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1. **No School - Friday:** Due to the last day of the quarter on Thursday October 22nd, we will have NO SCHOOL Friday October 23rd for Teacher Work Day!
2. **Canvas Parent Accounts:** We have had a lot of parents asking how to create Parent Portals on Canvas. Please follow the instructions below:
 - a. Go to our school website: www.utahmilitaryacademy.org
 - b. Click on Portals
 - c. Click on Parent Canvas
 - d. You will need a pairing Code - Your Cadet must retrieve the code from their Canvas Accounts.
 - i. On our website, we have a Canvas Parent Guide. You can find that under the top menu PARENTS>PARENT RESOURCES>PARENT CANVAS GUIDE
Page 12 specifically tells you about retrieving the pairing code.
3. **Credit Recovery (Seniors Only):** Mandatory Orientation will be held virtually on Oct 24. To sign up email limitless.school@gmail.com and schedule a time to meet with Via Zoom. After that you will get an introduction video prior to your first class. If you have any questions please contact one of the school counselors.
4. **Weber State University Event! Prospective student event:**
 - a. October 30th | 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

At this event, they can:

 - Learn more about Weber State University.
We have seven colleges, 50+ departments and hundreds of programs to choose from.
 - Learn how to maximize your benefits and pay for college.
They could easily end up with little to no debt!
 - Explore majors and student services.
We have faculty, staff and peers who are ready to help them every step of the way!
 - Check out our beautiful and innovative campus.
We promise they are going to love what they see! You can go to this link and scroll to the bottom to sign up for this Purple Carpet event.
<https://www.weber.edu/Admissions/visit.html>
5. **Annual Food Drive:** We are going to begin our annual food drive next monday, October 26 and run it through to November 13. Accepting dry goods and canned goods, make sure they are not expired. Turn in to your Flight Advisor or Flight Commander who will count and turn in numbers. Top two flights get a donut party.
6. **ASVAB:** Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) will be given at UMA on Friday, Nov. 6 during school hours beginning in the morning. This test is a vocational test

which is used by the military to qualify enlistees as well as help those who enlist to find a career that suits their abilities. It is a great test for helping people figure out what careers they would be good at in or out of the military. The test is mandatory for all juniors. Sophomore and Seniors who are interested in also taking the test, please register in the front office ASAP. Any questions, please contact Major Workman or Mrs. Horning.

- 7. FAFSA night for seniors and their parents/guardians:** If you are planning on applying for ANY college then you need to attend this event either in person or virtually. UMA is hosting a FAFSA Completion Open House for you to get expert help completing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Please join us on Nov 3rd from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. and you'll be eligible to apply for a FAFSA Completion Scholarship from the Utah Higher Education Assistance Authority (UHEAA).

Gather and bring these things:

- Student and parent(s)' Social Security Card (if parent does not have one, that is ok)
- Student's I-9 paperwork or Permanent Resident Card (if the student has one. Typically this applies to refugee or asylee students)
- Student's driver's license (if the student has one)
- Student and parent(s)' 2019 W-2 forms and other records of taxed income*
- Student's and parent(s)' 2019 Federal Income Tax Return**
- Student's and parent(s)' current bank statements
- Student's and parent(s)' 2019 untaxed income records
- Student and parent(s)' current business and investment, property mortgage information, business and farm, stock, bond, and other investment records***
- For more details click on this link:

<https://infogram.com/what-you-need-to-file-the-fafsa-1h8n6mdx05n96xo?live>

- 8. Veteran's SlideShow and Wall of Honor:** We are still planning on Cpt Curtis' annual Veteran's slide show which will be shown to our cadets the week of Veteran's Day (and posted after on the Facebook Parent Intel page for all parents to see). For those who were at UMA last year and submitted a photo of your Veteran family member, we still have your photos and you do not need to resubmit. For those who are NEW to UMA since Veteran's day last year, or have not submitted a photo, please submit your photo by Friday, Nov. 6 by following this form

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeFPPrBVqaAmzUCpIS1FupuB9xjO2FIMYJCgCvBSz-05TKcD7g/viewform?usp=sf_link

Since we are still under construction, the Wall of Honor will be put up at a later date. We will be using the photos from the slide show, so, make sure to get your photo in by Nov. 6.

