QR code below to place your order quickly and easily.

Or pay in cash at the pick-up site to avoid fees.

**Pickup Site:** 12258 Ewald Court, Sterling Heights between the hours of 2:30-7:00, except for Friday night home football games.

## Let's line the streets with Titan pride! Go Class of 2026!

All proceeds benefit the Class of 2026 Senior All Party.

Amount: \$20.00



FaceBook: Stevenson Titans Class of 2026 Parent Group – Sterling Heights



# **Senior Information**



Mandatory Senior Parent Meeting: Tuesday, April 14, 2026 (Date Change)

Honor's Night (Invitation Only) - May 11, 2026

Prom: May 27, 2026

Seniors Last Day: May 21, 2026

SENIOR NAME VERIFICATION - Class of 2026 - <u>Please complete this form ASAP.</u>
If your student's name is not correct in Powerschool, please email Caren.king@uticak12.org
ASAP. Diplomas are printed using the name listed in PowerSchool, so any errors will be
reflected on the diploma.

## Senior All Night Party Announcements:



# Planning Starts NOW!

The countdown to graduation has officially begun, and we are thrilled to kick off preparations for the Senior All Night Party—a night filled with fun, memories, and celebration for our Class of 2026!

We have established a planning group and are seeking your energy, ideas, and support to ensure this event is a success.

#### Purpose of the Planning Group

- Organizing activities and entertainment
- · Coordinating fundraisers
- Sharing updates and announcements
- Creating a safe and unforgettable night for our seniors

Who Can Join? We welcome parents, guardians, grandparents, and volunteers who are eager to contribute to making this event extraordinary. Your involvement is key to making this night a success!

Follow us for updates, volunteer opportunities, and event news:

Facebook: [SH Stevenson Class of 2026 Parent Group]

Instagram: [@shssterling\_heightsclassof2026]

Let us come together to send off the Class of 2026 in style. One night. One class.

One unforgettable celebration.

# LIFE AFTER STEVENSON

# COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY/TRADE SCHOOL/MINITARY/WORKFORCE

## **FAFSA**

CREATE YOUR STUDENTAID.GOV ACCOUNT

ALREADY HAVE AN ACCOUNT? SIGN IN TO STUDENTAID.GOV

WHO'S MY FAFSA PARENT

**CHECK ELIGIBILITY HERE** 

2025-2026 FAFSA CHECKLIST

## STUDENT AID

REGISTER FOR A VIRTUAL FINANCIAL AID PRESENTATION

STUDENT AID & HELPFUL LINKS

HOW DO I PAY FOR COLLEGE?

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## **COLLEGE APPLICATION RESOURCES**

HOW DO I REQUEST MY TRANSCIPT IN XELLO?

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IF YOU ARE NOT APPLYING DIRECTLY VIA COLLEGE WEBSITE USE COMMOM APP

FREE COLLEGE APPLICATION ESSAY REVIEW

HOW TO DECIDE WHERE TO APPLY TO COLLEGE

## **AP COLLEGE BOARD**

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**COLLEGE BOARD AP FOR STUDENTS** 

#### MILITARY INFORMATION

**FUTURES JUMP-START YOUR JOURNEY** 

**CAREERS IN THE MILITARY** 

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#### DISCOVER MACOMB

MI STUDENT AID: COMMUNITY COLLEGE GUARANTEE

#### SAT

**BIG FUTURE** 

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## TRADE SCHOOL





ASBESTOS & ABATEMENT WORKERS - (734) 947.1745, www.Local207.org

BOILERMAKERS - (313) 584.8520, www.boilermakerslocal169.com

BRICKLAYERS & RESTORATION WORKERS - (586) 754.0888, www.bricklayers.org

CARPENTERS - (313) 832.1578, www.buildmifuture.com

CEMENT MASONS-586) 754.0888, www.bricklayers.org

CONSTRUCTION CRAFT LABORERS - (517) 625.4919, (906) 774.5703, (734) 729.7005, www.mltai.org

