



# UNITY... FAITH, EXCELLENCE, SERVICE

## HOME BULLETIN

September 1, 2020

1. **EARLY DISMISSAL – SEPTEMBER 18:** Unity’s first teacher in-service day will be Friday, September 18. Students will be dismissed at 12:25 p.m.

**Transportation for September 18:**

- AM busing from UCHS and Hudsonville will run as normal
- In PM, UCHS will provide Bus #03 for students who ride south and east of school; Bus #04 for students who ride north and west of school. Unity buses will run as normal.

2. **TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION FOR UNITY STUDENTS WHO RIDE HUDSONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BUSES:**

Early Release Fridays for Hudsonville Public:

September 18	February 5
November 13	March 5
January 15	April 23

On these dates:

- AM busing from UCHS and Hudsonville will run as normal
- In PM, UCHS will provide Bus #03 for students who ride south and east of school; Bus #04 for students who ride north and west of school.

Unity buses will run as normal.

3. **SCHOOL DROP-OFF/PICK-UP:** You are asked to drop-off and pick-up students by the front entrance in the circle drive. For the safety of our students, please do not drop off or pick up your student in the parking lots or bus areas. Thank you.
4. **EXCUSING STUDENTS:** Unity requires a written note or telephone request from a parent/guardian to give your student permission to sign out. When your student returns, he/she must stop at the office and sign in. We do not accept absences by email.
5. **UNITY’S STUDENT BULLETIN** is made available in classrooms during 4<sup>th</sup> period. Parents can view the Student Bulletin each day online on Unity’s website [www.unitychristian.org](http://www.unitychristian.org) under the “News and Events” tab.

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6. **FOOD COURT:** Unity uses a “cashless” system in our food court during the day. All new families received instructions on how to set up your student’s account in the mail along with the PIN your student will need to use in order to buy food. Students may come to the office if they forgot or don’t know their PIN.

You may place funds in your student’s account via credit card. There is a charge of \$2.65 per \$100 for credit card transactions. The funds should be available within 20 minutes for an online transaction. Your student may also bring funds directly to the Unity office with no fee and funds will be available within the same day.

The schedule for lunchtime food sales is published daily in the Student Bulletin and usually follows this schedule:

<u>DAYS</u>	<u>FOOD</u>	<u>COST</u>
M - F (available during snack, lunch, and after school)	Milk	\$1.50 per 1 pint of flavored chocolate
	Bottled water	\$1.00
	UC Icees	\$1.75
	Gatorade/Propel	\$1.50
	Pop	\$1.75
	Starbucks/Bai	\$2.00
	Candy Bars	\$1.00
	Chips/Pretzels/Cookies	\$ .50
	Muffins	\$1.00

Lunchtime only:

Monday – Thursday	Hotdogs & Fries	\$1.50 each
Mondays	Little Caesars Crazy Bread	\$2.50
Tuesdays	6” Subway Sub	\$3.50 (Ham or Turkey)
Wednesdays	Rotating Schedule	various prices
Thursdays	Chick-Fil-A Chicken Sandwich	\$4.00
Fridays	Pizza	\$4.25 (2 slices)

The September Food Court Menu is on page 8 of this bulletin.

7. **SCHOOL PICTURES:** School pictures are now available for parents to view and order online.

To access photos:

- Search [mconomyphotography.shootproof.com](http://mconomyphotography.shootproof.com)
- Click on the appropriate folder (9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>)
- Enter password: ucpictures2020
- View pictures and order

Pictures will be mailed to your home 5-7 business days after your order has been placed.

Picture retakes are September 17.

8. **FACTS FAMILY PORTAL:** Unity's new student information system (FACTS Management) encompasses all student information and will be used by you regularly throughout the school year. When you log into your family portal ([www.factsmgmt.org](http://www.factsmgmt.org); Parent Log In; FACTS Family Portal; District Code: UCHS-MI), you can view Unity's school calendar, make any changes to your demographics (phone number, address, etc.), review your financial statements, and view your student's grades and attendance. You will also be receiving report cards through this new system.
  
