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A MESSAGE FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT/PRINCIPAL

Welcome back, and Happy New Year!

This month's newsletter is filled with recent student and program celebrations, updates from our selected departments and parent organizations, and important information on upcoming events and activities. It is a pleasure to also bring you pictures of students who were honored for various reasons, visuals of student art work, and images from some activities that our students were engaged in this past month. U-Prep staff remains dedicated to the school's mission in providing an exceptionally rich learning environment for all middle and high school students.

Last month, U-Prep families were emailed a link to our LCAP Parent Survey. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey; your input matters to the ongoing development of our school and programs. A few highlights are as follows:

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Who We Are - Our Vision

University Preparatory School is a small, grades 6-12, college preparatory school committed to university level preparation in fine arts, literature, languages, history, mathematics, science, and philosophy. Working together, University Preparatory School staff, parents, and community will offer students learning experiences needed to achieve their leadership and academic potential, to become creative thinkers, compassionate human beings, and ethical participants in a multi-cultural, democratic society. Students will be immersed in rigorous academics and meaningful extra-curricular activities and supported by a close-knit community of teacher/advisors, which will enable them to choose any course of post-secondary education.

Principal's Corner continued...

- 1) **College Credit:** The survey showed a very high percentage of parents desiring college credit within the high school program. It is a pleasure to share that our strategic plan outlines an initiative for this to happen. Systems are steadily being put in place to allow our students to graduate from high school having also completed 1-2 years of their post-secondary general education transfer curriculum. This program would be delivered by our teachers, offered on-campus within the current academic schedule, and would function seamlessly for students already engaged in Advanced Placement college-level coursework.
- 2) **ACT/SAT Test Prep:** Parental feedback shows this as another area of high interest. Also a part of our strategic plan, options for test prep will become increasingly diversified. We are in the process of identifying potential vendors for an on-campus SAT/ACT test prep course. Additionally, as was communicated in an earlier newsletter, there are a variety of options for students to access in preparation for these exams. However, courses delivered by instructors often provide the opportunity for a more personalized learning experience. The newly designed SAT will roll out this spring; potential vendors will be sufficiently prepared to deliver test prep with these changes in mind.
- 3) **Advanced Placement Test Prep:** Parents, teachers, and students expressed interest in extended prep for AP exams. Our Advanced Placement department is currently developing a new test prep opportunity for AP students this spring. As these details come together they will be shared with our students and parents.
- 4) **School Safety:** This is our number one priority. As such, there are many different actions taken towards this priority on a regular basis. That said, U-Prep has a comprehensive School Safety Plan. Our School Safety Committee reviews and updates the plans annually based on current needs, legislative updates, law enforcement collaboration, and feedback following practice drills. Students and staff discuss, review, and practice identified protocols throughout the school year. Our relationship with local law enforcement is excellent. They afford assistance with drills, traffic safety issues, and various other general safety matters.
- 5) **Small Classes, Small Middle & High School Programs:** Close-knit community of teachers/advisors: A high percentage of parents placed significant value on these features of the school program, which was wonderful to see. A smaller school setting coupled with supportive relationships creates for healthy culture of success and achievement!

On another note, I'm pleased to share that the Stuart Gymnasium will be receiving some much needed attention, including a new gym floor. Upgrades and repairs will take place in all areas of the structure. The work will begin before school is out in May and continue throughout the summer. This is an exciting project and will be well worth the wait!

As always, please feel free to call our office with any questions you may have. We are here to support your student, and look forward to working with you.

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Assistant Principal Corner

By Mrs. O'Leary, Mr. Carlson & Mrs. Cabral

Happy New Year to our U-Prep community! We had a wonderful ending to 2015 with many exciting events. The Choir and Band concert on December 8th featured our Jazz Ensemble, Prep Band, Concert Band and Symphonic Orchestra. The choirs that were featured were Mixed Chorus, Choraliers, and Concert Choir. The following night, December 9th, we were treated to amazing performances from our Drum Corps as well as our talented strings students. Congratulations to Mr. Fowers and Mrs. Johnson for the success of the music program at U-Prep. We also honored our Students of the Quarter on December 10th. On December 11th we celebrated the close of the last week before finals with an Ugly Sweater spirit day and dance. Lights, bells, and some truly unique sweaters filled the halls as well as the Stuart Gymnasium for the dance party later that evening. A good time was had by all. We look forward to the new year and a successful spring semester for our students.

