

April 9, 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."*

**\* Welcome Back Hawks \***

## NEWS AND INFORMATION

- We hope everyone enjoyed their **Spring Break** and were able to reconnect with family and friends. We have a full week ahead filled with sports, auditions, competitions in New York City, and **PROM** on Saturday night.
- Parents: Attached are flyers for the weekly & monthly classes offered for students and families this spring at **Canyons Family Center**. The Canyons Family Center **offers excellent classes** in anger management, drug prevention, working with challenges surrounding Autism & ADHD, parenting strategies, and how to deal with family transitions. This is a free service offered through the district on Tuesday evenings at Copperview Elementary. **Please see the attached flyers for more information.**
- **Report cards** are completed and uploaded to your **Skyward family access**. You can access them by clicking on the "student password/report cards/sage results" tab, then click on the Term 3 report card.
- Parents: We are having an **Apprenticeship Forum during Advisory on April 12<sup>th</sup>** in the Tech Atrium (room 1906). Industry professionals will share apprenticeship opportunities available. Please tell your students they can sign up in Room 2117 or the Career Center. It is open to ALL students and is a fantastic opportunity!
- **News from NEW YORK CITY**...Alta's music department was well represented in the Festival's awards ceremony this weekend taking home the **Festival Sweepstakes Award**. We also received invitations to next year's national competition in **NYC at Carnegie Hall**. Our band director, **Caleb Shabestari**, received an award for his directing. We are very proud of all the Hawks who represented Alta High well in this competition.
- **News from Boise**... Our **Robotics Team** made it to the **Semi-Finals** in the Alliance competition during the FIRST Robotics competition. The team showed great resilience and ingenuity as they worked through problems with their Bot to go as far as they did in the competition. **Congrats to all involved** and thank you coach **Ron Strohm** for sharing your expertise and time with the students.
- Alta High returned to the **Academic Decathlon competition** after an absence of several years. Alta's team consisted of three seniors: **Nate Brown, Stockton Smith, and Nate Anderson**. The team also had a solid junior class of **Weston Smith, Chloe Cadwell, and Riley Skinner**. The team let the state know we were back. **Out of 66 potential awards, Alta students achieved 41 total individual and team awards**. Top performer was junior Weston Smith who finished fourth among all competitors. Alta won awards in every event. Special thanks to **Mr. Ochoa** and all faculty members who assisted in team preparation. **Congratulations to the Academic Decathlon team!**

- Our **Winter Guard** completed their outstanding season over the break with their performance “Glitter in the Air”. This is a program that **is unique to Alta High in our district** in conjunction with our Marching Band and we appreciate the direction of head coach **Eva Robb!** Auditions for the Color Guard will be held this Thursday in the gym from 6:00-10:00pm for interested students.
- **Do you qualify for Arete?!** Find out on Alta’s website under the “Information” tab or in the student handbook. Crete applications can be printed from the school website or picked up in the Counseling Office. **Applications are due no later than Monday, April 16th.**
- The Alta library, under the direction of **Jenny Olsen**, just completed a fun-filled season of literary **March Madness**. Percy Jackson is our winner! Thanks to all those who entered brackets and voted. Our winners are: In 5th place, Brandon Rubio; 4th place, Jaeden Caporal; 3rd place, Braxton Cluff; 2nd place, Kat Schuller; and our grand prize Kindle Fire winner is Suzanne Clark. Our teacher winners are: 2nd place, Ms. DeVeny; and our winner is Mr. Thomas!
- Congratulations to **Vishwa Srinivasan!** Last week he won the **2018 Utah High School Chess Championship!** Way to go Vishwa!!!
- Our **Madrigals**, under the direction of **April Iund**, did very well in the Regionals Festival, receiving high enough scores to advance to the STATE festival in both solo and ensemble at the end of April.

#### **GRADUATION “Class of 2018” INFORMATION**

- **Parents of Seniors!** Please be aware that in order to be on track for graduation, you must comply with the following dates:
  - May 18<sup>th</sup>:** All make-up work (packets and online courses) must be completed and tests must be taken.
  - May 31<sup>st</sup> (“D day”):** Seniors must be passing all **current classes** and have all **NGs** made up. If not, counselors will let parents know their student is in jeopardy of not graduating.
- **Graduation Auditions** will be forthcoming, please mark your calendars for the following dates:
  - Graduation Musical Auditions: Tuesday, April 24th - Mrs. Raymond will have more info forthcoming
  - Graduation Speaker tryouts: Wednesday, April 25th- Mr. Ochoa will have more info forthcoming

#### **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](mailto:matthew.leininger@canyonsdistrict.org) or 801-826-5641.
- **Are you interested in a career in Elementary, Secondary or Special Education?** Attend the University of Utah Campus Education Day Field Trip on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Meet students, advisors and faculty in the college of Education. Lunch is provided. Sign up in the counseling center, the career center, or with Janet Jefferson in room 2117.
- **Sandy Chamber of Commerce Women in Business is awarding \$1,000 to an Alta Young Woman.** If you are a Junior girl interested in learning about business and participating in networking events, see Janet Jefferson in room 2117 to apply for this scholarship.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Apr 9            Football Spring Practice begins  
Boys Freshman Soccer, Skyline @ Alta, 4:00pm  
JV-Soph Baseball Double Header – Timpview @ Alta, 3:30pm
- Apr 10           Band/Choir/Theater return from New York City  
Baseball – Alta @ Brighton, 4:00pm  
Boys Tennis – Alta @ Jordan, 3:30pm  
Boys Soccer – Alta @ Timpview, 7:00pm  
Dance Company Audition Workshop, 2:30pm
- Apr 11            PTSA Board Meeting – Hawk Rock Café, 9:15am**  
Baseball – Brighton @ Alta, 4:00pm  
Boys Freshman Soccer – Hillcrest @ Cottonwood Hts, 4:00pm  
Track – Alta & Brighton @ Jordan, 3:30pm  
Girls Golf @ Pebblebrook  
Dance Company Auditions – 2:30pm  
Alta/Murray/Snow Band Concert – Auditorium, 7:00pm
- Apr 12           Boys Tennis – Corner Canyon @ Alta, 3:30pm  
Color Guard Auditions – Gym, 6:00pm  
Softball – Timpview @ Alta, 3:30pm
- Apr 13           Baseball – Alta @ Brighton, 4:00pm  
Boys Soccer – Jordan @ Alta, 3:30pm  
NETSMART ASSEMBLY, 9:00-11:00am  
Softball – Skyridge @ Alta, 3:30pm
- Apr 14            **Junior Prom – Rice Eccles Stadium, 7:00-10:00pm**  
JV-Soph Baseball Double Header – Alta @ Timpview, 11:00am

**Alta High  
School-Wide  
Expectations/Rules**

**S**afe

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