



Summit Academy Independence

Weekly Reminder 2-5-2019

Principal's Note

Thanks again to all those who helped with Literacy Night last week—and all who attended. We think pizza is a definite keeper for the future!

Tomorrow night is our Community Forum. I will be talking about the proposed building addition in one of the breakout sessions for those who want to know more about it. (I am very excited for this!) I will have a second opportunity to share details next week as well at our Open House on Tuesday, February 12th from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Please spread the word about the Independence Open House to anyone you think would be interested in attending our campus.

Speaking of spreading the word, we are looking for a parent who has background or an interest in marketing to assist us. As a school of choice, we actively share our focus and strengths (like our above average academic growth in science and math for the 2017-18 school year). This year is particularly timely to showcase our strengths and our focus on students as individuals because we predict having some openings since there is a district school opening close by. Please contact the office at 801-987-8755 if you know someone who may want to help.

For School Counselor Week, we have three incredible individuals we are highlighting: Mrs. Kaufman, School Counselor; Jay Snyder, School Social Worker; and Kimberly Nielson, School Social Worker. On Friday, students may wear a shirt in the favorite colors of our counselors. In our case, students are in luck: all colors are on the list (with maybe a little extra pink for Mrs. Kaufman).

Finally, KEEP READING! The reason we have our reading contest extend for three weeks is to build a habit (you may have heard the saying that twenty-one days builds a habit). We hope parents jump-in when possible and read more with their children at home during the contest—enjoy reading together!

Important Dates & School Activities

February 6 th	Community Forum 6:30 p.m. (see attached for Directors message and schedule)
February 8 th	6-8 th Grade Valentine's Dance 5:30-8:00 p.m.

February 11 th	1 st & 2 nd Grade Spelling Bee Finals
February 11 th flyer)	Youth Protection Seminar – 7 p.m. Draper Campus (see attached flyer)
February 12 th	3 rd & 4 th Grade Spelling Bee Finals
February 12 th	Open House 5:30 to 6:30
February 15 th	5 th & 6 th Grade Spelling Bee Finals
February 15 th & 16 th	Jr. High Play 7 p.m. Draper Campus (see attached flyer)
February 18 th	No School – Presidents Day
February 20 th	4 th Grade program at 1:30 p.m.
February 21 st	SPO Meeting 2:30 p.m.
February 27 th & 28 th	Book Fair & Parent Teacher Conferences
February 28 th	Early Out – All grade released at 1:10 p.m.
March 1 st	No School – Teacher Comp Day

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

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

Counselor Week is February 4th – 8th (see attached counselor favorites)

Monday- Decorated doors

Tuesday- Thank My Counselor Day (with hearts/notes during advisory/homeroom)

Wednesday- Students can bring Counselor Favorite Treat Day

Thursday- Students can bring Anything from the Favorites List Day

Friday- Counselor's Favorite Color Shirt Day (students wear shirts the favorite colors of their counselors—see attached favorites)

Summit Academy High School Open House

Attention 8th graders

February 6th from 6-8 p.m.

Summit Academy Preschool

Now accepting applications for Preschool and Enrichment for the **2019-2020** school year.

Apply at summitacademyschools.org under the preschool tab. Questions call 801-638-3399

Counseling Corner

REACH OUT- LIFT UP

Summit Academy is hosting a youth protection seminar for parents and students.

Keynote Speaker: Christy Kane, PHD "How Electronics Impact the Human Brain"

February 11, 2019 7-8 PM

Jr. High Auditorium 1225 E. 13200 S. Draper

6th Grade College and Career Readiness Plan and Schedules for 7th grade

6th grade College and Career Readiness Plan meetings are happening in February!

6th grade College and Career Readiness Plan meetings are designed to give you information about your choices in junior high and beyond to help you become "college and career

ready." At your College and Career Readiness Plan meeting you will receive information about junior high registration and what to expect in junior high. 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>

Be sure to select 6th grade CCR (20 min) and schedule under your student's name.

Appointments are to last anywhere between 15-20 minutes. If there is not a time that works for you, please email me at tawa.kaufman@summitacademyschools.org, and I will try my best to accommodate.

I look forward to meeting with all of the 6th grade students and their parent(s)/guardian(s).

School Counselors Celebrate During National School Counseling Week, Feb. 4–8, 2019

National School Counseling Week will be celebrated from Feb. 4–8, 2019, to focus public attention on the unique contribution of professional school counselors within U.S. school systems and how students are different as a result of what school counselors do. National School Counseling Week highlights the tremendous impact school counselors can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career.

"School counselors work with all students to remove barriers to learning by addressing students' academic concerns, career awareness in post-secondary options and social/emotional skills," said Kwok-Sze Wong, Ed.D., ASCA executive director.

"Comprehensive school counseling programs help to increase student achievement and provide a much-needed resource for students, parents, teachers and administrators. School counselors are integral to student success."

Fall Sports

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

School Lunch Information

[Lunch Menu](#)

Summit Parent Organization

A huge thank you to all those who helped with the Writing Contest, Literacy Night, and to all those who came to Literacy Night.

We had 126 students enter the Writing Contest, the winners were announced at Literacy Night: 30 winners. Way to go everyone!

Literacy Night was a lot of fun and we had a great turn out. There were so many that came, that even though we bought double the amount of pizza as we had anticipated selling, we ran out of pizza! We apologize for this and will work to not have this happen in the future.

We are right in the middle of the Reading Contest. Please be encouraging your children to read each day and hand in their bright green Cat in the Hat hats on Mondays to get a prize.

Our next events coming up are the Valentine's Day Dance, Parent Teacher Conferences where we feed the teachers, the Book Fair, and Teacher Appreciation Week. This Sign Up Genius is to help out with Parent Teacher Conferences.

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

There will be more info coming about the Book Fair and Teacher Appreciation Week soon!

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. 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.
- **Boy Scouts Sign Up**
 - March 13th 7-8pm

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_summitindpendence.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 (part-time): 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.

Food Services Positions

Bluffdale Elementary

Cashier 10am – 1pm M-F

Please contact Sharleen Breese for more details.

Sharleen.breese@summitacademyschools.org or by phone 801-572-9007