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# UNIVERSITY SCHOOL

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EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

**U** University School Student Newsletter

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University School has officially received a **Certificate of Accreditation** by the NCA Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement, the Northwest Accreditation Commission and the SACS Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement.

In May, 2019, University School completed a 5 year review process which was designed to:

- Evaluate learning environments by focusing on students
- Reveal strengths and weaknesses using measurable data
- Identify trends by comparing classroom observations across subjects, grade levels and other filters using our education technology
- Implement powerful tools for professional development, peer learning and ongoing improvement
- Ensure the quality of education remains at the forefront through a variety of diagnostic and improvement tools ([AdvancED Website](#))

**Congratulations University School students, faculty, staff, and administration** on achieving this level of certification, demonstrating an on-going standard of excellence in classroom instruction.



We are proud to announce that **University School achieved Reward status for the 2018-2019 school year!** According to the [Tennessee State Website](#), “Reward status is the top distinction a school can earn in Tennessee. Reward schools are those that are improving overall student academic achievement and student growth for all students and for student groups, and they are identified annually. In 2018, 318 schools in 85 school districts – about 20 percent of schools in the state – earned Reward status.”

News articles concerning the announcement have been released in the [Johnson City Press](#) and [WJHL](#). Congratulations Bucs!

## September Calendar [Visit School Website for Most Updated Information](#)



September 2 **No School Labor Day Holiday**  
September 2 **Rescheduled to Sept. 4th HS Girls Soccer**  
September 2 [University School Foundation](#), Room 219, 3:30 p.m.

September 3 [Morning Mile](#), Weather Permitting 7:30-7:50 a.m.  
September 3 [High School Gaming Club](#), Library Media Ctr,  
3:15-5:30 p.m.  
September 3 [Golf](#), Sullivan North, Unaka, @Warriors, 3:30 p.m.  
September 3 [HS Girls Soccer](#), @Cosby, 6:30 p.m.

September 4 [Model UN](#), Room 301A, 3:15-4:30 p.m.  
September 4 [Chess Club](#), Library, 3:15-5:30 p.m.  
September 4 HS Boys Soccer [Meeting/Dinner](#), Tolley Home,  
6:30 p.m.  
September 4 [HS Girls Soccer](#), @Volunteer, 7:00 p.m.

September 5 [Morning Mile](#), Weather Permitting 7:30-7:50 a.m.  
September 5 [Girls Who Code](#), Media Center Computer Lab, 7:30-7:50 a.m.  
September 5 [Golf](#), Sullivan South, Hampton, @Pine Oaks, 3:30 p.m.  
September 5 Cross Country, [MS](#), Warrior Invitation, Warriors Path State Park, 4:30 p.m.

September 6 [Hour of Code](#), Media Center Computer Lab, 7:30-7:50 a.m.  
September 6 [Elementary/Middle Gaming Club](#), Library Media Ctr, 3:15-5:30 p.m.  
September 6 [Debate Club](#), Library, 3:15-5:30 p.m.

September 7 [International Food Club](#), Tomy Thai  
September 7 Cross Country, [MS](#), [HS](#), Knights Crossing-Varsity, Green Hill Park,  
Roanoke/Salem, VA, 10:30 a.m.

September 8 Senior Class [Ice Cream Social and Fun Night](#), Tolley Home, 6:00 p.m.

September 9 [HS Girls Soccer](#), @W. Greene, 6:00 p.m.  
September 9 [Golf](#), Unicoi Co, Hampton, Elizabethton, @Johnson City, 3:30 p.m.

September 10 [Morning Mile](#), Weather Permitting 7:30-7:50 a.m.  
September 10 [High School Gaming Club](#), Library Media Ctr, 3:15-5:30 p.m.  
September 10 [HS Girls Soccer](#), @Morristown E., 6:30 p.m.

September 11 [Key Club](#), Room 011, 3:05 p.m.  
September 11 [Model UN](#), Room 301A, 3:15-4:30 p.m.  
September 11 [Chess Club](#), Library, 3:15-5:30 p.m.  
September 11 [Golf](#), North Greene, South Greene, @Johnson City, 3:30 p.m.

September 12 [Morning Mile](#), Weather Permitting 7:30-7:50 a.m.  
September 12 [Girls Who Code](#), Media Center Computer Lab, 7:30-7:50 a.m.  
September 12 [HS Girls Soccer](#), Chuckey Doak, @Winged Deer, 6:30 p.m.

September 13 AP Exam Registration Deadline  
September 13 [Hour of Code](#), Media Center Computer Lab, 7:30-7:50 a.m.  
September 13 Elementary *End of Bowling Unit* Trip, Holiday Lanes Bowling  
September 13 [Elementary/Middle Gaming Club](#), Library Media Ctr, 3:15-5:30 p.m.  
September 13 [Debate Club](#), Library, 3:15-5:30 p.m.

BREAK September 14 - October 6 **No School - Fall Break**

BREAK September 16 **No School - Administrative Day**

BREAK September 23 [Golf](#), District Tournament, @Elizabethton GC

BREAK September 23 Foundation Family Engagement Night, Chick-fil-a, Market Street, 5-8 p.m.

BREAK September 24 [HS Girls Soccer](#), West Greene, @Winged Deer, 6:30 p.m.

BREAK September 26 [HS Girls Soccer](#), @Sevier County, 6:30 p.m.

BREAK September 28 Cross Country, [MS](#), [HS](#), Bristol Cross, Steele Creek Park, 9:30 a.m.

BREAK September 30 Fundraiser ends, Senior Class - Discount Cards

BREAK September 30 [Golf](#), District Tournament, @Elizabethton GC



Labor Day Holiday - There will be No School on Monday, September 2nd.



