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1. **UTA Passes:** Cadets who would like a UTA bus pass will be given one at a prorated charge depending upon the distance they live from campus (Please see fee schedule on website for costs). **Cadets need to bring a map showing the mileage between their home and the school, the front office will not be looking up mileage. (Home address must match the address in Aspire).** If the 1<sup>st</sup> bus pass is lost, they may purchase another bus pass for \$50.00 from the office. Bus Passes will be available for Purchase during Plebe week. UTA Will activate them on August 15th. The dates they work are completely out of our control. *Parents are responsible for getting their Cadets to school until the passes are activated.* Students are required to sign and follow a trax behavior contract. If cadets are found violating the contract they will lose their bus pass for a time or permanently depending upon the severity of the behavior. **For returning Cadets, they MUST follow this same process. Your UTA Pass from last year WILL NOT WORK. You must complete all the steps to receive a new UTA Pass, even if your address remains the same.**
2. **Legislative Internship:** The Legislative Internship will continue to use the Seminar format, where cadets will attend a 3-hour lecture, one night per month. The dates are being finalized, though we will meet in September, October, November, December and then tour the Capitol in January. The 2020 Legislative session begins Monday, January 27. The Internship Seminar is open to all grades, 7-12, though the actual internship is primarily for 11th and 12th grades, though we will consider solid 10th graders. Stay tuned!
3. **Family Support Group (FSG):** \*Please bare with us as the school continues to revise and update the web site. Please contact the FSG ([fsg@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:fsg@utahmilitaryacademy.org)) or Cpt.

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Elliott at [jelliott@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:jelliott@utahmilitaryacademy.org) with any questions you may have. We will direct you in the correct location if we are unable to answer the question ourselves.

\*Parents Needed! We are in need of a couple of parents to work the Cadet Store on Fridays. More information regarding times and start date to come.

\*We have several opportunities for families to be and stay involved. Please stop by and visit with the FSG (Family Support Group) at the Back To School Night. We will have a list of Committees you can become involved in from Cadet activities to exciting upcoming family events.

\*The FSG will have a khaki swap during Back To School Night Tuesday, August 20th, 2019 from 1800 to 2000 hours. (Thats 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm for you standard time folks). Bring your khakis to donate, collect a pair if you need them. Our growing Cadets move through sizes quickly and we can help and support one another with a khaki pants exchange. Please bring your pants at the beginning of open house night, tables will be provided. If you would like to drop off pants before open house night you may bring them to the uniform office at the school.

\*If you would like an opportunity to be involved we could use some family support working the Khaki Exchange Booth. This will be a self serve style khaki swap, so any help with keeping like sizes together, pants folded and organized would be helpful and greatly appreciated. If available please contact the FSG by email. ([fsg@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:fsg@utahmilitaryacademy.org))

\*UMA has an opportunity to earn some extra funds! BYU is looking for a few extra staff willing to help their staff work some stands. They will pay UMA extra funds per person helping to staff their stands. They will try to keep group members working together in the same stand(s). The check in time will be 1800 hours (6:00pm) at the regular check in location. We will be getting all the information out to any Cadets and family members who sign up to work the event. Please contact the FSG by email [fsg@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:fsg@utahmilitaryacademy.org) if you would like to sign up.

\*First BYU Home Game is coming up! Mark the date Thursday, August 29th, 2019. Any Cadet and family members working concessions will be contacted with all pertinent information. This is a great fundraiser for the school!

\*Our best resources are often at our fingertips. UMA is looking for a few good men or women. We have two part time paid positions needing to be filled. We are looking for someone to take the lead at the BYU Home Games in concessions. UMA is also looking

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for a Martial Arts teacher during TEAM TIME. If you or someone you know has the skill and is up to the task please refer them to the FSG by email and we will forward their information on.

\*We do have a few Cadets that are a bit vertically challenged that have been assigned a top locker. Should your Cadet find this to be the case they may contact the Dean of Cadets (Mr. Ellinger) by email ([jellinger@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:jellinger@utahmilitaryacademy.org)) or by reaching out to him during school hours. He will review the request. Should he find the request legitimate and of value he will assist the Cadet in a locker reassignment. Be advised lockers will not be reassigned for any other reason.

\*Mrs. Stinson has some Demco wraps ordered that will need to be put on library books. Please contact the FSG by email ([fsg@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:fsg@utahmilitaryacademy.org)) if you are able to assist with putting these on when the order arrives.