2016-2017 School Year Applications

Enrollment Applications for 2016-17 are available in the U-Prep Office or on the U-Prep website @ uprep.net.

Lottery Application Deadlines:

- **First Lottery Applicants:** Enrollment Applications received December 1, 2015 through January 31, 2016.
- **Second Lottery Applicants:** Enrollment Applications received February 1, 2016 through February 29, 2016.
- **Waiting List:** Applications received on or after March 1, 2016 are automatically added to the waiting lists.

Lottery will be held in early March (Date TBA).

VAPA NEWS

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS



BRAD FOWERS ~ DEPT CHAIR/BAND & CHOIR

ROMNEY CLEMENTS ~ FALL MUSICAL DIRECTOR

ELIZABETH JOHNSON ~ STRINGS & PERCUSSION, SPRING PLAY

MARISSA KINNEAVY ~ DANCE

LURA WILHELM ~ VISUAL ARTS

DANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

CINDERELLA!

The U Prep Fall musical, Cinderella, was a great success and amazing experience for all involved. Our students performed to our biggest audiences to date. The audiences were delighted to see one of their favorite fairy tales come to life with the magic of a Fairy Godmother and six "sixth grade mice" that magically turned into a gorgeous "horse-drawn" carriage. All of the hard work of our amazing theatre arts parents did not go unnoticed. The lobby buzzed with excitement during intermission with the selling of refreshments, flowers, tiaras, and light-up wands. Many children and families stayed after the two matinee shows to take pictures with the Royal Family, Step-Family, Cinderella and the Fairy Godmother! Although the musical has come and gone, I still feel the excitement of the show when I see cast members walking down the hallways and I know that we are all excitedly looking forward to next year! Thank you to all who came and supported us—we could not do any of it without you!

~Romney Clements, Fall Musical Director

COSTUMES HAVE BEEN ORDERED!

With our annual Just Dance! performance coming up in March, the dance department has been busy picking out music, choreographing dances, and choosing costumes. There will be over 20 pieces in the March performance. Remember to mark your calendars for March 4th and 5th at 7:00 pm in the Marr Auditorium.

The dance team performed at their first varsity basketball halftime on December 15th. Look for more halftime performances in January! The dance team also just finished spending an entire Saturday with a guest choreographer to learn a fun new piece for competitions. The team's first competition is January 23rd at Anderson High School.

Winter Concerts



The music department, under the direction of Brad Fowers, successfully presented their 12th Annual Winter Music Concert on December 8th with over three hundred choir, band, and orchestra students drawn from nine ensembles. The concert was well attended and the students put on a fantastic show that is sure to be a memorable experience for everyone involved. The following night, Elizabeth Johnson and her strings/drum corps students performed their annual Strings Winter Concert and once again impressed attendees with an entertaining repertoire loaded with memorable songs. With the support of U-Prep families and the Redding community, the music department continues to gain momentum as they move closer to the end of another exciting year.

This year's winter Strings and Drum Corps concert featured 110 string students and 30 drummers! In addition to performances by Symphonic Strings, Junior High Orchestra, Beginning Strings and Drum Corps, the night featured performances by our elite bucket drummers and a cello choir formed from brave high school students taking Beginning Strings. Our next concert will be held in the Marr auditorium on May 11th at 7:00 pm. We hope to see you there!

