



Editor's Note: The Blazer Blast is taking a break for Thanksgiving. The next issue will be published on Friday, Dec. 2. Happy Thanksgiving!

Subscribe to School Closings & Emergency Alerts in EventLink for Text Notifications of Weather Delays or Closings

University High School uses EventLink to deliver notifications about weather-related school delays and closings. **Parents and students should subscribe to the School Closings & Emergency Alerts** calendar on [EventLink](#). [Download instructions](#) and more information.



Support University When You Shop at Amazon This Holiday Season

Did you know you can support University High School when you shop? University High School will receive 0.5% of your eligible purchase price when you use AmazonSmile and designate UHS.

To enroll, visit smile.amazon.com. Log in and search for "University High School of Indiana" when prompted to choose a charity. To change your designated charity, go to "Your Settings" in "Your Account." Thank you!

Have Grandparents Save Apr. 21 for a Special Day at University

Grandparents Day 2023 will take place in the spring on Friday, Apr. 21. Have your grandparents save the date to join you at school for this special day.

So we can be sure to send their invitation to the right place, please send your grandparents' names and mailing addresses to [Adrienne Glidewell Smith](#). We recreate the invitation mailing list each year, so even if you have sent in your grandparent information in the past, please resubmit for this year's mailing. For any questions about Grandparents Day, please contact [Adrienne](#).

The Tentative 2023-24 Calendar is Posted

The tentative school calendar for 2023-24 has been posted to the calendar page of our website. You may also [view or download](#) the current and tentative 2023-24 calendars [here](#).

DAILY SCHEDULE				
Nov. 21-25				
U	A	NO SCHOOL	THANKSGIVING NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI

AM Check & Homework Club Schedules Changes for Next Week

AM Check will not meet on Tuesday, Nov. 22, and HW Club will not meet on Monday, Nov. 21 or Tuesday, Nov. 22. AM Check and HW Club will resume after Thanksgiving break.

DAILY SCHEDULE Nov. 28-Dec. 2

U	B	C	D	E
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI

UPCOMING EVENTS



Alumni Invited to Lunch at University on Tuesday, Nov. 22

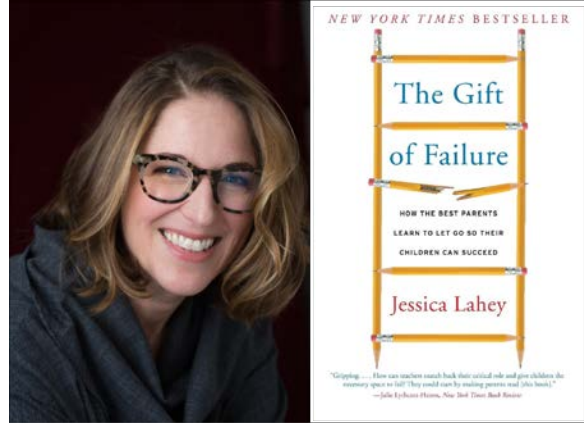
All **University alums** are invited to a **pizza lunch at noon on Tuesday, Nov. 22** in Fairbanks Hall. If you know a University alum, please encourage them to attend! For more information, contact [Adrienne Glidewell Smith](#).



Mark Your Calendars for Winter Music Department Concerts

Music students will perform in winter **concerts on Tuesday, Dec. 6 and Wednesday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m.** in Andrews Hall. The Tuesday night concert will feature the orchestra and choir. The concert on Wednesday includes performances from the Wind Ensemble, the Percussion Ensemble, and the jazz combo. Duets, trios, and quartets will showcase talents at both concerts. Dessert receptions follow each concert. All are welcome!

PARENT ASSOCIATION



Parents & Caregivers, Register for Nov. 30 PArty in the Pines by Nov. 25

The University High School Parent Association invites you to **PArty in the Pines on Wednesday, Nov. 30 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

Please drop by to see old friends and make new ones while enjoying wine, beer, and delicious charcuterie – and enjoy over twenty decorated holiday trees at the Poulter home, recently on the Zionsville Holiday Home Tour. Come as you are, stay as long as you like!

This is an adults-only event open to all parents and guardians of UHS students, as well as faculty and staff.

Please [RSVP using this form](#) by **Friday, Nov. 25**. The event address is included on the form. [Email the Parent Association](#) with questions.