9. **BAND AND ORCHESTRA NEWS:** The Bands and Orchestras are off to a great start this year. Our first concert is scheduled for Tuesday, October 6, at 7:30 p.m. at Fair Haven Ministries. We will keep you informed of any restrictions or cancellations due to COVID-19.
  
10. **CHOIR NEWS:** The Unity choirs are aligned as follows.
  - Girls' Chorus: all 9<sup>th</sup> grade girls
  - Bella Voce: 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade girls
  - Men's Chorus: 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade boys
  - Chamber Singers: male/female (soprano, alto, baritone) 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> audition choir
  - Choral Ensemble: male/female 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> audition choir

You will have the opportunity to hear all the choirs at the Fall Concert scheduled for Monday, October 5, 7:30 p.m. at Fair Haven Ministries in Hudsonville. We will keep you informed of any restrictions or cancellations due to COVID-19.

11. **MUSICAL:** The musical *Singing in the Rain* has been postponed until the spring. Please stay tuned for further announcements on an exact date.
  
12. **SENIOR PICTURES:** The deadline for senior pictures for the 2020-21 yearbook is Tuesday, December 1. We would prefer pictures be sent to us digitally in jpeg format ([ucyearbook@unitychristian.org](mailto:ucyearbook@unitychristian.org)). We will also accept one of the wallet photos students hand out to friends. Please be sure that it is at least a waist or higher photo. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Brinks at school (669-1820).
  
13. **SENIOR ALL-NIGHTER INFORMATION FOR THE CLASS OF 2021:** On September 1, senior students will be receiving their senior all-nighter information packets. Inside will be detailed information regarding necessary fundraisers to make this night possible. There are many areas in which you can help and get involved! Please look for these packets to come home and encourage your senior to get involved! If you aren't connected to our Senior All-Nighter Facebook or Instagram yet, please check us out:
  - Facebook: 2021 Unity Christian Senior All-Nighter
  - Instagram: uchs\_2021seniorallnighter

We are kicking off our fall fundraising with a mums flower sale (unfortunately we cannot do the apple pie sale this year due to COVID). Each senior is requested to sell a minimum of 8

flowers. Order forms are included in the senior packets. Seniors must enter all orders into the following google form link:

[Mums Flower Sale Order Form](#)

Payments will be due at order pick-up on Saturday, September 19, 9am – 12noon, in the Unity parking lot (check or cash only). There will be gift card rewards for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> highest sellers.

TO ALL UNITY FAMILIES: Please help support the senior class and the Senior All-Nighter event by supporting our current fundraisers.

- **Mums Flower Sale:** Beautiful mums are now on sale. Fill out the google form to place your order: [Mums Flower Sale Order Form](#). Payment is due at the time of pick-up on Saturday, September 19, 9am – 12noon, at the Unity parking lot (check or cash only).
- **Key Cards!** More information coming soon!
- **Direct Your Dollars:** Do you shop at Family Fare or any of the 160+ SpartanNash owned retail stores or fuel centers? The **entire original receipt** can be turned into the office at Unity. When the collected receipts total \$150,000, SpartanNash will send us a check for \$1,000 to go toward the 2021 Senior All-Nighter. Start saving now!

#### 14. UNITY DIRECTIONS – AND DUE DATES FROM THE GUIDANCE STAFF:

Mr. Bill Postma - Director of Instruction  
Mrs. Julie Essebagggers – Middle Schools; International Students  
Mr. Randy Heethuis – Counselor (A - K)  
Mr. Dan Sanders – Counselor (L - Z)  
Mrs. Cyndi Post - Specialist in learning disabilities

Check with colleges to see if they are going test optional and if test scores are needed for scholarships.

- ◆ SAT TEST DATES for this fall are October 3 (with registration by September 4), November 7 (with registration by October 7), and December 5 (with registration by November 5). **Seniors**, see your counselor regarding the value of retaking the SAT or possibly the ACT in your situation.
  - ❖ **Seniors, the spring make-up SAT will be taken on the morning of Wednesday, September 23. More details will be emailed.**
- ◆ ACT TEST DATES: **Seniors**, the fall ACT test dates are October 10, 17, and 24. Registration for these tests needs to be completed online by September 17. (Late registration deadline is October 4. Late registrants are charged extra.)

