

# Utica Elementary School



# JET Gazette

*Uplifting Educational Standards!*

FEBRUARY 16, 2024



# FEBRUARY



## Circle the State of Song

Last rehearsal will be Monday, February 19 at NWES,  
6p-7p

## Circle the State with Song Performance

- ❖ February 24 at CHS
- ❖ Joint and dress rehearsal, 4:30p-5p
- ❖ Doors open to audience, 5p
- ❖ CONCERT in the auditorium, 5:30p-6:30p

## Winter Sports Picture Day!

Winter Sports Picture Day will be held on  
Friday, February 23rd.

Order forms have been sent home with students that were in any winter sports and/or school clubs. We will be taking individual and group pictures. Please have your student wear/bring their uniforms and/or club shirts to school. If your student does not have a club shirt, please wear a Utica shirt.

**CHEESE!**



You may also order pictures  
online at

**INTER-STATE.COM/ORDER  
CODE 85340DA**

## UPCOMING DATES

### Saturday, February 17th

- Boys BB Tournament Round 2 vs JJ @ CHS, 12:30p

### Monday, February 19th

- Conrad Music screening for 5th grade
- Boys BB practice until 5:15p
- Circle the of the State Song rehearsal at NWES, 6-7p

### Tuesday, February 20th

- Rube Goldberg meeting until 4:45p

### Wednesday, February 21st

- Student Ambassador field trip
- Rube Goldberg Family Build Night, 6-7:30p
- Boys BB Semi-Finals Tournament @ JHS, 5p & 6:30p

### Thursday, February 22nd

- Boys BB Championship at JHS, 5:15p
- Papa Johns Night

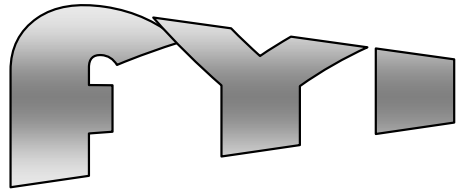


### Friday, February 23rd

- **Winter Sports pics**
- Chess Cub practice for 2nd, 3rd & 4th graders, 8am
- Student Ambassador meeting, 8a

### Saturday, February 24th

- Circle of the State of Song performance, JHS, arrive at 4:30p, concert starts 5:30p
- Chess Team Regionals at JHS, arrive at 8:30a



ATTENTION

**PARENTS**



If you plan on volunteering or going on field trips, you will need to have a background check with a copy of your driver's license completed and on file in the office. The driver's license requirement is for all applicants. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

**We are asking all background forms be turned in before March 1st!**

## UPCOMING DATES

### Monday, February 26th

- Student Ambassador & Student Council field trip
- CURRENT Chess Club members until 4:40p
- Jeff Wrestling practice until 4:45p

### Tuesday, February 27th

- Rube Goldberg meeting until 4:45p
- Jeff Wrestling practice until 4:45p
- UES PTO Bingo Night, 6p

### Wednesday, February 28th

- Rube Goldberg meeting until 4:45p
- Jeff Wrestling practice until 4:45p

### Thursday, February 29th

- Jeff Wrestling practice until 4:45p



### Friday, March 1st

- Chess Club practice for 2nd, 3rd, & 4th grade, 8a
- Student Council meeting, 8a
- Youth Link Trivia Nights at UES, 5:30p-9:30p

### Upcoming dates:

#### **3/4-3/12 IREAD testing 2nd/3rd grade**

- 3/4 PVMS scheduling visit for 5th graders
- 3/5 Kindergarten to Derby Dinner Play House
- 3/5 Instrumental Rental Night at PVMS, 4p-7p
- 3/7 Book Character Dance for 2nd & 3rd grade
- 3/11 Wrestling Event @ JHS, 6p
- 3/12 G/T field trip
- 3/12 Rube Goldberg Competition, time/location TBD
- 3/13 PTO, 6p
- 3/14 KONA ICE DAY
- 3/15 End of Quarter 3!

#### **3/18-3/29**



## Utica's Boys Basketball 2023-2024

2nd Round Tournament vs JJ, Saturday, 2/17 @ CHS, 12:30p

Semi-Finals, Wednesday, 2/21 @ JHS, 5p & 6:30p

Championship, Thursday, 2/22 @ JHS, 5:15p

Good luck to our boys basketball team!



# Important Announcements

## Reminder

No school March 18th– March 29th



## Student Ambassador Meetings

We will meet on the following dates at 8am:



- February 26th
- April 26th
- May 17th

## Chess Club

Current chess club members practices will be held every Monday from 3:40p-4:40p

2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade new chess club members practices will be every Friday mornings from 8a-8:45a

Chess Club Tournament will be Saturday, February 24 at JHS, arrive at 8:30a

Chess Club will end on Friday, March 8th

Any questions please contact Coach Watson at [pwatson@gccschools.com](mailto:pwatson@gccschools.com)



## Student Council Meetings

We will meet on the following dates at 8am:



- March 1st
- April 5th
- May 10th

## Tech Club

Utica Tech Club meets every second Friday of each month at 8:10am:



- \* March 8th
- \* April 12th
- \* May 10th

# Important Announcements



## ENDING SOON!!

Utica Yearbooks Are Now On Sale!

