



Hosts Needed for Eight Weeks for Guatemalan Exchange Students

We are currently seeking host families for three students who will arrive mid-October and remain with us through early December. This is a great opportunity to share your home with an enthusiastic young person, learn about a new culture, and make lasting memories and connections. To learn more about hosting, please contact International Programs Director [Shannon Swann](#).



Nancy & Taylor are Seeking Volunteers for the Sunday, Oct. 2 Open House

Refresh your memory with these reminders from last week's Blazer Blast. Past editions of the weekly newsletter may be found on our website in the [Blazer Blast archive](#).

- Open House **yard signs are ready for pick up inside main entrances to Fairbanks Hall**. Thank you to all who already have one!
- To **purchase ad space in the program** for *Fools*, contact [Callie Hartz](#). The deadline for reserving advertisements is Friday, Oct. 14, and ad sizes and rates are as follows:
 - Full page, full color – \$150
 - Full page, black and white – \$100
 - 1/2 page, black and white – \$75
 - 1/4 page, black and white – \$50
- **Social Problem Solvers** meets Thursdays during Flex and is facilitated by a specialist in social skills. The group is free, but registration is required. Please email [Ellyn Walerstein](#) to register.
- A **Precalculus study group** with Kara Wang and Reva Allam meets on Thursdays during Flex in Room #110.

The first Open House of the year is our biggest, and we need your help to welcome our guests. **Parents and guardians**, please [sign up here](#) to **lend a hand on Sunday, Oct. 2 from 1:30 to 4 p.m.** Students, drop into Candyland and let Nancy know you're in!

Parent and student volunteers serve as tour guides helping prospective families get to know our school. Each tour is with a single family. You'll receive training at 1:30 p.m., a map, and a great list of items to cover during your tour. School staff are always available to answer questions as well. This is a great opportunity to contribute to the UHS community, even if you feel you may not know enough!

Thank you in advance for your help!

See Academic Eligibility Requirement for Athletics

The following guidelines for eligibility have been set by the school:

1. Regular standards of eligibility will be governed by the rules of the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA).
2. An Incomplete means that a student's eligibility cannot yet be assessed with that course. If the student otherwise passed 5 classes, they are academically eligible for play. However, any student with an Incomplete who has otherwise not passed 5 classes will be ineligible to play until the Incomplete is resolved. Once resolved, the student's academic eligibility will be assessed.
3. In addition, any student who is on academic probation (GPA of 2.0 or less) may, at the discretion of the director of athletics in conjunction with the student's mentor and coach, be suspended from practice(s) and/or contest(s).

- **Homework Club** meets Mondays through Thursdays, 3:15-6:15 p.m. in Room #110. HW Club is facilitated by HW Coach Jana Foster. All students are welcome to attend.
- **Peer tutoring** is scheduled upon request. Contact [Ellyn Walerstein](#) to request a peer tutor or volunteer to be a peer tutor. All students are welcome to participate.
- **Download the [EventLink](#) app** (scroll to the bottom of the page for links) to your phone to receive current athletic schedules, game cancellations, school closings and alerts, and the daily schedule.
- All parents should go to [universityhs-in.finalforms.com](#) to create students' accounts, even if they are not participating in athletics. If your student is planning to participate in athletics, indicate the teams of interest to receive preseason information when available. All athletic forms are now completed and submitted via this site.
- Family, individual, and grandparent **athletics passes** are available for purchase [here](#). Passes are good for admission to all home volleyball and basketball games except IHSAA and PAAC tournaments.
- If you own or are connected to a business that would like to support the Trailblazer Awards Gala, please [review available sponsorship opportunities](#) and contact [Adrienne Glidewell Smith](#).

DAILY SCHEDULE
Sep. 26-30

NO SCHOOL	B	C	D	E
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI

- All decisions on eligibility will ultimately be decided by the head of school.

UPCOMING EVENTS



All Invited to Culture Fest on Friday, Sep. 23

Students and families are invited to enjoy food, games, music, dances, and more from the many countries and cultures represented by our University students and faculty at **Culture Fest on Friday, Sep. 23, from 6 to 8 p.m.** outside Andrews Hall. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

University Presents ISACS Series Webinar On Thursday, Sep. 29

University is offering access to the ISACS (Independent Schools Association of the Central States) 2022-23 Webinar Series for Parents and Caregivers. The first program, **"Thrivers: What Really Helps Kids Find Happiness Today & Success Tomorrow"** by Michele Borba is on Thursday, Sep. 29 at 7:30 p.m.

Michele Borba, EdD, is an educational psychologist renowned for her warm, down-to-earth speaking style and her cutting-edge insights and research-based programs. Through her research, she found that the difference between those who struggle and those who succeed comes down to the personal traits that set Thrivers apart and set them up for

An advertisement for Lifetouch school pictures. It features three small portraits of children: a girl with dark hair, a boy with glasses, and a girl with red hair. The text reads: "Lifetouch PICTURE DAY IS COMING Order your school pictures today on mylifetouch.com Friday, September 30, 2022 University High School of Indiana".

School Pictures Are Next Friday, Sep. 30

School picture day is coming up on Friday, Sep. 30! **During morning classes, all students will have their pictures taken** by Lifetouch photographers in the Fairbanks Hall lobby. Photo packages – both print and digital – are available for purchase. And University will use these photos for the yearbook and to create student IDs. [View this flyer](#) for details!



