

Watch the Recording of Last Night's State of the School Presentation

Last night, Head of School Alicia LaMagdeleine delivered a State of the School presentation via Zoom. If you couldn't make the live presentation, [watch the recording here](#).



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- [Log in to My Backpack](#) to review and **submit your 2022-23 enrollment contract, due today, Friday, Mar. 4, 2022.**
- The Parent Association asks parents to **donate pies** as treats for the UHS faculty and staff on Pi Day (Mar. 14). [Sign up](#) to donate a pie.
- **Homework Club** meets in room #110 from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays (with tutoring dogs!), and Thursdays. Peer tutoring is also available. For questions about Homework Club or peer tutoring, contact [Ellyn Walerstein](#).
- The Bring Change To Mind club is hosting a drive of [items](#) for the Julian Center. Donations may be placed in the box located in the Fairbanks Hall lobby through **Thursday, Mar. 10.**
- Contact [Jac Pratt](#) or [Audrey Blocksom](#) or visit the [Green Life Club website](#) for more information on sponsoring a **Green Life Club tree** to be planted at UHS or in your yard.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Boys Play in Basketball Sectional Tonight

The IHSAA Boys Basketball Sectional #42 is at [Park Tudor](#). Tonight **Friday, Mar. 4 at 7:30 p.m.**, University plays Covenant Christian game in the sectional semifinal.

Should the Trailblazers win, they will play in the sectional championship on Saturday, Mar. 5 at 7:30 p.m. The complete tournament bracket is available [here](#).

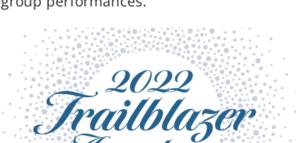
Tickets may be purchased with **cash only at the door** for \$6 for a single game or \$10 for a tournament pass. Fan parking is through the main entrance on College Avenue only. Masks are optional. Games will be live-streamed on Indiana SRN at [indianasrn.org](#).



Music Department Presents Spring Concert on Mar. 25

On **Friday, Mar. 25 at 7 p.m.**, the wind and percussion ensemble, choir, and orchestra will present an exciting and eclectic program at their Spring Music Concert in Andrews Hall. Doors open at 6:45 p.m.

Save the evening of **Friday, May 6** for a Coffee House concert featuring small group performances.



Learn About Opportunities with the 2022 Trailblazer Awards Gala Committee on Mar. 17

Individuals interested in learning how to help with the 2022 Anniversary Trailblazer Awards Gala are invited to a meeting on **Thursday, Mar. 17 at 9 a.m.** in the Webster House conference room. This meeting will give an overview of the event and outline ways to be involved throughout the planning process.

The Gala will take place on Friday, Nov. 12, 2022 at Newfields. The Trailblazer Awards Gala celebrates University High School, its students, its families, and its core values. The event features a silent auction, a wine pull, a dinner, and an awards presentation honoring community leaders whose work represents the core values of University High School.

For more information, contact [Adrienne Glidewell Smith](#).

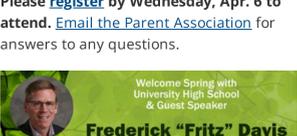


Parents Get a Sneak Peek at 2023 J-Term Offerings at Parent Association's Pizza & Preview Apr. 13

Join the Parent Association on **Wednesday, Apr. 13 at 6:30 p.m. in Fairbanks Hall** for a preview of J-Term offerings for the 2022-23 school year. Pizza and beverages will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by Associate Head of School Dave Vesper presenting an overview of J-Term offerings and answering questions at 7 p.m.

This is a parents/guardians-only event.

Please **register** by Wednesday, Apr. 6 to attend. [Email the Parent Association](#) for answers to any questions.



