



UNITY COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Semester 2 Important Dates

- Early Dismissal Dates:
 - Feb. 10
 - March 10
 - April 14
 - May 26
- Holidays/Non-Student Days:
 - February Break: Feb. 17-21
 - March 17
 - Easter Break: April 18-25
 - May 5 & May 19
 - June 26-27
- **FINAL EXAMS: JUNE 20 – 25**





PRINCIPAL'S PEN



Happy new year and welcome to 2025 at UCHS! A new year provides opportunities for new beginnings. As our first semester concludes and we move into the second semester there are opportunities to reflect, set goals, and continue to grow.

Our school goal this year is encapsulated by this powerful phrase:
From Attendance to Achievement!

At UCHS our professional development and learning goals are centered around leveraging the opportunities that exist by engaging students to become an active member of the learning community. We teach children in a safe and challenging environment where the learning is designed for students to grow by committing to becoming an active part of the learning environment and our commitment to student assessment follows suit. Learning at UCHS is much more than textbooks and staff as knowledge keepers in many traditional educational contexts. We collectively aim to guide and facilitate deeper learning and do it together! Attendance, active participation, and reflection are essential to meet our goals. This involves working through the struggles of learning and the challenges of doing it as a member of the learning community while we tackle hardships together to **Build Citizens and Strive for Excellence!**

As we wrap up the first semester and move into the second, I encourage you to talk to your student about the challenges of learning and the reward of persistence and applying effort to difficult things. Learning is not easy but a growth mindset and a commitment to doing it together pay immeasurable dividends in the short and long term.

Looking forward to a wonderfully challenging second semester together!

Mr. Melnyk



SADD NEWS

STUDENTS AGAINST
DESTRUCTIVE DECISIONS

UCHS SADD committee was proud to host their annual liquor bag contest in December, and they delivered prizes to winners at UPS. Thanks to all the participating students; we sent on the colorful bags with messages to drive safely to be given out at the Coop. In February, SADD will be selling donuts in our “Do-nut drink and drive” campaign February 5th, 13th, and 20th with all funds raised going to TELEMIRACLE. We would like to thank the Delta Coop for providing the donuts for us for this project!





SLC NEWS

STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Love is in the air and the SLC has so many great events planned for the month of February to help raise money for Telemiracle!

To kick things off, we will be selling Helping Hands for \$2 in the foyer from February 3-7. Show your support by purchasing a hand that will be displayed in the front foyer for the month.

Next, the SLC is hosting a spirit week from February 10-14.

Monday Feb 10 – Cozy Day

Tuesday Feb 11 – “Anything but a Backpack” Day

Wednesday Feb 12 – Selling “CRUSH for Your Crush” and “Match-o-Matic” results

Thursday Feb 13 – Selling “CRUSH for Your Crush” and “Match-o-Matic” results

Friday, Feb 14 – Red, Pink, and White Day

Proceeds raised from Crush for your Crush and “Match-o-Matics” will go to Telemiracle!

***CRUSH for your Crush:** For \$2 students can purchase a CRUSH pop to be delivered on Valentines Day to a student of their choice.

***Match-o-matic results** - all students will complete the matchomatic survey which asks students fun questions and then pairs them up with other students in the school based on their responses. On Valentines Day each student can choose to pay \$2 to purchase the result of their matches!

Finally, on Friday February 28, the SLC will be hosting the PINK dance in conjunction with the senior girls’ basketball tournament. We will have Mic Drop Productions coming to DJ the dance and ***NEW*** for this dance there will be a touchscreen photo booth where students can take pictures with their friends! Advance tickets will be on sale at lunch in the foyer for \$8, and tickets sold at the door will be \$12. Doors open at 9 pm and the dance goes until midnight!

Show some love and join us in raising funds for Telemiracle this month!

Submitted on behalf of the SLC by Ms. Partington and Mrs. Clark

THANK YOU UCHS BOOK CLUB!

A huge thank you to the UCHS Book Club from the last two school years for their generous fundraising efforts that went towards purchasing string lighting and a unique bookcase for our library! The cozy, inviting space has quickly become a favorite spot for students to relax and enjoy their time reading, studying and just hanging out with friends. Your generosity in improving the library has truly made a positive impact, and UCHS is so grateful for your support!