Invite Prospective Families to the First Open House of 2022-23 on Sunday, Oct. 2

On **Sunday, Oct. 2, from 2 to 4 p.m.**, prospective students and their families have the opportunity to get a personalized tour of the school and learn about University's one-of-a-kind mentoring, college counseling, January Term, and culture, mission, and educational philosophy.

happiness, as well as greater potential later in life.

In this webinar, Borba will offer practical, actionable ways to develop these Thrivers traits for kids and show you how to teach your children to cope today, so they can flourish tomorrow in school and life.

For more information or a **link to view the webinar live, or as a recording, please email [Nila Nealy](#)**. Links will be delivered on Wednesday, Sep. 28. The recording of this webinar will be available until October 31, 2022.

If you know of families of students thinking about high school, encourage them to attend this Open House. They can speed up their check-in process by [registering in advance](#).



Thank You to Insider's Guide to UHS Attendees

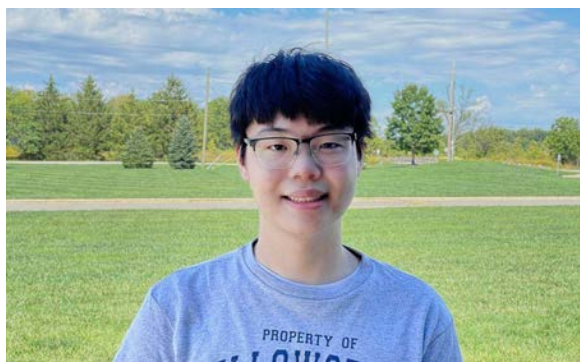
The UHS Parent Association hosted more than 30 parents and caregivers last week for the annual Insider's Guide to UHS. Head of School Alicia LaMagdeleine and Associate Head of School Dave Vesper were on hand for questions and conversation. The featured presentation was a Kahoot! exploring University trivia. Congratulations to parent Doug Ingersoll, who came out atop the podium with the most correct and fastest answers overall.

Upcoming Parent Association Events

Save the Date for the following Parent Association-sponsored evening events in the coming months:

- PArty in the Pines on Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2022
- ISACS Webinar Series Watch "Party" with UHS Staff, Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2022
- Trailblazer Trivia Night, Saturday, Feb. 25, 2023

Look for more details in the Blazer Blast in the coming weeks.



Senior Karl Wang Named National Merit Finalist



Girls Basketball Team Volunteers at Camp for Kids

Congratulations to senior Karl Wang, who was named a semifinalist in the [National Merit Scholarship Program](#) this week. [Read more](#) on our website.



Seven Trailblazers Receive College Board Honors

Kendall Booth, Diego Bonilla Fuentes, Emily Comparini, Lauren Janeira, Christopher Millen, Lindsey Millen, and Ashley Ndebele were recently honored by the College Board in their National Recognition Programs. [Read more](#) on our website.



Record Number of University Artists to Participate in Annual Carmel Arts Festival

Over two dozen University students' works will be shown in the 2022 [Carmel International Arts Festival](#) at the Indiana Artisan Gallery at 22 North Rangeline Road on **Saturday, Sep. 24 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, Sep. 25 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.** [See the list of artists](#) on our website.

The University girls basketball team provided their time and skills at a basketball camp for kids with special needs at Mohawk Trails Elementary School on Saturday, Sep. 17. The volunteer opportunity was organized through the Carmel Dads' Club. [Read more.](#)



Cast List for *Fools* Posted

Mark your calendars now for the fall play, *Fools*, presented by the StageBlazers in Andrews Hall on **Friday, Oct. 28 and Saturday, Oct. 29 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 30 at 2:30 p.m.** [See the full cast list](#) on our website.



Trailblazers Welcome New Swim Coach for 2022-23

The Trailblazers are excited to welcome Kyle Truitt as the head coach of the boys and girls swim teams this winter. [Read more about Coach Truitt](#) on our athletics website.

Check Out These Volunteer Opportunities with Indy Land Stewardship

Students interested in the environment, gardening, and environmental science can volunteer for various projects with [Indy Land Stewardship](#). These volunteer

opportunities may also provide service hours needed for organizations and other goals. [Click here](#) and scroll down to the section marked "Get Involved!" to see projects happening in the next few weeks and beyond.



Virtual Programs by sixcolleges.org Through Nov. 9

Together, Amherst, Bowdoin, Carleton, Pomona, Swarthmore, and Williams will host a series of [virtual programs](#) on everything from majors and minors to opportunities and outcomes at liberal arts colleges to campus life and building a community.

Coast to Coast College Tour, Sep. 28

Together, Berkeley, Dartmouth, Northwestern, Princeton, and Vanderbilt are offering a virtual event as part of their Coast to Coast College Tour on Sep. 28 at 8 p.m. [Register here](#).

Scholarship Resources

It's never too early for seniors to start searching and applying for scholarships. Here are several scholarship resources that UHS recommends: [goingmerry](#), [Central Indiana Community Foundation \(CICF\)](#), [fastweb](#), [scholarships.com](#). As always, be on the lookout for [scholarship scams & swindles](#).

Notre Dame at Cathedral High School, Sep. 27

Learn more about the University of Notre Dame on Sep. 27 at 7 p.m. at Cathedral High School in the dining hall.

College Rep Visits

College representatives have started scheduling their visits to UHS. Juniors and seniors are eligible to attend a maximum of five visits, must register in advance via SCOIR to attend, and must check in with their teacher before missing class.

On the calendar for the week of Sep. 26: Elon University, Bellarmine University, Earlham College, Ball State University, Hanover College, Johnson & Wales University, and Eckerd College.

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