



Week of March 8th, 2021

## Alta High School

#### Soar to a New ALTAtude

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.

- ✓ ACT Day Alta's 11<sup>th</sup> grade students take the ACT on Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Juniors should arrive to Alta at 7:00am. All other students cannot be on campus until the conclusion of the ACT at 11:50am. No classes will be held on this day. Tuesday afternoon will be reserved for teacher consultation time, as needed. For more details, a copy of the letter mailed to all Alta families about ACT Day can be found on page 5.
- ✓ End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter March 19<sup>th</sup> is the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. Student are encouraged to take advantage of times available to meet with teachers:

  Monday-Thursday 7:10-7:40am and Friday mornings. Also, both in person and virtual math tutoring is available Monday-Thursday after school or by appointment with individual tutors. Please see the Alta High Tutoring Webpage for more information about this and other tutoring opportunities.
- ✓ Registering for Next Year's Classes Counselors have been working with students to register them for their 2021-2022 courses. If your student did not receive registration information in class, it is available on the <u>Counseling Center website</u>. Students must choose 8 credits worth of courses and complete the registration process and return their completed course cards to the Counseling Center by Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ Class of 2021 Graduation Ceremonies A copy of the letter with details about this spring's graduation ceremonies can be found on pages 6 and 7. Please note important dates and deadlines. Applications for department cords, which can be worn at graduation, are now available. Students can find them on Alta's website or pick up a paper application in the Career Center, room 1940. Return completed applications to individual departments no later than Friday, March 26th by 3:00 pm. Students who need transcripts for applications can order them on the Parchment webpage.
- ✓ Dance Company Concert Alta Dance Company Concert will be next week and tickets are on sale now! See page 8 for details.
- ✓ Alta Blankets are Back! The Alta PTSA are once again selling Alta the popular Alta blankets. See page 9 for a visual and order yours here!
- ✓ **Hawk Stash** The Alta Hawk Stash is open after school on Thursdays in room 1110. Students and family members can also visit either the Counseling Center or Attendance Office to access the Hawk Stash during any other school operating hours.
- ✓ Scholarship Opportunity Seniors: We have a great scholarship opportunity for you. The Canyons Education Foundation is offering two different scholarships for Alta Seniors The Bright Star Scholarship for any senior who has shown improvement or exemplary effort in working toward post-secondary education and the Rising Star Scholarship which is for a student who has risen above difficult circumstances. The application deadline is March 23<sup>rd</sup> to Mrs. Scheffner in the Alta Counseling Center. Don't miss out on this opportunity!
- ✓ Virtual Healthcare Career Experience: Students can learn about a variety of Healthcare careers through the Wasatch Front Health Science
  Partnership Virtual Health Career Day. Join us in the Library during Advisory any Tuesday or Wednesday in February or watch the videos on your
  own. Return the completed Exit Ticket to Janet Jefferson in room 2117 for a prize and to be entered in a drawing.
  <a href="https://sites.google.com/murrayschools.org/virtualhealthcarecareerday/home">https://sites.google.com/murrayschools.org/virtualhealthcarecareerday/home</a>
- ✓ SheTech Registration is open now. The SheTech Virtual Summit is in collaboration and partnership with STEM teachers, technology companies, government officials and education leaders. Students compete in the Tech Challenge, interact with mentors in live mentoring sessions, engage on collaborative workshops and activate their interest in STEM. Register to secure your spot for SheTech Summit 2021: <a href="https://shetechexplorer.com/">https://shetechexplorer.com/</a>
- ✓ **Hawkeye, Alta Student News** Visit <u>The Hawkeye website</u> for student-written stories about Alta High School. The latest additions are on the topics of the upcoming Dance Company Concert, Alta's new School Resource Officer, ACT Day and much more!
- ✓ **Keys to Success** Students, don't forget to apply for the Keys to Success app online to register an account. You have the opportunity to be awarded a scholarship for college or obtain an internship! So much good information here for you!



