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# UCMS NEWS

## Week of August 19, 2019



### Calendar

Mon. -  
Tues. -  
Wed. - Challenge Day  
Thurs. -  
Fri. -

### Menu

Mon. - Hot dogs/Coney, tater tots, carrots, applesauce  
Tues. - Popcorn chicken, mac-n-cheese, broccoli, pears  
Wed. - Country fried steak, mash taters, green beans, peaches/roll  
Thurs. - Soft taco, refried beans, Mexican rice, pineapple  
Fri. - Deep dish pizza, salad, corn, fruit cup

## FROM THE ADMINISTRATION:

### Classroom News:

**Mrs. Hertel – 6<sup>th</sup> LA**-We have had a great beginning to our school year. We have done a few “Get to Know You” activities and an “Investigate the Teacher” activity. We made a trip to our school library to choose a book. Next week we will be doing NWEA testing.

**Mr. Hofmann – 6<sup>th</sup> SS** - 6<sup>TH</sup> Grade Social Studies has started the year by looking at the concepts that Geographers use when studying our world. They should be able to differentiate between a political map/globe vs a physical map/globe. They’ve also been working on Latitude and Longitude skills.

**Mrs. Fields- 6<sup>th</sup> Math**-What a GREAT start!! I’ve enjoyed getting to know your child. Everyone seems to be adjusting to UCMS, their locker and changing classes. NWEA Math testing begins next week. This will give me a baseline of your child’s math abilities and give me an understanding of their strengths and weaknesses. **Period 2** - We will dive into a review of adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions next week after testing. **Period 3, 4, 7** – We will begin with a review of place value, multi-digit multiplication and division after testing.

**Mrs. Beiser– 6<sup>th</sup> Science**- Sixth graders are off to a “scientific start” with lab safety and learning equipment. Labs begin on Wednesday. Students will practice using lab equipment and study for their quiz. The quiz is Thursday over lab rules and equipment. Students can study their notes from their science journals. Next 6<sup>th</sup> grade science learns the metric system.

**Miss Severance – 7<sup>th</sup> LA**- This week, students began learning about non-fiction. We’ve covered text features and text structures so far. Next week, we will be doing our first round of NWEA testing. So, there will be no homework during that time. However, the following week, we will hit the ground

running with a new Flocabulary program as well as assignments and practice dealing with non-fiction and informational text. Welcome back to school! It's going to be a great year.

**Mr. Hawkins – 7<sup>th</sup> SS** – We are off to a great start in Social Studies reviewing the basics on maps and time zones as well as reviewing land forms and land marks. Next week we are gearing up to travel to the past of Early Civilizations as well as our first big project involving planning your own garden paradise. So buckle up 7<sup>th</sup> grade!

**Mrs. Dannaker – 7<sup>th</sup> Science** - Students have done a great job at labs so far this year. We will continue working on lab skills and procedures this week as well as having our first assessment over form and function of plant and animal cells.

**Mrs. Persinger – 7<sup>th</sup> grade art** - We have had a SUPER start to the school year in the art room! I can see great things happening in here all year long. This week we will be reviewing one point perspective and then experimenting with two point perspective with a final project due on Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will also have our Sketchbook Assignment #2 due on that same day.

**Mrs. Graham 7<sup>th</sup> Math** –): We have spent the last few class days getting to know each other and getting acquainted with classroom procedures and routines. All students have received colorful classroom expectation pages PLUS a parent/guardian letter that needs to be signed and returned by next Wednesday, August 21.

All classes began reviewing exponents and order of operations this week. Next week we will begin a review of prime factorization through warm ups and we will begin our discussion of integers.

**Mrs. Goodwin** – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Business: Students are working to improve their keyboarding skills using correct form.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Business Enrichment: Students are participating in a simulation to work on personal finance skills.

**Mr. Gulley 8<sup>th</sup> Health/PE** - Narcotics, Stimulants and Depressants and Jayce House will be here Thursday and Friday.

**Mrs. Snyder 8<sup>th</sup> LA** - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA - What a great start to the new school year. I am happy to see great attitudes that are prepared to succeed! We are beginning the year with grammar review and literature elements.

**Ms. Estep – 8<sup>th</sup> Math** - It's been a FANTASTIC start of the year. I've enjoyed getting to meet our 8<sup>th</sup> graders. I'm looking forward to a great school year.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math - Students are reviewing computations with fractions decimals and integers.

Algebra - Students have been reviewing the fundamentals of algebra.

**Mrs. Crumley – 8<sup>th</sup> Science** - Students have started learning about physical and chemical properties. Keep in mind that core class expectations are the same across and all teachers are available for meetings if you need! I am looking forward to a great year!

**Mr. Taylor – 8<sup>th</sup> Social Studies** - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade SS: Boy, what a start to the year! It's not the start I wanted to give your kiddos, for the simple reason that I already feel behind. But It was for good reason :) We now have books passed out and are starting our first unit around Native Americans, European

Exploration, and early examples of slavery. This will kick start an awesome year for the kids as we bounce our way through American history!

**Mr. Nash-8<sup>th</sup> AG-** Welcome Back! I am looking forward to a great year with my 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ag students. I have already sent home my syllabus rules for students to have themselves and parents sign and get back by Friday. Students have also have the opportunity to join FFA and can bring home a membership form to be filled out and brought back in. The money for membership dues will be due beginning of September. We will also be having our 1<sup>st</sup> FFA meeting in the beginning of September as well. This will be for a call out meeting especially for new members to attend. I will send out more details on that later also. Students this year in class will be using a software call AET which stands for Agriculture Experience Tracker. This is a system that allows students to help learn recordkeeping skills. We will be using this to create a Supervised Ag Experience and help them keep track of it throughout the school year. If at any time if you have any questions don't hesitate to get ahold of me.

**Mrs. Allbright – Choir-** Greetings for a new school year. Choir is starting off well. Students should have brought home the first day packet with rules and performances to be signed and returned. Anyone needing a shirt for the performances should bring in \$15 in the next two weeks.

Choir and General Music students are working on the language of musical notation that shows us what music to perform. Students will not have homework outside of school, but will be required to do the daily seat work that will lead us to become more musically literate.

Our first concert is October 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the high school auditorium. Please mark your calendars.

**Mr. Hardy – Band-**

**Mr. Olive-** This week has been focused on refreshing study skills and completing the basic skills survey. We will continue to work on personal and behavioral goals. All students are progressing nicely.

**Mrs. Lathery-** We have been working hard to get back into our routines. We are working on back to school information and getting to know you assignments.

## Athletics

**Mon. –**

**Tues. –**

**Wed. – Volleyball vs. Talawanda; Home**

**Thurs. –**

**Fri.-**

**Sat. – Football @ Union City Jamboree; Away**