
Seniors Updates...

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Good evening (or Good morning depending on when you are reading this!) Class of 2023 Students and Families,

Quarter 1 is squarely in the rear view mirror and we are full steam ahead into November and Quarter 2!

For those seniors that did not have the best start out of the gate, it is not too late to get going. **Remember that you may need some/all of the classes you are taking to meet graduation requirements.** I will be sending out communication to families next week once grades have been finalized so that students and families are aware of exactly which classes were not passed and what needs to be done to earn a passing score by the end of the semester in January.

As her students and families should now be aware, Ms. Freeman did resign from her position here at UDHS. We are grateful for the time that she spent with us and the support that she provided our students and families. We wish her all the best in her future work.

Until we are able to hire a new counselor, Dr. Alloway and I are putting the finishing touches on a plan to support seniors who had Ms. Freeman. I hope to share out that plan by Friday, but rest assured that we will be supporting the students with their college applications and general questions. We appreciate your patience and support while we get the supports in place.

In other news...

1. **Early Grad:** As we are a marking period away from the end of the fall semester, there may be some seniors that have met all graduation requirements and are interested in applying to be an early grad student.

To clarify what an "Early Grad" student means and doesn't mean, please check out the Google form [HERE](#). If you/your student is interested in applying, please complete the District AR via the Google form. The counselors will need to review each request that is made to make sure that all graduation requirements are met (**which includes completing Act 158!**)

*If you decide to pursue Early Grad status, you may also want to consider being a dual enrollment student at DCCC for the spring semester. If that is something you are interested in, please reach out to your counselor for more information. You should look to make that happen very soon!

2. **Powder Puff:** We are excited to have the Class of 2023 taking on the Class of 2024 at the annual Powder Puff Flag Football game. The game will be held at Drexel Hill Middle School next Tuesday, November 15th starting at 6pm. Tickets for the game will be sold as follows:

Student Tickets will be available before and after school at the senior center. In order to purchase a ticket, students must have 85 Royal Points and a 2022-2023 UDHS Student ID. The cost is \$5/ticket. ***Students will only be permitted to purchase 1 ticket.***

Family/Parent Tickets will be sold after school (3:00-4:30) in the school lobby on Thursday, Friday and Monday. The cost is also \$5/ticket. If you have any questions about purchasing a ticket you can reach out to the Class of 2023 Activities Director Ms. Bianchi at abianchi@upperdarbysd.org.

3. **Homecoming:** Our annual homecoming event will be held on Monday, November 21st at 6pm. Similar to Powder Puff, we will start selling tickets next week as follows:

Student Tickets will be available before and after school at the senior center. In order to purchase a ticket, students must have 85 Royal Points and a 2022-2023 UDHS Student ID. The cost is \$5/ticket. ***Students will only be permitted to purchase 1 ticket.***

Family/Parent Tickets will be sold after school (3:00-4:30) in the school lobby on Thursday, Friday and Monday (11/17-11/21). The cost is also \$5/ticket. If you have any questions about purchasing a ticket you can reach out to the Class of 2023 Activities Director Ms. Bianchi at abianchi@upperdarbysd.org.

4. **College Applications:**

**Watch your application deadlines and remember that your yellow checklist needs to be submitted to your counselor at least three weeks before the deadline. If the deadlines are December 1st, your checklists should be submitted by November 11th! If the deadlines are January 1st, then everything needs to be to your counselor by December 1st. Counselors will submit all documents for January 1st BEFORE they leave for winter break on December 23rd! Be sure to plan ahead.*

Simple Steps to follow:

1. Be sure to get your [release of records](#) completed and emailed to your counselor by your parent (unless you are 18 and then you can email it to them)
2. Put College/Technical School selections into Naviance
3. Complete Brag Sheet in Naviance
4. Complete Yellow Checklist and hand deliver to counselor (Virtual students complete checklist [HERE](#))

5. **Chromebook Identification:** Any senior that has **NOT** logged their UDSD issued Chromebook should have received an email today from Tech Services. You are asked to open and complete the Google form below to register your Chromebook.

[Chromebook Distribution Form](#)

6. **Senior Class Shirts:** Students and families who still want to order the Class of 2023 T-shirt, time is running out!

*If you did not order a shirt the first or second time around, we will place one final order on December 1st. You have through Wednesday, November 30th to sign up [HERE](#). Remember the shirt is FREE!

**Parents that are interested in purchasing a shirt can place an order [HERE](#). The cost will be \$10/shirt (\$15/shirt for 2XL and larger). The last date to place an order is Wednesday, November 30th.

7. **22-23 District Shirt - Stronger Together:** Last year UDSD started a new tradition of creating a “T-shirt of the year”. This year’s shirt is available for \$20...check out the video [HERE](#) promoting this year’s shirt.

Have a great start to the second marking period and we hope to see you out in support of your classmates at both Powder Puff and Homecoming in the next few weeks!

Thank you

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