

UMA Parent Involvement Committee

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What is the Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)?

We are a group of parents, alumni and supporters giving support to our cadets and the UMA STAFF by helping organize and execute fund raising, chaperoning trips, driving cadets to a variety of activities, helping with socials, as well as helping supervise various other activities as needed.

We adhere to the policies set forth by the AFJROTC and UMA. As chaperones and adults, we are responsible to uphold UMA Dress Code and the AFJROTC HQ Standards of Conduct.

PIC Board

The PIC Board consists of five elected positions: President, High School Vice President, Junior High Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. These positions generally serve for two years, but may serve only two consecutive terms in the same office. The PIC Board can also contain several appointed positions as required, for example: Information Specialist, Academic Specialist, School Dance Advisor, Team Advisors and Liaisons, etc.

Who can be members of the PIC?

All parents, guardians, alumni & those interested in giving their time and/or financial support. Parents are responsible for majority of the responsibility. Please fill out our membership form so we have the information necessary to contact you.

General meetings

At these meetings, we ask for volunteers and inform parents of current events and any changes made to committees or the calendar. To be held 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm at UMA. This is open to all. You can count time spent at these meetings towards your volunteer hours.

How do we share information?

Information is shared through the General Meetings. The minutes from these meetings will be posted within one week following the meetings. Information is frequently shared through our Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/UMAParentIntel/>. If you have not joined this group, please do so if you are able. Important PIC info will also be included in the school newsletter.

Volunteer Information

Tracking Volunteer Hours

Each school year, every family is required to commit to 40 hours of volunteer time for two parent households and 20 hours for single parent households for the entire year, no matter how many cadets are attending. Any family member can volunteer hours towards the yearly family commitment. (Grandparents, siblings, etc.) Cadet's hours can also be included in this amount if they are not using their service hours towards earning an award or ribbon or for leadership qualifications. Volunteer hours can be earned several ways, during school hours, after school, weekends, and summer. Certain donations can also count towards your volunteer hours.

The hours are tracked in several ways, when you come into the school there is a computer in the office where you can sign in and it will track your hours there. If you are off-site volunteering, you can register at <https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/volunteer> or you can email the details of your volunteer time to parent@utahmilitaryacademy.org where we can enter the time for you. If you email, it is important that you include your name, your cadet's name, and the amount of hours, the activity, date, and time. Registering at the website is great because you can track your hours and have a summary report emailed to you at intervals of your choosing.

How to Volunteer

Sign Up Genius is a tool we use to announce and invite families to sign up for volunteer events scheduled throughout the year. If you have not done so, please register at www.signupgenius.com. In order to be added to the UMA mailing list to receive invites, you will need to sign up for an event (through an event link provided on FB or by searching for events created by parent@utahmilitaryacademy.org) or by sending the email address you registered with to parent@utahmilitaryacademy.org. We can then manually add you to the mailing list. Please notate in the subject line to add you to the Sign Up Genius email list.

Please complete the volunteer interest form and turn into PIC if you have not already done so.

We will be looking for parent committees in multiple areas:

1. SPORTS
2. ACADEMICS
3. T.E.A.M Activities
4. JROTC
5. DANCES
6. TEACHER AND SCHOOL SUPPORT

Fundraising

Fundraising Opportunities

There will be many fundraising activities coming up throughout the year. Watch the school newsletters for upcoming opportunities. Below are just a few.

Fundraising App

One that is new to the school this year is a fundraising app that can be sold by your cadets for \$25. It is good for 12 months from the date of purchase. It is similar to the Happening's books we all used to buy, but is an app downloaded to your smart phone. It can be used anywhere and will always be with you (assuming you have your phone with you). Even if you are away from home, you can plug in the zip code and local discounts and coupons will pop up to use in that geographical area. Another great thing about this is that the person who purchased the app can choose to renew the app after it expires, if they do so then the renewal will automatically go under the cadets name that originally sold it. Details on availability date are pending.

AmazonSmile

Amazon Smile is a quick and easy way to donate money to the school while doing your regular shopping. If you are a frequent Amazon Shopper, why not add UMA as your charitable organization? How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile? On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.

Box Tops for Education

Box Tops is celebrating 20 years! We earned \$284.00 for the 2016 school year. If each family has five friends or family members that help them collect box tops, it increases our chances of reaching our goal by 500%. The drop off box is located in the hallway by the office.

Helpful Links

- Aspire: <https://utahmilitary.usoe-dcs.org/Login.aspx>
- Canvas: <https://utahmilitaryacademy.instructure.com/login/canvas>
- Sign Up Genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/>
- Volunteer Hours Tracker: <https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/volunteer>
- School Website: <https://utahmilitaryacademy.org/>
- Athletic Registration: <https://home.registermyathlete.com/login/>
- School Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/UtahMilitaryAcademy/>
- UMA PIC email: parent@utahmilitaryacademy.org
- UMA PIC Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/UMAParentIntel/>
- UMA Athletics FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1674517499532330/>
- Cyber Patriots Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/346036565560672/>
- Drill Team Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/umadrillteam/>
- Cross Country Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/UMA-Cross-Country-1601673963477671/>
- Honor Guard Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/302008513473117/>
- Funding Cadets Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100009141778322&fref=ts>
- Sea Cadets Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/JakeGarnSquadron/?fref=ts>
- Civil Air Patrol Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/Civil-Air-Patrol-Weber-Minuteman-Composite-Squadron-288824707829956/?fref=ts>
- Amazon Smile: <https://smile.amazon.com/>