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1. **No School Friday, September 20th:** There is no school on Friday, Sept. 20th! Enjoy your long weekend!
2. **Annual Food Drive:** This year we will begin our annual Food Drive this Monday and end it November 1. We will still be supporting our 3 charities: Open Hand, Operation Bald Eagle, Airman's Attic. This year, Best Realty is holding a contest and donating money to the top 11 schools with the most donations! Help UMA earn money while also donating items for our favorite 3 charities. Donations will begin being collected Monday, September 23 running through Friday, November 1. This will replace our annual Thanksgiving food drive. Bring donations to your flight leader for recording of number of items. Donations accepted: canned protein; boxed and canned foods, dry rice, beans, etc, sleeping bags, blankets, insulated gloves, knit gloves, insulated coats, diapers and pull ups, wipes, travel size hygiene items, toothbrush and floss, gently used or new shoes, boots, and coats.
3. **Used-Goods Donation Fundraising Drive:** Donations benefit UMA! Saturday, Sep. 28-Tuesday MORNING Oct. 1. U-haul of Hill Field has graciously donated a trailer for us to use for our donation drive. We will have the trailer at UMA on Saturday, September 28 through the morning of Tuesday, October 1. You may bring your donations during those days and put them into the trailer. Please do not put any donations in the parking lot on the outside of the trailer. No donations will be accepted after Tuesday morning. We will accept your gently-used goods per the following: soft goods = clothing, shoes, belts, purses, bedding, linens and any other household textiles, etc. Please put soft items in garbage bags for easier handling. Hard goods=books, magazines, games, stuffed animals, home decor, dishes, pots, pans, etc. Hard items must be able to fit in a 18" or smaller box; please put these items in boxes for easier handling. **NO FURNITURE** or

LARGE APPLIANCES will be accepted. If you have questions please contact [parent@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:parent@utahmilitaryacademy.org)

4. **Spanish Department Abroad Trip:** UMA Spanish department, in partnership with Weber High & Bonneville High are excited to announce a trip to Spain, Paris & London from June 1st - June 16th, 2020. Click the link below, or contact Mrs. Martinez for more information [lmartinez@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:lmartinez@utahmilitaryacademy.org) - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1RzXgYz2NCiipYvMPjPOJT8XR6TjxT0aF/view?usp=sharing>
5. **Saturday School:** Will be held on **Friday September 20 (Friday this week, due to no school. Normally this is held on Saturday)** held in room 118 with SMSgt. Seipert from 8am-12pm. Please be on time, doors will lock at 8:01am, no late comers will be allowed entry. Cadets will need to wear any uniform, except for their PT'S. Cadets are expected to attend at least 80% of their classes. Failure to attend school at least 80% of the time (whether excused or unexcused) means a cadet is chronically absent, and he or she will be placed on Attendance Probation. Two tardies count as one unexcused absence. Teachers are not obligated to provide work missed during an Unexcused Absence, and cadets are responsible for gathering any work they missed during an Excused Absence. Without a Drs Note, pre-excused absence form or authorization from an administrator, all absences/tardies excused and/or unexcused will count towards Saturday School. Cadets who are on a sports team, drill team or any other UMA teams must maintain 80% attendance. Cadets must attend all of their scheduled classes in order to participate in a practice or contest on that day. If the principal or designee grants an excused absence in advance for a pre-scheduled activity or an unforeseen emergency, the cadet may participate on that day. In addition to other infractions, a cadet may be suspended or removed from a team for unexcused absences or chronic tardiness to classes or team practices. "When students improve their attendance rates, they improve their academic prospects and chance for graduating."
6. **MIT Visit on Monday, Sept 23rd:** A representative from MIT will be coming on Monday, Sept 23rd at 1:30 pm. Cadets interested in MIT or any ivy league school will benefit from attending this meeting.
7. **Cong Bishop annual Ed conference:** Held annually for students in his district, will take place on **Tuesday November 5<sup>th</sup>** at the Utah State Capitol. The conference will run from **9:00 AM-3:00 PM**. If interested in Government and Politics or interested in Academies, this is a great opportunity. Space is limited, register in the office NTL 27 Sept. Cost is \$10.
8. **Manufacturing Day at OWATC is October 3, 9 AM-2 PM. Must register before September 30.** Great event to find out about career opportunities after high school. You must provide your own transportation to and from Ogden-Weber Technical College. All students attending manufacturing day will need to have registered for an industry tour to be able to attend. The following is a list of the companies they will be visiting to help register students for a company that is interest appropriate. TCR Composites; Williams International; Capstone Nutrition; Petersen Incorporated. Buses will leave Ogden-Weber tech at 9 AM sharp to visit the respective companies. All participants must wear long pants and close-toed shoes. Lunch will be provided. It is free to attend, but must register! Only 30 spots per company available, if interested see Ms. Pemberton to ASAP..