Fall Break - There will be No School from September 14th through October 6th.



# The University School Foundation Welcomes You!

On behalf of the University School Foundation, I would like to welcome you to the University School (if this is your first year) and welcome back our returning families! We're so glad you are part of this great community.

## What is the University School Foundation?

We are the University School's version of a PTA.

Our mission is to support the children, students, and faculty and Staff that attend and are employed by University School.

We raise money to assist teacher and student needs.

All families are a member of the Foundation – we do not charge a fee.



## So, my family is a member, now what?

It's not new news – there is a gap between what school budgets can provide and what our school community actually needs. We fundraise to help close that gap and give our teachers and students the best opportunities and resources we can! Meeting dates of 2019 will be communicated soon!

## Wanna help....

You can help by participating in fundraisers.

You can help by directly donating to the Foundation – it is TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

You can help by attending Foundation meetings.

You can help by volunteering.

## Want a simple way to raise money for our school?

Complete your Amazon shopping at <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/58-1453829> and Amazon donates to the University School Foundation.

## For more information

We are always looking for parents to join us. Feel free to come to any meeting or contact any board member to get involved.

Follow and like us on Facebook at [University School Foundation](#) and check out the website at

<https://www.etsu.edu/uschool/parents/foundation.php>

*We will send more information home as the year progresses on our meeting date, community involvement meeting dates, fundraisers, volunteer efforts, and ways you can get involved.*

Thank you for supporting your student and the University School community!

**John Dixon**

2019 University School Foundation President

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**The University School Foundation will normally meet every 1st Monday of the month, in Room 219, at 3:30 p.m.** Some meetings will be rescheduled when breaks interfere. The following dates are tentatively scheduled for 2019-2020:

Monday Sept 2nd	Monday Feb 3rd
Monday Oct 7th	Monday March 2nd
Monday Nov 4th	Monday April 6th
Monday Dec 2nd	Monday May 4th
Monday Jan 6th	



The University School Foundation is excited to announce our plan for **family engagement nights** this year. The Foundation would like to invite our University School families to join us each month for family engagements at our local restaurants. Our local restaurants have partnered with University School Foundation to provide fund-raising opportunities back to our school. Please join us as we meet our University School families on the following dates and locations:

**Monday September 23rd**, from 5-8 p.m., at Chick-fil-a, Market Street location

**Wednesday October 16th**, from 5-9 p.m., at Freddie's, State of Franklin Road location

The Foundation looks forward to meeting with you at our Family Engagement Nights. More dates to follow!



The University School Foundation is excited to announce that it will be hosting a **Fall Festival and Costumed Fun Run on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**. We are planning a night of spooky family fun with the Haunted Hustle, inflatables, food, prizes, trunk-or-treating, an outdoor movie and more! Want to help? Is your family or business interested in becoming a sponsor of our event? Want to volunteer or help us plan? Please email Christine Hutchinson @ [usfoundation.fundraising@gmail.com](mailto:usfoundation.fundraising@gmail.com) to find out how. Want to stay up to date? Please go like and follow the [University School Foundation Facebook page](#) for the latest updates.

Printable [University School Foundation Athletics Committee \(USFAC\) Sports Passes Request Form](#)

**U** UNIVERSITY SCHOOL FOUNDATION ATHLETIC COMMITTEE SPORTS PASS 2019-20

Greeting University School Families,

To aid in the support of athletics at University School, the **University School Foundation Athletics Committee (USFAC)** will be selling **Sports Passes** this year to cover the cost of operating the USFAC programs. **Passes include admission to all HOME Athletic Events for the entire 2019-20 school year.** It does not include admission to away games or tournament play. Family passes are nontransferable and **must be presented at the gate for admission to the athletic event.** Each family member (immediate household) will receive his or her own pass that must be presented for admission into home contest. **Picture ID's may be required when presenting passes at the gate.**

The following passes are available:

Qty: \_\_\_\_\_ **Student Pass: \$30.00 each** available to all enrolled students at University School with seating in General Admission.

Qty: \_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Pass: \$65.00 each** available to adults or college students with seating in General Admission

Qty: \_\_\_\_\_ **Family Pass: \$175.00 per family** (Immediate family members – to include General Admission passes for two adults and all school age children living in the immediate household).

	First Name:	Last Name	Grade
Adult:			
Adult:			
Student:			
Student:			
Student:			
Student:			
Street Address:		City, State, Zip	Phone:
Email Address:			

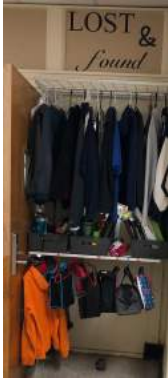
Make Checks Payable to: University School Foundation Athletic Committee and mail with application to: University School Foundation. P.O. Box 70632. Johnson City, TN 37614-1702 or drop off in the main office at University School – please place in the Foundation Mailbox located in the Main Office.

For questions contact: John Dixon at 423-946-0629.

The University School Foundation is a 501c-3 Non-Profit Organization. The USFAC committee is being established to take care of all the tax filing issues, management, and auditing necessary to document the spending our athletic teams do at University School; making their money available for purchases more quickly and effortlessly.

 Remember!

## Reminders



- No food or drinks on 2nd and 3rd floors.
- Items left in **Lost and Found** will be donated to a charity at the end of each quarter. Please remember to write names in jackets and on lunch boxes, notebooks, etc. so that lost items can be returned to the owner when found.
- **Reminder from School Nurse:** University School follows Washington County's medication policy, which states that parents/guardians must provide any medication that parents/guardians want their student(s) to be able to have while at school and must have a medication authorization form signed by a parent/guardian on file. This includes cough drops, triple antibiotic ointment, anti-itch cream, etc.



## School Contact List

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