UCHS Book Club members for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years:
Hailey-lynn Aldred, Taylor Ducherer,
Ojasvi Nedunuri, Naycie Feser-Surine,
Gauge Groth, Skylar Dimayuga,
Avrey Kreimeier, Sadie Risling,
Willem Hoogstad, Alli Busse,
Tejasvi Nedunuri and Anna Grace Deck.
Thank you all!



SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Senior Girls Basketball team is excited to welcome a new member to their squad – Manager Alexis Timms!

As we progress through the season the commitment to hard work and learning becomes visible and the results follow. The Sr Girls won bronze at LCBI in January and moved their record to 11 – 6 on the season. Good luck at Lloydminster Comp and VCA in the coming weeks as you prepare for the annual Pink Tournament at UCHS on February 28 and March 1. Look for advertising and marketing for the upcoming Pink Tournament. The girls hope to have community support as they look to build on their fundraising efforts and head into playoffs on a winning note.



**UCHS
hosts**

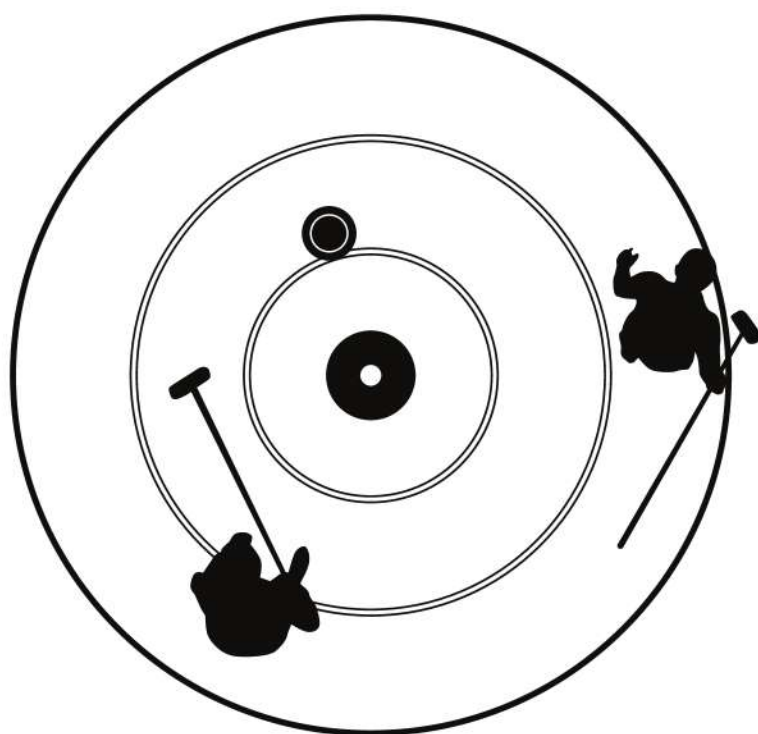


**Regional
Mixed & Doubles
Curling**

February 28-March 1

**Provincial
Mixed
Curling**

March 7-8



FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Basketball: - Jr. A Girls @ Maidstone - Jr. A Boys @ Rosetown - Sr. Boys @ LCBI - Sr. Girls @ Lloyd Comp.	1
2 	3 Semester 2 Begins	4 Grade 9 Ski Trip Spring Fruit Sale Begins	5 Grade 8 Telemiracle Dessert Auction	6 Grade 8 Ski Trip	7 Basketball: - Jr. A Girls @ Kindersley - Jr. A Boys @ NBCHS-Districts - Sr. Boys @ Watrous - Sr. Girls @ VCA	8
9	10 Cozy Day Early Dismissal SCC Meeting 7 pm	11 Anything But A Backpack Day Grade 7 Ski Trip Host Sr. District Curling	12 CRUSH for Your Crush Match-O-Matic	13 CRUSH for Your Crush Match-O-Matic Grade 10 Ski Trip Spring Fruit Sale Ends	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i> Red, Pink & White Day	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
FEBRUARY BREAK						
23	24	25 Jr. District Curling @ NB	26 	27	28 Basketball: - Sr. Boys @ Kindersley - Sr. Girls host Pink Tourn. Host Regional Curling	

"February is the shortest month, so if you're having a miserable month, try to schedule it for February."

~Lemony Snicket