



## Summit Academy Independence

### Weekly Reminder 1-22-2019

#### Principal's Note

We are only one week away from our Literacy Night next Wednesday, January 30th. We hope many of you will be able to join us for our fun literacy activities, writing contest awards, author presentations, and pizza (if desired). We definitely still need volunteers for this and the Valentine's dance coming up for 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders on February 8<sup>th</sup>. Please click on the link below under Literacy Night to help with it, and contact Ms. Brooks [amy.brooks@summitacademyschools.org](mailto:amy.brooks@summitacademyschools.org) for the dance.

Remember to turn in your writing contest entries by tomorrow!

#### Important Dates & School Activities

January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Writing Entries Due (see attached)
January 25 <sup>th</sup>	Reading Contest Kick-off Assembly
January 30 <sup>th</sup>	Literacy Night (read below)
February 6 <sup>th</sup>	Community Forum 6:30 p.m.
February 7 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Program 1:30 p.m.
February 8 <sup>th</sup>	6-8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Valentine's Dance
February 15 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup>	Jr. High Play 7 p.m. Draper Campus

Click [here](#) for the 2018-2019 School Calendar.

Click [here](#) for the 2018-2019 Jr. High A/B Schedule.

#### Literacy Night

We will have a book walk where the kids can win a free book, games for the whole family to play, writing activities, our famous "Grandma Gertie" reading to the kids, word hunts, photo booth, and more! There will also be pizza to buy, so you can feed your family and then have a fun time together. We will also have some fun characters to meet and an author coming to speak! Mark your calendars for Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. with an optional dinner beginning at 6:00 p.m.

We do need some help before Literacy Night and during Literacy Night.

Please see the below sign up genius for Literacy night volunteers.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4AADAF29A1FE3-literacy>

We will also need to have a count of families who will be purchasing pizza which will be \$1.50 per slice/\$2.00 with water. Please sign up at the link below:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSehCArRISxGK9TEe5COQHxNtj1bMJvB-bUNv1mv9fmvWSYh1w/viewform?usp=pp\\_url](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSehCArRISxGK9TEe5COQHxNtj1bMJvB-bUNv1mv9fmvWSYh1w/viewform?usp=pp_url)

### **Jr. High Play**

Don't Rock the Boat

February 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

Draper Campus Auditorium

Tickets - Adults \$5/Students \$3

### **Summit Academy High School Open House**

**Attention 8<sup>th</sup> graders**

January 24<sup>th</sup> & February 6<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm

### **Summit Academy Preschool**

Summit Academy Preschool has immediate openings. Preschool and Enrichment classes are available for 2018-2019 school year. If you sign up now, we will waive the registration fee. See the attached flyer for more information.

### **Counseling Corner**

Suggestions on how to build resiliency:

1. Build a sense of competence and a sense of mastery. Nurture the feeling that reminds them they can do hard things. You can do this by acknowledging their strengths, the brave things they do, their effort when they do difficult things and when you encourage them to make their own decisions. When they have a sense of mastery, they're less likely to be reactive to future stress and more likely to handle future challenges.
2. Teach them how to reframe. To build this skill, acknowledge their disappointment, then gently steer them away from looking at what the problem has cost them and towards the opportunities it might have brought them.
3. Model resiliency. Let them see how you deal with disappointment in healthy ways. This will help them see that sadness and disappointment are normal human experiences, and it will open a way for them to explore what it means for them.

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade College and Career Readiness Plan Scheduling**

#### **8<sup>th</sup> grade College and Career Readiness Plan meetings are happening in January!**

8th grade College and Career Readiness Plan meetings are designed to give you information about your choices in high school and beyond to help you become "college and career ready." At your College and Career Readiness Plan meeting you will receive information about high school registration, when open houses are, and what to expect in high school. It is important for both students and their parents to be at the planning meeting, so that the best possible plan can be made.

Please go to the website below to schedule your College and Career Readiness Plan meeting:

<https://summit.as.me/schedule.php?calendarID=891787>

Appointments last anywhere between 20-30 minutes. If there is not a time that works for you please email me at [tawna.kaufman@summitacademyschools.org](mailto:tawna.kaufman@summitacademyschools.org), and I will try my best to accommodate.

I look forward to meeting with all of the 8th grade students and their parent(s)/guardian(s).

*Tawna Kaufman*  
Comprehensive School Counselor

## **Fall Sports**

- Click [here](#) for the girls basketball schedule

## **School Lunch Information**

[Lunch Menu](#)

## **Summit Parent Organization**

We are excited about Literacy Night coming up, but we still have a big need for volunteers. The link to sign up is <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4AADAF29A1FE3-literacy> Please encourage your children to dress up like a character from their favorite book.

Helping with Literacy Night is a great way to help earn Free Dress Day. We are continuing to work toward a free dress day with volunteer hours. We decided to combine December volunteering with January. We believe that with the 2 months combined, the kids will get a free dress day at the end of the month. That will be announced when we get closer to that time.

Tomorrow, Jan 23rd is the due date for the Writing Contest. We need a few more people to help judge the entries. If you are interested please send an email to [independencespo@2summit.org](mailto:independencespo@2summit.org).

Starting next week, we will have our Reading Contest. Jr High students will "drop everything and read" each day during the 3 weeks. If they are found with a reading book and reading during that time, they will be given a ticket and entered in a drawing. Please encourage your student to have a book with them in each class, each day. For K-6 grade, each student will be given a paper to track the days and minutes they read. When they turn them in with at least 5 days' worth of reading, they will get a prize! There will also be a prize for the top 3 children in each grade who read the most minutes! We hope that with the Reading Contest, the children will all develop (or strengthen) their daily reading habit and increase their love for reading.

There are several activities happening throughout the next few months. We so appreciate all the volunteers we have! We couldn't do all these fun things without you. If you'd like to help with certain events please use the sign up <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4AADAF29A1FE3-spocommittees>

If you have any specific questions, please email the SPO at [independencespo@2summit.org](mailto:independencespo@2summit.org).

## Community Connection

- **The SAHS Cheerleaders will be hosting a 'Parents Night Out'**
  - Bring your kids Friday, February 15th to Summit Academy High School. Kids will be supervised by the SAHS Cheerleaders. There will be games, tumbling, movies, parachute and pizza for dinner. 5:30-10:00 p.m. recommended for ages 5-11. If there are questions email [summitacademy.juniorcheer@gmail.com](mailto:summitacademy.juniorcheer@gmail.com). See the flyer for details!
- **Salt Lake County Snow Blitz**
  - An after-school ski and snowboard program designed for Jr. High and High School students of all levels.
  - Please [click here](#) to see the details.

## Summit Academy App!

- Have you downloaded our App?
  - iPhone: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/summit-academy-independence/id1352401932?ls=1&mt=8>
  - Android: [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.app\\_summitindependence.layout](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.app_summitindependence.layout)
- A few of the great features are:
  - Email teachers & staff directly
  - Login to your Aspire
  - Report an absence
  - See the school calendar and lunch menu

## 2018-2019 Employment

CURRENT OPENINGS at INDEPENDENCE

INTERVENTIONIST: Contact Mrs. Cutler by leaving a message with the office 801-987-8755  
TA: Please see or email Mr. Evenson for any available TA positions at [dustin.evenson@2summit.org](mailto:dustin.evenson@2summit.org).

## Food Services Positions

Bluffdale Elementary

Cashier 10am – 1pm M-F

Please contact Sharleen Breese for more details.

[Sharleen.breese@summitacademyschools.org](mailto:Sharleen.breese@summitacademyschools.org) or by phone 801-572-9007