Para ver los anuncios importantes en español, en la tercera pagina de este boletín.



### Week of August 29th, 2022

## Alta High School

2022-23 Theme: We're Better Together

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.

- ✓ First Days of School: We welcomed Governor Cox for a surprise visit to Alta this past week, and he enjoyed meeting with many of our students! The Governor is doing a "360 Tour of Utah Schools" in every county in the State of Utah, and he picked Alta as one of his destinations. During the visit, a Q&A session was held with both our student body officers as well as students in selected history classes. Governor Cox expressed appreciation for the warm welcome he received from our drumline, cheerleaders, and student leadership. "I've never received a welcome quite like that, and it was amazing!" he said. Our students represented Alta with true class!
- ✓ Auditions for the Addams Family Musical: This fall Alta High Theatre will present "The Addams Family Musical". Auditions will be held on Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> and Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> after school. Sign-ups and an information packet will be in the green room in the PAC. Check with Ms. Cline or Ms. Struiksma for additional details. A workshop will be held on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-4:00 for any student wishing to prepare for the auditions. Come and join us!
- ✓ Math Lab: We encourage our students to take advantage of Math Lab at Alta. Math lab is hosted by our math teachers Monday thru Thursday after school. The schedule for where each session takes place is posted in the math hallway at school. Students may receive individual help on their math work by our amazing math teachers as often as they need!
- ✓ Parent Night Info Canyons School District Info: On Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:30 p.m. Canyons School District is sponsoring a Parent Night entitled: "Supporting your Student's Educational Journey." Educator Rhonda Bromely will be the featured guest. This event will be held at Alta High. See the flyer below for additional details.
- ✓ Parent Square: Parent Square is a new tool that Canyons School District is implementing in all schools to streamline communications from the schools. Please be patient as we transition to this platform with our general school communications, extracurricular groups, and classroom settings this year. Information on how to sign up for Parent Square is included in the flyers section below.
- √ School Community Council Info: For any parents interested in participating in Alta's School Community Council for the 2022-23 school year, please fill out a candidacy form at the following link by September 6<sup>th</sup>: <a href="https://ahs.canyonsdistrict.org/school-community-council/">https://ahs.canyonsdistrict.org/school-community-council/</a>
- ✓ School Safety Updates: Just another reminder that, in an effort to maintain school safety, we ask that <u>all</u> patrons use the main entrance doors. As some of our patrons discovered last week, all other exterior doors will be locked during the school day except during passing periods and lunch. We ask individuals who do not have a Canyons School District ID badge to check in and obtain a visitor's pass in the Main Office.
- ✓ Class Fees: Class Fees will be added to students' Skyward accounts on the evening of Friday, August 26, 2022. You may pay your fees on line with card or Echeck through Skyward. (see instructions below). The main office can only accept cash or check for fees.

#### PAYING STUDENT FEES THRU SKYWARD ACCOUNTS

- 1- Log into Skyward Family Access on a browser (not the app)
- 2- Select on left hand side tab "Fee Management"
- 3- It will bring up Fee Management screen then select "Make a Payment"
- 4- It will take you to the skyward fees select which fees you want to "Add To Cart" Add items to cart
- 5- Once all items have been added to card proceed to checkout.
- 6- Log into Web Store or Create new account if you have not paid through the web store previously.
- 7- Follow directions in web store to pay with card.
- ✓ What's APP for our Spanish-speaking patrons: Sign up for Spanish-specific school announcements sent weekly
- ✓ ACT Review Sessions: In two weeks students who have applied will be taking the ACT exam. Mr. Keller will be holding 4 ACT prep sessions in his room (#2201) on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning August 30<sup>th</sup> and continuing on September 1<sup>st</sup>, September 6<sup>th</sup> and September 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-3:15 p.m. Four subjects will be included: English, math, reading, and science. The focus will be on exam strategies, including practice exams. All free of charge!
- ✓ PTSA: Welcome back to all of the staff members, students and families! As a PTSA we look forward to serving the Alta High school community. One way you can help us today is by joining here:
  <a href="https://altahigh.memberhub.com/w/">https://altahigh.memberhub.com/w/</a>. Also, If your child is looking to join a club, please have them consider the PTSA student club. Your student will work with some amazing parent volunteers while learning leadership skills and serving the Alta community.







Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup> Boys' Golf Region 8 at Thanksgiving Point 1:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>** Boys' Golf at Soldier Hollow 7:00-10:00 a.m.

Girls' Varsity Soccer: Alta @ Timpanogos 7:00 p.m.

Girls' Varsity Tennis: Alta @ Orem 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 31st Senior Sunrise Football 7:00 a.m. on the football field

Musical Auditions: PAC 2:00-7:00

Thursday, September 1st JV Football vs. Maple Mountain 3:30 p.m.

Girls' Varsity Soccer: Alta vs. Lehi 3:30 p.m.

Girls' Varsity Tennis: Alta vs. Timpanogos 3:30 p.m.

Girls' Varsity Volleyball: Alta vs. Lehi 6:00 p.m.

Musical Auditions: PAC 2:00-7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> Varsity Football: Alta @ Maple Mountain 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> (Labor Day Weekend)

Upcoming Events for September 5th-10th

Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup> Labor Day: No School

Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> Make-up Picture Day: PAC Lobby 7:30-1:00 p.m.

Boys' Golf Region 8 Talons Cove Golf Tournament 8:00-10:00 a.m.

Girls Varsity Soccer vs. Mountain View 3:30 p.m. (@ Alta)

Girls' Varsity Tennis @ Timpview 3:30 p.m.

Girls' Varsity Volleyball vs. Jordan 6:00 p.m. (@ Alta)

Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> Club Rush Week during both lunches (all week)!

Make-up Picture Day: PAC Lobby 7:30-1:00 p.m.

**Thursday, September 8**th JV Football vs. Davis 3:30 p.m.

Girls' Varsity Soccer vs. Orem 3:30 p.m. (@ Alta) Girls' Varsity Tennis @ Mountain View 3:30 p.m. Girls' Varsity Volleyball @ Timpview 6:00 p.m.

Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> Cross Country Spartan Invite (Murray Park) at 3:30 p.m.

Girls' Varsity Tennis vs. Orem 3:30 p.m. (@ Alta)

Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> No schoolwide events



### SEMANA DEL 26 AGOSTO, 2022 Escuela Secundaria Alta

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.

✓ Primeros días de clases: le dimos la bienvenida al gobernador Cox en una visita sorpresa a Alta la semana pasada, ¡y disfrutó reunirse con muchos de nuestros estudiantes! El gobernador está realizando un "Recorrido 360 por las escuelas de Utah" en todos los condados del estado de Utah, y eligió Alta como uno de sus destinos. Durante la visita, se llevó a cabo una sesión de preguntas y respuestas tanto con los funcionarios del cuerpo estudiantil como con los estudiantes de clases de historia seleccionadas. El gobernador Cox expresó su agradecimiento por la cálida bienvenida que recibió de nuestra línea de tambores, porristas y liderazgo estudiantil. "Nunca había recibido una bienvenida como esa, ¡y fue increíble!" él dijo. ¡Nuestros estudiantes representaron a Alta con verdadera clase!