Parent Association Hosts ISACS Webinar & Discussion on Dec. 1

Join the Parent Association, UHS Director of Wellness Lade Akande, and fellow parents and caregivers on **Thursday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m. in Fairbanks Hall at University High School** as we view the ISACS Parent Series webinar, "Gift of Failure" by educator and author Jessica Lahey.

[Learn more and register](#) for the viewing and discussion. The webinar runs from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., with discussions from 7 to 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 to 9 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Save the Date for Trailblazer Trivia Night on Feb. 25

Save the date for the PA's only annual fundraiser, Trailblazer Trivia Night, on **Saturday, Feb. 25, 2023**. With questions, email the [Parent Association](#).



Academic Team Improves

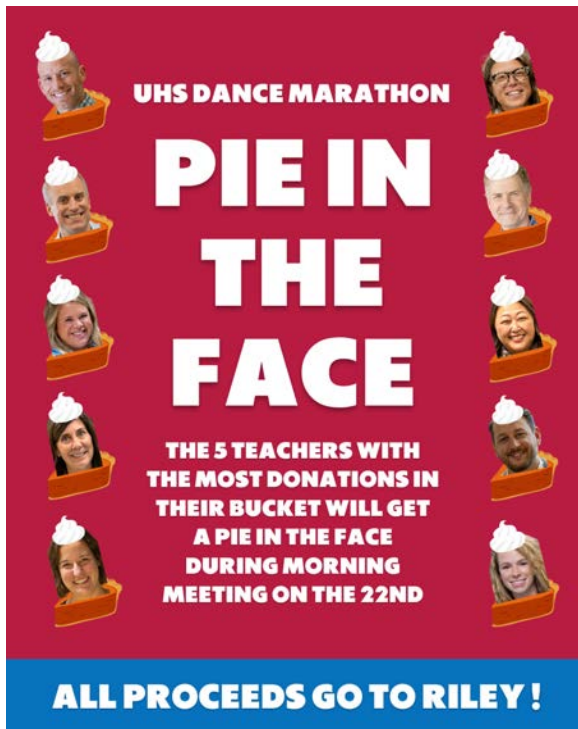


Peer Tutors & Facilitators

Season Record to 5-0

The varsity Academic Team hosted Cathedral yesterday afternoon, winning the match with an impressive 82-25. University is now 5-0 on the season, averaging 83.5 points per game. The team is on pace to set a record for team scoring and is on a 20-game regular season winning streak that began in 2020.

Next up, the Trailblazers play at Brownsburg High School on **Thursday, Dec. 1.**



Which of Ten Faculty & Staff Should Get Pie in the Face?

Dance Marathon is holding a Pie in the Face Challenge to benefit Riley Children's Hospital. To participate, any community member can make donations in the ten buckets in Fairbanks Hall. Each bucket represents one of the following members of the faculty and staff – Dr. Aschaffenburg, Mr. FitzGibbon, Ms. Kim, Ms. Kriebel, Maddy MacAllister, Ms. MacDougall, Whitney Matter, Mr. Thurman, Kellie Stewart, and Dr. Vesper.

On Tuesday morning, the five faculty with the most donations in their buckets will get a pie in the face during the community

Recognized at Celebration

Several UHS students volunteer as peer tutors, facilitating study groups and tutoring fellow students. A recognition celebration was held yesterday to recognize their hard work and promote the peer tutoring program. Contact [Ellyn Walerstein](#), Director of Learning Support Services, for more information on peer tutoring.



Winter Gear Drive Benefits Clients of Wheeler Mission

Students are hosting a winter gear drive **through Tuesday, Nov. 22.** Donated items will go to Wheeler Mission for people in need. New and gently used coats, jackets, blankets, hats, gloves, scarves, socks, shoes, or any winter gear may be dropped in the donation boxes in the Fairbanks lobby. Email questions to [Jaclyn Copeland](#).

meeting. This is your chance to see your favorite teacher or staff member get a pie in the face. Donate early and often!