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OUT & ABOUT WITH MS. WILHELM VISUAL ARTS TEACHER

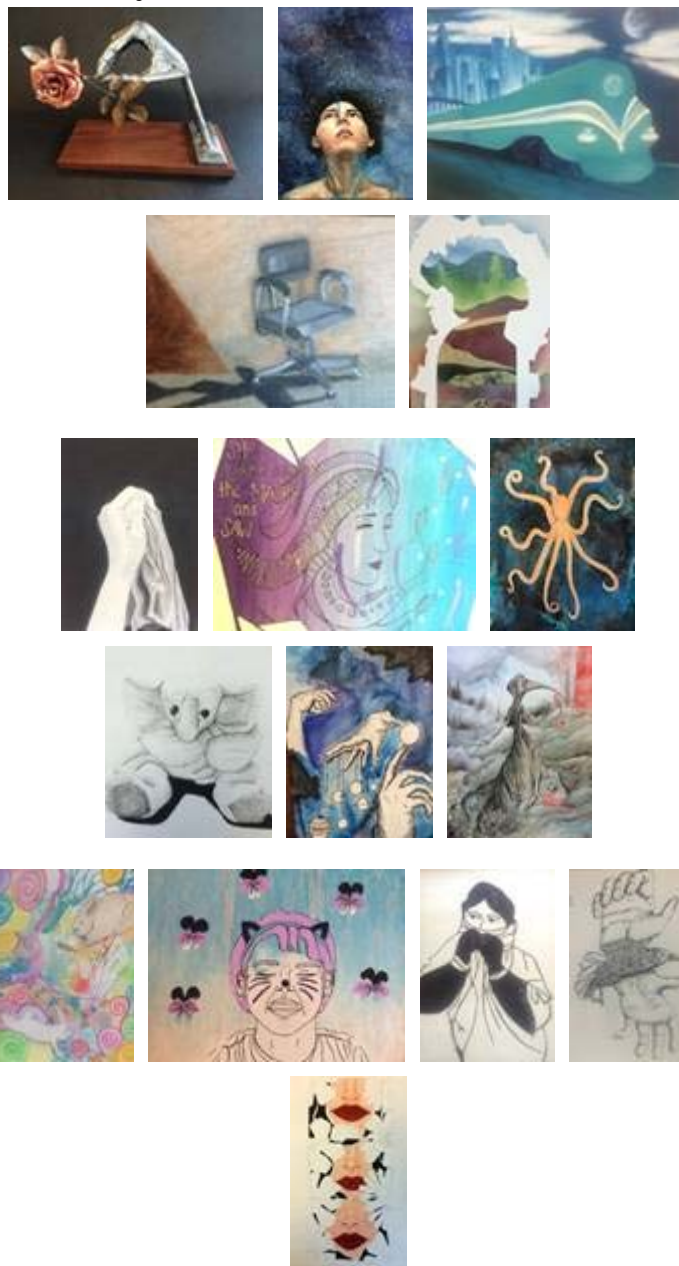
Turtle Bay Printmaking Workshop

On December 5th, Ms. Wilhelm hosted a printmaking workshop for participants in the Redding community designed for ages 12 and up. Expert art students Lydia G., Claire R., and Brianna B. donated their time and expertise by volunteering at the workshop. The workshop successfully gathered 30 members of the community and exposed them to the art of printmaking. Each participant gained the skill of printmaking as instructed by Ms. Wilhelm, as well as receiving one-on-one help from the expert art student volunteers, and creating their own relief prints. It was a safe and comfortable learning environment that made for a wonderfully artistic afternoon.



ART STUDENTS CONTINUE TO EXCEL

U-Prep's Advanced Placement and Honors Art students will be showcasing their talents at Redding's City Hall in the *Art in the City* art show. U-Prep's representation will be displayed on the 2nd floor in the east wing. The show opens on January 29th 2016, 4:00-8:00 pm in conjunction with the annual *Cultural Cruise*. The show will be exhibited until the middle of May.



Please celebrate these young artists and support them with your attendance on January 29th.

Thank you, Ms. Wilhelm

ACADEMIC & CREATIVE CROSS TRAINING

This fall Ms. Wilhem's AP Art class and Mrs. Shipman's Spanish 4/5 class collaborated on an art project which is displayed in the upstairs west hallway. The Spanish 4/5 class was studying the Spanish Civil War from 1936 to 1939. During this time a small town in Spain, Guernica, was bombed to extinction by Hitler's condor airborne division at Franco's request. The Republican government asked Pablo Picasso to create a piece of art to illustrate the terrible tragedy. His masterpiece "Guernica" is now on display in the Prado museum in Madrid. Students from each class worked in groups together to create a section of the piece demonstrating their particular feelings and opinions about one aspect of this very difficult war in Spain. The result was amazing! Be sure to stop by and view the piece.



