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Welcome Back 2017-2018

UNIVERSITY PREPARATION CHARTER SCHOOL AT CSU CHANNEL ISLANDS
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Mark Your Calendar

- ⇒ Monday, August 14, Preschool Orientation 4:30-5:30
- ⇒ Monday, August 14,—Annual PTSA Welcome Back Picnic 5:30-6:45
- ⇒ Tuesday, August 15 -Middle School Orientation
9:00-12- NEW STUDENTS
10:30-12- RETURNING STUDENTS (flyer is on website)
- ⇒ **Wednesday, August 16—
First Day of School
Dismissal at 11:45 a.m.**
- ⇒ Thursday, August 17- Dismissal at 1:10 pm
- ⇒ Friday, August 18- Dismissal at 2:00pm
- ⇒ Thursday, August 24—Back to School Night
- ⇒ Tuesday, August 29 -Middle School Picture Day
- ⇒ Monday, September 4—Labor Day—No School
- ⇒ Monday, September 11—Patriot's Day Observed
- ⇒ Tuesday, September 26 - Picture Day Elementary Site
- ⇒ Friday, September 29-Fall Harvest Festival and Silent Auction
- ⇒ October 5-13 -Fall Parent - Teacher Conferences—11:45 Dismissal
- ⇒ October 16- 20—FALL BREAK—No School

Dear University Preparation Charter School (UPCS) Families,

We are getting very excited about the first day of school on Wednesday, August 16. Teachers and staff are working hard to make preparations for your child's arrival! Teachers have been setting up classrooms, custodians have been doing deep cleaning, and office staff have been inputting all the important information into the computer.

Whether your child is a returning student or a brand new student, we know that there is a lot of excitement associated with a new school year. Some ways to reduce back to school anxiety include:

♦ **Middle School Orientations: Tuesday, August 15 –**

9:00 am-12:00 pm.: 6TH GRADE & NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION- Meet in the gym first. Students will go to stations to pick up schedules, get P.E. clothes and lockers and follow class schedules to hear short presentations from teachers about our school.

Middle School students should return these items at orientation. (Elementary school students will receive their forms on the first day of school and should be returned to your child's teacher or to the office by Monday, August 21")

- National School Lunch/Breakfast Program Application: We ask that all families please fill out the application. If you think you don't qualify please just write your child's name and "do not qualify".
- Emergency Card: Please make sure all information is up-to-date and include anyone who may come to pick them up from school
- P.E Form: Please complete the P.E. form if you would like to purchase Middle School physical education clothes.
- ONLY FOR 7TH GRADERS: Please bring updated immunization records. All incoming 7th graders need to have a whooping cough booster shot, called Tdap, before entering school. Students who have not received this booster shot prior to the beginning of the school year will not be allowed to start school.

10:30 am -12:00 pm.: RETURNING STUDENTS: - Pick up Schedules, Get P.E. clothes and Lockers

♦ **Preschool**: Attend the orientation meeting on Monday, August 14 from 4:30-5:30

♦ **All Students**: Attend the back to school Picnic on August 14 from 5:30pm- 6:45pm

We look forward to working with you, your child, and the staff to create a high quality learning environment for your child to grow academically, socially, and emotionally.

Charmon Evans
Executive Director

Verónica Solórzano
Director, Middle School Site

Darlene Hale
Director, Elementary School Site

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Preschool

Orientation

- If you have a child going into our preschool program this year, please come and meet the preschool teachers.
- Learn about preschool on August 14 from 4:30-5:30 in Room 22 and then head over to the Welcome Back Picnic from 5:30-6:45 at the Middle School site right next door to the elementary site.

SCHOOL STARTS

Wednesday, August 16 at 8:00am. Students should arrive no later than **7:55**. Instruction begins at 8:00 am sharp every day. Gates open each day at 7:15 at the elementary site and 7:45 at the middle school site.

