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Letter from the Principal



Dear UPrep Families,

I can't believe we are half way through the school year! We have just completed the first semester of studies and I am anxious to see the results of our students' efforts. Next month, we will be providing information about academic performance for the first half of the year by grade level. We will also outline some of the strategies we are using to address the areas for growth. I look forward to sharing with our parents how you can help us at home to improve the achievement of our students.

I am sure that many of you have been watching the events unfold in Haiti the last few weeks as I have been as well. This tragedy has reminded us how fragile life is and the power of community organizing. In big and small ways we have contributed to the relief fund to help them stabilize the country and provide aid to Haiti's citizens and those who are providing medical care. This event made me reflect on our community service record. We require our students in Junior Institute and Senior Institute to perform community service. Thus far, our students have volunteered in many capacities. They have served food to the homeless, worked in their neighborhoods helping the elderly, and worked with various neighborhood organizations. It is our goal to produce college ready students who also have a passion for service. I am encouraging all of our families to find an opportunity to get involved as a family in a community service project. While the efforts in Haiti, like New Orleans will take years to see an impact, we have many opportunities in our own communities where our service can make a huge difference.

Finally, Black History Month is upon us. Please take opportunities to share with your children the history of your own families or of people who have inspired you to achieve greatness in your life. In my own family, there are many memories of trials and tribulations, yet there are joys and triumphs. As a classroom teacher I remember assigning my students a person to research and report on. Of course, the temptation is to talk about all the great members of our rich history who lived through the struggle of slavery and civil rights. Yet our history goes much deeper than the life before and during the civil rights movement. We see history happening every day. So in closing, I encourage everyone to seek moments to talk about the inspiring moments of your lifetime with your children. Share family, personal or community memories that capture the spirit of what you are most proud of during Black History Month.


Take a moment to look inside for the happenings here at UPrep!

University Prep Academy is now on Facebook

We encourage all families to become a "fan".

This is easy to do! Just go on to the Facebook website and search for "University Prep Academy". Then click on "Become a Fan". Once you do this, you will automatically receive messages about important upcoming events, announcements of UPA news, postings of photos, videos and other information of interest to the UPA community.

Important Dates

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- Feb. 9 FAFSA Q&A Session
 - Feb. 9 Freshman Job Shadows
 - Feb. 12 Open Enrollment Ends
 - Feb. 15-19 Winter Break
 - Feb. 22 School Reopens
 - Feb. 26 UPA Lottery

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February is the beginning of a new LTI session. The 10th and 12th grades have wrapped up their internships, and now it is time for the 9th and 11th grades to get started. 11th graders began Job Shadows on January 26th. 9th grade students will begin shadowing on February 11th. The shadowing process will continue through February (through March for 9th graders) giving students ample time to find a place to pursue as an internship. As a reminder, Senior Institute will be allowed to shadow on Tuesdays or Thursdays, while Junior Institute will only shadow on Thursdays. We encourage family members to ask your students about places they are interested in and discussing the different career pathways. Please remember the school can provide transportation to and from sites, but we always appreciate parent assistance in dropping off or picking up your student. Even if you can only help with one way transportation, every little bit helps! Please contact any of the LTI staff members, if you have questions about transportation.

We look forward to introducing our new 11th grade students and the 9th graders to the fantastic, real-world learning opportunities that only LTI can provide.

Sincerely,
Renee Arceno Fricke
Learning Through Internship Program Director

Sweet O'Grams



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FEBRUARY 3rd - 10th, 2010

\$1 - Message Only

Junior Institute 11:00 am - \$2 - Flower or Candy & Message

12:00 pm

\$3 - Flower + Candy & Message

Yellow & Green Commons \$3 - Teddy Bear & Message

\$5 - Madly in Love Combo

(Teddy Bear, Flower, Candy & Message)

Senior Institute 12:00 pm -
1:00pm

Blue & Purple Commons

Donations such as card stock paper, valentine's candy or other items deemed appropriate for the Panther Peso Store will be accepted.

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Basketball Schedule

February 5th 5:00V Girls Basketball @ Cesar Chavez

February 5th 5:00JV/6:30V Boys Basketball vs. Cesar Chavez

February 9th 5:00JV/5:00V Girls Basketball @ Plymouth/Weston

February 9th 5:00JV/6:30V Boys Basketball @ Weston Academy

February 12th 5:00JV/6:30V Girls Basketball vs. Michigan Collegiate

February 12th 5:30JV/7:00V Boys Basketball @ Michigan Collegiate

February 16th TBA Girls Basketball @ League Tournament

February 16th 5:00JV/6:30V Boys Basketball vs. Ferndale University

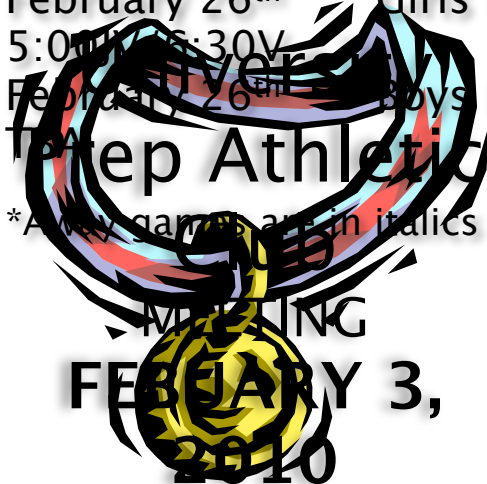
February 19th TBA Boys Basketball @ League Tournament

February 23rd TBA Boys Basketball @ To

February 26th 5:00JV/6:30V Girls Basketball @ St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

February 26th TBA Boys Basketball @ League Tournament

**CLASS OF 2010
STP ALERT!**



FUNDRAISER
for St. Jude Children's Hospital
February 1st - 28th

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Eastern Michigan University
Ferris State University

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Lansing Community

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Daytona State University

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Ferris State University

ARTHUR BURSE
Michigan State University

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Ferris State University
Grand Valley State University

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Grand Valley State University
Northern Michigan University

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Ferris State University
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Henry Ford Community College
Wayne State University

ASHLEY WRIGHT
Michigan State University

Graduation season is fast approaching and before we know it, the students of the wonderful class of 2010 will be walking across that stage. Their year is finally here so the celebration starts now! On January 29 we had a ceremony celebrating those seniors who had achieved academic success during the first semester of this school year. In order to qualify for the pinning, students had to:

1. Achieve a 2.0 GPA for first semester
2. Have a successful exhibition with at least a 70%
3. Be on track for graduation.

The ceremony included a delicious breakfast, words of affirmation from Doug Ross and other administrators, and student's being pinned by their loved ones. Look out for seniors wearing those pins and be sure to congratulate them on their achievements!

Ms.  Esphe , Lea  Senior  Advisor 

FINANCIAL AID Q&A

FEBRUARY 9, 2010
5:30PM - 6:30PM
PURPLE BUILDING

HAVE LAST MINUTE CONCERNS?
CONFUSED ABOUT ANYTHING?
WANT TO BE SURE YOU FILLED
OUT EVERYTHING CORRECTLY?

COME & HAVE ALL YOUR
QUESTIONS ANSWERED!

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