7TH GRADE TO THE NUTCRACKER AT THE CASCADE THEATER

7th Grade Core had a great time supporting Annie & Alyssa.



In the Spotlight

STUDENT OF THE QUARTER AWARDS

DECEMBER 10th, 2015

On December 10th, the Student of the Quarter award recipients and their families joined us in the Board Room to celebrate their accomplishments. Assistant Principals Michele O'Leary & Monica Cabral recognized each student and presented them with an honorary certificate, a special t-shirt, and a U-Prep lanyard. Refreshments were served afterwards. Congratulations to all of our 2nd Quarter Student of the Quarter Award recipients and their families!



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Front Row, left to right: Gurshawn P., Annelise L., Claire P., Nichole L., Bailey R., Natalie J., Lucy E., Claire R.

Back Row, left to right: Isaac A., Austin L., David D., Nathan L., Mark S., Bronson V., Justin M., Riley F., Erick B.

Not Pictured: Shayla A. & Colette C.



MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

Front Row, left to right: Philip L., Miryam A., Olivia C., Caden A., Joseph J., Jayce L., Taylor B.

Middle Row, left to right: Arthor L., Elise A., Connor D., Kosten A., Vincent H., Kylie H., Isabella L.

Back Row, left to right: Jaden K., Sage T., Shaylee G., Logan H., Melia C., Angelina O.

College & Career Corner + Counseling News

By Miss Haworth, Mr. Williams, & Mr. Maikranz



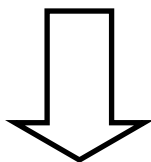
On December 14th, U-Prep held a Night with **Naviance**. It was a well-attended event held in our small auditorium. Attendees received individual attention on how to navigate through the **Naviance** family connections page, research colleges, careers, and their student's own personal course plan. If you've not yet logged in to your family's **Naviance** account, instructions for how to do so are located at:

www.uprep.net/pdf/document%20download/Naviance.pdf.

If you have questions, please direct them to:

uprepnaviance@suhsd.net.

Please visit uprep.net to find the
Naviance link below



College & Career Corner + Counseling News, continued...

Summer Pre-College Programs are a great way for high school students to get an opportunity to “test drive” a particular college, major or career field. Students may live in the dorms, have a roommate, get to know faculty and staff from the college, and take classes in specific subjects. **Applications & deadlines** vary by program. If you are interested in a list of possible programs, visit: <http://www.collegeoptions.org/#!college-options-scholarships/c1qow>.

College OPTIONS offers scholarships for 9-11th graders to attend Pre-College Summer Programs. The application is available online at

<https://northstatescholarships.communityforce.com/Funds/Search.aspx>



PANTHER PEER TUTORING PROGRAM

Our **Panther Peer Tutoring Program** is in need of juniors and seniors who would be willing to tutor after school. Peer tutoring offers many benefits; it provides experience that can help with employment, develops individual confidence, builds self-esteem and creates a sense of pride in helping others. It is a great opportunity to give back to the U-Prep community. Peer tutoring also looks great on college and job applications! Contact Mr. Maikranz in the counseling center if you have questions about joining our **Peer Tutoring Program** team.

Sign up now and receive a **U-Prep Peer Tutor** t-shirt!



More College & Career News...



SENIORS: The FAFSA is available January 1st, 2016 and should be completed by March 2nd, 2016. You must complete this form every year to determine your eligibility for student financial aid.

FAFSA – Free Application for Federal Student Aid

- www.fafsa.gov
- Collects you/your parents' information
- Creates an "Expected Family Contribution"
- Communicates information and EFC to financial aid offices at the colleges you list on the FAFSA



Senior Parents:

Need help filling out the FAFSA?

Join us at Cash for College night hosted by College Options

Wednesday, January 27th 6-8:00 PM.

Marr Auditorium.

An interactive session will follow in a computer lab.



JUNIOR HIGH SPORTS

www.uprepathletics.net

A Message from Mrs. Cabral:

I would like to thank Dr. Stephen Hecht for volunteering his time to further educate our coaching staff on sports related head injuries. He specializes in Neuroradiology and was able to share his knowledge with our coaches. Thank you!