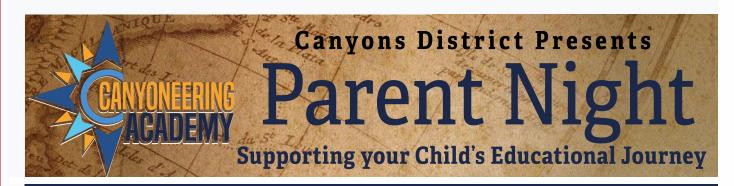
- ✓ Audiciones para el musical de la familia Addams: este otoño, Alta High Theatre presentará "El musical de la familia Addams". Las audiciones se llevarán a cabo el miércoles 31 de agosto y el jueves 1 de septiembre después de la escuela. Las inscripciones y un paquete de información estarán en la sala verde del PAC. Consulte con la Sra. Cline o la Sra. Struiksma para obtener detalles adicionales. Se llevará a cabo un taller el martes 30 de agosto de 2:30 a 4:00 para cualquier estudiante que desee prepararse para las audiciones. ¡Ven y únete a nosotros!
- ✓ Laboratorio de Matemáticas: Alentamos a nuestros estudiantes a aprovechar el Laboratorio de Matemáticas en Alta. El laboratorio de matemáticas es organizado por nuestros maestros de matemáticas de lunes a jueves después de la escuela. El horario en el que se lleva a cabo cada sesión está publicado en el pasillo de matemáticas de la escuela. ¡Los estudiantes pueden recibir ayuda individual en su trabajo de matemáticas por parte de nuestros increíbles maestros de matemáticas con la frecuencia que lo necesiten!
- ✓ Información sobre la noche para padres Información sobre el distrito escolar de Canyons: el miércoles 8 de septiembre de 6:00 p. m. a 8:30 p. m. El Distrito Escolar de Canyons está patrocinando una Noche de Padres titulada: "Apoyando el Viaje Educativo de su Estudiante". La educadora Rhonda Bromely será la invitada principal. Este evento se llevará a cabo en Alta High. Consulte el folleto a continuación para obtener detalles adicionales.
- ✓ Parent Square: Parent Square es una nueva herramienta que el Distrito Escolar de Canyons está implementando en todas las escuelas para optimizar las comunicaciones de las escuelas. Tenga paciencia mientras hacemos la transición a esta plataforma con nuestras comunicaciones escolares generales, grupos extracurriculares y aulas este año. La información sobre cómo inscribirse en Parent Square se incluye en la sección de folletos a continuación.
- ✓ Información del Consejo Comunitario Escolar: Para cualquier padre interesado en participar en el Consejo Comunitario Escolar de Alta para el año escolar 2022-23, complete un formulario de candidatura en el siguiente enlace antes del 6 de septiembre: https://ahs.canyonsdistrict.org/school -consejo-comunitario/
- ✓ Actualizaciones de seguridad escolar: solo otro recordatorio de que, en un esfuerzo por mantener la seguridad escolar, pedimos que todos los usuarios usen las puertas de entrada principal. Como algunos de nuestros clientes descubrieron la semana pasada, todas las demás puertas exteriores permanecerán cerradas durante el día escolar, excepto durante los períodos de descanso y el almuerzo. Pedimos a las personas que no tienen una credencial de identificación del Distrito Escolar de Canyons que se registren y obtengan un pase de visitante en la oficina principal.
- ✓ Tarifas de clase: las tarifas de clase se agregarán a las cuentas Skyward de los estudiantes en la noche del viernes 26 de agosto de 2022. Puede pagar sus tarifas en línea con tarjeta o cheque electrónico a través de Skyward. (vea las instrucciones a continuación). La oficina principal solo puede aceptar efectivo o cheques para las tarifas.