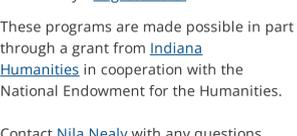
Purdue Head of History Presents "Rachel Carson & the Wonder of Nature" on Mar. 22

On **Tuesday, March 22 at 7 p.m.**, Frederick "Fritz" Davis, Professor and Head of the Department of History at Purdue University, will be on campus to present "Rachel Carson and the Wonder of Nature." [Register here](#).

On **Wednesday, April 20 at 7 p.m.**, a panel of experts will join us at University to discuss "Environmental Wonders of Our Community." [Register here](#).

These programs are made possible in part through a grant from [Indiana Humanities](#) in cooperation with the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Contact [Nila Nealy](#) with any questions about University's *World of Wonders* Community Read.



The Chris Center Presents "Neurodiversity: Increasing Awareness Around an Invisible Disability" Apr. 14

The Chris Center has been hosting a parent education series at UHS. The next event features Dr. Sarah Henning discussing neurodiversity on **Thursday, Apr. 14 at 7 p.m.**

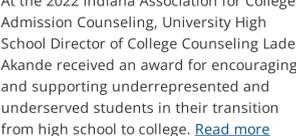
View the series flyer [here](#). For more information and to register to attend in person or via Zoom, visit the [Chris Center website](#).

UNIVERSITY NEWS



Lade Akande Honored for College Admission Counseling

At the 2022 Indiana Association for College Admission Counseling, University High School Director of College Counseling Lade Akande received an award for encouraging and supporting underrepresented and underserved students in their transition from high school to college. [Read more](#) about the award and Lade's work on [our website](#).



Trailblazers Earn Awards at ISSMA Solo & Ensemble Competitions

Several University High School musicians competed in the [Indiana State School Music Association's \(ISSMA\)](#) Solo and Ensemble competitions last month. [Read more](#) about the competitions and awards on [our website](#).



Trailblazers Win 2022 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards

Seven University High School students received honors in the district level of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards last month. [Read](#) about the specific awards and more on [our website](#).



University Welcomes New Track & Field Coach

The Trailblazers are excited to welcome DeShaun Holder as head coach of the boys and girls track and field teams this spring. Holder joins the Trailblazers from Carmel schools, where he has served as a track and field coach at both Creekside and Carmel Middle Schools since 2018. [See more](#) about Coach Holder on [our athletics website](#).



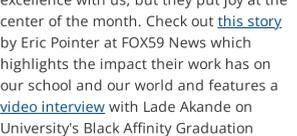
Teen Mental Health Crisis Response Workshop Helps Teens & Adults Respond to Others' Needs

St. Luke's United Methodist Church Teen Responders is hosting a non-religious **Teen Mental Health Crisis Response Workshop on Sunday, Mar. 20 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.** This workshop is designed to help teens have the tools, skills, and resources to care well for their mental health and respond to their peers in crisis. A separate adult workshop at the same time will empower adults to help teens in their lives. The event is led by professionals for teens and adults from all backgrounds and is LGBTQ+ friendly. For more information, see [this flyer](#) or email [Travis Bannon](#), Program Coordinator at St. Luke's. Or you may [register here](#).



FOX59 News Story Features UHS Black Affinity

Black Affinity students planned and implemented a month-long celebration of Black History Month in February. Not only did they share countless examples of Black excellence with us, but they put joy at the center of the month. Check out [this story](#) by Eric Pointer at FOX59 News which highlights the impact their work has on our school and our world and features a [video interview](#) with Lade Akande on University's Black Affinity Graduation Celebration.



University's Comedy Sportz Team Wins Big Over Carmel High School

On Tuesday night, Carmel High School's Comedy Sportz team came to University to compete on stage against the Trailblazers. The Trailblazers were far more hilarious than Carmel, winner the match by 87-25. University competes next on Wednesday, Mar. 9 at 7 p.m. Guests are welcome! For more information, contact Coach [Callie Hartz](#).