Monday, March 8th Test to Play — Athletic/Activity COVID-19 Testing in the Hawk Field House

> 7:00am, Baseball 2:30pm, Ballroom & Dance Co 7:10am, ProStart 2:40pm, Boys Lacrosse 7:20am, Debate & Cheer 2:50pm, Girls Lacrosse 7:30am, Boys Tennis 3:00pm, Madrigals

Boys Tennis Tournament

12:00pm, Alta Tennis Courts

Tuesday, March 9th ACT Exam for 11th Grade Students

Special School Schedule (See page 5)

Boys Soccer Game vs Hunter

3:30pm, Alta Soccer Field

Girls Lacrosse Game vs Corner Canyon

7:00pm, Alta Stadium

Baseball Game Wednesday, March 10th

3:00pm, Olympus High School

Sophomore Baseball Double Header vs Olympus

3:00pm, Alta Baseball Field

Softball Game

3:30pm, Taylorsville High School

Boys 9-10 Soccer Game vs Brighton Thursday, March 11th

3:30pm, Alta Soccer Field

Softball Game

3:30pm, Viewmont High School

Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> Girls Golf Tournament

10:00am, Glenmoor Golf Course

**5A State Debate Tournament** 

3:00pm, Online Competition

Baseball Game

3:00pm, Taylorsville High School

Boys Soccer Game vs Green Canyon

3:30pm, Alta Soccer Field

Sophomore Baseball Game vs Taylorsville

4:00pm, Alta Baseball Field

Girls Lacrosse Game vs Brighton

7:00pm, Alta Stadium

**Boys Lacrosse Game** 

7:00pm, Brighton High School

**5A State Debate Tournament** 

3:00pm, Online Competition

Winter Drumline Competition

6:00pm, Summit Academy High School

Saturday, March 13th



Semana del 8 de marzo de 2021

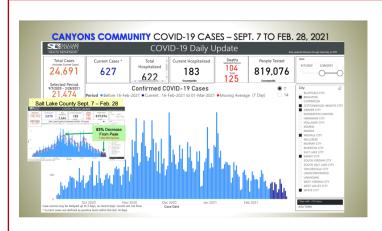
### Escuela Secundaria Alta

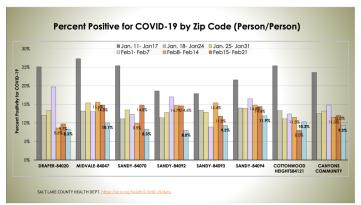
#### Vuela a una nueva ALTAtude

Nosotros somos una comunidad con un ambiente inclusivo de aprendizaje que tiene como tradición inspirar, apoyar, y colaborar con los estudiantes en su preparación para convertirse en residentes dedicados a la búsqueda continua del éxito.

