

UHS Board Report - May

May 8, 2025



FCCLA Spirit of Advising Award

A couple weeks ago, our very own Mrs. Fritz was honored as the recipient of the prestigious FCCLA Spirit of Advising Award, a recognition given to only one adviser per state out of over 7,200

nationwide chapters. She will be recognized again this summer at the 2025 National Leadership Conference in Orlando.

FCCLA National Membership Coordinator Samuel Lee said this about Holly: "[She goes] above and beyond—not for recognition, but because [she] believe deeply in her students, in the mission of FCCLA, and in the power of leadership to change lives. [She is the] steady encouragement behind the scenes, the problem-solver, the motivator, the mentor. The one who stays late, shows up early, and gives students the courage to lead... [Her] influence is felt not just through the awards the chapter may earn, but through the everyday moments—empowering students to speak up, guiding them through challenges, and encouraging them to see their potential. [She has] created a space where members can grow into leaders, and that is what this award is truly about."



Viking Power! Spring 2025

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**Vikings Care:
Showing Heart
From Classroom to Community**

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Earth Day 2025

Every year for the past 15 years, McNary Heights Elementary School students have been trekking down to the nature trails and West Park near the McNary Dam to celebrate Earth Day. This year, in coordination with the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR), our Earth Science and Food & Travel 2 students hosted several different activities for the elementary students about the environment, native foods, and other Earth Day-related topics.



Hang Up & Drive Assembly



On Monday, April 21 we were pleased to welcome back [Jacy Good](#) and [Steve Johnson](#) about the dangers of distracted driving. Funded by ODOT, their presentation makes real the dangers of using your cell phone while driving.

FCCLA State Leadership Conference 2025



On April 14-16, some of UHS's finest attended the annual FCCLA State Leadership Conference in Lebanon, Oregon. It was a great success! After spending much of the year preparing, students competing and a variety of competitions related to family, career, and community leadership and service. Here is a summary of how many of our students did.

National Leadership Conference Qualifiers:

Ethan Robertson: Job Interview - Gold Score Headed to Nationals

Patricia Oseguera & Daniela Lopez: Food Innovations - Silver Score Headed to Nationals

Cindy Oseguera: Job Interview - Silver Score Headed to Nationals

Joanna Gallegos: Focus on Children - Silver Score Headed to Nationals

Alex Enkey & Sara Hill: Interpersonal Communications - Silver Score Headed to Nationals

Other Finalists:

Yaretzi Solis: Food Innovations - Bronze Score

Miley Carrasco & Kora Dominguez: Repurpose & Redesign - Bronze Score

Lorelai Tesch: Interior Design - Bronze Score

Noe Gonzalez: Job Interview - Bronze Score

Thank you and special shout-out to our volunteers who helped competition day run smoothly:

Corinne Funderburk (Volunteer Judge)

Owen Waddell (Student Volunteer)

Darlyne Munoz Mendoza (Student Volunteer)

Now, on to Nationals in Orlando, Florida this summer!



Drama Club at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival



On April 10-13, the UHS Drama Club took the long journey to Ashland to partake in the Oregon Shakespeare Festival.

UHS Senior Wins First Place



Briseida Mendoza won first place for teens for her piece titled *Lost in My Thoughts* (pictured below). The regional competition, hosted by the Pendleton Center for the Arts, included 167 works of art submitted by 102 different artists. The [Open Regional Exhibit](#) was formed more than 52 years ago, inviting every artist in the community to share their work bringing "a wealth of viewpoint, technique, materials, and the power of the creative impulse" to the gallery. (Also check out our very own Mrs. Silver's art that was recognized with an Honorable Mention for *Feelin' Like Egan*.)

Key Club Convention 2025

On March 28-30, while most students enjoyed the last few days of Spring Break, eight of our very finest attended the 75th Annual District Key Club Convention in Seattle. Nicknamed D-Con, the event brought together over 2000 high school students representing over 160 Key Clubs from throughout the Pacific Northwest to develop leadership skills and celebrate the past year of service.





Baseball Team Visits Columbia Basin College and the Tri-Cities Dust Devils

On Friday, April 18, the UHS Baseball team toured Columbia Basin College in Pasco, Washington. Then the team were hosted by the minor league baseball team Tri-City Dust Devils, an affiliate of the Anaheim Angels, where our very own RJ Estrada was able to throw out the first pitch.





