



Utah Military Academy – Camp Williams Campus

Parent Newsletter 5 Nov 2021

UMA Family,

We need your help! Admin and teachers have noticed a trend where the classes are starting to smell pretty bad. As the weather worsens and we are all stuck indoors together this is probably going to get worse if we don't take some actions now. We understand some cadets have fitness classes throughout the day and cannot shower, but we need your help with things they can do: shower and brush their teeth regularly at home, bring deodorant to school and use it after any fitness classes, regularly launder their uniforms, and perhaps bring a spare tan T-shirt that they can change into if they work out in their ABUs. They can also bring baby wipes or small bottles of Febreze fabric refresher to keep in their lockers or in their backpacks.

For the female cadets, they should bring feminine hygiene products and perhaps a change of clothes to put in their locker for emergencies.

Our teachers will also be addressing some of this, along with mutual respect and respectful communication, in flight next week. We know this age can be tough for hygiene habits, but we appreciate anything you can do to help!

Items for this week:

1. ATHLETICS

Varsity Letters: If you earned a varsity letter for fall sports your coach will give that to you. If you already have a letter, you will receive a pin for your sport. If you lettered and you would like to purchase a letter jacket, the link to do so is on our athletics page at www.marauderathletics.com under the "more" tab.

Cross Country Schedule:

WINTER SPORTS: If you plan to participate in a sport you must be registered in REGISTER MY ATHLETE. Go to our Marauder's athletics page at <https://marauderathletics.com/> and click on "register an athlete." You'll also need a **sports physical completed by Nov 8**. If you have a physical from fall sports, you don't need another one.

High School Boys Basketball tryouts are Nov 8 at 3:30. Eligibility is determined by first term grades (Overall GPA 2.0, only 1 "F" allowed to play)! If you have any questions, please contact Coach Taylor at jtaylor@utahmilitaryacademy.org. Players are also covering concessions at BYU for fundraisers for the games on October 30 and November 6. If your cadet is planning to play, please have them help with concessions so we can keep our costs down.

High School Girls Basketball tryouts are Nov 8 at 5:30. Eligibility is determined by first term grades (Overall GPA 2.0, only 1 "F" allowed to play).

Wrestling tryouts for both the girls and boys teams are Nov 8th and 9th from 4:30-6:30.

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Soccer will resume next week with practices Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:30-6:00 in the cafeteria. Tennis shoes, Shin Guards, and a Water Bottle are required. No cleats or boots allowed.

2. UPCOMING SCHOOL CLOSURES:

- Thanksgiving Break 22-26 NOV

- Winter Break 18 Dec – 2 Jan

3. JOB OPPORTUNITIES: Ready to Teach is not keeping up with the demand for subs, therefore we are creating our own pool of subs we can contact when the need arises. If you are certified to substitute teach – or are willing to get certified – please call the front office at 385-498-6167. We might also have some full time opportunities opening up, so if you're interested in working at the school please contact Darren Beck at dbeck@utahmilitaryacademy.org

4. Alpha Flight will be hosting a donation drive for The Road Home that will run from NOV 1st-DECEMBER 1st. The Road Home is a private nonprofit social services agency that assists individuals and families experiencing homelessness in Salt Lake County and along the Wasatch Front. The Road Home team works with individuals and families, each step of the way to help them overcome their homelessness and move back into a home of their own. Alpha flight will be donating items to the Midvale Family Center.

Needs list: towels, men's clothing and underwear, face masks, ethnic hair & skin products, 3x+ size clothing, maternity clothing, bras, women's hygiene products, baby lotion/shampoo, diapers (especially size 5 & 6), baby wipes, diaper cream, full-size hygiene products, pack & plays, strollers, twin-size sheets, non-perishable foods, new car seats, new sippy cups/bottles, and new pillows.

We ask that all donations be clean and in good condition when they are donated, ex. clothing items are washed prior to donation, hygiene items are new. Donation boxes will be in the main foyer across from the office. Thank you for supporting your local community!

5. SCHOLARSHIPS:

Sign up at Complete Scholarship to be matched to local scholarships:

<https://completescholarships.org/>

Sign up at Keys to Success to be matched to scholarships, internships and other opportunities that match your career interests: <https://www.ktsutah.org/>

The Mary Kawakami Scholarship Speech Contest (\$100-\$1000) is open to Jr High and High School students in North Utah County. More information at

<https://americanforkarts.com/speechcontest/>

Seniors: College Discovered Scholarship is open until Jan 31 and awards \$5000.

<https://www.discover.com/student-loans/college-planning/scholarships/award>

Seniors: The Cola-Cola scholarship is open until Oct 31 and awards \$20000:

<https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/>

6. UMA is excited to bring back the **legislative internship program** for this year! This is a great resume' builder and a great experience for our cadets! **Cadets who are interested should sign up at the office** and will be required to attend several live zoom online events to compete for selection. More information on the dates and times of these events will be released when available.

7. **The next credit recovery session for seniors is Nov 13.**

8. **Saturday School is by invitation only.** If your cadet is on the list of recommended attendees, you will receive an email from Mr Beck.

9. We are again low on green fleece jackets. We've given all but a few size small jackets out. We expect to get more soon. In the meantime cadets who do not have a green fleece can wear the black one if they have it or the black UMA windbreaker. **Cadets are also authorized to put layers UNDER their uniforms.** A black, white or tan long sleeve T-shirt or thermal can be worn under the oxford or polo and a sand color (tan) base layer thermal or long sleeve T-shirt can be worn under their ABUs.

10. **College and Career Night is Dec 10 2:30-6pm!** This event is for JUNIORS AND SENIORS ONLY and will include information on filling out your FAFSA application, which is required for many state and federal scholarship opportunities. Cadets should bring their chromebooks or personal laptops to the event. If you have questions, please contact the school counselor Mr Jonas Boateng at jboateng@utahmilitaryacademy.org.

11. **Lost and Found items are on a table outside of the gym and will be there until Nov 12. After that we will donate anything left to charity. Please encourage your cadets to recover their items as soon as possible.**

12. **High School Winter Ball will be Jan 8 from 7-11pm.** This is a semi-formal event and is WWII/1940s themed. Time period attire is encouraged, but not mandatory. Members of the

Utah Battlin' Betties will host a team time lesson for girls who wish to learn how to do 1940s makeup and hairstyles and we plan to offer a few beginner swing dance lessons for the cadets as well! More information to follow as we confirm dates for the lessons. If you would like to volunteer to help with the event, please contact Ms Bobadillo at nacde@utahmilitaryacademy.org.

Thank you all and have a great weekend!

-Your Utah Military Academy Staff