### PAGO DE TARIFAS ESTUDIANTILES A TRAVÉS DE CUENTAS SKYWARD

- 1- Inicie sesión en Skyward Family Access en un navegador (no en la aplicación)
- 2- Seleccione en la pestaña del lado izquierdo "Gestión de tarifas"
- 3- Aparecerá la pantalla de administración de tarifas, luego seleccione "Hacer un pago"
- 4- Lo llevará a las tarifas hacia el cielo: seleccione las tarifas que desea "Agregar al carrito" Agregar artículos al carrito
- 5- Una vez que se hayan agregado todos los artículos a la tarjeta, proceda al pago.
- 6- Inicie sesión en la tienda web o cree una nueva cuenta si no ha pagado a través de la tienda web anteriormente.
- 7- Siga las instrucciones en la tienda web para pagar con tarjeta.
- ✓ ¿Qué es la aplicación para nuestros usuarios de habla hispana? Regístrese para recibir anuncios escolares específicos en español que se envían semanalmente
- ✓ Sesiones de revisión de ACT: en dos semanas, los estudiantes que hayan solicitado tomarán el examen de ACT. El Sr. Keller será realizando 4 sesiones de preparación para el ACT en su habitación (#2201) los martes y jueves a partir del 30 de agosto y continuando los días 1, 6 y 8 de septiembre de 14:30 a 15:15 h. Se incluirán cuatro materias: inglés, matemáticas, lectura y ciencia. La atención se centrará en las estrategias de examen, incluidos los exámenes de práctica. ¡Todo gratis!
- ✓ PTSA: ¡Bienvenidos de nuevo a todos los miembros del personal, estudiantes y familias! Como PTSA, esperamos servir a la comunidad de la escuela secundaria Alta. Una forma en que puede ayudarnos hoy es uniéndose aquí: <a href="https://altahigh.memberhub.com/w/">https://altahigh.memberhub.com/w/</a>. Además, si su hijo está buscando unirse a un club, pídales que consideren la PTSA club de estudiantes Su estudiante trabajará con algunos padres voluntarios increíbles mientras aprende habilidades de liderazgo y sirve la comunidad Alta.

# **SEE FLYERS BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION!**





Thursday, Sept. 8, 2022, 6-8:30 p.m. Alta High School, 11055 S. 1000 East, Sandy

# **Featuring**

# **Rhonda Bromley**

6-6:50 p.m.
Parents, We
Need You.
Let's Succeed
Together!



Canyons District will offer three parent nights this school year. As the name implies, the Canyoneering Academy lecture series aims to help parents navigate school and equip them to support their child's educational journey.

Breakout Panel Discussions (participants can choose two rotations) 7-7:40 p.m. and 7:45-8:30 p.m.

### **Digital Safety**

Learn the latest tips to keep your students safe on digital devices

### **Parent Engagement**

A busy parent's guide to being involved in your child's learning

### **Choose Your Adventure**

An insider's view of the many educational and extracurricular options available in Canyons District

### **The Recipe for Student Success**

Habits for student success and student supports for when things are not going as planned

Translators available please call Charisse Hilton by Sept. 2 at: 801.826.5140











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Jueves, 8 de Septiembre de 2022, 6-8:30 p. m. Escuela Secundaria Alta, 11055 S. 1000 Este, Sandy

# Presentando Rhonda Bromley

6-6:50 p.m.
Ronda Bromley
Padres, los
Necesitamos.
¡Tengamos
Éxito Juntos!



El Distrito de Canyons ofrecerá tres noches de padres durante el año escolar. Como su nombre lo indica, la serie de conferencias de Canyoneering Academy tiene como objetivo ayudar a los padres a navegar la escuela y equiparlos para apoyar el trayectoria educativa de sus hijos.

# Paneles de Discusión

(los participantes pueden elegir dos rotaciones)

7-7:40 p.m. y 7:45-8:30 p.m.

### **Seguridad Digital**

Conozca los últimos consejos para mantener a sus estudiantes seguros en dispositivos digitales

### Participación de los padres

Una guía para padres ocupados para participar en el aprendizaje de su hijo

### Elige tu aventura

Una visión interna de las muchas opciones educativas y extracurriculares disponibles en el Distrito de Canyons

### La receta para el éxito estudiantil

Hábitos para el éxito de los estudiantes y apoyos para los estudiantes cuando las cosas no salen según lo planeado

Si necesita servicios de traducción adicionales, envíe un correo electrónico a Charisse Hilton, Charisse.hilton@canyonsdistrict.org.