OSAA Athlete of the Week for March 24-30



MAR 24 – MAR 30



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RJ ESTRADA Umatilla • Baseball

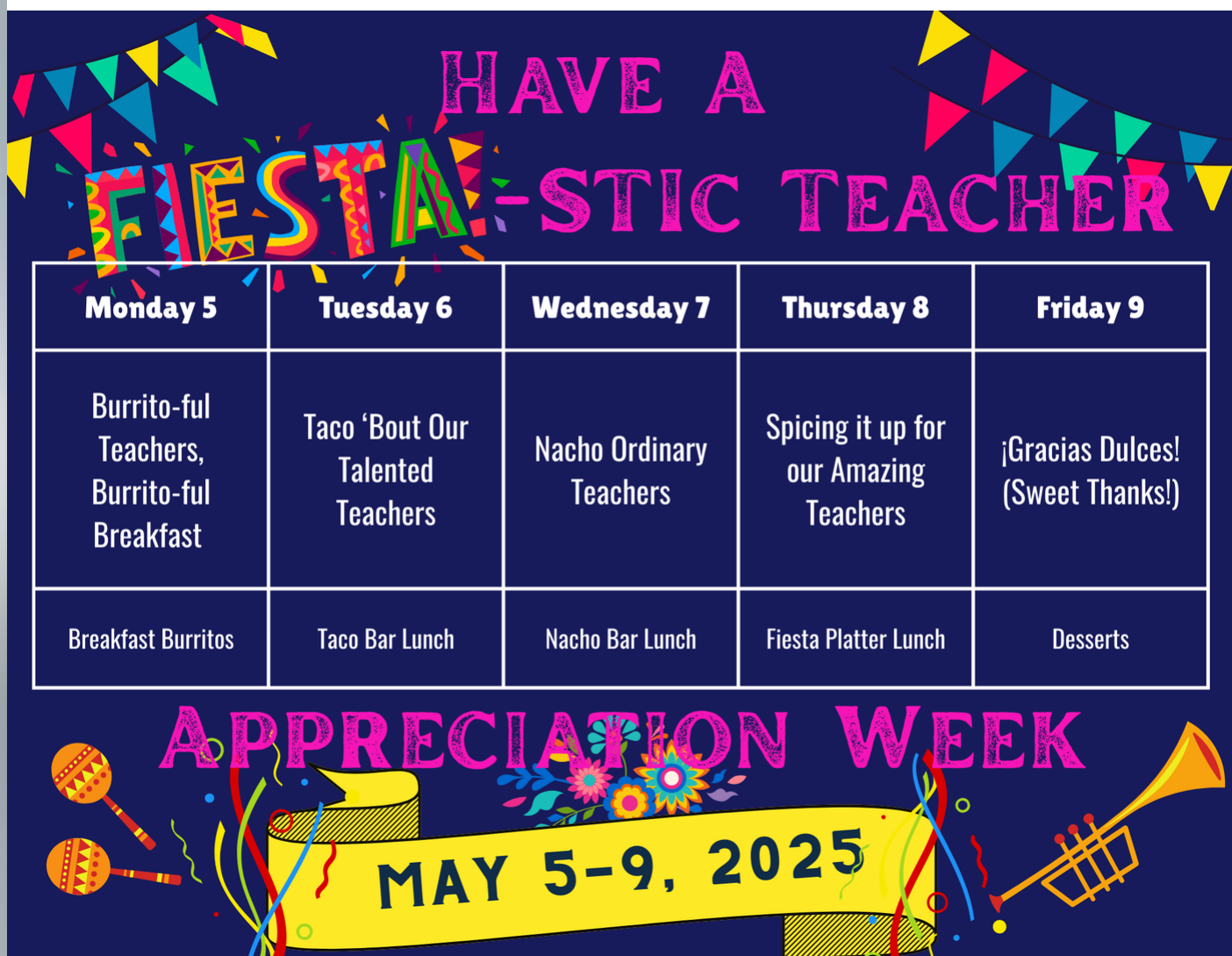
RJ has led the Vikings in hits so far this season, Umatilla is currently 4-2 on the season.



NEW Viking Athletics & Activities Website

IMESD Regional Sports

A Fiesta-stic Teacher Appreciation Week at UHS

A festive banner for Teacher Appreciation Week. The top half has a dark blue background with colorful triangular bunting flags. The text 'HAVE A FIESTA-STIC TEACHER' is written in a playful, multi-colored font. Below this is a table with five columns for the days of the week. The bottom half of the banner features a yellow banner with the text 'APPRECIATION WEEK' and 'MAY 5-9, 2025', surrounded by colorful streamers, maracas, and a trumpet.