Boys basketball will hit the month of January running with tournament play. February will find them fighting for a Sac River Junior High League title. So even though the weather outside has turned a bit frightful, you can be sure that the competitive spirit will be heating up on the courts and fields of U-Prep.

MONICA CABRAL - ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATOR

CORY REAGAN - ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

SARAH KENDALL - ATHLETIC SECRETARY

6th Grade Boys Basketball-Coach Joe Maikranz

Jan. 7-9 Grant Cougar Classic @ Grant	TBA
Feb. 1 Parsons @ U-Prep	4:00
Feb. 3 Grant @ Grant	4:00
Feb. 6 Anderson Tourney @ Anderson	TBA
Feb. 10 Sequoia @ Sequoia	4:00
Feb. 17 Parsons @ Parsons	4:00
Feb. 22 Grant @ U-Prep	4:00
Feb. 24 Sequoia @ U-Prep	4:00

7th Grade Boys Basketball - Coach Anthony Williams

Jan. 7-9 Grant Cougar Classic @ Grant	TBA
Jan. 16 Foothill Cougar Tourney @ Foothill	TBA
Jan. 22-23 Brett Mercer Tourney @ Parsons/EHS	TBA
Feb. 1 Parsons @ U-Prep	5:00
Feb. 3 Grant @ Grant	5:00
Feb. 10 Sequoia @ Sequoia	5:00
Feb. 17 Parsons @ Parsons	5:00
Feb. 22 Grant @ U-Prep	5:00



8th Grade Basketball - Coach James Williams

Jan. 16 Foothill Cougar Tourney @ Foothill	TBA
Jan. 22-23 Brett Mercer Tourney @ Parsons/EHS	TBA
Jan. 29-30 Jack Gallup Tourney @ Sequoia	TBA
Feb. 1 Parsons @ U-Prep	5:00
Feb. 3 Grant @ Grant	5:00
Feb. 10 Sequoia @ Sequoia	5:00
Feb. 17 Parsons @ Parsons	5:00
Feb. 22 Grant @ U-Prep	5:00
Feb. 24 Sequoia @ U-Prep	5:00

Girls Basketball Recap

6th grade Coach -Joe Fernandez

7th grade Coach - Brian Nichols

8th grade Coach - Joe Maikranz

If our junior high girl's basketball season is any indication, the future is bright for the Panther Basketball Program! Our 6th grade team finished the season undefeated, winning not only the Sac River Junior High League, but also the Tiger Tourney. We were also U-Prep Tourney champions! A perfect 13-0 record.

Our 7th grade team won a league title this year with a 6-0 record and finished 18-2 overall. They took home 1st place finishes in the Shasta Lake Shootout Tourney and the Anderson Middle School Tournament. Coach Nichols, when asked to describe his team said simply, "An amazing team!"

Coach Maikranz's 8th grade team finished the season with 12 wins and 8 losses. They took a very difficult 2nd place league finish and won the Early Bird Basketball Tournament championship. "A great and talented bunch of girls. They were a pleasure to coach all year long!"

Junior High Girls Soccer

Try-outs for our junior high girls soccer season will be on January 6-8. Try-outs will be held right after school for both the "A" and "B" teams. Athletes interested in try-outs must have a pass from the ASB office before the January 6-8 dates. Please contact Mr. Reagan in Room 184, with any questions.

Please see the Booster's Page for information on how to support our student athletes!

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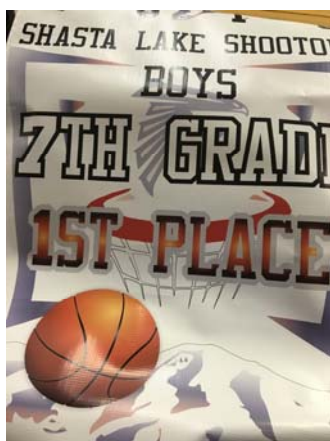
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DECEMBER TOURNAMENT SUCCESS!



**6th Grade Boys 1st Place
Shasta Lake Shoot-Out**

Congratulations to Coach Maikranz and our 6th Grade Boys Basketball team for taking 1st place in the Shasta Lake Shoot-Out on December 18th and 19th. Nice job boys, way to start the season off with a huge success.



