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OF SCIENCE CHARTER SCHOOL

September Newsletter

FROM THE DEAN

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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| STAR Testing | 9/11-9/14 |
| Open House / BBQ | 9/23 |
| ½ Day | 9/25 |

Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year. I am honored to be the new Dean of Schools at Utica Academy of Science High School.

As part of our continued drive towards academic excellence, our teachers have been busy learning new and unique ways to provide instruction. This year, our learning organization has embarked on ways to model college like instruction that both is rigorous and engaging. These various methods of instruction encourage students to utilize 21st Century Skills and higher level reasoning in order to solve and

discover real life questions. We are so excited to begin this journey with your children.

If you ever have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school or e-mail me at krause@uascs.org.

As the school year continues, please look for additional monthly newsletters with more specific information pertaining to school events, academic ceremonies, club activities and more. In addition, please visit our web site at www.uascs.org On behalf of everyone at UASHS, WELCOME BACK!

Back To School BBQ

Open House

Saturday October 23, 2018

10am – 12pm

**Meet our Educational Leaders
Learn about our Clubs**



UASCS Scholars and Staff Beautify UAS

Thank you to Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Paul, Mr. Farnach, and UAS student volunteers for painting the curbs, flag pole and parking lines before the start of school.

One of the UAS 2017-2018 schoolwide goals is to make the physical appearance of our building reflect a college-like, professional and inviting atmosphere.

Our Culture Committee, along with our Student Council will be discussing, proposing and implementing some of these changes throughout the year.

We are confident that these changes will bring a sense of pride to our scholar's and staff.



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2017

100% GRADUATION RATE

100% COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE

\$\$\$\$ IN SCHOLARSHIPS EARNED

UASCS Agenda Requirement

This year, your child received a school Agenda. **It is required that all students use their agenda daily.** This tool served many purposes. First, it adds to existing organizational skills and helps students develop a system for prioritizing and time management. Second, it serves as a resource throughout the year offering various academic tips, facts and informational charts. The agenda is also used to document times when students leave the classroom for the restroom, office, nurse etc. If necessary, the agenda can also be used as a communication tool between parents and teachers. Please encourage your child to use this tool to its fullest capacity. If your child's agenda is lost, the replacement fee is \$5.00



**Good Luck to all our
Fall Sports Teams!**

GO ATOMS!

Tips for A Successful School Year



Talk to your child each day about what they learned in school. Encourage them to elaborate on the highs and lows of their time in and out of the classroom.

Make sure that your child gets enough rest. Young adults at this age require at least 8 – 10 hours of sleep per night. Discourage your child from leaving the T.V. or music on throughout the night. Studies have shown that although the body sleeps, the brain continues to process the words and sounds that it hears preventing a fully restful night.

Make sure your child eats a balanced diet. Be aware of changes in your child's eating habits. If you have concerns, or if you feel that something is wrong, speak to your family physician.

Encourage your child to read anything – books, newspapers, magazines, on-line reading sources, etc...

Communicate with your child's teachers. It is important that we work together to ensure the greatest chances of both academic and personal growth and success. Teachers can be reached both by phone and by e-mail.



Heather Paul: Grades 8-10

Mustafa Kovar: Grades 11-12

Welcome back to another school year! Hopefully it will be full of new and exciting experiences. One of the wonderful opportunities your scholar will have this school year will be to receive regular guidance lessons in his/her classroom. The lessons will help scholars with organization skills, social skills, career planning, etc. During the month of September, I will be entering classrooms to discuss my role as a School Counselor. Also, during the month of September, I will develop 4-year plans with 9th grade scholars. We will discuss the following:

Graduation requirements

Activities/sports and educational opportunities available to you

College/Career program requirements

Regents testing requirements - J

Begin developing good study skills and maintain good grades (as this information counts for college entrance depending on the college you might choose in the future).

Begin thinking about AP courses and courses for college credit.

Please feel free to contact me at any time during the school year if you would like to discuss your scholar's needs, have concerns, need information, or need further resources.