



ACADEMY HIGH
CHAMPAIGN URBANA

WEEKLY NEWS

November 10, 2023



9th, 10th, and 11th Graders Enjoyed the Lume Experience at Newsfields Museum

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 12th

Fourth Annual Care Fair, 4 - 5:30pm

Monday, November 20th -
Friday, November 24th

No School, Thanksgiving Week

Wednesday, December 6th

Rock Band Performance, TBD

Friday, December 8th

Boxed Lunch Day - Panera

Monday, December 11th -
Friday, December 15th

Finals Week

Wednesday, December 13th

End of Semester Showcase, 5:00-6:30pm

Friday, December 15th

Last Day of First Semester

Tuesday, January 2nd

No School - Faculty Inservice

Wednesday, January 3rd

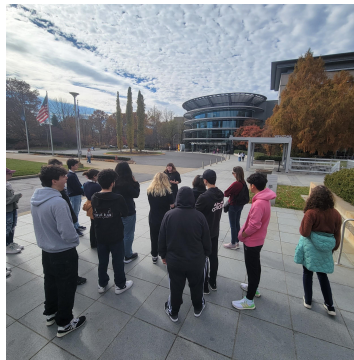
First Day of Second Semester

College and Culture Tour A Success!

This week, students in the 9th, 10th, and 11th grade had the opportunity to travel to Indiana to experience a “College + Culture Tour.” Students visited and toured Purdue University and Butler University, with a two hour stop at the Newfields Museum in Indianapolis to experience the “Lume: Van Gogh” and other exhibits in between college visits.

It was an excellent opportunity for students to get off campus, learn about different academic programs, get a taste of college life at both a large, public research institution and a smaller, private university.

We are looking forward to next year’s trip!



Do You Know About Academy High’s New Family Referral Program?

Academy High has a New Family Referral Program to reward our current families who spread the word about our school. After all, our current families know our community better than anyone!

The referral process is simple:

1. Refer a new family to Academy High.
2. When a new family completes an online application, they will have the opportunity to list your name as a reference.
3. Once the referred student is enrolled and attends Academy High for a semester, you will receive a \$500 credit towards your tuition.

Not only will you help us grow our school community, but you will also enjoy savings on your tuition. It’s a win-win! Families can refer up to four new families each year, meaning you have the opportunity to earn up to \$2,000 per year.

Please keep in mind that we are accepting applications for the upcoming school year when you’re checking in with friends, co-workers, and neighbors. The priority deadline for students wishing to apply for the 2024-2025 and the 2025-2026 school years is **December 15th, 2023**.

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\$500 TUITION CREDIT

REFER A NEW FAMILY AND RECEIVE A \$500 CREDIT WHEN THEY ATTEND ACADEMY HIGH.

Curriculum Insider: Digital Humanities Academic Elective



This semester, junior and senior students are working with Mr. Conerty on "Digital Humanities," a class that provides students with a gateway to understanding how technology can deepen our appreciation of the human experience, while also equipping them with valuable digital literacy skills applicable to a wide range of future academic and professional endeavors.

Through a dynamic blend of theoretical exploration and hands-on activities, students are gaining a deeper understanding of how technology can be harnessed to analyze, interpret, and preserve our cultural heritage.

In addition to visiting the UIUC archives, students are working with a doctoral student from the university to better understand the scope and application of different digital humanities approaches.

Students are currently working on a capstone project that aggregates and analyzes data related to the Office of the U.S. Special Presidential Envoy for Climate. They will be eager to share more about their research process and findings at the upcoming end of semester showcase on December 13th!

Fourth Annual Care Fair: This Sunday, November 12th

Please join us this Sunday for the Caring Crew's annual Care Fair, a fundraiser benefiting Eastern Illinois Foodbank. The event will be taking place this Sunday, November 12th, from 4 pm to 5:30pm at Academy High.

Your support and presence will make a world of difference. Gather your friends and family, come be a part of this wonderful event, and make a positive impact!

Silent Auction:

The Silent Auction has incredible items available for bidding! You can find the link [here](#). Bidding closes this Saturday, November 11th at 4pm. All money raised will go directly to the foodbank.

Culturally Inclusive Food Drive:

As part of the Care Fair, we are holding a Culturally Inclusive Food Drive and the suggested food donations are based on surveyed food preferences from Eastern Illinois Foodbank's clients. Here is the link to the suggested food donations. We appreciate your support!



X-Time Club Leads a STEAM Activity at Douglas Branch Library

Last Saturday, X-time club members traveled to the Douglas Branch Library in Champaign, where we did a “pirate treasure” boat building STEAM activity. In this activity, the students designed and built boats to hold as much “loot” (pennies) as possible without sinking. We had kindergarten to middle school age kids participating, and the club members did a great job of adapting the activity to each group of students and providing guidance where necessary.

At the end, all of the boats worked, and the students all came up with very creative and unique designs. We had lots of fun working with them on this activity, and look forward to running more programs in the future with this group and others!



AHPA News

Monical's Pizza Fundraiser - Tuesday, November 14th

Save the Date! Dine in or carry out on Tuesday, November 14th at Monical's in Urbana, Champaign, or Mahomet and AHPA will get a percentage of sales that will be used to support events throughout the year when you bring in or show the flyer at the time of purchase. The flyer will be shared in an upcoming email as well as physical copies will be available in the front office.



Teacher Appreciation Lunch - Monday, December 4th

AHPA would like to thank all of the families who provided food for our faculty and staff at the October breakfast! As we look ahead to the end of the fall semester, we are hosting a potluck lunch for teachers on Monday, December 4th. We invite the Academy High community to bring items for this special event! Please check out the lunch signup [HERE](#), and consider how you can help make this a special treat for our hardworking faculty and staff! If you have questions, feel free to contact Colleen Braun.

Cheer on the Girls Basketball Team on Tuesday, November 14th

The Academy High Girls Basketball season has started! The team has been practicing five days a week to gear up for their first game. Their first game will take place on Tuesday, November 14th at 6pm at the Savoy Recreation Center. We encourage everyone attending to wear the owl red hoodie or any red clothing! The admission fee for all home games is \$2 for students and \$4 for adults.

We are proud to be hosting these home games to provide a sense of community as we cheer on and support our girls! The games are usually an hour to an hour and a half long and are very high energy and exciting to watch. We would love to see you there!



Community Resource: Health Professions Open House on November 27th



HEALTH PROFESSIONS FALL OPEN HOUSE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH | 5-7 PM

MAIN CAMPUS: 2400 WEST BRADLEY AVE. CHAMPAIGN, IL
HP ON MATTIS: 1309 NORTH MATTIS AVE. CHAMPAIGN, IL

Learn more about our careers - Take tours - Meet the faculty and students!

Main Campus- L-wing

Dental Hygiene, Nursing, Practical Nursing, Radiologic Technology, Respiratory Care, Surgical Technology, Veterinary Technology

Health Professions on Mattis

Emergency Medical Services, Fire Service Technology, Medical Assisting, Nursing Assistant, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Simulation



Register for the event

Questions? Call 217/351-2224 or email hpinquiry@parkland.edu

Are you interested in learning more about health professions?

Parkland is hosting an open house on Monday, November 27th from 5 to 7pm.

To learn more about the event, please visit their website.