PROUD OF OUR PANTHERS!

Coach Anthony Williams and 7th Grade Boys did a great job representing U-Prep in the Shasta Lake Shoot-Out. They took first place! This is an exciting team to watch and we look forward to watching them compete in the next few months. Keep up the hard work!



High School Athletics



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The Fall Season was a successful one for the Panthers. The varsity cross country teams brought home MVL and NSCIF Division V championships. The boys finished 3rd place overall in the section and the girls a quite admirable 4th overall. Our boys also placed 15th in the state cross country meet making it the highest finish in school history.

Our boys swim team won a Sac Valley League title and moved on to sections taking a 1st place finish in Division II. They then took home a very respectable 3rd in Master's with our very own Howard E. named as the Outstanding Male Swimmer of the Year. Girls finished 2nd in league, sections, and 4th in Master's.

Girls and boys basketball and soccer will be in full swing as we return from winter break, and wrestling will be looking to add another title to their collective belts. Please come out and support our winter sports. Support our Athletic Boosters program by either making a donation or becoming a member. There are so many ways to help support the many wonderful programs at U-Prep. All it takes is a phone call to find out where you can best contribute to our scholar-athletes! For further information please contact Cory Reagan; creagan@suhsd.net.

Girls Basketball

Varsity Coach - Steven Schuster

JV Coach - Tiffany Aaserude

Freshman Coach - Joe Fernandez

Jan. 5	Chico @ Chico (Frosh/JV/V)	4:00/5:30/7:00
Jan. 7-9	West Valley Tour. @ W.V. (JV/V)	TBA
Jan. 13	Anderson @ U-Prep (Frosh/JV/V)	4:30/6:00/7:30
Jan. 18	MLK Day @ Terra Nova High School	TBA
Jan. 19	Hamilton @ U-Prep (JV/V)	5:30/7:00
Jan. 22	Durham @ Durham (JV/V)	5:30/7:00
Jan. 26	Willows @ U-Prep (JV/V)	5:30/7:00



MONICA CABRAL ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATOR

CORY REAGAN ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

SARAH KENDALL ATHLETIC SECRETARY

Girls Soccer - Head Coach Rich Bourne

Boys Soccer- Head Coach Brian Nichols

Jan. 5	Winters @ Winters	G-3:15	B-5:15
Jan. 7	Sutter @ U-Prep	G-4:00	B-6:00
Jan. 12	Los Molinos @ U-Prep		B-5:15
Jan. 14	Hamilton @ U-Prep	G-3:15	B-5:15
Jan. 19	Williams @ Williams	G-3:15	B-3:15
Jan. 21	Durham @ U-Prep	G-5:15	B-3:15
Jan. 26	Willows @ U-Prep	G-3:15	B-5:15

Boys Basketball

Varsity Coach - Mark Stephens

JV Coach - Paul Kaukonen

Freshman Coach - Kevin Riley

Jan. 5	West Valley @ U-Prep (Frosh/JV/V)	4:30/6:00/7:30
Jan. 12	Central Valley @ U-Prep (Frosh/JV/V)	4:30/6:00/7:30
Jan. 13	Corning @ Corning (Frosh/JV/V)	4:30/6:00/7:30
Jan. 15	Redding Christian (JV/V)	5:30/7:00
Jan. 19	Hamilton @ Hamilton (JV/V)	5:30/7:00
Jan. 22	Durham @ U-Prep (JV/V)	5:30/7:00
Jan. 26	Willows @ Willows (JV/V)	5:30/7:00
Jan. 28	Williams @ Williams (JV/V)	5:30/7:00

Wrestling

Head Coach - Tommy Cervania

Asst. Coach - Shane Gilbert

Asst. Coach - Michael Schoonover

Jan. 6	Durham Dual @ Durham (JV/V)	6:00pm
Jan. 8-9	Joe Rios @ Chico (V)	9:00am
Jan. 8-9	Anderson Classic @ Anderson (V)	9:00am
Jan. 13	Trinity Dual @ Trinity H.S (V)	TBA
Jan. 16	Sutter @ Sutter (V)	7:00am
Jan. 16	Wolf Pack Dual @ Shasta H. S. (JV)	7:00am
Jan. 23	Fall River Inv. @ Fall River H. S. (V)	6:30am
Jan. 30	Corning Inv. @ Corning H. S. (V)	9:00am

Winning takes talent; to repeat takes character ~ John Wooden

High School- Associated Student Body



December Wrap Up



High Student Government along with other U-Prep students completed three full days of community service for the Salvation Army.