- ✓ ACT Day Los estudiantes de 11 ° grado de Alta toman el ACT el martes 9 de marzo. Los estudiantes de tercer año deben llegar a Alta a las 7:00 am. Todos los demás estudiantes no pueden estar en el campus hasta la conclusión del ACT a las 11:50 am. No habrá clases en este día. El martes por la tarde se reservará para consultas con los maestros, según sea necesario. Para obtener más detalles, puede encontrar una copia de la carta enviada por correo a todas las familias de Alta sobre el Día de ACT en la página 5.
- ✓ Fin del tercer trimestre: el 19 de marzo es el final del tercer trimestre. Se anima a los estudiantes a aprovechar los horarios disponibles para reunirse con los maestros: de lunes a jueves de 7: 10 a 7: 40 a. M. Y los viernes por la mañana. Además, la tutoría de matemáticas en persona y virtual está disponible de lunes a jueves después de la escuela o con cita previa con tutores individuales. Por favor vea el Página web de tutorías de Alta High para obtener más información sobre esta y otras oportunidades de tutoría.
- ✓ Registro para las clases del próximo año: los consejeros han estado trabajando con los estudiantes para inscribirlos en sus cursos 2021-2022. Si su estudiante no recibió información de registro en clase, está disponible en el <u>Sitio web del Centro de Consejería</u>. Los estudiantes deben elegir 8 créditos de cursos y completar el proceso de registro y devolver sus tarjetas de curso completadas al Centro de Consejería antes del viernes 19 de marzo.
- ✓ Ceremonias de graduación de la clase de 2021: se puede encontrar una copia de la carta con detalles sobre las ceremonias de graduación de esta primavera en las páginas 6 y 7. Tenga en cuenta las fechas y plazos importantes. Las solicitudes para los cordones del departamento, que se pueden usar en la graduación, ya están disponibles. Los estudiantes pueden encontrarlos en el sitio web de Alta o recoger una solicitud en papel en el Career Center, salón 1940. Devuelva las solicitudes completadas a los departamentos individuales a más tardar el viernes 26 de marzo a las 3:00 pm. Los estudiantes que necesiten expedientes académicos para las aplicaciones pueden solicitarlos en el Página web de pergamino.
- ✓ Concierto de Compañía de Danza ¡El Concierto de Compañía de Danza Alta será la próxima semana y las entradas ya están a la venta! Consulte la página 8 para obtener más detalles.
- ✓ Alta Blankets está de vuelta! La Alta PTSA vuelve a vender a Alta las populares mantas de Alta. Consulte la página 9 para ver una descripción <u>pide</u> el tuyo aquí!
- ✓ **Hawk Stash** El Alta Hawk Stash está abierto después de la escuela los jueves en el salón 1110. Los estudiantes y miembros de la familia también pueden visitar el Centro de Consejería o la Oficina de Asistencia para acceder a Hawk Stash durante cualquier otro horario escolar.
- ✓ Oportunidad de becas Personas mayores: Tenemos una gran oportunidad de becas para usted. La Canyons Education Foundation ofrece dos becas diferentes para estudiantes de la tercera edad de Alta: la beca Bright Star para cualquier estudiante de último año que haya mostrado una mejora o un esfuerzo ejemplar en su trabajo hacia la educación postsecundaria y la beca Rising Star, que es para un estudiante que ha superado circunstancias difíciles. . La fecha límite para la solicitud es el 23 de marzo para la Sra. Scheffner en el Centro de Consejería de Alta. ¡No pierdas esta oportunidad!
- ✓ Experiencia profesional en salud virtual: los estudiantes pueden aprender sobre una variedad de carreras en el cuidado de la salud a través del Día de carrera en salud virtual de Wasatch Front Health Science Partnership. Únase a nosotros en la biblioteca durante el asesoramiento cualquier martes o miércoles de febrero o vea los videos por su cuenta. Devuelva el boleto de salida completo a Janet Jefferson en el salón 2117 para recibir un premio y participar en un sorteo. <a href="https://sites.google.com/murrayschools.org/virtualhealthcarecareerday/home">https://sites.google.com/murrayschools.org/virtualhealthcarecareerday/home</a>
- ✓ El registro de SheTech está abierto ahora. La Cumbre Virtual SheTech se realiza en colaboración y asociación con maestros de STEM, empresas de tecnología, funcionarios gubernamentales y líderes educativos. Los estudiantes compiten en el Tech Challenge, interactúan con mentores en sesiones de tutoría en vivo, participan en talleres colaborativos y activan su interés en STEM. Registrese para asegurar su lugar para SheTech Summit 2021: https://shetechexplorer.com/
- ✓ Hawkeye, Alta Student News Visita El sitio web de Hawkeye para historias escritas por estudiantes sobre la escuela secundaria Alta. ¡Las últimas incorporaciones son sobre los temas del próximo concierto de la compañía de danza, el nuevo oficial de recursos escolares de Alta, el día de ACT y mucho más!
- Keys to Success Estudiantes, no olviden solicitar la aplicación Keys to Success en línea para registrar una cuenta. ¡Tienes la oportunidad de recibir una beca para la universidad u obtener una pasantía! ¡Tanta buena información aquí para ti!

## **COVID-19 Updates for the Alta High Community**





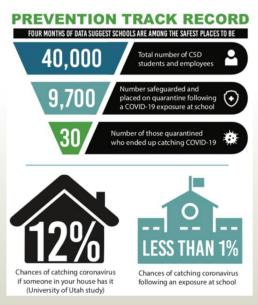
For more data and information, visit the Salt Lake County Health Department's COVID-19 Data Dashboard. NOTE: School-specific data is also available on page 10 of this dashboard. Canyons District provides its own COVID-19 Dashboard. View it for updated school-specific data.

