



JET Gazette

Uplifting Educational Standards!

THE WEEK OF MARCH 2, 2015

Attention, Utica families

During this bitterly cold and snowy weather, one of our Utica Elementary families had a house fire that destroyed most of their possessions and severely damaged their home. They are currently living in a nearby hotel and could use our help. We are collecting gift cards to big box stores and restaurants, just to meet some of their basic needs. If you would like more information or you wish to drop off a donation, please stop by the office on or before next Friday, March 6, 2015. Thank you in advance for your help.

Revised School Calendar on page 4

Istep Top Five

ISTEP is just days away! Keep in mind these top five things to remember.

5. Give your student words of encouragement
4. Eat a good breakfast—make sure breakfast is a good mix of protein and carbohydrates. Aramark will serve a free breakfast, here at Utica, for the **students on their test day.**
3. Get a goodnight's sleep—elementary students usually need about 10 hours of sleep a night.
2. Get to school on time—once testing begins we cannot let a student into the classroom. Studies have shown that students perform best when taking the test with their classmates.
1. We are ready to show our JET PRIDE! Wish your student good luck!

UPCOMING EVENTS

3rd Grade may enjoy breakfast this week courtesy of Aramark

Saturday, February 28

- Boys Basketball Semi-Finals at 11:20
Finals at 2:30, games at Charlestown High School

Monday, March 2

Tuesday, March 3 **3rd Grade Istep**

- Student Council 3:45-4:45
- Girl Scouts Trp #710 6:30-7:30
- YMCA b-ball 6:15-8:45

Wednesday, March 4 **3rd Grade Istep**

Thursday, March 5 **3rd Grade Istep**

- Girl Scouts Trp #2287 5:45-7:45
- YMCA b-ball 6:15-8:45

Friday, March 6

Saturday, March 7

- Student Council Leadership Workshop

Yearbooks

Yearbook orders are now available to be made online. No forms to send back to school...no checks that have to be sent with students...no worries about having exact change and it can all be done in the convenience of your own home!

Just go to

www.inter-state.com
Click on order a yearbook.
Use this code: 916013

Yearbooks are \$20.

PTO News

The PTO has been working hard and would like to share the following information:

Utica Twitter Account-To get updates-
Text "follow UticaPTO" to 40404 to text updates.

Please contact Corinne Seebold if you would like to be a part of the PTO!!

Students showing their Jet PRIDE

We count on our students to show their PRIDE characteristics outside of school, just as much as we do at school. Our school bus drivers see our students day in and day out. We asked them to help us recognize those that have exemplified those characteristics or were improving their behavior to show those characteristics. The following students were recognized in the gym.

You have made us proud. Keep it up and set the example!

<i>Emma Obermeier</i>	<i>Hayden Bartle</i>
<i>Lauren Edwards</i>	<i>Jackie Wilson</i>
<i>Sydney Kascak</i>	<i>Cameron Crawford</i>
<i>Ava Sanderson</i>	<i>Cohen Poor</i>
<i>Rachel Lowe</i>	<i>Grant Seebold</i>
<i>Alexis Evans</i>	<i>Reese Paradowski</i>
<i>Georgia Martin</i>	<i>Hailey Golden</i>
<i>Nolan Schultz</i>	<i>Kirstin Elder</i>
<i>Lilli Hollis</i>	<i>Anna Hardin</i>
<i>Meghan Henson</i>	<i>Brookelyn Miles</i>

Field Trip Season

Second semester tends to be field trip season for Utica Elementary. Please remember that when sending in money for field trips that exact change is a must. We do not keep change in the office.

Also, if you are planning on attending a field trip, a background check must be completed. A form can be acquired through the office or your child's teacher.

UPCOMING EVENTS

4th & 5th Grade may enjoy breakfast this week courtesy of Aramark

Monday, March 9 **4th & 5th Istep**

Tuesday, March 10 **4th & 5th Istep**

Wednesday, March 11 **4th & 5th Istep**

Thursday, March 12 **4th & 5th Istep**

Friday, March 13

Upcoming Dates:

3rd Grade Iread March 16-20

Intersession March 23—March 27

Spring Break March 30-April 3

New Educational Resource!!

Utica now has a subscription to TrueFlix and FreedomFlix, thanks to the PTO's generosity! Between the 2 sites, we now have unlimited access to over 100 nonfiction Reading Counts titles!

Watch the videos, read the books, and do the activities from school or home! TrueFlix books are on a 4th grade reading level and FreedomFlix books are written at 5th-7th grade reading levels and are a little longer. Together they bring science and social studies topics to life!

www.scholastic.com/trueflix

www.scholastic.com/freedomflix

username: uticaschool

password: remote

Utica Jets Win!!

The Utica Jets Boys' Basketball team won there 2nd round quarter tournament game against a very talented Northaven team.

The final score was 36-29. The team will advance to the semi-finals. The semi-final game will be

Saturday, February 28th at 11:20
at

Charlestown High School. If the boys win, they will play in the final game at 2:30

Good Luck to Coaches Seebold and Thomas and the boys!



Jaden Hart going for the ball against Northaven.

Circle the State with Song Choral Celebration

Choral Director, Mrs. Sickles and the Circle the State Choir will be circling the state in song with other choirs

from around the state . The event will be this

Saturday, February 28th.

The following students will be performing:



Good luck to all performers and Mrs. Sickles!

ISTEP INFO

Istep and I-read testing will occur the month of March. For more detailed information please check out these websites:

Iread

<http://www.doe.in.gov/assessment/iread-3>

Istep

<http://www.doe.in.gov/assessment/istep-grades-3-8>

We have been teaching our students to think and read, and they will be prepared for their tests. A good night's sleep and good breakfast are beneficial and correlate to good scores. Also, attendance has a direct effect. Please try to avoid appointments during the school day during this time. Studies have shown that students perform better when tested with their class, rather than having make-up testing. Please watch your teacher's newsletter for specific information.

Show your Jet

Persistence

Respectful

Initiative

Dependability

Efficiency

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