

Union City Cyber Academy Cyber Update
Monday, November 14, 2022

Good afternoon, Union City Cyber Academy Students & Families!

I want to start by telling you, cyber students, that we are **proud of you**. We are proud of you for your hard work during the first quarter, for participating in our daily check-ins with Mr. Bowes, and for starting off Quarter 2 strong. Remember: **We are here for you!** Our UCASD guidance counselors and principals and your WCSD cyber teachers are rooting for you and here to support you. Please communicate with your teachers - let them know when you're struggling or need extra help; their contact information is featured on the homepage for each individual course in the Buzz Portal. Reach out to your counselors for additional support, to discuss scheduling needs, and to work through any challenges you might have during your online coursework journey. That's what we're all here for!

I wanted to move into our third week of the quarter with a few important reminders and updates. As always, check our [Union City Cyber Academy webpage](#) on the "Schools" dropdown on the district website for this and many other updates that are posted throughout the year. Once you review this information, please reach out to one of our team members if you have any questions!

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK, Bears!

Mrs. Stacey Dell

Make-Up/Retake Picture Days - THIS WEEK!

- Elementary School - **Make-Up/Retake Day: November 17, 2022** - If you plan to attend, please contact Mrs. Klus (pklus@ucasd.org) at the elementary school office at (814) 438-7611 to set-up your time. If you participated in the original Picture Day and did not receive your pictures, please contact Mrs. Klus for arrangements.
- Middle School & High School - **Make-Up/Retake Day: November 16, 2022** - If you plan to attend, please arrive at the middle/high school between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on November 16. Check in with Mrs. Reynolds in the Main Office, and proceed to get your picture taken. If you participated in the original Picture Day and did not receive your pictures, please let Mrs. Reynolds know.
- Ordering information is in the original emails about Picture Day in September. Reach out to your building secretary for help or more information!

Zoom Attendance & Cyber Academy Handbook

Don't forget: Students are required to Zoom with Mr. Bowes daily for attendance purposes. The current Zoom link is featured here: [2022-2023 Union City Cyber Academy Attendance](#). Note: This link is shareable/accessible only to UCASD students when logged into their UCASD accounts. Check the [2022-2023 Union City Cyber Academy Handbook](#) for important reminders regarding attendance procedures, turning in excuses for absences, and more.

Quarter 1 Report Cards

Keep your eyes peeled for your Quarter 1 report cards, which were finalized on Friday and are being mailed to cyber families this week. Students who are part-time will be given their report cards when on-campus, and all full-time students' report cards are mailed home directly. If you receive your report card and have ANY questions, it is imperative that you reach out to your guidance counselor:

- Elementary School: Ed McMahan - emcmahan@ucasd.org
- Middle School: Joe Anthony - janthony@ucasd.org
- High School: Anne Conti - aconti@ucasd.org

Your guidance counselors work with the building secretaries to finalize your report cards, so please direct any questions you may have about your grades/your child's grades to your counselor. As always, continue to communicate with your teachers at Warren regarding your progress in your classes.

Grades for all classes were pulled on November 3. Anything that was submitted after 11:59 p.m. on November 2 **did not get graded** and **did not count** toward your Quarter 1 grade. Be mindful of due dates and deadlines in the Buzz Portal as you continue to progress through your coursework. The next quarter ends on January 19, 2023; all work must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. that evening. The third quarter begins on January 20, 2023.

You've likely noticed that all MS/HS electives are continuous courses that end at the conclusion of the semester, instead of the quarter. Because of this, your grades were still pulled for your electives and all other courses based on the assignments you've completed and grades you earned up through the end of the first quarter (November 2). Any work completed after November 2 at 11:59 p.m. did not count toward your Quarter 1 grade and will, instead, be part of your Quarter 2 grade. This simply means that you continue working on the coursework for your electives just as you do for your core classes based on the deadlines and due dates provided to you by your teachers at Warren; just know that your coursework doesn't "end" for those electives until the end of the semester. ***Pay attention and adhere to due dates and deadlines in order to keep up with the pace of the course and to avoid falling behind.***

In-Person Afterschool Tutoring Program for Middle/High School Students (Grades 6-12)

Our Union City Cyber Academy students are welcome and encouraged to participate in our new, in-person, afterschool tutoring program, in which content area teachers stay after school from 2:50-3:50 Monday through Thursday each week to provide 1:1 help and support to students. I have attached a copy of the permission slip for you from Mr. Shrout and Mr. Keefer. The form includes specific details about the program as well as which content area teachers are available which days.

- If you are a parent/guardian and want your cyber student to participate in this program, please review the attached information thoroughly and reach out to Mr. Keefer/Ms. Conti (high school) or Mr. Shrout/Mr. Anthony (middle school) if you'd like him/her to participate. You are welcome to pick up a copy of permission slip at our MS/HS offices during business hours (7:30-3:30), or you can submit your permission slip to the principal/counselor directly via email using the form below.
- If you are a student who would like to sign up to attend these sessions, simply reach out to your guidance counselor and work with your parent/guardian to get the attached permission slip returned in-person or via email.

If you have questions about this program or need assistance with completing the permission slip, your guidance counselors are happy to help!
