

May 14, 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."

"Living the Legacy"

NEWS AND INFORMATION

- Parents/Guardians: Looking for opportunities to help your student *build their knowledge and skills this summer?* **Check out the various summer workshops and camps available:**
 - Health Careers Summer Camp
 - Utah Business Week
 - Alta Robotics Camp
 - Creative Youth Workshops (Theater, Interior Design & Architecture, Online Video Production, Entrepreneurship)
 - Student Star Program (Communication, Teamwork, Life Skills, Business)
 - Biotechnology Summer Academy
 - SheTech Summer Internship Program (STEM for girls)
 - Woodworking & Engineering Workshop

Follow this link for information and registration: <http://ahs.canyonsdistrict.org/work-based-learning.html>

- **Parents/Guardians:** We want to make you aware that the popular **Netflix series 13 Reasons Why** will release Season 2 on May 18th. The first series generated substantial concern due to the sensitivity of topics covered including depression, sexual assault, and suicide.
The following link shares further information and considerations for students and parents planning on viewing Season 1 or Season 2: <http://www.nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources/school-safety-and-crisis/preventing-youth-suicide/13-reasons-why-netflix-series-considerations-for-educators/information-regarding-the-upcoming-release-of-13-reasons-why-season-2>

Netflix has also created a website for further information about the series, including resources and discussion guides: <https://13reasonswhy.info/> If you have further questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your student's counselor at 801-826-5620.

- The **scheduling window** will open for **incoming Seniors May 21 – June 1**. All other incoming grades will be open May 28-June 1. Skyward will randomly create a schedule for all students. You will need to log into your Skyward to make sure you have all eight periods filled and your required courses are scheduled. You will be able to make changes based on availability. If you were accepted into an audition course and it is not showing in your schedule, please check with the registrar.

- **Please encourage your students to take care of any NG grades as soon as possible.** Our incredible Attendance secretaries (Jeri Rogers, Lainee West, & Kelly Nixon) are more than willing to answer any of your questions and are working hard with each individual student. Please look over the entire school year and make certain that ALL NG-grades for the year have been taken care of. It is vital to clear these and there are **many options** to do that! Get **ORGANIZED** Hawks and take the time now to avoid problems later (*see the attached schedule for the last HAWK STUDY HALL of the year*).
- Please note that the **construction fence** has been installed around the visitor parking lot on the northeast corner of Alta High School. By Monday morning the visitor parking lot and drop off area will be behind the construction fence. **This means that this area is off limits to ALL traffic.** After Monday, May 14th, until the end of the school year, the bus circle will be used for student drop off and pick up. Please work with the school buses in the bus circle, especially in the afternoon. Thank you for your cooperation as we begin the three-year renovation project at Alta High School.
- Congratulations to **Salma Perez Rios** who won **second place in the Draper Visual Arts Foundation.** She received a Draper Visual Arts Foundation Art Scholarship! Way to go!
- **Want an alternative way for your child to get their Driver License?** Will you be at least 16 before next December 31st? Go to the Main Office and register for the summer school class. The cost is less than half of taking it privately and it's done here at Alta High School in an air-conditioned room. Don't hesitate. Classes filled last summer and we expect the same this year.
- **Extra Support.** 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, or Biology?** Physics Tutoring is every **Tuesday and Thursday** from 2:30 – 4:00pm in **Room 1119** & check with your Chemistry & Biology teachers for dates and times.
- **SAGE and AP testing will be held for various classes this week.** As a faculty and administration, we are excited for this opportunity for our students to **SHOW WHAT THEY KNOW.** **We have outstanding students here at Alta High School** and we want them to do the very best they can on these tests. We'd appreciate **parental support** to make sure they are prepared for the test days with plenty of sleep and encouragement. **Go Hawks!**

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 18th:** All make-up work (packets and online courses) must be completed and tests must be taken.
 - May 31st (“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.
- The list of **graduation cords** which have been earned is posed on the windows outside the Main Office. The cost is \$6.00 per cord. We will begin selling the cords today in the Main Office.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED & BE **ACTIVELY ENGAGED** at ALTA

- It's time to start thinking about participating in **Chalk the Walk!** This year's theme is Surrealism. Pick up an entry form from one of the art teachers. Entry forms are due by **Wednesday, May 16th**. The event is on May 25th.
- Attention Students: If you are interested in forming a **new club at Alta High School, for the 2018-2019** school year, now is the time to prepare. Come to the attendance office to pick up a **new club application** packet. Then return the completed packet to the attendance office. In order to start a new club you need to have a club advisor and 7 members. Alta, all current clubs desiring to be recognized for the 2018-2019 school year need to renew their club. See your club advisor for the renewal application.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 14	SAGE Testing ALL Week Girls Golf State Championship @ Glenmoor AP Testing: AM – Biology PM – Music Theory
May 15	Girls Golf State Championship @ Glenmoor Boys Lacrosse Game Softball – 1 st Round of State Playoffs AP Testing: AM – Calculus BC PM – French
May 16	Boys Freshman Soccer Semi's @ Cottonwood Heights, 4:00pm Boys Soccer State Playoffs – Round 1 Special Education Sports Day – Stadium, 8:00-12:00noon AP Testing: AM –English Lang PM - Macroeconomics
May 17	Boys Freshman Soccer Finals @ Cottonwood Heights, 4:00pm Softball – 2 nd Round of State Playoffs <i>PTSA Board Appreciation Dinner, Rm 1906, 6:00pm</i> AP Testing: AM – Comp Gov & World History PM - Statistics
May 18	Student Directed One Act Plays – Auditorium, 7:00pm Community Movie Night – Stadium, 7:00pm Boys Soccer State Playoffs – Round 2 Track State Championships @ BYU, 7:00am Boys Tennis State Championships @ Liberty Park, 8:00am AP Testing: AM – Human Geography & Microeconomics PM – Euro History
May 19	Track State Championships @ BYU, 7:00am Boys Tennis State Championships @ Liberty Park, 8:00am <i>Girls Pref Dance – Commons, 7:00-10:00pm</i>

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

Safe

Organized

Actively Engaged

Respectful