HAVE A FIESTA-STIC TEACHER

Monday 5	Tuesday 6	Wednesday 7	Thursday 8	Friday 9
Burrito-ful Teachers, Burrito-ful Breakfast	Taco 'Bout Our Talented Teachers	Nacho Ordinary Teachers	Spicing it up for our Amazing Teachers	¡Gracias Dulces! (Sweet Thanks!)
Breakfast Burritos	Taco Bar Lunch	Nacho Bar Lunch	Fiesta Platter Lunch	Desserts

APPRECIATION WEEK
MAY 5-9, 2025

UHS Enrollment Report

Month	Oct. 1	Nov. 1	Dec. 1	Jan. 1	Feb. 1	Mar. 1	Apr. 1	May 1
Gr. 9	110	110	110	105	106	107	105	104
Gr. 10	128	131	129	125	127	129	130	127
Gr. 11	113	115	114	107	108	107	106	105
Gr. 12	119	121	120	113	115	114	115	113
Totals	470	477	473	450	456	457	456	449

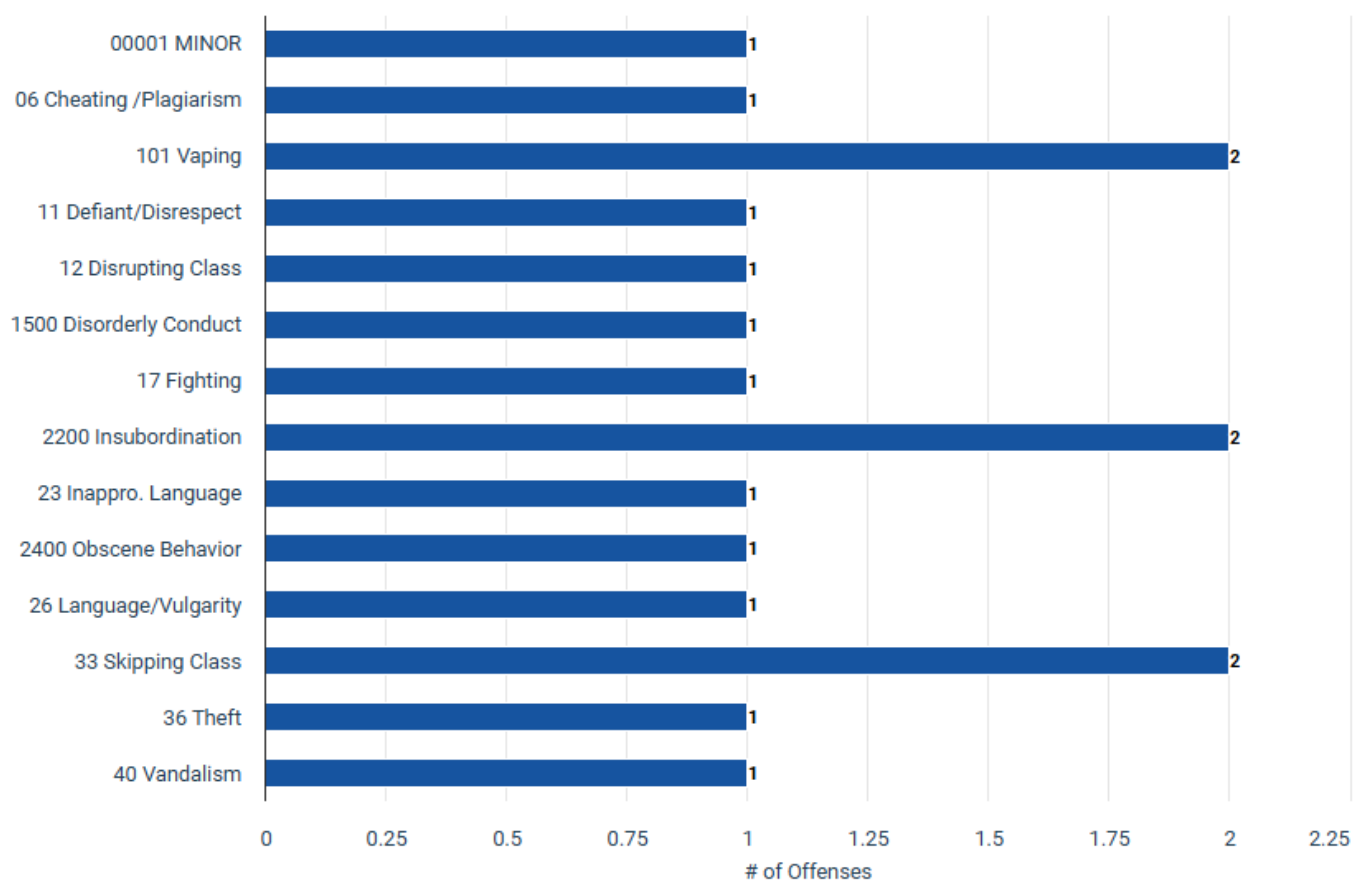
UHS Alternative Education Report

Month	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
Enrolled Students*	10	15	16	15	15	17	19	19
Credits Completed**	3 (3)	3 (6)	6 (12)	2.5 (14.5)	2.5 (17)	5 (22)	6 (28)	10 (38)

* Only students who are enrolled full-time in alternative education and attend school at the alternative building are reported in this number

** Completed credits in Edmentum courses; includes credit recovery coursework; total credits completed year-to-date in parentheses

UHS Behavior & Discipline Summary (April)



Coming Up...