High School Student Government Fundraiser

Saturday, Jan. 30th, 2016

**** Breakfast with the Disney Characters at Applebee's Restaurant ****

Tickets : \$8.00

Enjoy a full breakfast and visits from over 10 Disney characters.

Signature books will be sold along with an assortment of other Disney goods.

Get your tickets early! This is going to sell out fast!

Please see your Student Government Representatives for tickets, or stop by room 182.



Upcoming January Events

January 19th~ 22nd

Disney Themed Winter Spirit Week

Dress as any character you would see in the different lands of Disney. BE CREATIVE, have fun!

Tuesday, Jan 19th - Tomorrowland

Wednesday, Jan 20th - Frontierland

Thursday, Jan 21st - Adventureland

Friday, Jan 22nd - Fantasyland

**** Don't miss our boys basketball game against the Durham Trojans on Friday the 22nd****

JV @ 5:30/Varsity @ 7:00

Student Section theme will be EXTREME BLUE!

Saturday, Jan. 23rd: High School Semi - Formal Dance in the Stuart Gymnasium

7:30 pm to 10:30 pm

Photographer will be present. Order forms will be provided with ticket sale to the dance.

High School Student Government Advisor: Robyn Johnson

Junior High Student Government Advisor: Jaspal Gaddy

**JUNIOR HIGH UGLY SWEATER DAY & DANCE**

On Friday, December 11, we had an Ugly Sweater Spirit Day. Many students dressed up and received hot chocolate during lunch!

At the dance that night, students enjoyed D.J.'ing from Net Sound, a photo booth, snack bar, and holiday cheer. The junior high dance was a big success and students had a great time! We are looking forward to the 7th/8th grade semi-formal dance on Friday, January 22nd from 7-10pm.

2015 CANNED FOOD DRIVE

U-Prep students once again participated in our annual canned food drive with donations going to the Good News Rescue Mission. Over 1000 cans were donated; the mission and many families benefited from the generosity. Mrs. Bird's junior high ASAP class really stepped up and ended up donating 150 cans. We are very thankful to our generous families! Way to go, Panthers!!!!



New spirit gear has arrived for
2016!

Stop by the ASB office for
specific prices and design
layouts.



BOOSTER NEWS

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

The U-Prep Athletic Boosters are pleased to announce the release of our updated scholarship applications. The new applications will be available once school resumes in January with completed applications due back in mid-March of 2016 (specific date TBA). Please contact Monica Cabral for more information.



Next Athletic Boosters Meeting:
January 4th, 6:30 PM, Room 299



MUSIC BOOSTERS

U-Prep Music Boosters provides volunteer and other support services to all of the U-Prep music programs: Beginning Strings, Choraliers, Concert Band, Concert Choir, Drum Corp, Jazz Band, Jr. High Orchestra, Mixed Choir, Prep Band, and Symphonic Orchestra. Support may include set-up and clean up for music concerts, the "Celebration of the Arts" held every February, and fundraising activities.

Music Boosters works to raise money to enhance all music programs and the music experience for all U-Prep students. This includes assisting in the purchasing of performance uniforms, musical instruments and other items that cannot be purchased with school funds. Funds raised by Music Boosters also contribute to trips taken by the various music groups.

Membership in Music Boosters is automatically extended to all parents and legal guardians of students participating in the Music Department at U-Prep. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month during the academic school year!

Please contact Brad Fowers for more information.



The Clock has struck 12 and the curtain has closed on the Cinderella musical. It was a truly magical experience. The Theater Arts Boosters would like to thank everyone who came to support our students and enjoy the show. We also thank all the parents, grandparents, friends, and other family members who helped make this production a huge success. Bravo to the directors, cast, and crew for a spectacular performance!