Frozen Blazers Bring Home Polar Plunge for Special Olympics

A large team of students and faculty - The Frozen Blazers - made the plunge into freezing cold Eagle Creek Reservoir for Special Olympics earlier today. For their efforts, they received the award for Most Money Raised by a High School Team. In addition, student organizer Olivia Morrison was named a Super Plunger for raising over \$4,000 toward the team's total. The Frozen Blazers were runners up for the most plungers awarded, with only one fewer participant than the largest team.

The Polar Plunge is a fundraiser for [Special Olympics Indiana](#).



UNICEF University Dumps Ice Water on Faculty for World Children Resources & Ukrainian Orphans

To support friends in Ukraine, UNICEF University is hosting a fundraiser for the World Children Resources.

The World Children Resources is a non-profit organization helping children from birth through adulthood. Their program invests in the development and talent of children by creating promising futures for those who need aid. Currently, they are helping evacuate children and families from Ukraine.

UNICEF University will highlight the Ukrainian tradition of "plunging into an ice hole" by giving students (and fellow faculty) the opportunity to dump ice water on their teachers. The more money donated in a teacher's name, the more ice water is dumped on them! To donate, you can place cash in the boxes labeled with teacher names in the Fairbanks Hall lobby or donate virtually through [this link](#).

For more information and to view live updates of the evacuation process, [visit this link](#).

COLLEGE & COUNSELING

Greater Indianapolis Northside College Fair on Mar. 9

Visit the Greater Indianapolis Northside College Fair on Wednesday, Mar. 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Grand Park. See [this flyer](#) for more information.

College Night for Parents of Freshmen and Sophomores on Mar. 15

Parents of freshmen and sophomores, please attend a special College Night just for you at UHS on Tuesday, Mar. 15 from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Fairbanks Hall lobby. If you can't make the session, we will record it and can send it to you. During this session, we will go over what comes next in college counseling and touch on financial aid resources. For more information, contact [Maddy MacAllister](#) or [Lade Akande](#).

SAT & ACT Registration & Test Dates

To register for the SAT, please visit [www.collegeboard.org](#). To register for the ACT, please visit [www.actstudent.org](#). University High School's code is 150448. SAT Testing Dates: Mar. 12, May 7, and Jun. 4. ACT Testing Dates: Apr. 2, Jun. 11, and Jul. 16.

Free Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy

Khan Academy and College Board have partnered to bring students free official SAT practice. Access practice tests and more at [KhanAcademy.org](#).

Summer Programs

Check out the [Summer Programs Database](#) for some programs in different subject matters across the country on college campuses.

CIBER Summer Program for Kelley School of Business

The [Indiana Business Center for International University Education](#) and Research (CIBER) and the [Kelley School of Business](#) invite students to apply for Business is Global 2022 (BIG), a distinctive, virtual, two-week summer program. [More information and application](#).

Kelley Young Women's Institute

The Young Women's Institute introduces young women to the college experience and business career opportunities. [More information and application](#).

UC Berkeley Pre-College

For more information, please visit <http://precollege.berkeley.edu/>.

Application Period Opens for the National Youth Preparedness Council, Deadline Mar. 6

Learn more and [apply online](#).

Fine Arts Scholarship, Deadline Mar. 11

Please [visit this link](#) for more information and to apply.

Northwestern College Prep Program, Deadline Apr. 1

[Learn more](#) and apply.

New! Belfry Memorial Scholarship Fund, Deadline Apr. 15

The Hamilton County Theatre Guild has established the Belfry Memorial Scholarship Fund to present a scholarship to a graduating senior from a Hamilton County high school who plans to attend college in the fall of 2022 and major in theatre, drama, and/or the performing arts. The scholarship is awarded based on scholarship achievement, theatrical or performing achievement, character and leadership, and motivation and goals. If interested, please see [Maddy MacAllister](#) for an application.

Indy Grow Getters Program, Deadline Apr. 30

Visit this [link](#) for more information and to apply.

Abbott & Fenner Scholarship, Deadline June 12

See the scholarship page of [Abbott & Fenner's website](#) for additional details.

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