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# PTSA POR SUS ADOLESCENTES





# PTSA FOR YOUR CHILD

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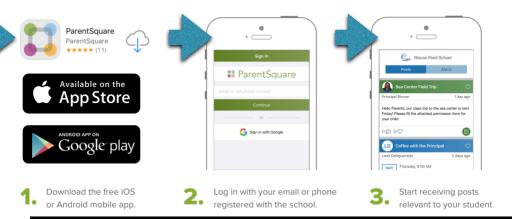
ALTA'S PTSA MEMBERSHIP —



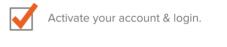


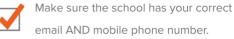
# ParentSquare

## Get Started in 3 Easy Steps!



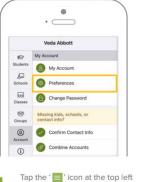
## How to Make Sure You Stay Connected







## Choose Your Notification Preferences



Tap the ' | icon at the top left corner. Tap 'Account' and then 'Preferences'



Tap 'Notification Settings'



Select how you'd like to





# ParentSquare

## ¡Comience en 3 sencillos pasos!













Descarga la aplicación

móvil iPhone o Android.

Available on the App Store

Inicia sesión con tu correo electrónico o teléfono registrado en la escuela.

Comience a recibir mensajes relevantes para su estudiante.

# Cómo asegurarse de que te mantengas conectado



Activa tu cuenta e ingresa.



Asegúrese de que la escuela tiene su correcto correo electrónico y númerode teléfono móvil.





Establezca sus preferencias de notificación en ParentSquare.

# Elija sus preferencias de notificación



Toce el icono ' en la esquina superior izquierda. Luego toque "Preferencias"



Toca 'Configuración de notificaciones'



Selecciona cómo te gustaría ser notificado



Estimados Padres de Alta,

Queremos comunicarles que tenemos un grupo de WhatsApp en español. Los padres lo usan para hacer preguntas y recibir respuestas de padre-a-padre sobre una variedad de temas. Jessica Zepeda, representante en la asociación de padres, maestros, y estudiantes de la escuela (PTSA) es la administradora de este grupo. Nuestra psicóloga bilingue, Alicia Hoerner, también participa. Si quisieran ser incluídos en el WhatsApp, por favor, contácten a Jessica al 801-214-4454. Nos gustaría que más padres de familia utilizen este recurso.

Es importante recordar que aunque el director de Alta High School aprobó el WhatsApp, los mensajes y demás comunicación no son generados por la escuela de Alta, ni tampoco expresan la opinión de los directores y otros administradores de Alta o del distrito escolar de Canyons. Es básicamente un medio de comunicación de padres para padres.

Atentamente, Jessica Zepeda, representante de padres Alicia Hoerner, psicóloga escolar



*Grupo de Padres en Español*Contácten a Jessica Zepeda al 801-214-4454.

Dear Alta Parents,

Alicia Hoerner, School Psychologist

We want to let you know that we have a parent-to-parent Spanish-speaking WhatsApp group. Parents use it to ask questions and receive answers on a variety of topics parent-to parent. Jessica Zepeda, representative of the school's parent, teacher, and student association (PTSA) is this group's administrator. Our bilingual school psychologist, Alicia Hoerner, also participates. If you would like to be included on WhatsApp, please contact Jessica at 801-214-4454. We would like more parents to use this resource.

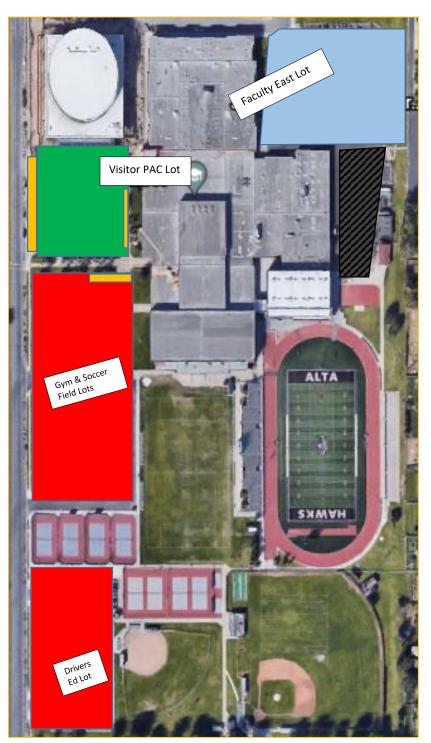
It is important to remember that while the principal at Alta High School approved the WhatsApp group, the messages and other communication are not generated by Alta, nor do they express the opinion of the principals and other administrators at Alta or of the Canyons School district. It is basically a means of communication from parents to parents.