# **New Health Order Provides Schools** Ways to Safely Hold Dances, Travel

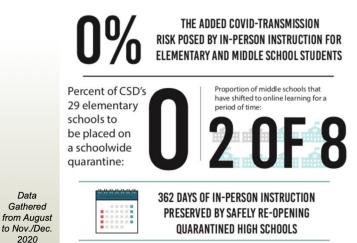
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# Alta High School

## **Counseling Center**

11055 South 1000 East • Sandy, Utah 84094-5433 • 801/826-5620 • FAX 801/826-5698

Dear Parents and Students,

On Tuesday, March 9, 2021, all 11<sup>th</sup> grade students in Canyons School District have the opportunity to take the ACT for free as part of the district's college readiness focus. The ACT is used by many colleges and universities as part of their admission requirements, scholarship opportunities and for NCAA eligibility. It is also a strong predictor of college success.

The test has very strict testing guidelines and will be run like the regular national ACT test. The test is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:40 a.m. Our 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students will be on a late start schedule (see below). A regular bell schedule will not be held; however, students are encouraged to consult with teachers, as needed, beginning at 12:50 p.m.

The ACT opportunity is for juniors only. Check-in will start at 7:00 a.m. and testing will begin promptly at 7:40 a.m. ACT requires that all students taking the test have a **picture ID** with them. Prior to March 9, juniors will be completing the online pre-registration process using MyACT in their English classes or through other available sessions and will receive the booklet "Taking the ACT", which includes important ACT policies and procedures.

For the test itself, **students should bring #2 pencils and an appropriate calculator**. See <u>actstudent.org</u> for additional information. Other than an approved calculator, **no electronic devices** are allowed in the testing room. Please leave all cell phones, iPods, or other electronic devices at home. If you have any questions, please contact your student's counselor at 801.826.5620.

#### March 9th 2021 - Modified Schedule:

Juniors arrive for ACT: 7:00 a.m.
Juniors begin checking in for testing: 7:20 a.m.
Testing begins: 7:40 a.m.

Testing concludes: 11:20 a.m. (for standard time rooms)

Lunch (only 1): 11:50 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.

Teacher Consultation Time: 12:50 p.m. – 2:25 p.m.

Sincerely,

Kelli Miller Shannon Kershaw Christine Astle

Assistant Principal ACT Coordinator Counseling Department Chair

Jennifer Scheffner A-CH Christine Astle CI-GD Sandy White GE-KH Cierra Bell KI-O Callie Bjerregaard P-SO Leslie Stettler SP-Z

Shannon Kershaw - Testing



# Alta High School

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Dear Graduate and Parents:

The administration and faculty of Alta High School are proud to present to the community the **Class of 2021.** This letter is to inform you of a few details concerning our commencement procedures. We ask that both the **student** and **parent** sit down for a few minutes together to review and plan for this important event.

It is very important that each student have his/her credits in order so that there are no last minute problems. If you have any questions concerning your student's credits or graduation status, please call your counselor between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at 801-826-5620.

Please know that Alta High is doing everything we can to provide a memorable and excellent graduation. We ask for your continued patience and understanding as we navigate through Covid 19 requirements and restrictions. Know that there will be changes and adjustments made throughout the next four months with a promise from Alta High to communicate through the weekly newsletter, Skylerts, and our school website.

#### Items we know will not change:

#### 1. Date, Time, and Location:

Graduation Parade will be held on the Alta High School campus on Wednesday, May 26, 2021 starting at 10:00 a.m.

#### 2. Caps and Gowns:

Jostens will be handing out caps and gowns during both lunches on <u>Thursday, April 22~ in the South Commons</u>. Caps and gowns not picked up on this date may be picked up from the Main Office <u>if</u> the cap and gown was ordered. If a cap and gown has not been ordered, students need to contact <u>Jostens.com</u> immediately or call <u>1-800-Jostens</u> to make necessary arrangements. Each graduate's gown must be returned at the end of the Alta High Graduation Parade <u>before</u> his/her diploma is issued.

#### 3. Appropriate Dress - Stage walk; filming; picture with principal

All graduation gowns are black. Wearing these gowns represents a symbol of unity for the graduating Class of 2021. Please make sure the gown is pressed. Graduates are to wear appropriate attire under their graduation gowns. Individual variations of this, i.e., flowers, leis, corsages, and other ornamentation are not acceptable during the ceremony, and will not be permitted within the building.