9. **Photo Retakes:** If your cadet did not get a photo, or needs a new one, retakes will be done on Wednesday 25 Sep. As before, if you desire to purchase, it will be done directly through Bell Photo.
10. **Recruiting:** We have openings for a few more cadets grade 8,9,10. If you recruit someone between now and 1 Oct, you will earn \$50 and be in a drawing for a Personal Tablet
11. **Homecoming Week:** Homecoming is the week of Sept 23-27. We will have different spirit week activities. You can also come show your school spirit at the homecoming games. Friday, Sept 27th there's a Jr High stomp from 1:30-3:00 tickets are \$5 and include 1 slice of pizza 1 snowcone and 1 lei. On Sat, Sept 28th High School dance is from 7:00-10:00 tickets are \$10/ single and \$15/couple. and can be purchased at the PIC Store.. If you have not created an account for signup genius notifications please visit [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com) as we'll be needing volunteers and supplies for multiple activities throughout the year. The theme for the High School is "Under the Sea" To help HS dance click <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044CAEA823A5FC1-homecoming1> and to help JrH click <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044CAEA823A5FC1-jrhigh7>
12. **PIC Info:** The Parent Involvement Committee(PIC) General meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday monthly at 6p.m. Join us for our next meeting is Sept 10th at 6pm. At the meetings parents receive information on volunteer hrs and opportunities as well as tracking your hrs, fundraising events, signup genius, helpful links, resources and other activities. We also have a store that is operated by parent volunteers. PLEASE NOTE store hours this year are [M-F] 7:30- 8:00 am [M-Th] 3:00-3:30 pm. Donations for the store are greatly appreciated and accepted all year and count toward your volunteer hrs.. Every \$10 donated = 1 volunteer hr. More information on PIC and ways you can volunteer will be available during PIC meetings. If you have any questions or comments please contact [parent@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:parent@utahmilitaryacademy.org) to see minutes from 9/3/19 click <https://docs.google.com/document/d/13SRsDhKeiTRNqsdse4gtK0a-RwpPFCPoxOS6rQLVaMo/edit?ts=5d7fe63c>
13. **Box Tops:** Box Tops is changing to fit today's families. The new and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online. If you have clipped tops please turn them in ASAP to the PIC Store. In addition, when you join our school receives chances every time you scan your receipt for sweepstakes such as \$20,000 school makeover, and double box tops. Please visit <http://www.btf.com> to start earning for our school today.
14. **Legislative Internship:** The Legislative Internship will continue to use the Seminar format, where cadets will attend a 3-hour lecture, one night per month. The dates are being finalized, though we will meet starting in October, November, December and then tour the Capitol in January. The 2020 Legislative session begins Monday January 27. The Internship Seminar is open to all grades, 7-12, though the actual internship is primarily for 11th and 12th grades, though we will consider solid 10th graders. Please

reach out to Mrs. Chandler if you are interested, so she can ensure you get all information once it becomes available.

15. **2020 Prudential Spirit of Community Award:** Cadets from 7-12 grade who have made meaningful contributions to the community through volunteer service are eligible to enter. Those who qualify may earn a \$1,000 scholarship (or more) and an all-expense-paid trip with a parent or guardian to Washington D.C. next spring for 4 days of special recognition events. Applications are available through the following links: [spirit.prudential.com](http://spirit.prudential.com) or [nassp.org/spirit](http://nassp.org/spirit). Application deadline is November 5th, 2019.
16. **AFJROTC Flight Academy applications now open!** The Flight Academy 2020 Application Window is officially open! See Major Wright for details!
17. **FAFSA Night for Seniors and their Parents:** Wednesday, October 16 starting at 5:30 PM, in Mr. Storm's room(113). Pizza for all participants. All seniors should fill out the FAFSA in order to qualify for federal aid or be considered for many scholarships and work study (campus employment). We will help you through the process as needed. Please come prepared. This is what you need to bring with you that night:
  - Student and parent(s) Social Security Card, alien registration or permanent resident card
  - Student driver's license (if the student has one)
  - Student and parent(s) 2018 W-2 forms and other records of taxed income\*
  - Student and parent(s) 2018 Federal Income Tax return\*\*
  - Student and parent(s) current bank statements
  - Student and parent(s) 2018 untaxed income records
  - Student and parent(s) current business & investment, property mortgage information, business and farm, stock, bond and other investment records.\*\*\*

\*If you were gainfully employed

\*\*If you filed an income tax return. IRS 1040 (including any schedules, such as "Schedule 1), Foreign Tax Return, or Tax Return from Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the US Virgin Islands, the Marshall Islands, the Federated State of Micronesia, or Palau.

\*\*\*Stocks, bonds and other investments designated for retirement (such as those found in a 401(k) or IRA) are not reported on the FAFSA.

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