



USCSD Weekly Recap

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USCSD Headlines

Capital projects recommended for USC

An ad hoc committee of the Upper St. Clair School Board delivered its capital projects recommendations during the school board's meeting on Monday, March 13, 2017. Recommended projects include the following:



- Construction of new 8-lane pool at the high school
 - Consideration of a separate Diving Well / Special Use Pool, to be bid as an add alternate or delete to the project
- Construction of a multi-use complex at the high school stadium, to include:
 - Home and visitor-side bleacher repair/renovation
 - ADA compliant restroom facilities, ticket booth, concession area, announcing facilities
 - Multi-use space available for school district and community use
 - District Administrative Office space within the complex
- Completion of Boyce Athletic Field facilities
 - A single structure to include rest rooms/changing area, concession area and announcing booth

The ad hoc committee also unanimously recommended the removal of the pedestrian bridge at the high school and repaving of the parking lot at the conclusion of the project. [Read more](#)

Speech & Debate Team prepares for nationals

The Upper St. Clair High School Speech & Debate team capped off the regular season Saturday, March 11 with a debate sweepstakes championship, second place in speech and second overall sending at least eight students to the National Speech & Debate Association Nationals June 18-23, 2017, in Birmingham, Ala. [Read more](#)

Canvas – a potential “one-stop-shop” for learning tools

With the advent of web-based technology, there is more opportunity now than ever before to support students with their learning. Currently, there are many different places to find this information (MMS for grades, district website for homework board, Blended Schools for course materials, and Showbie for turned in assignments). For the past year and a half, we have been vetting various systems and found a potential "One Stop Shop" solution for all of these learning tools. We are in the early stages of introducing this solution in pilot classrooms at Boyce, Fort Couch and the High School. The system that we are rolling out is called Canvas. [Read more](#)

Open Mike with Dr. O'Toole set for March 20

The Upper St. Clair Parent Teacher Council will host its semiannual Superintendent Open Mike at 10 a.m. on Monday, March 20, 2017, in the Boyce Middle School auditorium. Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP online (click here for the online registration form) or by contacting Dr. Daphna Gans, Open Mike committee chairperson, at daphnagans@gmail.com. [Read more](#)

Partners in Education meeting set for March 27

Partners in Education (PIE) will host Amy Pfender, director of student support services, and Melissa Garvin, assistant director of student support services, to discuss issues of interest to families of children who receive special education services. The meeting, which is open to all interested USC families, is set for 7 p.m. on Monday, March 27 at Boyce Middle School, room 110. [Read more](#)

USC host families needed for visiting Thai students

Additional host families are needed for the Thai Exchange Students at USC High School from April 18-May 21. Receive an appreciation check of \$350 per student hosted. [Read more](#)

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration for incoming Upper St. Clair kindergarten students and their families will be held mid-March at each of the district's three elementary schools as follows:

- **Baker Elementary:** Wednesday, March 22
- **Eisenhower Elementary:** Tuesday, March 21
- **Streams Elementary:** Monday, March 20

Families will complete the registration process at the school in their attendance area and meet with school community members that may include a teacher, librarian, nurse, school counselor and parent association representative. Incoming kindergarten students will complete vision and hearing screenings. [Read more and schedule a registration appointment online](#)

In case you missed it....(*USCSD in the media*)

- [USC capital improvement projects could top \\$16 million](#)
 - [Upper St. Clair High School students investigate mock crime scenes at CSI House](#)
 - [Seton-La Salle led team earns silver in national lacrosse tournament \(*USC junior Emily Megonnell and USC sophomores Olivia Gerlach and Hannah Thompson*\)](#)
 - [How do you win a spelling bee? By 'ursine' your head \(*Fort Couch's Christian Chiu who was a finalist.*\)](#)
 - [Saturday's results in the PIAA wrestling championships](#)
 - [PIAA wrestling championships 2017 results](#)
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Upcoming Events

- [2016-17 School Calendar](#)
- [Online Activities Calendar](#)
- [Athletics Calendar](#)