If you are interested in ordering a yearbook for your student, please visit:

[Inter-state.com/order](https://inter-state.com/order), enter code: 82760Z

Cash and Check orders are due by: **Monday, March 1, 2024**

Online Ordering Available until:

**Friday, March 15, 2024**

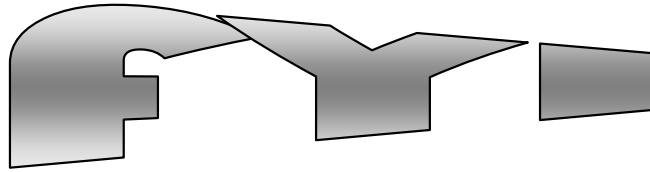
## Save the Date!

Planning vacations during next school year?

Please keep these dates in mind:

- ◆ First Day of School, Aug 1st
- ◆ Labor Day weekend, Sept 2nd & Sept 3rd
- ◆ Fall Break, Oct 7th thru Oct 11th
- ◆ Thanksgiving Break, Nov 27th thru Nov 29th
- ◆ Winter Break, Dec 23rd thru Jan 3rd
- ◆ Spring Break, Mar 17th thru Mar 21st
- ◆ Last Day of School, May 21st





## Book Character Celebration Dance

You are officially invited to the Student Council Book Character Celebration for students in Second and Third Grades.  
(Older grades will be later in the year)

When: Thursday, March 7, 2024

Time: 3:40p-5:00p ( Pick-ups begin at 4:45p)

Cost: \$5 includes admission, pizza and a drink



Permission slips will go home the last week of February.

ATTENTION

**PARENTS**

### Cell Phones & Smart Watches Policy

Cell phones and/or smart watches are discouraged at school due to distractions they may cause.

If your child must bring their cell phone and/or smart watch to school it **MUST** be turned off or on airplane mode and kept in their backpack. If your child has their device out and/or being used it will be confiscated by an adult staff member and not released back to the student.

A parent/guardian will be called to pick up the cell phone and/or watch from the office.

**Failure to comply with these rules may result in disciplinary actions.**



# PTO Announcements

Upcoming PTO Meeting:

Wednesday, March 13th  
at 6p

Everyone is welcome to  
attend!



**BINGO NIGHT**

JOIN US ON FEBRUARY 27TH!

**GAMES | PRIZES | SNACKS**

AT  
UTICA ELEMENTARY

STARTS AT 6 PM

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**SCHOOL**

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**Utica Elementary**

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UTICA**

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812-282-3333**

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# A Royal Tea Party

with the cast of the Charlestown High School production of

## Cinderella

Saturday, March 2

10:30-11:30 or 12:30-1:30



Charlestown Arts & Enrichment

Center | 999 Water Street

\$ 25 for 1 adult and 1 child | \$ 20 for each additional child | Registration deadline Monday, February 26

See link in comments to register or email [CHSCinderella2024@gmail.com](mailto:CHSCinderella2024@gmail.com) and a link will be sent to you.

All proceeds benefit the Charlestown High School Theatre Department production of Cinderella (March 7-9).

# The Wizard of Oz

April 12th and 13th

River Valley Middle School

7 pm

Tickets are \$10.00 at the door



# Jeffersonville Elementary Wrestling League

Boys and Girls 3rd-5th grade

Cost \$5 or \$20 if you want a t-shirt

Practices are 2/26, 2/27, 2/28, 2/29, 3/4, 3/5 & 3/6  
from 3:40p-4:45p, pick up at 4:50p

**North Regional Tourney**, Thursday, March 7th @ JHS, wrestlers arrive at 5:20p; Match starts at 6p

**The Main Event**, Monday, March 11th @ JHS, wrestlers arrive at 5:20p; Match starts at 6p

Final Forms must be completed with \$5 fee paid before student can practice. If you already filled out the final forms for another sport, then there is no fee.

If you have any questions please contact:

Danny Struck @ 812-786-2308 (best to text) or Joe Somerville @ jsomerville@gccschools.com

Elementary league flier: [directions and more](#)

Elementary league sign up: [click here](#)

T-shirt order: [here](#)



**Jeff Wrestling Team  
Summer Camp**

Get your registration form and deposit into Coach Struck ASAP!!

Team Camp is June 26-29

We have to register you and get rooms reserved now!

- 12 Dual Meets
- Individual Tournament
- Multiple Sessions Taught by National Champions!

Coach Struck: [dstruck@gccschools.com](mailto:dstruck@gccschools.com)

**SHARPENS**

**Counselors**

<b>VINCENZO JOSEPH</b> counselor 2x National Champion, 2x 14 State Champion, Ranked #1 in USA Freestyle 11kg, PSU	<b>MATT MCDONOUGH</b> counselor 2x National Champion, 2x Freestyle 14 State Champion and Asst. Coach at Wisconsin
<b>BRANDON WRIGHT</b> counselor 2x National Champion, Ranked #1 in USA Freestyle at 11kg and Asst. Coach at Indiana	<b>JASON NOLF</b> counselor 2x National Champion and Asst. Coach at PSU