One of our continuing goals is to stress the importance of students arriving on time each morning. Did you know that the law requires parents to ensure that students attend school daily and arrive on time? This also makes a difference in setting the tone for the learning environment and ensuring that each student is receiving all of the important beginning of the day instruction. Please help us in this effort.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULE 2017 - 2018			
			
MONDAY / TUESDAY / WEDNESDAY.....8:00am - 2:55pm THURSDAY.....8:00am - 1:10pm FRIDAY.....8:00 a.m.-2:00 pm			
MONDAY / TUESDAY / WEDNESDAY			
Per. 1/2	8:00 - 8:07	Announcements	7 min
	8:07 - 9:33	Block 1	86 min
	9:33 - 9:48	Nutrition	15 min
	9:48 - 9:51	Passing	3 min
Per. 3/4	9:51 - 11:17	Block 2	86 min
	11:17 - 11:20	Passing	3 min
Per. 5	11:20 - 12:00	Specialists *	40 min
	12:00 - 12:40	LUNCH	40 min
	12:40 - 12:43	Passing	3 min
Per. 6	12:43 - 1:25	Rotation 1	42 min
	1:25 - 1:28	Passing	3 min
Per. 7	1:28 - 2:10	Rotation 2	42 min
	2:10 - 2:13	Passing	3 min
Per. 8	2:13 - 2:55	Rotation 3	42 min
THURSDAY			
Per. 1	8:00 - 8:07	Announcements	7 min
	8:07 - 8:47	All School PE	40 min
	8:47 - 8:50	Passing	3 min
Per. 2/3	8:50 - 10:31	Block 1	101 min
	10:31 - 10:46	Nutrition	15 min
	10:46 - 10:49	Passing	3 min
Per. 4/5	10:49 - 12:30	Block 2	101 min
	12:30 - 1:10	Lunch	40 min
	1:10	Dismissal	
FRIDAY			
Per. 1/2	8:00 - 8:07	Announcements	7 min
	8:07 - 9:35	Block 1	88 min
	9:35 - 9:50	Nutrition	15 min
	9:50 - 9:53	Passing	3 min
Per. 3/4	9:53 - 11:21	Block 2	88 min
	11:21 - 12:01	Lunch	40 min
	12:01 - 12:03	Passing	3 min
Per. 5	12:03 - 12:40	Rotation 1	37 min
	12:40 - 12:43	Passing	3 min
Per. 6	12:43 - 1:20	Rotation 2	37 min
	1:20 - 1:23	Passing	3 min
Per. 7	1:23 - 2:00	Rotation 3	37 min
	2:00	Dismissal	

University Preparation Charter School at CSUCI Elementary Site Daily Schedule 2017-2018

7:15	Gates Open for Breakfast
7:15-7:50	Breakfast Served - All Welcome
7:45	Gates Open for those not having breakfast
7:55	Line Up Bell & Classes Picked Up
8:00	Class Begins
9:15-9:35	Early Years Brain Break
9:35-9:55	Primary Years Brain Break
9:55-10:15	Intermediate Years Brain Break
10:50-11:35	Early Years Lunch (K/1)
	10:50-11:15 Play; 11:15-11:35 Eat
11:25-12:10	Primary Years Lunch (2/3)
	11:25-11:40 Play; 11:40-12:10 Eat
12:05-12:50	Intermediate Years Lunch (4/5)
	12:05-12:30 Play; 12:30-12:50 Eat
12:10-1:00	Primary Years Specialist Time
1:05-1:55	Early Years Specialist Time
2:00-2:50	Intermediate Years Specialist Time
2:00	Early (K/1) & Primary (2/3) Years Dismissal
2:50	Intermediate (4/5) Years Dismissal

***Every Thursday is 1:10 Dismissal for ALL K-8 students.**

****Every Friday is 2:00 Dismissal for ALL K-8 students.**

El Jardín de Los Niños de La Universidad (Pre School)

7:50-10:50 Morning Session

11:50-2:50 **Afternoon Session

*****No afternoon Preschool on Thursdays.**

******All students receive a 10 minute morning Brain Break**

Middle School Orientation

Tuesday, Aug. 15th



**Breakfast, Nutrition,
& Lunch Time**

NEW STUDENTS please come (with your parents, if possible) **from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** New students will start by rotating through stations to turn in registration papers, get schedules, P.E. clothes, locks and lockers. You will then rotate through your class schedules for a brief introduction and orientation from each of your teachers.