The winter ACT test is December 12, with a November 6 registration deadline. Registration is all online.

- ◆ **PSAT TEST DATE:** Unity will be giving the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) to **interested juniors** on the morning of October 14. All juniors are encouraged to take this test.

The PSAT is also the qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarship.

The test is free to take. Students will receive further information about signing up for the PSAT later this month.

- ◆ **COLLEGE APPLICATIONS:** On Tuesday, August 25, counselors met with seniors in their Global Studies to review all the steps in the **college application process**, including filling out the Common Application. Students also signed in to their Naviance Student Accounts, which is the program used to send transcripts and other college documents.

- ◆ **FINANCIAL AID:**

**Financial Aid Presentation:** In mid-September, we will have a link to a virtual financial aid presentation from a college financial aid office.

- ◆ **FRESHMAN:** Counselors will be meeting with freshman classes to introduce themselves and talk about the role of the high school guidance counselor at Unity.

15. **UNITY ALL SPORTS PASSES:** The sale of Unity sports passes is currently on hold until we receive a notification that additional sports will be able to compete in contests this fall. If that happens, we will also need to see what the limitations will be for number of spectators at sporting events. We will make an announcement to our families and community via our website, email, and social media once the sports passes are available for purchase.

16. **ATHLETIC WEBSITE:** Check out Unity's athletic website at [www.unitychristianathletics.org](http://www.unitychristianathletics.org). Find up-to-date game summaries, links to articles, cancellations, and schedules.

17. **'SADERFEST ATHLETIC FUNDRAISER:** We look forward to holding our 'Saderfest athletic fundraiser this fall and continue to make plans for this important event. Look for more details coming soon!

18. **COACHING POSITIONS:**

#### **Head Varsity Baseball Coach**

Unity Christian has a head coaching vacancy in Varsity Baseball. We are searching for someone who has a passion for the Lord, enjoys working with high school students, and can successfully lead a high school baseball program. If you have any interest or know of someone who might have interest, please contact Unity Christian Athletic Director Jeff Engbers at 669-1820 or [jengbers@unitychristian.org](mailto:jengbers@unitychristian.org).

#### **Head Girls JV Tennis Coach**

Unity Christian has a head coaching vacancy in JV Girls Tennis. We are searching for someone who has a passion for the Lord, enjoys working with high school students, and can successfully

lead a JV tennis program. If you have any interest or know of someone who might have interest, please contact Unity Christian Athletic Director Jeff Engbers at 669-1820 or [jengbers@unitychristian.org](mailto:jengbers@unitychristian.org).

An online application can be found on our athletic website ([www.unitychristianathletics.org](http://www.unitychristianathletics.org), “More” tab, “Coach Openings”) or by clicking [HERE](#).

19. **MOMS IN PRAYER:** God’s power is unleashed through our prayers! We live in a culture that seeks to blind our children to the reality of God’s love for them. Praying with other moms for our children and their school breaks through these barriers, impacting and transforming them for Christ. Moms in Prayer meets at Unity on Mondays 1:30–2:30 p.m. and Fridays 7:30–8:30 a.m. You are welcome to join other moms in simple, conversational prayer based on God’s Word for your children and UC staff and teachers beginning September 14 and 18.
20. **UNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY:** Is your business or company included in the Unity Business Directory? If not, and you have supported Unity financially as a parent, patron, or business sponsor for one of our fundraising events, you qualify for inclusion in this directory. Please submit your business information by email to [development@unitychristian.org](mailto:development@unitychristian.org), or contact the Development Office at 662-4011. If you are currently listed, please check your listing and send/call us with any updated information. You will find the UC Community Business Directory on Unity’s website [www.unitychristian.org](http://www.unitychristian.org). Thank you!
21. **REVIVE:** Revive is ready for a fresh new FALL SEASON just like you are!

We will be **CLOSED Monday and Tuesday, August 31 and September 1**, to change the store over to fall clothing, shoes, purses, home décor, floral arrangements, and more!