- 5/6 (Tuesday) Tennis @ Sherman (Moro, depart at 12:30pm), 3pm
- 5/6 (Tuesday) Softball v. Joseph/Enterprise/Wallowa (Hermiston, depart at 2:30pm), 4pm
- 5/6 (Tuesday) Baseball v. Joseph/Enterprise/Wallowa (home), 4pm
- 5/7 (Wednesday) Food Truck Face Off & Viking Production Yard Sale (7th Street, during lunches) 10:30-11:30am
- 5/7 (Wednesday) Softball (JV) @ Touchet (Touchet, depart at 1:30pm), 4pm

- 5/7 (Wednesday) Mentor Dinner (CBMS Cafeteria) 4-6pm
- 5/8 (Thursday) Food Truck Face Off & Viking Production Yard Sale (7th Street, during lunches) 10:30-11:30am
- 5/8 (Thursday) Track & Field @ Irrigon Invitational (Irrigon, depart at 3pm), 4pm
- 5/8 (Thursday) SchnitzerCares Awards Ceremony (Tamastslikt Cultural Institute), 6pm
- 5/8 (Thursday) Spring Play: Fast Food (UHS Commons), 7pm
- School Board Meeting (District Office), 7pm
- 5/9 (Friday) Track & Field @ Buck Track Classic (Pendleton, depart at 11am), 1pm
- 5/9 (Friday) Key Club Meeting (Room 211), 11:05am
- 5/9 (Friday) Tennis v. Condon/Irrigon (home, senior recognition), 2pm
- 5/9 (Friday) Spring Play: Fast Food (UHS Commons), 7pm
- 5/10 (Saturday) Softball v. Nyssa (Hermiston, doubleheader, depart at 10:30am), 12/2pm
- 5/10 (Saturday) Baseball v. Nyssa (home, doubleheader), 12/2pm
- 5/10 (Saturday) Spring Play: Fast Food (UHS Commons), 7pm
- 5/12 (Monday) Parent Club & Wellness Committee Meeting (UHS Commons), 6pm
- 5/13 (Tuesday) Baseball & Softball v. McLoughlin (home), 4pm
- 5/13 (Tuesday) Crystal Apple Awards (Pendleton Convention Center), 4:30pm
- 5/13 (Tuesday) UHS Spring Concerts (UHS Commons), 7-9pm
- 5/14 (Wednesday) District Budget Meeting (District Office), 7pm
- 5/16 (Friday) Timesheets Due
- 5/16 (Friday) Track & Field @ Uriarte Invitational (Baker City, departure TBD), 10am
- 5/16 (Friday) FCCLA Meeting (FACS Room during lunch), 11:05am
- 5/16 (Friday) Strike Out Cancer Game: Softball v. Burns/Crane (BMCC in Pendleton, doubleheader, departure TBD) 1/3pm
- 5/16 (Friday) Baseball v. Burns/Crane (home, doubleheader), 1/3pm
- 5/16 (Friday) City of Umatilla Bridge Builder Awards (The Bridge Bistro), 6pm
- 5/20 (Tuesday) Baseball & Softball v. Riverside (home), 4pm
- 5/22 (Thursday) Senior Trip to Silverwood
- 5/22 (Thursday) Softball @ Baker/Powder Valley/Pine Eagle (Baker City, departure TBD), 5pm
- 5/23 (Friday) FCCLA Meeting (FACS Room during lunch), 11:05am
- 5/23-5/24 Track & Field @ District Championships (Milton-Freewater, departure TBD)
- 5/27 (Tuesday) Senior Awards & Signing Day (Gym, PM Assembly Schedule), 2pm
- 5/29-5/30 Track & Field @ State Championship (Eugene, departure TBD)
- 5/30 (Friday) Last Day for Seniors
- 6/2 (Monday) Parent Club & Wellness Committee Meeting (MHES), 6pm
- 6/5 (Thursday) Yearbook Signing Party (Amphitheater), 12:15pm
- 6/7 (Saturday) Graduation (Main Gym), 10am



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