Dance Marathon
Care Boxes

Small: \$15
Includes socks, stress ball, candy, treat, and Riley sticker

Large: \$30
Includes a mug w/hot chocolate, blanket, socks, candy, stress ball, Riley sticker

All proceeds go to:

Perfect gift for students going through finals!
Fill out the google form to order by December 5th

Ordering for Dance Marathon Care Boxes is Open

As we enter the holiday season, University's Dance Marathon is selling end-of-semester care packages. It's the perfect gift for students before they start finals! Two sizes of boxes are available to choose from for \$15 and \$30. **Orders are due on Monday, Dec. 5**, and the care boxes will be delivered to the recipient on Monday, Dec. 12.

[Order care boxes here.](#) If you are ordering more than one box, please fill out a separate form for each one.

All proceeds will go to Riley Children's Hospital!



Featured UHS Alumni: Sai Ambaty, Class of 2019

"University allowed me to obtain the necessary skills to succeed in college and grow into a better version of myself. Specifically, the skills I gained at University are leadership, communication, time management, responsibility, and being open-minded to the endless experiences and opportunities life offers."

Sai is currently a senior honors college student at Purdue majoring in Animal Sciences with a Pre-Veterinarian Concentration. [Read more](#) about her thoughts on University and what she has been up to since graduation.

RIBE PROJECT
HOLIDAY
Shop

PAPER BEAD JEWELRY, BASKETS, AND BAGS ALL HANDMADE IN UGANDA

SAT, DEC 3 10AM - 2 PM

UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARD OUR VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROJECTS IN UGANDA

Ms. Kriebel Hosts Ribe Project Holiday Shop at UHS on Dec. 3

Director of Wellness Lade Akande Offers Grief Support Group

On **Monday, Nov. 28**, Lade will offer a grief support group after school from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Grief is a natural reaction to loss. Grief is not limited to death; we can also grieve places, experiences, relationships, or anything that has changed in our lives. This will be a supportive and safe space for students to process their grief around the holidays.

Please [fill out this Google Form](#) if you would like to attend. There will be snacks, activities, and gifts to support you this holiday season.

Group for Parents of High School Students with Mental Health Diagnoses Offers Support

Clear Perspectives Family Mental Health is forming a High School Parent Support Group. The first group meeting is on **Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 6 p.m.** at 9247 N. Meridian St., Suite 106 in Indianapolis. Find additional information and register on the [Clear Perspectives website](#).

Looking for gifts this season that give back to those in need? Join UHS teacher Brett Kriebel as she hosts **The Ribe Project Holiday Shop in the Fairbanks lobby on Saturday, Dec. 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

The shop will showcase products from the nonprofit she founded in northern Uganda. Handmade beads, bags, and baskets created by women rescued from incredibly vulnerable situations will be available. 100% of profits go back into the vocational training programs and fair wage employment offered by [The Ribe Project](#).

University is Hiring an English Instructor for the Spring Semester

University High School of Indiana seeks a dynamic educator to serve as a long-term substitute in our English department for the spring 2023 semester. The ideal candidate will have a passion for the humanities at the high school level, a desire to collaborate with other members of the faculty and staff, and a willingness to be involved at University beyond the classroom. This is a one-semester position, beginning with the first day of classes on Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2023 and ending on Friday, June 2, 2023. To [read more](#) about this and other open positions on the [employment page](#) of our website.



Junior College List

Juniors! Please provide College Counseling with a list of ten total colleges. Categorize each college under "reach, good fit, or likely" schools and list multiple reasons why you made that distinction (location, cost, size, admission criteria, student life, etc.). **Please submit by Nov. 22, 2022** in our Google Classroom!

Ron Brown Scholarship, Deadline Jan. 9

Standardized Testing

Juniors! To register for the SAT, go to www.collegeboard.org. To register for the ACT, go to www.actstudent.org. University's school code (CEEB code) is 150448.

- ACT – Dec. 10, Feb. 11, Apr. 15, June 10, July 15
- SAT – Dec. 3, Mar. 11, May 6, June 3

The Ron Brown Scholarship is a national scholarship for low-income African American high school seniors. Ron Brown Scholars receive \$40,000 toward their college of choice, and are provided mentoring, leadership experiences, and service opportunities. Applications may be obtained from The Ron Brown Scholar Program [website](#) and submitted online. Due Jan. 9, 2023.

University will be offering an SAT School day on Mar. 1, 2023. Please look for more information in early January.

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