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1. **Fees:** All Fees should be paid in full, or you need to have a payment plan or a fee waiver on file. You can find Payment Plans [HERE](#), Fee Waivers [HERE](#), Link to pay your Fees [HERE](#)
2. **Lunch:** All Lunch Balances should be paid in Full, or you should have a Lunch Waiver on File. The free lunch program was extended, BUT IT COULD RUN OUT AT ANY TIME. If you want to be sure to keep your free lunch all year long, please complete a waiver, so that it will automatically kick in if needed. If the free lunch program ends, and you don't have a current waiver on file, you will be charged for lunch. You can find the lunch waiver [HERE](#)
3. **Uniforms:** If you weren't able to get scheduled for a uniform appointment, please have your cadet come to school in their soft uniform each day UNTIL they are outfitted with their military uniform during their JROTC/Military Awareness class during the first two weeks of school.
4. **Class Schedule Changes:** Schedules were handed out during Plebe week, or can be found on Aspire. Schedule change request forms will be accepted from 8/23 through 2pm on 8/27. Schedule changes requested **after 8/27** will be accommodated at the counselors' discretion and require a \$10 schedule change fee. The fee must be paid at the time of the request. [High School Request form](#) and [Junior High Request forms](#) are available online, or in the front office on 8/23 (before and after school or between classes only).
5. **UTA Passes:** UTA Passes are available in the front office for \$145. You must have them paid for in full, and the contract signed by both Cadet and Parent in order to get one.
6. **UTA Trax Run:** UMA does a bus run each day to the Roy Train station. School starts at 0815. We pick up from Trax Station at 730 AM and Depart Train Station at 750 AM Monday - Friday Morning. To Go home we leave UMA at 330 PM and again at 430 PM Monday-Thursday. Due to Friday being a short day we only have one bus to the train which leaves UMA At 2:15

7. **Back to School Night:** Wednesday September 1st from 5-8 pm will be our Back to School Night/ Open House. This will be a night of food trucks, carnival games, information about the many clubs, teams, and activities at UMA, and a chance to ask questions of teachers, counselors and staff (as well as see the building if you haven't already). It is also a great recruiting time, so bring friends and family to check out UMA. The Carnival Games and water will be free, with costs for Food Trucks.
8. **Logistics Extended Hours:** For the first two weeks of school ONLY, Logistics will be open Tuesday-Thursday from 1515 to 1615. After that, normal days and hours will be Tuesday and Wednesday from 1515-1600.
9. **Boots and Shoes:** Boots and are on order. If you are waiting for boots to arrive, your cadet is authorized to wear school-approved soft uniform shoes in ABUs until boots come in. Boot arrival will be announced in formation. The black shoes for 7th graders are also on order, they may wear tennis shoes with their uniform until the shoes arrive.
10. **Uniform/Hair/Nail Standards:** A couple of reminders to help your cadets avoid uniform infractions-Tan slacks for Monday and Friday cannot be skinny jeans or joggers. Please make sure that your cadet has slacks that fit. Also, please see the Cadet Code of Conduct **BEFORE** you allow your cadet to color their hair or you pay for your cadet to have a long set of acrylic nails. Neither of these are allowed and your cadet immediately has to have them removed/or redone.
11. **Competition Ranger and Drill Team Tryouts:** Any 8th -12th grade cadet can try out for the competitive Ranger and Drill Teams.
  - a. Ranger Tryouts: Monday 23 Aug and Tuesday 24 Aug from 1515-1630.
  - b. Drill Team Tryouts Armed and Unarmed):
    - i. Unarmed Drill Tryouts are Wednesday 25 Aug from 1515-1630.
    - ii. Armed Drill Tryouts are Thursday 26 Aug from 1515-1630.
12. **Scholarship, Most Valuable Student (MVS) Contest:**
  - a. The 2022 MVS application is now open. Applications can be found online at [enf.elks.org/MVS](http://enf.elks.org/MVS). The application deadline is November 15, 2021.
  - b. The Elks National Foundation (ENF) awards 500 four-year scholarships based on academics, leadership, and financial need. National awards range from \$1,000 per year to \$12,500 per year. The national awards will be announced in April 2022.
  - c. MVS scholarships are for students pursuing a four-year degree on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 semester hours), at a U.S. college or university next school year. Some important applicant details include:
  - d. Current high school seniors (or equivalent) who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.
  - e. Applicants do not have to be related to a member of the Elks.
  - f. Male and female students compete separately.
  - g. Applicants select from a list of the Lodges closest to their home address zip code. Please have your students choose Golden Spike Lodge #719 as their sponsoring Lodge. Complete details can be found at: [enf.elks.org/MVS](http://enf.elks.org/MVS)

- h. The Utah Elks Association, is also offering a scholarship for high school seniors planning on a technical or vocational education or students with special needs. Alternative/Vocational applications are due to me by 6:00 p.m. on January 31, 2022. I have attached a copy of the alternative/vocational scholarship application for your use. Please feel free to make copies and distribute them to the appropriate students.

**13. TEAM Time:** Team Time is UMA's great extra curricular program. Along with sports practices, there are a number of clubs and activities that happen almost every day after school. There are limited activities on Monday and especially Friday. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursdays are full of activities. TEAM runs from 315pm to 430pm. On Monday we will have MMA, Ham Radio, Archery, Marksmanship. We are finalizing the list for the rest of the week, and it should be posted on the website by Monday afternoon at the latest. Reminder, if your cadet is not participating in any of the activities, they need to go home immediately after school. There are two bus runs, one after school and one at the end of TEAM time at 430pm.

**14. Monthly Newspaper:** If you missed August's Edition of the UMA Times, you can find that on our website under the Newsletter tab>UMA Newspaper! Also linked [HERE](#)