#### 4. Hawk Medallion:

The purpose of the Hawk Medallion is to encourage and challenge students to be involved in a wide variety of activities while attending Alta High School. The hope is to have students who are well rounded and participate in several activities. The focus is to reward engagement and not necessarily achievement. It is the student's responsibility to pick up an application for the Hawk Medallion from the Counseling Center and to return the completed application to their counselor by <u>Wednesday, March 31st</u>. Students will be recognized at graduation and at an awards event at the end of the year.

#### 8. Department Honor Cords:

#### National Honor Society Stoles

National Honor Society stoles will be worn by ACTIVE, QUALIFIED members; this includes 40 individual service hours, meeting attendance and required GPA. Alta High School will purchase the stoles for students to check out and wear for graduation. Each student MUST do their exit interview and stole check out on or before *Friday*, *May 7th*. There will be a \$25 deposit required in the form of a check given to Mrs. Spears or Ms. Graff at the exit interview which will be given back to the student when the stole is returned. The stole will be returned with the student's graduation gown before receiving their diploma.

#### High Honor Cords (red)

These will be worn by students with a cumulative 3.75 or better GPA as of the end of 3<sup>st</sup> quarter. Graduation Recognition Cords

We are continuing with the cord recognition program for Seniors. Seniors will be able to apply for the cords in various departments. Paper applications for each department will be available in the Career

Center (room 1940) from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm beginning on <u>Monday, February 22</u>-, and also on the Alta High website <u>ahs.canyonsdistrict.org/graduation-cords.html</u>. The applications will need to be filled out completely and turned in to your respective department teachers. The due date for applications is <u>Friday</u>, <u>March 26- by 3:00 pm</u>. <u>There will be absolutely no late applications accepted</u>. Once applications have been reviewed, students will be notified of which cords they qualify for.

Picking up cords

Lists will be posted outside the Main Office on <u>Monday</u>, <u>April 26</u> with the names of students who qualified for graduation recognition and honor cords. Cords can be picked up in the Main Office starting <u>Monday</u>, <u>April 26</u>. There will be no charge for the cords.

9. Diplomas:

Diplomas may be picked up at **Alta High School** immediately following your drive through the graduation parade and after your gown has been returned. **Each student should make certain all financial obligations to the school have been cleared before graduation day.** 

10. Behavior: Stage walk; filming; picture with principal

Best behavior is expected by all seniors. Students will be removed from the ceremony for inappropriate dress or behavior. Parents, please encourage your students and guests to maintain the formal atmosphere of graduation.

11. Graduation Speaker/Music:

Tryouts for graduation speakers and musical selections will be on **April 21st and April 28th** after school. Speaker Tryouts will take place on *Wednesday*, *April 21\**, *beginning at 2:45*, *location TBD* (contact Rique Ochoa). Musical Auditions will take place on *Wednesday*, *April 28\* at 2:30-3:00 in the choir room* (contact Traci Raymond). Watch and listen for more information.

12. Picture Taking:

Because of the large number of graduates and guests, it is imperative that everyone attending remain in the areas designated for stage walk while your student has their name read, a professional photographer taking a color photograph of each graduate receiving his/her diploma cover, and the stage walk to a picture with the principal. There will be faculty there to help you with directions. Pictures will be available for purchase from Life Touch one week after graduation. All family/friends/gown pictures need to be taken **BEFORE** the GRADUATION PARADE ceremony. Taking pictures with gowns would be BEST after the stage walk in May.

#### 13. Graduation Parties:

The school does not sponsor any after graduation parties.

#### Items being planned but subject to change:

- "Formal" Graduation stage walk; name read; picture with principal; filming (TBD May 2021)
  - a. In the Alta HS Performing Arts Center
- b. Virtual production will be available to view by all once all final edits are made
- 2. Filming of Graduation Speakers and Musical Performances (TBD May 2021)

Your attention to these instructions will be appreciated. Through a cooperative effort, this year's Alta High School Commencement will be a very special occasion. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Alta High School Administration and Graduation Committee

# 2021



# ALTA DANCE COMPANY CONCERT

ALTA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

7 PM

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