March

17: Fort Couch Social, 8-9 p.m.
21: Streams, Spring Pictures
21: Fort Couch PTSO meeting, 9:30 a.m.
21: Boyce Spirit Night, 5-9 p.m., Chipotle
21: Combined 5-12 Band Concert, 7 p.m., High School theatre
22-24: PMEA Region Band
23: Third Marking Period Ends
23: Early Dismissal for Students (USCHS, 10:55 am; Elem., 11:30 am; Middle Schools, 11:55 am)
24: No School for Students; Teacher In-Service
27: JazzFest, 7 p.m., High School theatre
27: Partners in Education (PIE) meeting, 7 p.m., Boyce room 110
28: School Board meeting, 7 p.m., Central Office
29: Fort Couch Picture Day
29: 5th Grade Musical, Disney's "Aristocats KIDS," 7 p.m., Boyce Theater
30: Streams Second Grade Special Level Night
30: 5th Grade Musical, Disney's "Aristocats KIDS," 7 p.m., Boyce Theater
30: PMEA Adjudication, High School
31: 5th Grade Musical, Disney's "Aristocats KIDS," 2 p.m., Boyce Theater

April

3-7: PSSA English/Language Arts testing, grades 3-8
4: Streams PTO meeting, 9:30 a.m.
4: Baker PTA meeting, 1 p.m.
5: PTC meeting, 9:30 a.m., C&RC (*location change*)
5-8: NAFME All-Eastern Conference, Atlantic City, NJ
6: Third making period report cards
7: High School senior breakfast, 7:40 a.m.
7: Baker Variety Show, 6 p.m., Boyce Theatre
10-14: No School – Spring Recess
17: No School for students – Teacher In-service
17: School Board meeting, 7 p.m., Central Office
18: Fort Couch PTSO meeting, 9:30 a.m.

19: High School PTSO meeting, 9:30 a.m.
19: 6th Grade Musical, "Mulan, JR," 7 p.m. Boyce Theatre
11-22: PMEA Conference/All-State Festival, Erie
20: 6th Grade Musical, "Mulan, JR," 7 p.m. Boyce Theatre
20: National Honor Society Induction, 7 p.m., High School Theatre
21: Eisenhower PTO meeting, 9 a.m.
21: 6th Grade Musical, "Mulan, JR," 2 p.m. Boyce Theatre
21: USCHS Mini-THON, 6 p.m. – 6 a.m. | Community hours 6 – 9 p.m.
24-28: PSSA Mathematics testing, grades 3-8
24: School Board meeting, 7 p.m., Central Office
25: Pre-Trip Concert, 7 p.m., High School small gym
26: Baker Chick-fil-A Spirit Night, 4:30-7 p.m.
27-29: Pantheon Choir/Marching Band Trip to Norfolk, Va.

Bulletin Board

Be sure to check the district's [online community bulletin board](#) for information about upcoming community events as well as summer science camps, sports camps, dance clinics and more....

- **NEW:** USC Girls' Lacrosse Spirit Wear - Orders due March 22
- **NEW:** Children & Youth Disability & Mental Health Summit: March 22-24
- **NEW:** 2017-18 USC High School Cheerleading Tryouts; (March 20-April 1)
- **NEW:** USC Roller Hockey (grades 2-12): Sign-ups May 25
- **NEW:** EQT Children's Theater Festival: May 18-21
- Boyce Spirit Night: March 21 @ Chipotle
- USCHS Girls Lacrosse Fundraiser @ BJ's: March 23
- USCAA Baseball Sign-ups: ages 6-18
- Summer Camp 2017 Registration is now OPEN! – Boyce Middle School – Extended Day Services
- Summer Camp 2017 Registration is now OPEN! – Streams Elem. School – Extended Day Services
- Summer Camp 2017 Registration is now OPEN! – Eisenhower Elem. School – Extended Day Services
- STEM Adventure Summer Day Camp (ages 6-14)
- Parkway West Summer Career Camp (grades 6-8): June 20-21
- And more....

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