- 9. PSAT/NMSQT:** Only Sophomores and Juniors are eligible to take the PSAT, but only juniors who take the PSAT may qualify for the national merit scholarship. The test will be held on Tuesday, Jan 26th and will begin promptly at 8AM. The cost of the exam is \$17 and orders must be placed by Nov. 20th. Please sign up in the office and pay the exam fee. If the exam fee is not paid by 1345 Nov. 20th, the test will not be ordered.

- 10. Chromebooks are required:** Parents, all Cadets that needed a chromebook should have received one by now. Starting on Monday and the first day of second quarter chromebooks will be required to be brought to school by all cadets. If your Cadet doesn't have one, they need to come to the office first thing Monday morning to get theirs. Please note we require the form to be signed by all parents prior to receiving a UMA Chromebook, you can find that form [here](#). Or they can bring their own device (laptop/chromebook/tablet) from home (*uma is not responsible for any personal devices*). Please remind all of your cadets to be bringing their chromebooks each day. They will begin issuing infractions to those that don't have them.

Thank you

11. LOST AND FOUND FRIDAYS: Beginning next Friday, we will begin lost and found Fridays.

The lost and found will be laid out on a table near the front door each Friday, if your cadet has any items, they need to be picked up by Friday. Otherwise, they will be donated. School uniforms that do not have a name in them will be returned to logistics, and will need to be repurchased.. Our lost & found is overwhelming. Please encourage your cadets to look for any lost items. Thank you.

12. WINTER SPORTS UPDATE:

- a. Tryouts for boy's junior high basketball will be held Wednesday, Oct 21st right after school here in the gym. ALL 9th graders must try out with the Junior High.
- b. Women's Varsity Basketball: Tryouts will be Nov 9-11 from 1600-1800.
- c. Men's Varsity Basketball: Open Gyms Friday, Oct 30th and Nov 6th. Tryouts will begin right after the girl's team finishes on Nov 9th at 1800 and Nov 10th at 1800.
- d. Parents please ensure your cadet is registered for any winter sports (All basketball, wrestling) in "Register my Athlete" and fees paid in the office. Cadets will not be able to try out until their registration is complete (physical uploaded, all documents signed, fees paid).
- e. All sports fees will now be paid in the front office and NOT on Register my Athlete. Please pay at the front office and specify which sport you are paying for.
- f. Fees for sports and activities MUST be paid or a payment plan set up at the front office prior to the first game of the season and all fees should be paid off by the end of the regular season and in advance of the postseason. Any cadet not paying for one sport or activity will be ineligible to do the next sport or activity until that is settled. At present, any Cadets expecting to play basketball or wrestling who have not paid for current or recently ended sports or activities are ineligible until all their sports and activity fees are current.

13. COVID-19 Clarification - There seems to be confusion about when cadets should quarantine after being exposed to the coronavirus.

- If you have **symptoms** of the virus you should self-isolate and get tested. **DO NOT** come to school until you have received the results of your test.
- If you tested positive for COVID-19, you should isolate until your symptoms have gotten better and you are fever-free for 24 hours (*This means you did not use medicine to lower your fever.*) and it has been at least 10 days since you first got sick or tested positive.
- If **ANYONE** in your household is positive, **EVERYONE** must quarantine.
- If you are notified by the health department or other sources that you have been **exposed** (had contact of greater than 15 minutes with someone that tests positive, and no masks were worn) you **must quarantine**.
- You may return to school 14 days after being exposed unless you begin to exhibit symptoms, then you should get tested