4. **Carpool Site:** Parents, we have had several parents sign up for Carpool, though we can not find the name in Aspire. The name on the Carpool site MUST match the names/emails in Aspire. This is a closed group for the safety of our UMA families. So if you are trying to join, and for some reason it is getting denied, please check your Aspire account, and verify information. If you have questions, call us in the office! Thank you!
5. **Reno Air Races:** UMA will once again be hosting a trip to the Reno National Air Races. This is a great opportunity to be a part of America's premiere aviation races. This trip will be a combined trip for both campuses. We will depart UMA CW on Wednesday 11 Sept, attend the races on Thursday 12 Sep, and return early evening on Friday 13 Sep. Priority will be given to high school, but if slots are available, there will be openings for Jr Hs cadets. Cost is \$150 and covers transportation, hotels, admission to the races, 2 breakfasts and 2 dinners. Participation is a first come first serve basis, and cadet must be academically eligible. Please make a down payment in the office NLT 1 Sep with full payment due by 7 Sep. There are only 50 slots for the trip total. Parents, we are also looking for a half dozen chaperones. Your expense will be the cost of your hotel room(s).
6. **Service Academy Information Night:** West point is hosting an information night. No matter which Service Academy you are interested in applying to, you will get terrific information from this event, as well as meet representatives from the congressional and senate offices. When- Tuesday, September 17 from 6:30-8:30 PM at the Utah National Guard Headquarters 12953 Minuteman Drive, Draper. RSVP to Col. Kevin Riedler by Sep. 10 at [riedler@yahoo.com](mailto:riedler@yahoo.com)
7. **Exploring Educational Excellence:** A consortium of Brown University, Columbia University, Cornell University, Rice University, and University of Chicago will be visiting Salt Lake City on September 18th. To learn more and RVSP please visit their [website](#).

**8. Uniform Cheat Sheet:** Parents, we have added a “Uniform Cheat Sheet” To our website under quicklinks. This is a great quick way to see costs, uniform of the day, where to go to ask uniform questions, etc! We hope this helps!

**9. Athletics:**

- August 19 Monday Women’s Soccer tryouts 3:30-5:30
- **August 20 Tuesday Baseball @ HOME Maeser 4:00 (Veterans Park Lehi)**
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- **August 22 @ Home Golf Match with APA Draper 3:00**
- August 23 Friday Baseball @ APA West Valley Double Header 2:00, 4:00
- **August 27 Tuesday Baseball @ HOME UMA Hillfield 4:00 (Veterans Park Lehi)**
- **August 29 Thursday Men’s Golf Match @ Talons Cove 10:00**
- August 29 Thursday Women’s Soccer @ RSL Academy 4:00
- **August 30 Friday Baseball @ HOME vs Merit 4:00 (Veterans Park Lehi)**
- Men’s Volleyball Tryouts will be on September 3 and 4

**10. Aviation Cadet Program:** UMA is offering the opportunity to learn how to fly. Cadets must be 16 years of age. This class will be taught on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30pm to 6:00pm. Keep in mind that this is a college level class, and college credit can be earned. Contact CPT Elliott at [jelliott@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:jelliott@utahmilitaryacademy.org) for more information. Here is the link to apply <https://www.umavp.org/aviation-program>

**11. NWEA MAP testing:** We will be holding our NWEA MAP testing next week. Cadets will still attend their regular classes. They will just be shortened by 15 minutes. The testing is used to determine what level cadets are at in math, science, reading, and language/writing skills. Classes in English and math are based on cadet’s MAP scores. It is important that cadets attend.

**12. Schedules:** Counselors are working hard to finalize cadet schedules. Math and English classes are based upon individual cadet MAP scores. If your cadet was not here last year or did not come in and take MAP testing over the summer their schedule may change after we complete MAP testing. Classes are limited and changes may be difficult to accommodate. Any schedule change requests received on or after Thursday, August 22 will cost the cadet \$10. After August 28th, schedule change requests will not be allowed.

**13. Picture Day:** Reminder for all Cadets and Parents, we will have makeup picture day on Wednesday August 21st. Please wear ACU’s.

**14. Homelessness Project:** As part of the State Legislative Internship we are developing a specific policy initiative around homelessness. If there is a parent or two with a burning passion, and would like to help, please email [jordon@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:jordon@utahmilitaryacademy.org)

**15. Martial Arts Instructor:** We are looking for an instructor, who can teach one or two days a week during TEAM Time. We are able to provide some modest compensation. If you can recommend someone please email: [allison@utahmilitaryacademy.org](mailto:allison@utahmilitaryacademy.org)

**16. Uniform Schedule for your Cadet each Week:**

Mondays: Grey oxford shirt, Khaki slacks, black shoes and socks, black belt or ACU tan web belt

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Tuesdays: ACU's (camo), tan boots, issued socks (green or black), baseball cap, tan t-shirt, ACU tan web belt.

Wednesdays: ASU's, black dress shoes, beret, white crew neck t-shirt, issued ASU black belt/buckle.

Thursdays: ACU's (camo), tan boots, baseball cap, tan t-shirt, ACU tan web belt

Fridays: Green polo shirt, khaki slacks, black shoes and socks, black belt or ACU tan web belt

\*\*\*On Fridays you may wear a UMA spirit team shirt in place of your green polo. (This does not include the UMA PT shirt).

\*\*\*PE black shorts with spandex shorts/compression shorts-black or grey.

**17. Team Time Sign-Ups:** Your Cadet can sign-up for the different Team Time classes being offered. For those of you that are new to UMA, these are classes offered after school that are held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays from 3:30pm to 4:30pm each week. They will be posted on the wall for your Cadet to sign up at the school.