DRYWALL FINISHERS/TAPERS - (586) 552.4474, www.iupatdc1michigan.org

ELECTRICAL WORKERS - (586) 751.6600, www.detroitetic.org

ELEVATOR CONSTRUCTORS - (313) 961.0717 call for more info

GLAZIERS AND GLASSWORKERS - (586) 552.4474, www.iupatdc1michigan.org

HEAT & FROST INSULATORS - (248) 352.1850, <u>www.insulators.com</u>

IRON WORKERS - (248) 960.2130, www.ironworkers25.org

MILLWRIGHTS - (586) 573.4660, www.buildmifuture.com

OPERATING ENGINEERS - (517) 546.9610, www.oe324.org

PAINTERS - (586) 552.4474, www.iupatdc1michigan.org

PIPEFITTERS, REFRIGERATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING - (248) 585.0636, www.pipefitters636tc.org

PLASTERERS - (248) 548.0800, www.opcmiami.org

PLUMBERS - (248) 585.1435, <u>www.plumbers98tc.org</u>

ROOFERS AND WATERPROOFERS - (248) 543.3847, www.smrca.org

SHEET METAL WORKERS - (586) 979.5190, (248) 589.3237, <u>www.smw80jac.org</u>, <u>www.smwl292jatc.org</u>

SPRINKLER FITTERS - (248) 473.8259, (248) 933.0704, <u>www.local704.com</u>

TILE, MARBLE, AND TERRAZZO MASONS - (586) 754.0888, www.bricklayers.org



# **Titan Athletics**

\*Updated 10/7

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

Stevenson Athletics newsletter - Click here

Participating in Stevenson Athletics? Complete your 2025-2026 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.

NOTE: An MHSAA pre-participation sports physical is required for students who participate in sports.

#### BEFORE TRY-OUTS:

Physicals (dated 4/15/25 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 Fee Due Dates

Competitive Cheer - November 24 Boys Basketball - November 24 Girls Basketball - December 1

Wrestling -December 1. Boys Swim - December 8

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 <a href="https://utica.familyportal.cloud">https://utica.familyportal.cloud</a> before Free or Reduced Status can be verified. Be sure to fill out the Sharing Information Form to link information.



#### **IOIN THE BOOSTERS TODAY**

Scan to join or renew your annual membership for just \$20. Memberships are valid for the current 2025-26 school year.



#### 2025-26 MEETING SCHEDULE

Booster meetings are held at Stevenson the second Tuesday of the month in the ECC at 7 p.m. All are welcome. Meetings during the 2025–26 school year will be held on the following dates:

11/11/2025 1/13/26 3/10/26 5/12/26 12/9/25 2/10/26 4/14/26

#### SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT: BP GAS STATION



Look familiar? Using this gas pump at the BP Gas Station at Dodge Park & Utica Rd. (across from SHS) earns money for athletes. We're grateful to the owners, who generously donate a portion of sales from pump to Boosters. Show them your appreciation by using the Stevenson Sports Titan Pride pump for your next fill-up!!



Winter concessions sign-up will be posted on our website soon!

# ORDER YOUR CUSTOM YARD SIGNS FOR WINTER SPORTS

Celebrate your athlete with a custom yard sign. The winter sports online store is now open. Signs are \$30 each. *Order deadline is Dec. 1st.* 





Scan QR code to order today!

The mission of the Stevenson High School Booster Club 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 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.



# 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.



# \*ANNOUNCEMENT\*

# WRESTLING TEAM MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> 3:00 PM STEVENSON HIGH WRESTLING ROOM IN THE ATHLETIC HALLWAY AT DOORS 21 AND 19

\*BRING YOUR LAPTOP\*
OPEN TO STUDENTS OF:

STEVENSON UAIS- STEVENSON ZONED

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MEETING IS SCHEDULED TO END AT 4:00
HAVE YOUR RIDES READY!