



## Utah Military Academy – Camp Williams Campus

Parent Newsletter 4 Aug 2021

Back to School Edition

UMA Family,

Less than two weeks before the first day of school and still so much to do! We are excited to welcome back our cadets from last year and incredibly happy to have so many new cadets joining the UMA family. For those of you who are new, the newsletter goes out every Friday during the school year via email and then we put it all of them on the website – third tab from the left at the top of the page.

This is a special edition for back to school, but expect the first school year newsletter Aug 20.

1. PLEBE WEEK: For new cadets and families when we say “Plebe Week” we mean the first week of school. School starts August 16 and we will be on a half day schedule that week M-Th (0815-1230). Cadets should arrive as close to 0745 as possible on Monday for check in so we can get them to their first activity. The morning bus will be at the Lehi station at 0742. There will be two bus runs in the afternoon – one right after school and another at 1330. There is no school Friday.

\*\*Cadets should wear PT gear (black shorts and UMA T-shirt) for all of Plebe week. If your cadet does not have PT gear before the 16<sup>th</sup> please have him/her wear black gym shorts (no leggings) and any T-shirt. Cadets should wear comfortable running shoes.

\*\*If you would like to be a parent volunteer for Plebe Week please send an email to the commandant at [tbunko@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:tbunko@utahmilitaryacademy.org)

2. Daily Schedule: Because we had so many cadets tardy last year for first period we bumped the school start time to 0815. School schedule will now be 0815-1515 M-Th and 0815-1400 on Friday.

3. Seminary: For those cadets who are planning to take seminary this year, please reach out to Brandon Jones at [jonesb@churchofjesuschrist.org](mailto:jonesb@churchofjesuschrist.org) to get registered. We will not offer transportation from seminary to the school this year; however, cadets can register for an online option or they will have a before school session here at UMA. Again, we cannot provide

transportation to the school for this session, but the school will be open for parents to drop their cadets off early so they can attend.

**4. The Parent Involvement Committee is looking for volunteers to serve in a variety of roles for the coming school year. If you can help, please contact Kimberley Horinek at [kkhorinek@gmail.com](mailto:kkhorinek@gmail.com).**

5. Back to School Night: It's important for cadets and parents to attend back to school night Aug 10 from 6pm-8pm if at all possible. This is not an open house format. The agenda for the evening starts promptly at 6 in the cafeteria. We have a lot of information to go over in the two hour time block. We want to get your cadets off to the best start possible for the school year.

**6. CADET VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

- We need volunteers to help with set up and tear down for back to school night as well as cadets willing to man information tables for the activity fair at the end. This is intended to allow new cadets the opportunity to learn about the various programs and activities offered so they can sign up for things they are interested in.
- We need cadets for a marching formation for the Alpine Days parade Aug 14. Cadets will be marching at ease so they can throw candy to the spectators.

**7. Uniforms:**

1. If you are returning cadet and your uniforms still fit, you do not need to replace those uniforms. If you need to swap your uniforms for a different size you will need to arrange a time to come in and swap those out. You should email MSG Graham [mgraham@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:mgraham@utahmilitaryacademy.org) and/or Ms Snyder at [asnyder@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:asnyder@utahmilitaryacademy.org).

2. Dress Blues are being issued to all returning and new cadets. They are being issued by appointment only. Emails are going out by grade starting with the seniors and working through to the lower grades. Blues issue will likely not be complete until well into September. Cadets will wear their choice of the polo shirt or oxford shirt on Wednesdays until they are told to start wearing the blues.

3. If you are a new cadet you will have two uniform appointments – one for soft uniforms and ABUs and another for dress blues. For the first, you should reserve a slot at this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f4ea8af28a3fa7-newcadets1> . We will add appointment slots as we have more available so continue to check back if you can't get one immediately. For the second, you will receive an email from MSgt Sater. He is sending out appointments by grade. Seniors and Juniors should have already received an email. If not, please email MSgt Sater at [ksater@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:ksater@utahmilitaryacademy.org). Other grades please stand by until you receive an email. Please see note above about Wednesday dress code until blues are available.

8. Class Schedules: Please use the following forms to request classes -

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1BiLlcDFI31zhIYRA4ST\\_PfAYNGtz97LwOXuyAYt3wFw/edit?ts=610ae0d8](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1BiLlcDFI31zhIYRA4ST_PfAYNGtz97LwOXuyAYt3wFw/edit?ts=610ae0d8)

9<sup>th</sup> grade:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1V8Tn0l5cJ1scYTZ96rnsa1pOcpMHLgTepsI5jR--DhM/edit?ts=610afb15>

10<sup>th</sup> grade:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1sCi3QFHDdD0nk-\\_1z4KI88ygjNtFTVnWQa6nxSHmXJw/edit?ts=610afae0](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1sCi3QFHDdD0nk-_1z4KI88ygjNtFTVnWQa6nxSHmXJw/edit?ts=610afae0)

11<sup>th</sup> grade:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1GNixUrjCnzP57IQBMmRvMLEYhfodgTCGkmL0vk9lUHc/edit?ts=610afb66>

12<sup>th</sup> grade:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Qz7YXC3sQHjzUu44dsY41cZZaF47YqAEFYU3VqWcEHk/edit?ts=610afbad>

If you have problems accessing the forms, have questions, or you want to meet with a counselor, please call the front office 385-498-6167 to make an appointment.

9. Reminder on the uniform schedule and rules: After Plebe Week the uniform schedule is as follows -

M – soft uniform (khakis and either the oxford or the polo shirt)

Tue – ABUs

Wed – soft uniform (khakis and either the oxford or the polo shirt) OR blues if you have them

Thu- ABUs

Fri – soft uniform or spirit gear (khakis with oxford/polo OR UMA Marauder team or fan gear)

For a complete guide to uniform wear, please refer to the cadet guide at this link:

<https://vahara-o2-public.s3.amazonaws.com/media/50630/2020-2021-UMA-CW-Cadet-Guide--18-Sep-2020.pdf>

If you would like to purchase Marauder fan gear you may do so here:

<https://apparelnow.com/uma-marauder-gear-apparel>

10. Varsity Letter jackets are now available on our athletics site at

<https://www.lettercustom.com/product/uma/>. Cadets will have to mail their varsity letter to the company to have it put on the jacket.

11. Athletics: Depending on cadet interest we will have cross country, baseball, girls volleyball and girls soccer in the fall. If we can get a coach, we will also offer boys volleyball. If you have questions about the sports programs, please contact the athletic director at [mgraham@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:mgraham@utahmilitaryacademy.org).

12. Last note – everyone except the front office staff (Ms Wagaman and Ms Hiatt) will be in mandatory training all day every day next week. The front office will be open 8am-3pm for enrollment and other help and most of the faculty and staff will remain at the school after training Tuesday for Back to School Night.

Thanks for everything you're doing and see you soon!

-Your Utah Military Academy Staff