**Then Revive will REOPEN on Wednesday, September 2, 12noon – 7pm\*, full of new FALL arrivals! Don’t miss all the fashions and all the fun!** (\*Staying open later to give you more time to shop this first day!)

Revive has modified its shopping hours to accommodate COVID-19 restraints. Current shopping hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday: **12noon – 5pm**; Tuesday and Thursday: **12noon – 7pm**; Saturday **12noon – 3pm**.

Revive also continues to **receive donations BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 10am – 12noon. Please call 662-3375 to make your appointment.

See our **Facebook** page or [reviveresale.org](http://reviveresale.org) to always be “in the know” with sales, new arrivals, and exciting events at Revive.

**Thank you** for your continued support of Revive! We appreciate your willingness to continue making donations by appointment, to shop our store with its new hours and requirements, and to support us through prayer, acts of service, and so many other ways. We join you in praying for all of our schools as they start this new season of learning and love.

22. **PRAYER CALENDAR:** The Prayer Calendar is located on our website or by clicking [HERE](#).

23. **CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, & NOVEMBER:**

Sept. 4 - 7	Labor Day Weekend – No School
Postponed	Victory Day, 3:00 p.m.
Cancelled	Open House
September 18	Early Dismissal; Teacher In-Service
TBD	‘SaderFest
September 23	SAT (senior make-up form spring)
October 5	Choir Concert, 7:30 p.m., Fair Haven Ministries
October 6	Band/Orchestra Concert, 7:30 p.m., Fair Haven Ministries
October 12	Parent/Teacher Conferences, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
October 15	Parent/Teacher Conferences, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
October 16	Parent/Teacher Conferences, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. – Early Dismissal
October 22, 23	CEA Convention – No School
November 20	Blood Drive
November 21	Holiday Parade – Bands
November 26, 27	Thanksgiving Break – no school

# SEP 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		<b>01</b>	<b>02</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>04</b>	<b>05</b>
		Subway \$3.50	Pasta with Spaghetti Sauce and Garlic Bread \$2.50	Chick-Fil-A Sandwich \$4.00	No School	
<b>06</b>	<b>07</b>	<b>08</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
No School	No School	Subway \$3.50	Farmhouse Turkey BLT Wrap and Chips \$2.50	Chick-Fil-A Sandwich \$4.00	DJ's Pizza 2 Slices for \$4.25	
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
Little Caesar's Breadsticks \$2.50		Subway \$3.50	Loaded Nachos: Meat & Cheese, with Jalapenos & Salsa on the side \$3.00	Chick-Fil-A Sandwich \$4.00	DJ's Pizza 2 Slices for \$4.25	
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
Little Caesar's Breadsticks \$2.50	Post Family Farm Donuts @ Break \$1.00  Subway \$3.50		Arby's Roast Beef Sandwich And Chips \$2.50	Chick-Fil-A Sandwich \$4.00	DJ's Pizza 2 Slices for \$4.25	
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>			
Little Caesar's Breadsticks \$2.50	Subway \$3.50		Way-Back Wednesday: Uncrustable, Mandarin Oranges, Chips, Fruit Snacks, Juice Box \$2.50			



# Senior All Nighter Mum Sale

The Unity Christian seniors will be selling mums to raise money for the senior all nighter. Support our students and a local grower - TeBos Greenhouse in Allendale! You may use this paper form for your personal sales, however, all orders need to be entered into this [google form](#) to be counted.

Price

8" pot = \$8.00 10" pot = \$12.00 14" pot = \$14.00
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**COLORS AND SIZES ARE LIMITED !!**

- make sure you enter your orders into the [google form](#) ASAP to reserve your size and color.

Name	8"			10"					14"			Total quantity	Total \$ amount	Enter in google form?
	coral	orange	yellow	coral	red	orange	yellow	multi	coral	yellow	multi			

**Orders Due - Tuesday, September 15, 2020**

Please make checks payable to: Unity Christian - (payment due at order pick up).  
Pick up orders on Saturday, September 19, 2020 at Unity Christian High School.