The Theatre Arts Boosters are already looking forward to next year's production. Auditions will happen during the first week of school next August. We will then hold our first parent meeting the following week. Please consider joining us and becoming a member of our family. It is a great way to make connections, forge friendships, and fulfill your volunteer hours. Please feel free to contact the main office if you would like more information.

SUPPORT SOBER GRAD...

Tamale Fundraiser

The 2016 Sober Graduation Committee would like to thank everyone for their support of our Tamale Fundraiser. Because the list of volunteers is so long, we are unable to personally thank everyone involved, however we would like to mention **John Cabral, Cathy Armstrong and Elizabeth Trayford**, who all jumped on board in August and never left our side. The fundraiser was a huge success, very profitable, and tons of fun.

Certificates

Certificate Sales are our largest source of income. Each Senior student is being asked to sell at least one Certificate at a cost of \$100.00. With the purchase of each certificate the buyer will have their name entered into a drawing for one of three cash prizes. 1st prize \$500.00, 2nd Prize \$250.00 and 3rd Prize \$150.00.

The purchase of a certificate is 100% tax deductible.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday January 20th - Round Table Pizza, Mt Shasta Mall 5-9 pm. Please remember to present coupon, available inside school office.

Saturday March 12th - Damburger, 1320 Placer Street 10-3. No coupon necessary, just mention U Prep.

Saturday March 19th - Annual Sober Graduation Rummage Sale...Mark your calendar and stay tuned for details.

CLASS OF 2016 GRAD ADS

Looking for a creative way to tell a graduating student, "I love you and I'm proud of you?" Place a Grad Ad! This is a great way to say how proud you are. Like the yearbook, your message will be a permanent memory.

Space is limited and these are sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Order soon to ensure placement in the book. **Orders must be received before January 30th** to ensure inclusion--as space is limited. Note that this is for seniors **ONLY**. If you also have a graduating 8th grader, those ads will go on sale in February. We cannot currently offer both options simultaneously and apologize for the inconvenience.

You can design and pay for your ad directly from your computer—simply follow the link located on uprep.net (underneath 'current students' and then 'Panthera yearbook').



U-Prep wishes to sincerely thank all of our parent & family volunteers. We appreciate your time and your donations. We are grateful to have you as part of the **U-Prep** family. Together we make a **difference!**

U-Prep Scrip Program

Scrip is gift cards and certificates for your favorite places to shop. They look and spend just like you bought them in the store. By purchasing scrip from U-Prep, you are helping the school earn needed funds for our school and you are reaching your donation goal for the year. The great thing about scrip is you never buy anything you don't need and you never pay more than face value of the gift card or certificate.

You can place your order online at www.shopwithscrip.com, email your order to uprepscrip@suhsd.net, or call/text Sylvia Hill at 356-3944. Checks are payable to U Prep Scrip. For complete information go to uprep.net



University Preparatory School

2015-2016 School Calendar

1st Quarter Ends: October 9 (39)
 1st Semester Ends: December 17 (43)
 3rd Quarter Ends: March 11 (46)
 2nd Semester Ends: May 26 (47)

Shaded = Student Attendance Days (175)

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Early Release Days
Academic Conference
Final Exams
Back-To-School Night
Open House
Graduation

PLEASE NOTE:

Revised Open House date
is March 23rd, 2016

HOLIDAYS/RECESSES

Labor Day Sep 7
 Veteran's Day Holiday Nov 11
(by law must be Nov 11 if a weekday)
 Thanksgiving Break Nov 23-27
 Winter Break Dec 18-Jan 4
 Martin Luther King Day Jan 18
 Lincoln Day observed Feb 8
 Washington Day observed Feb 15
 Spring Break Mar 25-Apr 4
 Memorial Day May 30

Easter - March 27

CERTIFICATED DATES

School Starts: August 17
 School Ends: May 26; **Graduations May 27**
 School Work Days ○ Aug 14
 May 27
 Jun 1
 Staff Development Days △ Aug 13
 Jan 4
 April 4
 Snow Day Makeup: Apr 4
(If snow day makeup is used, then April 4th Staff Development day will be moved to May 31st.)