



Schwarzkoﬀ

SNIP ITS

Oct. 2019

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct:

- 2nd Count Day
- 15th BOX TOPS due
- 18th Trunk or Treat 6:30-8
- 22th Bagel Day
- 24th Picture Retake Day
- 31st Halloween out @ 11:29

Nov:

- 4th Glow Dance Marathon
- 14th Chuck E Cheese Night
- 19th Bagel Day
- 27-29th Thanksgiving Break

Dec:

- 4th Texas Roadhouse Restaurant Night
- 6th Set-up Santa Shop
Author - The Secret Zoo
- 9-13th Santa Shop
- 17th Bagel Day
5th Grade DIA 10-2:45
- 23rd NO School Winter Break

Jan:

- 2nd Return to school
- 14th Bagel Day
- 20st No School
- 23th Chuck E Cheese Night

Parents as Partners:

Building Positive Relationships

Our theme for this school year is Team P.R.I.D.E. #SuspendDisbelief We choose this theme because great things are happening at our school. As I shared at Open House, Schwarzkoﬀ has seen amazing growth in student achievement in the last two years. According to Mi School Data, in 2019 Schwarzkoﬀ beat our demographic on M-Step by 15% points...more than any other UCS elementary. We are so proud of our growth.

We want to keep good things coming for our school, by building strong partnerships. This starts with growing communication with the classroom teacher. If there is an issue related to your student, please start with the classroom teacher BEFORE reaching out to the principal. Talking to the teacher about your student builds trust and deepens the relationship. If you contact the office, we will ask, "Did you start with the teacher?" Remember there are over 500 students in the school and each one is special, unique, and important. For us to keep our focus on instruction, we must all work together to pull in the same direction. This means, we must believe good things are happening at school and share our concerns respectfully.

Our staff challenge this year is to grow our positivity with each other and the kids. When kids are in the building from 8:15-3:15 we call it Cougar Prime Time, and our conversations expectations are 100% belief that all kids can achieve. Please join us in the challenge. Talk to your student about your hopes for their future, encourage them to do their best and together...WE WILL.

Breakfast 8:10 - 8:25

Lunch

- 11:10 - 11:35 K
- 11:15 - 11:35 6th
- 11:20 - 11:40 1st
- 11:25 - 11:45 5th

- 11:35 - 11:55 4th & AIM
- 11:40 - 12:00 2nd
- 11:45 - 12:05 3rd

Recess

- 11:35 - 11:55 K
- 11:35 - 11:55 6th
- 11:40 - 12:00 1st
- 11:45 - 12:05 5th

- 11:15 - 11:35 4th & AIM
- 11:20 - 11:40 2nd
- 11:25 - 11:45 3rd



PBIS Update - PR.I.DE. Referral System

Welcome to Year 2 of our school wide PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) system. This year we will continue to focus on teaching our students to show PR.I.DE. (Positive Respect, Integrity, Dedicated Effort) by modeling behavior, giving rewards, and consistent consequences. To date our teachers have given out hundreds of PR.I.DE. tickets to recognize the great effort of our students. To help our students learn behavior expectations, each year we use a system of classroom and office referrals.

A student is given a classroom referral for not making smart choices. This may include not listening to the classroom teacher, breaking the noise levels, throwing an item in the lunchroom. We consider these minor infractions that we want to correct. A teacher or staff member (lunch supervisor, bus driver, para-professional) completes the classroom referral; it is sent home with the student by the classroom teacher and should be returned with a parent signature. The classroom teacher also keeps a copy.

The 4th classroom referral triggers an office minor referral. 4 office minor referrals will result in a major office referral. The building principal will determine discipline for office referrals. Some behaviors require escalation in the referral system and an immediate trip to the office, such as physical aggression or violations of the Utica Community Schools Elementary Handbook.

Each month our PBIS team will meet to consider the data related to Office Referrals. In addition, a monthly bar chart will be shared in the Snip-Its. This data shows the number of office referrals and NOT classroom referrals. Questions about classroom referrals will be directed to classroom teachers. So far, our students are doing a great job learning how to show their PR.I.DE. everyday with only 4 office referrals for September. **GO COUGARS GO!!!**



Coming Up

Feb:

3rd-7th BOOK FAIR
 11th Bagel Day
 12th Count Day
 17-21 NO School Winter Break

Mar:

10th Bagel Day
 10th 6th Grade @ Wayne State

Apr:

6th-10th No School Spring Break
 21st Bagel Day
 TBD Daddy Daughter Dance

May:

4th Muffins with Mom
 19th Bagel Day
 29th 6th Grade @ Camp Copneconic
 TBD Mother/Son Event
 TBD Field Day

June:

TBD Last Day of School

Halloween!

Since all decisions take into account student safety first and foremost, it is only natural that weapons not be part of the equation. Please help us set the right tone for this school year and others to follow by dressing your children in nonviolent costumes. (No blood or weapons, Please) Also, the students will be dismissed at 11:29 a.m. on October 31st.

Nutraslice

Here is the link to the UCS Lunchmenu. (You will have to click the red tab on the side of the screen)



http://www.uticak12.org/district_leadership/business_and_auxiliary_services/food_service/menus

We are no longer printing lunch menus, but if you have an Alexa she does sync up to Nutrislice... Use the the Alex App to link her to Nutrslice and you can ask, "Hey Alexa, What's for lunch?" Sooo cool!!

Parking Lot Positive Respect

Just a reminder to show your positive respect in our parking lot. Ms. Slancik is our official traffic director and does a great job keeping our traffic flowing smoothly. Our new School Security Office, Mr. Berlin will be out during some arrivals and dismissals to ensure the smooth flow of traffic. Remember there is a right turn only at the parking lot exit.

Box Tops

We are collecting  (details on Campbell's soup labels coming soon). Sheets are available by the office to tape or glue the  on. Extra credit for sheets turned in completed. Bundles of 50 are *very* appreciated. There will be a pizza party for the top two classes.

Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Friday, October 18th. Decorated vehicles should arrive at 5:45 pm with the parade starting at 6:30 pm. Students may only go through the Trick or Treat line once. Here is the link to sign up <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a4aaba2da3fe3-trunk1>

- 1) Every Schwarzkoﬀ student will receive their Trick or Treat bag that day. Please keep this bag, it is your ticket to get in.
- 2) If parents, visiting cousins, other family members, or neighbors want to join the parade and collect candy, they will be charged a nominal fee of \$1.00 to purchase a Trick or Treat bag. Note: These are the only bags that will be allowed to collect candy. No outside bags or buckets will be allowed.