

To: Parents/Guardians of incoming UHS ninth graders
From: Tara Bennett, UHS Assistant Principal
Re: Departmental requests for 2009 – 2010 school year
Date: June 15, 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Uxbridge High School would like to take this opportunity to welcome your son/daughter to the ninth grade. Our dedicated staff has high expectations for all students to learn and achieve to the best of their abilities. By incorporating various learning strategies, giving individual guidance and support and working with parents/guardians, we are confident that each student will have a successful experience at Uxbridge High School.

In order to be successful, there are some items that students need to have prior to the start of the 2009-2010 school year. Outlined below you will see some basic needs in each department, and in some cases for a specific class within a department.

Math

- *All students taking courses from Algebra I up through Calculus II are required to have their own graphing calculator. Recommended is *Texas Instrument TI83 or TI84 plus*. It is encouraged that your child's name is engraved on the calculator.
- *3-ring binder dedicated solely to math
- *Pencils -- *all graded assignments are done in pencil*
- **Please note that the cost of a calculator can run from \$50 - \$100, so please be aware of sales and check EBay as another source to purchase a calculator.

Science

- *3-ring binder dedicated solely to science
- *Calculator
- *Writing utensils
- **Please note that these requirements are for the Physics/Technology class as well

English

- *3-ring binder dedicated solely to English – need dividers
- *Lined paper
- *Writing utensils
- *Index cards – 3x5 size

History

- *3-ring binder dedicated solely to history
- *Writing utensils (black/blue pens)
- * Index cards – 3x5 size

Family and Consumer Science

- *3-ring binder dedicated solely to FCS – need dividers
- *Writing utensils

Art

- *3-ring binder dedicated solely to art (one for each art class student is taking)
- *Writing utensils for written assignments
- *Art I students will be supplied with a #2 pencil and eraser for drawing exercises. Once worn down and presented to the teacher, a new one will replace the old one. If lost, student is responsible for providing their own #2 pencil with eraser for drawing exercises.

Music

- *Fundamentals of Guitar – acoustic guitars are preferred. Please have strings checked and tuned prior to class
- *Concert Band and Concert Choir are available as a class during the day AND after school

Physical Education/Health

- *Sneakers and appropriate active wear
- *3-ring binder dedicated solely to Health
- *Writing utensils

In addition, a positive outlook and attitude is needed by everyone! Entering the high school is an exciting time for each and every person. Schedules for incoming ninth graders will be mailed home during the summer with pertinent information like scheduled classes and guidance counselor to be included. Communication is vital to your son/daughter's success so do not hesitate to contact the high school during the summer with any questions or concerns. Thank you in advance for your support.

We look forward to the new school year!