

March 23, 2022

Students, Parents, and Guardians of The CLASS of 2022:

The center team and I are reaching out again with the most recent and updated information related to **The CLASS of 2022**. The 3rd marking period ends this Friday. Make sure that you get your grades up!! We are excited with every passing month as we get closer to graduation! Please visit the senior page on the high school website.

Please read the following information carefully, as it contains important information!

➤ <u>Cap and Gown-</u> Due April 1st

The CLASS of 2022 can now order their cap and gown for graduation!!! Please go to the website-<u>https://www.buildagrad.com/UDHS</u>. Here is a powerpoint with more specific directions to complete the process - <u>LINK</u>. Your order is due by **April 1st**! If you have a cap and gown from a former graduate, the color may be a bit off but you would have to order a tassel. If you have questions about cap and gown ordering, here is the contact information for the Balfour rep.

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> Work Based Learning

The CLASS of 2022 MUST complete Work Based Learning! There are five short video modules on the topic of good decision making. Here are the <u>instructions</u>. We will be calling students to the cafeteria if they haven't finished on the following dates

- March 22- Last Name A-G
- March 24- Last Name H-O
- March 25- Last Name P-Z

> <u>TOP ROYAL-</u> Thursday March 17th

The CLASS of 2022 crowned its first ever TOP ROYAL!! All proceeds from the event will be used to fund **The CLASS of 2022** After Prom!! It was a great event that showed off the talents of the class. Thank you to Ms. Sakers and all of the contestants for their hard work in making this a successful event. There were two awarded winners:

- Top Royal- Alonzo Goode!
- Fan Favorite- Julianna Huynh
- Here is the video of the event!- LINK

➤ Graduation Meeting-

The CLASS of 2022 held a graduation meeting on March 8th. During the parent meeting at 6PM in the PAC, we held a zoom meeting and recorded it.

The link to view the meeting is- https://youtu.be/0LKL4rBka1E

We used a powerpoint for the meeting which you can use to find information- HERE

Questions that were submitted through the FAQ- HERE

A few important points:

- <u>Graduation Rehearsal-</u> 6/8 @ UDHS 11:45 AM- Attendance Mandatory (Cap and gown distributed to students)
- <u>Graduation Dress Code-</u> Students who do not meet the standards of dress will not be able to walk in the ceremony unless they are corrected in time to leave the high school
- <u>Graduation Ceremony-</u> 6/9 @ Temple University, Liacouras Center 11:00AM
- Each graduating student will receive four guest tickets

> Senior Page

The CLASS of 2022 has a page on the high school website. Link <u>HERE</u>. Much of the information that is shared in this email can be found on the site and we will continue to add information as we move toward graduation. A special thank you to coach Kathy Blair who has been working to create it!

➢ Prom Update

The CLASS of 2022 prom committee went to Drexelbrook to determine the menu on March 22nd. We are finalizing costs and will be communicating the price of the Senior Prom ticket shortly. Senior Prom tickets will go on sale 5/2-5/20. Students must satisfy all obligations and have 85 Royal Points to purchase a ticket and attend. Students can bring guests. All guests must complete a permission form and need ID to enter. No guests 21 and over.

<u>Upcoming Events</u>

3/29- Battle of the Sexes
3/31- Open House
4/4-4/8- Spirit Week
4/11-4/15- Spring Break
4/28- UD's Got Talent

➢ <u>Obligations</u>

The CLASS of 2022 will be receiving notifications by email and mail regarding financial obligations for items not returned. Students will not be able to participate in upcoming senior events if they have outstanding financial obligations. That includes senior prom and graduation.

≻ <u>Grades</u>

The CLASS of 2022 Please check updated grades to make sure that students are on track to pass their courses- <u>Home Access Center (HAC)</u>. Students that fail courses are at risk of not graduating in June as they may need to take courses in summer school!!

Post High School Plans

Graduation is approaching fast!!! Have you made a plan for the next chapter in your life? If you are still not sure what to do or need help with putting your plan in place, <u>reach out now</u> to your counselor. We are here to help!!!

> Upcoming College Reminders

The CLASS of 2022 At this point, students who are college bound should have already applied to college and seen their counselors regarding transcripts. While it is not too late, options are more limited as we have passed/are about to pass major college deadlines. Students should be checking their email regularly for information from their colleges. Start saving for your tuition and housing deposits. And join the counselors next Wednesday 3/30 at 8am for College: Now What? Be on the lookout for an email as well as Class of 2022 schoology updates for additional information.

> College/Technical School Acceptances

Have you been accepted into college or technical school? **The CLASS of 2022** is celebrating and announcing all student acceptances. Please use this <u>link</u> to notify us of your success. We want to celebrate you on our Acceptance Wall!

Yearbook Ordering

The CLASS of 2022 can order their yearbook NOW!! Follow the directions below!

- 1) Go to www.balfour.com
- 2) In the search bar at the top of the page, type "Upper Darby High School"
- 3) Scroll down to find "Yearbook Products & Ads"
- 4) Fill in the relevant information

➢ <u>Royal Points</u>

All students including **The CLASS of 2022**, have Royal Points they can be accessed instantly through their grades in Home Access Center. Students need an 85 to participate in all extracurricular activities, **including Senior Prom**! Students can gain points through multiple avenues and should reach out to Josh Peterkin, Lead Teacher, with any questions, <u>jpeterkin@upperdarbysd.org</u> or ext. 2397.

> Late to School

Get to school on time!! All students including **The CLASS of 2022**, will have new consequences for being late to school. Starting in the second semester, Royal Points will be reduced for every 5 occurrences of being late to school.

≻ <u>Balfour</u>

The CLASS of 2022 can go to <u>https://www.balfour.com/</u> to order class rings and other gifts for graduates!

➢ Yearbook Ads

Are you aware of a business looking for a way to advertise to the Upper Darby Community and support **The CLASS of 2022?** They can advertise in the yearbook. An advertisement that will last forever!



PAST EVENTS/DEADLINES

> <u>UDHS Scholarship</u>- applications closed

The CLASS of 2022 deadline for scholarship applications ended on January 27th. Now we look forward to the Senior Awards Night on Thursday June 2nd when we find out who is honored! There is a committee of teachers, counselors and administration that will be pouring over applications over the next few months.

> <u>Winter Formal</u>- 1/29/22 @ 7:00PM

The CLASS of 2022 and the class of 2023 held the first dance since covid restrictions. Everyone had a good time and it was great to see participants back in an environment of some normalcy. Although we could not serve food at the event, students were given pretzels and candy bags on their way out. Student decorators did a great job! A special thank you to Ms. Sakers and Mrs. Pickett for their hard work and planning to create a great event!

≻ <u>Diplomas</u>

The CLASS of 2022 diplomas have been ordered! Thank you so much for responding with name changes. If you did not make us aware of a name change, we will be using your name as it appears in our system.

> Senior Pictures

Senior pictures for **The CLASS of 2022** are complete!! If you have any questions about senior pictures, you have to speak directly with Barksdale Photography. Unfortunately, we can no longer include any new Senior pictures in the yearbook. Here is their websitehttps://www.barksdalephoto.com/

Homeroom- Wednesday, February 9th

The CLASS of 2022 held a homeroom session so that students could work on some important items including black history month, work based learning, and cap and gown. The following powerpoint was used by homeroom teachers during the extended FLEX and also posted on our schoology page! Link to powerpoint-<u>HERE</u>.