RETURNING STUDENTS' registration stations will **open at 10:30 a.m. and close at noon.** We recommend that you allow at least 1 hour to complete the stations.

HOPE TO SEE EVERY STUDENT HERE ON THE 15TH!

Welcome to Our New Elementary School Director

Darlene Hale comes to University Preparation Charter School at CSUCI with more than 35 years of experience in public education. She has teaching and administrative experience in elementary, middle and high school levels. She has also taught graduate courses at the university level.

Before coming to UPCS, Ms. Hale was Principal at John Baldwin Elementary School in the San Ramon Valley School District in the East San Francisco Bay. She also served as Principal of Oak Hills Elementary and Medea Creek M.S. in Oak Park Unified as well as Wildwood Elementary in Conejo Unified. Her teaching experience includes 14 years in the Anaheim Union High School District when she also taught part-time as a professor at California State University, Long Beach.

Ms. Hale has a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Arts Degree in Music Education from California State University, Fullerton. She obtained her administrative credential from United States International University and California State University, Northridge. Most recently, she has been studying best practices for the teaching of reading and writing at Columbia University Teacher's College.

Ms. Hale now resides in Camarillo. She is active as an instrumental music judge for the Northern California School Band and Orchestra Association and is looking forward to again becoming active as an adjudicator for the Southern California School Band and Orchestra Association. Ms. Hale plays almost all musical instruments, but especially loves to play her flute and harp. For fun and exercise, she enjoys reading and ballroom dancing.

Lunch and breakfast menus will be sent home the first week of school. Forms for Free/Reduced meals are in the Summer Packet for the middle school and will be sent home the first day of school for the elementary site. Please read the important letter that explains the benefits of filling out this form. All families are requested to turn in one form. If you don't qualify, simply write "don't qualify". Last year we often had children carrying high balances in the kitchen. While we never want a child to go hungry, we need parents to pay daily or even easier, pay ahead. Students are allowed to charge up to \$17.50. When the student's balance reaches this threshold and the parent has been notified of the debt balance, the student will be served an alternate meal. More information will be attached to the lunch application.

Breakfast Club—Start the Day Right!

Breakfast Club begins each morning at 7:15. UPCS students are invited to eat breakfast at the elementary site. Breakfast will cost \$2.00. Students who qualify for free/reduced lunch automatically qualify for free/reduced breakfast. (Reduced breakfast is 30 cents.) Milk is also available by itself for 50 cents.

Morning Nutrition & Brain Breaks!

UPCS classes take a morning brain break or nutrition that includes a snack time. Some elementary school classes organize their snacks through the individual classroom. The teacher will send information home the first week of school. Other classes have their students bring their own snack or purchase a snack from the kitchen. Snacks are similar to the food served at breakfast and cost \$2.00. If a student qualifies for free/reduced lunch they can get breakfast or snack. (Reduced breakfast is 30 cents.) Milk is also available by itself for 50 cents. UCMS students can bring a snack or purchase one from the kitchen.

Lunches—Prepay is the Easy Way!

Lunch will cost \$3.50 (Reduced cost is 40 cents.) We encourage students to bring in money to put on their account and do preorders. If your child is absent the order carries over to another day. Many families find it convenient to pay by the month. Prepayments can be sent in envelopes available in the office or an envelope from home with all of your child's information. You or your child can also stop by the kitchen to put money into the account.

If you have any questions contact the office or in the kitchen at either UPCS office.



UNIVERSITY PREPARATION CHARTER SCHOOL WELCOME BACK PICNIC!!!!

Sponsored by the PTSA

Returning Families, New Families, Staff,
& UPCS Community

When: Monday, August 14, 2016

5:30-6:45 PM

Location: University Preparation Charter
School-Middle School Site on the front lawn

*Lemonade and Cookies will be provided by
PTSA.*

Bring a picnic dinner and a blanket or lawn
chairs. Come get to know each other, meet the
teachers, and enjoy our school spirit!

Mr. Softy hosted by Leadership

Opportunity to purchase School Spirit Gear!

And Much More!

