

January 22, 2018
ALTA HIGH SCHOOL
WEEKLY PARENT MEMO



"We are an inclusive learning community with a tradition of inspiring, supporting, and collaborating with students as they prepare to be engaged citizens in their pursuit of continuous success."

Alta Hawks . . . SOAR

NEWS AND INFORMATION

- Today is our monthly **School Community Council (SCC) meeting** in the Media Center at 3:30pm. Notes and agendas for this important meeting are posted on our website. We appreciate the community support, as we work together to reach our School Improvement Goals and provide a supportive learning environment for our students.
- It was an exciting week for our **Drill and Cheer teams**. Both competed in Regionals and are advancing to the upcoming State competitions: Cheer on January 27th at SLCC; and Drill on February 3rd at UVU.
Go Hawks!!!
- Parents: **Does your student still have an NG on their Skyward for first or second quarter?** If so, please encourage them to come into the attendance office so we can support them in making it up. **Thank you for your support at home**, our students are attending more consistently this year!
- **Attention Juniors and Seniors!** If you are proficient in both **English and a World Language**, you may apply for the Seal of Biliteracy; a seal that is placed on your transcript and diploma. In order to earn this seal, you will need to fill out an application by **Thursday, January 25th**, and then take the AAPPL test. If you have questions, or want more information, see Mrs. Brown in the Counseling Center.
- **Parents of JUNIORS:** This year, the state has added a college day for JUNIORS on **Friday, February 2nd from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**, juniors will be released from class to attend college presentations. The students will be able to attend informative presentations from various schools across the state.
- Parents: Have you heard of our **outstanding AP ART HISTORY Class?**

Alta was one of the first 3 high schools in Utah to offer AP Art History. AP Art History is a class where students learn about world history by studying the artists and architects of each time and place. Students will learn to analyze works of art as they learn how the political, social and economic climates of an era influenced the artists of the time. AP Art History is truly a class that will change the way students look at the world around them, and give them a lifelong interest in travel and the arts.

AP Art History counts for a year of art credit towards graduation. **No art background or artistic ability are required** for this course, **just enthusiasm and a thirst for knowledge.** Students who have never taken an AP class or considered themselves to be 'AP-type students' can be successful in AP Art History. **Over years Alta has built the largest AP Art History program in the state of Utah, a program that is nationally recognized by the College Board to be one of the strongest in the nation.** Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity; register for AP Art History when arena scheduling opens! (*See the attached flier for more information*)

- All boys interested in trying out for the **Men's Soccer team** this spring please plan on coming to sign up and information meeting after school on **Wednesday, January 24th at 2:30 pm** in room 2121 (Coach Hyer's room).
- Attention Athletes – If you will be signing up for **Baseball Open Gym**, you will need to stop by the main office to pick up the District "Form B". It will need to be filled out and then returned to the main office along with the \$35 fee. The first day is **Monday, January 20th from 7:00-9:00 pm**. Go Hawks!
- The **National Math Contest** will be held on **February 7th** after school. If you are interested in competing see Mr. Clyde in Rm 2124 for more details.
- It is highly recommended that **9th graders who want to play football next fall** take Power Lifting 7th period. If you are a **Sophomore or Junior** and want to play football next fall, we encourage you to get into Power Lifting 3rd period next semester. See **Coach Teo** if you have any questions.
- **Extra Support.** Parents, if your child needs additional academic support, please encourage them to attend **Engagement Time** held every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings **from 7:10-7:40am**. All teachers are in their rooms during this time specifically to help students.
- There is also free **Tutoring** available after school for all students:
 - **Need help with Math?** Math/Computer Lab is available **every day after school from 2:30-4:00PM!** *Check the JANUARY calendar* posted in the hallways for daily room numbers!
 - **National Honor Society is offering TUTORING for all students** needing extra help in all subject areas. Every Tuesday from 2:45 to 3:45pm in room 2318 there will be NHS students ready to help with math, science, Language Arts and history questions.
 - **Need help with Physics & Chemistry?** Physics Tutoring is every **Tuesday and Thursday** from 2:30 – 4:00pm in **Room 1119** & check with your Chemistry teachers for dates and times.

WORK-BASED LEARNING INFORMATION

- **Canyons District Job Shadow Day** will be on **January 31st**. This is an incredible opportunity to spend a day observing a professional on the job to help you decide what career you would enjoy. **Seniors and Juniors may apply** with work-based learning in room 2117. Applications are due by FRIDAY!
- It's time for the **Sundance Film Festival**. On **Thursday January 25th**, Alta students have been invited to attend a screening in Salt Lake, and meet the producers for Q & A. If you are interested in going on this field trip please get your permissions form from Mrs. Jefferson in room #2117 or the Career Center #1940. Space is limited. Get your name on the list TODAY.

CTE & CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

- **Concurrent Enrollment Deadline is May 15, 2018!** If you are planning on taking a concurrent enrollment Math or English class next year (2018-2019), make sure that you sign-up for the class during the first scheduling window. You **cannot** add a concurrent enrollment Math or English class for Fall 2018 after May 15. Contact Mr. Leininger with any questions, matthew.leininger@canyonsdistrict.org or 801-826-5641.
- Any student interested in **Bioengineering**, or wants a **career building medical devices** needs to plan on attending the:

Medical Innovations Parent Information Night
 Tuesday, January 23, 2018
 Place: Jordan High School Tech. Atrium (Room 1051)
 Time: 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 Contact Mr. Leininger (matthew.leininger@canyonsdistrict.org, 801-826-5641) for more information!

PTSA INFORMATION

- All students who entered our PTSA Reflections competition will be invited to a pizza luncheon to celebrate their creative work towards the theme, ***“Within Reach” on January 30th***. Thank you **Natalie Gleave and the PTSA board** for your efforts in providing this opportunity for our students.
- **PTSA is filling positions for next school year’s board.** Please let Kirsten Davis know if you are interested kirstendavis@q.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 22 **School Community Council (SCC) Meeting, 3:30pm, LMC**
Boys 9th Basketball – Alta @ Provo, 5:00pm
Girls 9th Basketball – Skyline @ Alta, 5:30pm
- Jan 23 Girls Basketball – Alta @ Timpview, 7:00pm
- Jan 24 **Freshman Orientation, Commons/Auditorium, 6:00pm**
Girls 9th Basketball – Alta @ East, 5:30pm
- Jan 25 Boys 9th Basketball – Brighton @ Alta, 6:00pm
- Jan 26 **Diversity Assembly, Auditorium, 9:00am**
Girls 9th Basketball – Alta @ Corner Canyon, 5:30pm
Swimming Region Championships – South Davis Rec Center
- Jan 27 Cheer State Championships @ SLCC

Alta High School-Wide Expectations/Rules

Safe

Organized

Actively
Engaged

Respectful



Not able to come to an Alta Event?

We are trying to **stream** many of our Varsity Home Sporting events for your convenience. You can access this service online at: live.ksl.com