Kind regards,
Jessica Zepeda, Parent Representative

Padres Latinos de Alta WhatsApp group



# **2022-23 Alta High School Parking Areas**



### **Student Parking Areas (Red)**

- ☐ Drivers Ed Lot
- ☐ Gym & Soccer Field Lots

### Faculty Parking Areas (Blue)

East Lot

### Visitor Parking Area (Green)

□ PAC Lot

# Reserved Areas (Orange) Areas marked with signage

- □ North row in Gym Lot
- Student Gov't and Secretaries in PAC Lot

### No Parking Area (Black stripes)

No parking east of the CTE classrooms. Area reserved for deliveries, maintenance and construction vehicles, and CSD Auxiliary Services

### Please note

- After 3 PM on Mondays-Thursdays cars parked in the Faculty East Lot and Drivers Ed Lot need to be moved for marching band practice and Drivers Ed instruction
- ADA tags must be visible if parking in ADA parking stalls
- Motorcycle parking is in the Faculty East Lot

# Alta High School Bell Schedules 2022 - 2023

| Mon., Tues., Wed., Thi                          | urs. Schedule |
|---|---------------|
| <b>Engagement Time</b>                          | 7:10-7:40     |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Period / 5 <sup>th</sup> Period | 7:45 - 9:05   |
| Advisory Period                                 | 9:10 - 9:40   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Period/ 6 <sup>th</sup> Period  | 9:45 – 11:05  |
| 1st Lunch                                       | 11:05 - 11:35 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Period / 7 <sup>th</sup> Period | 11:10 - 12:30 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Period / 7 <sup>th</sup> Period | 11:40 - 1:00  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lunch                           | 12:30 - 1:00  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Period / 8 <sup>th</sup> Period | 1:05-2:25     |

| Friday Schedule                                 |               |  |
|---|---------------|--|
| <b>Engagement Time</b>                          | 7:10-7:40     |  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Period / 5 <sup>th</sup> Period | 7:45 - 8:50   |  |
| NO ADVISORY                                     |               |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Period/ 6 <sup>th</sup> Period  | 8:55 - 10:00  |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Period / 7 <sup>th</sup> Period | 10:05 - 11:10 |  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Period / 8 <sup>th</sup> Period | 11:15 - 12:20 |  |
| Lunch   | 12:20 - 12:45 |  |

| 60-Minute Assembly Schedule                     |               |  |
|---|---------------|--|
| <b>Engagement Time</b>                          | 7:10 - 7:40   |  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Period / 5 <sup>th</sup> Period | 7:45 - 8:58   |  |
| Assembly  | 9:03-10:03    |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Period/ 6 <sup>th</sup> Period  | 10:08-11:21   |  |
| 1st Lunch                                       | 11:21 - 11:51 |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Period / 7 <sup>th</sup> Period | 11:26 – 12:39 |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Period / 7 <sup>th</sup> Period | 11:56 – 1:09  |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lunch                           | 12:39 – 1:09  |  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Period / 8 <sup>th</sup> Period | 1:14-2:25     |  |

### Alta High School Attendance Policy 2022-23

The single greatest factor determining the likelihood of high school graduation is school attendance. Opportunities for success during and beyond secondary school are also directly affected by a student's attitude toward attendance in high school. Research has shown that school performance significantly declines once a student exceeds a 10% absentee rate. In order to prepare for success, students are expected to attend school 90% of the time. This includes both excused and unexcused absences. If students fall below the 90% threshold, they increase the likelihood that they will not be successful in their coursework and may not complete the graduation requirements for high school.

During the worldwide pandemic, effectively managing school attendance became a significant factor in terms of trying to curb the spread of disease. Schools attempted to develop different methods of instruction to try and meet the various needs of families. As we return to regular instructional practices, the objectives of the Alta High School Attendance Policy are:

- To provide students with successful learning experiences in each class.
- To teach responsible behavior by encouraging students to be accountable for their attendance
- To support parents in their efforts to promote student attendance
- To provide a safe, effective, and uninterrupted learning environment for each student.

In order to encourage positive attendance, Alta High School, with the support of Canyons School District, is promoting a proactive approach. Areas of focus may include: recognition of students maintaining at least a 90% positive attendance/on-time rate; personalized communications via Skyalert when students are absent; inclusion of participation credit in academic classes; inclusion of an attendance requirement with regard to extracurricular participation (see AHS Athletics and Activities Participation Agreement); and early access to interventions when additional support is needed (see Tiered Supports below).

Alta High School supports State and District attendance policies which call for fairness and provide flexibility and accountability on the part of students, parents, and the school. Attendance is a student-parent-school responsibility which involves all three entities in order to resolve attendance concerns. Students who demonstrate excessive attendance problems (defined as unexcused absences and tardies) will be subject to school disciplinary actions.

In order to afford students the opportunity to be academically successful and responsible citizens, Alta High School expects students to be in class, prepared, and on time each day. Each student is expected to keep their attendance under the following thresholds:

- 1. No more than 5 unexcused absences per class period during the duration of each quarter.
- 2. No more than 5 tardies *per class period* during the duration of each quarter.
- 3. No more than a combination of 2 verified truancies in all class periods during the duration of each quarter.

### Absences

Any time a student misses class it will be recorded as an absence. Parents must call in to communicate with our attendance office regarding the absence. Once the absence is excused it will be recorded in Skyward as either a "G" or an "E". As per state code, students will be held harmless for absences that are excused by a parent or guardian. This does not mean that students are not responsible to complete any work that is missed as a result of absences. Students are expected to complete all work, regardless of the type of absence that is recorded. Any absence that is not excused by a parent or guardian will be recorded in Skyward as an "A". Once a student exceeds 5 unexcused absences in any class during a quarter, they will advance to a <u>Tier 1 attendance intervention</u>. Parents may excuse absences through the attendance office for up to *four days* after a full-day absence occurred. After four days have passed, absences must be cleared by the student's assistant principal.

| Name           | Last Names: | Extension    |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|
| Melissa Lister | A-D         | 801-826-5614 |
| Shelly Karren  | E-K         | 801-826-5612 |
| Jared Tucker   | L-R         | 801-826-5615 |
| Kalisi Uluave  | S-Z         | 801-826-5613 |

#### Verified Truancies

A student who is supposed to be in class but is found elsewhere in the building without an appropriate hall pass will be marked as *verified truant*. These are typically the most problematic absences in a school setting as most verified truancies are a result of students not going to class but remaining in the building in locations where they are not supposed to be. Because these absences are so problematic, the threshold for this type of absence is very low. Once a student exceeds 2 verified truancies in any combination of classes they will advance to a Tier 1 attendance intervention.

#### **Tardies**

Punctuality is an important life skill and tardiness is extremely disruptive to the educational process. A student is considered tardy if they are not in the classroom when the bell rings. If a student arrives more than 10 minutes late to class it is recorded as a "W" which refers to "Way Late". This still only counts as a tardy but serves as a reference for teachers, students, and families regarding the significance of the late arrivals. Any student that exceeds 5 tardies in the same class period during a quarter will advance to a Tier 1 attendance intervention.

### Check in / Check Out

**Check-in**: Upon arrival during 1<sup>st</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> period, students should go directly to class, unless they have written documentation from a doctor, dentist, etc. The teacher will mark the student tardy (T) if the student arrives within the first ten minutes of class and will mark the student way late (W) if the student arrives after the first ten minutes of class.

If a student enters campus for the first time during any other period throughout the day, a parent/guardian must call to check-in the student through the Attendance Office. A parent/guardian may not retroactively checkout his/her student.

Check-out: If a student needs to leave school during the day, the student must check-out through the Attendance Office. A parent/guardian must call the Attendance Office and give permission for the student to check-out. The student will then need to pick up their check-out slip from the Attendance Office permitting him/her to leave. The check-out will be coded as a GUARDIAN (G) excused absence. Our attendance office appreciates parents calling ahead of time for pre-set appointments when possible so they can prepare a check-out slip ahead of time so that the student can be picked up. This helps us to avoid interrupting the student's class unnecessarily.

If a student waits to check-out until the last 30 minutes of a period, he/she will be given a check-out slip but will not be given an attendance code or considered absent. When a student has checked out and then returns to school, he/she must check-in with the Attendance Office. A parent/guardian may not retroactively checkout his/her student.

### Attendance Interventions/Consequences

**Pre-Interventions:** Once a student has exceeded **3 unexcused absences and/or tardies** in any of their classes during the quarter, the school will contact the student and the parent regarding the student's attendance and schedule an additional meeting if further support is needed.

- **Tier 1:** Once a student has exceeded **5 unexcused absences and/or tardies** in any of their classes, the administration will schedule an attendance meeting with the student and the parent. At this meeting we will discuss the students' current grades and attendance and potential solutions to the attendance problem.
- Tier 2. Once a student has exceeded the 8 unexcused absences and/or tardies or 4 verified truancies in any of their classes, the administration will schedule an attendance mediation with the student and the parent. At this mediation we will discuss the students' current grades and attendance and potential solutions to the attendance problem. At this mediation, the student and parent will agree to and sign an attendance contract indicating what measures will be put into place to help the student to improve attendance efforts, a time frame for compliance, and the potential consequences for further attendance deficiencies.
- Tier 3: When a student fails to meet the terms of the Tier 2 attendance contract and continues to struggle with attendance and/or tardies, we will schedule a second attendance mediation with the student and the parent. At this second mediation we will implement the consequences agreed upon in the first contract and work on a contract with more significant potential consequences for failure to comply. At this mediation, the student and parent will agree to and sign the attendance contract

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Some of the potential consequences that may be contained in the Tier 1 and Tier 2 attendance contracts include but are not limited to:

- Placement on a daily attendance tracker
- Lunch Detention
- In-School Suspension
- Referral to Mentor or "check and connect" counselor
- Revoked parking privileges
- Revoked participation at school dances/spectator privileges at UHSAA activities
- Escorted/led to class by a school staff member
- Parent spend the day with the student at school
- Suspension from participation in UHSAA sanctioned activities
- Other consequences developed in collaboration with parents and students

Tier 3: Once we have worked through the first two tiers of interventions with a student and these interventions have failed to help improve student attendance and/or punctuality, students will be referred to our district attendance specialist and peer court. The student will appear before peer judges and explain their situation. Peer court has additional consequences at their disposal including service hour requirements, fines, after school classes, and required mentoring.

### Checking on Student Attendance & Excusing Absences

Student attendance and grades can be checked at home or work over the internet at the AHS homepage at: <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/nc.201

Parents may excuse absences by calling the attendance office at 801-826-5610 between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

#### Definitions of Absences

Below is a list of codes that may appear on Skyward related to your student's attendance.

| Description              | SKYWARD CODE | Definition   |
|--------------------------|--------------|--|
| Absent                   | A            | No Communication   |
|                          | A-VT         | Verified Truancy   |
| Excused Absence          | E<br>E-EL    | Pre-Approved Ed-Release (vacation) or other specified, written documentation for absence (doctor, dentist, etc.) |
|                          | Е-НН         | Home/Hospital  |
| Guardian Excused Absence | G            | Parent/guardian approved   |
| CHECK-IN                 | G            | Arrived late with excuse   |
| CHECK-OUT                | G            | Left early with excuse   |
| School Excused Absences  | N            | School-excused activity (athletics, field trip, seminar)   |
|                          | N-C          | Counselor Meeting  |
|                          | N-A          | Administration Meeting   |
|                          | S-IS         | In-School Suspension   |
|                          | s            | Out of School Suspension   |
| Tardy                    | Т            | Tardy  |