



# Cardinal Country Highlights

Upsala Area Schools District #487

*Every Student ... Every Day*

**SUMMER 2021**



Postage paid by  
Upsala Lions Club

District: (320) 573-2174

K-12: (320) 573-2175

(320) 573-2176

# CONGRATULATIONS



*Class of*  
**2021**



### 2020-2021...A School Year Unlike Any Other

When the 2020-2021 school year began, I don't think any of us fully understood what our experiences throughout the year would be like. The summer of 2020 was spent making plans for multiple learning models and preparing for whatever the pandemic conditions would dictate.

Fortunately, we were able to successfully complete another school year and maintain our goal of providing in-person learning with the exception of a few resets.

### Looking Back

As I reflect on this past school year, I am thankful we were able to adapt and rise to the challenge of meeting the many pandemic protocols that we were required to implement. Managing face coverings, social distancing, distance/hybrid learning, contact tracing, quarantining and isolation, etc., presented a number of challenges to our staff and students. Our school community persevered through all of this and demonstrated amazing resilience in completing the school year admirably. We successfully made it through the year and concluded the year by celebrating the commencement of the Senior Class of 2021.

In addition to sending off the Class of 2021, we will also be saying goodbye to a few staff members who will be retiring from UAS. Mr. Mark Herbes will be retiring from his teaching role as a 5th/6th grade Math teacher. He will return in 2021-2022 for one more as the Activities Director. Ms. Wanda Erickson will also be retiring from our Media Specialist position. I have had the privilege of working with both of these outstanding educators during the majority of my tenure here at UAS and I'd like to wish them the very best in their future endeavors. Also retiring at the end of the 2020-2021 school year is Custodian Julian Herbes. Julian has been with the district for 9 years and we appreciate everything he has done for UAS. The UAS school community will miss these 3 team members next year and we hope they will take some time to visit us in the future.

### Looking Forward

We are looking forward to the 2021-2022 school year and a return to normalcy. At the time of this writing, we are anticipating that many of the pandemic related requirements will not be in place and we will return to traditional school programming and operations. We

will be welcoming some new staff members to our elementary teaching staff next year to achieve our goal of maintaining small section sizes in our elementary grades. In addition, we are planning for a robust College in the Schools program as well as enhanced CTE curriculum offerings. Even though we are still busy wrapping up the end of the 2020-2021 school year, I am excited to think about the 2021-2022 school year and the opportunities it will bring. Throughout this summer, we will be planning and preparing to continue providing the best educational experiences for our students.

In closing, I would like to wish you all the very best this summer. I hope you all get to spend some time with family and friends enjoying the Minnesota summer weather. Whether you travel across the country or stay close to home, I hope you are able to do the things that give you joy and peace of mind. After the past 15 months, we all deserve some well-deserved rest.

Cardinal Pride!!

*Vern Capelle*  
Superintendent

*Every Student...*



*... Every Day!*

### OPEN ENROLLMENT

Are you thinking about open enrolling to Upsala?  
Call the front office at 320-573-2174 to schedule your tour!





Greeting UAS Families,

What a year it has been! I want to start out by thanking all the families of our students for their patience over the past year. Dealing with quarantines, distance learning, hybrid learning, and masks was not easy, but we made it through!

I am proud of the resilience that our students showed throughout the

pandemic. Even during the most difficult times, they persevered through it. I also cannot forget the staff here at UAS! They have been amazing! So to everyone thank you for making this year the best school year possible!

A few notes:

I also want to take a moment to say goodbye to a couple of long time Upsala Teachers. Wanda Erickson and Mark Herbes have decided to retire at the end of this school year. Thank you Wanda and Mark for all you have done for the students and community of Upsala. I cannot think

of two people who exemplify Cardinal Pride more than these two. We wish you both the best in retirement.

Congratulations as well to the Class of 2021! Thank you for the great 13 years and we wish all 36 of you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

Over the last few weeks, we have been able to bring back some of the things we lost last spring. We got to celebrate prom on April 24th. It was great to see our students having fun! Spring sports are in full swing and it is awesome to see our student-athletes competing. Elementary students are able to go on field trips and enjoy the whole learning experience. It has been nice to be able to resume normal activities.

Speaking of normal, hopefully next school year we see a lot of normal back in our lives. Stay tuned to announcements about next school year in the fall newsletter which comes out in August.

Have a great summer and see everyone in the fall!

Take care,  
*Nick Klug*  
K-12 Principal  
Upsala Schools



### Family App

JMC rolled out a family app that will allow you another way to view your student(s) information. This app will even allow you to report an absence vs calling or emailing the office.

If you use your search engine to find the video "050521" from JMC's massive list you can watch how to set it up and the features that are available to you.

**Log In ONLINE** before the start of the new year please to update your child(s) emergency contact information along with nurse permissions.

If you search in the google play store or the apple store you will find the new addition. Our school code is 0436, and your username & password are the same as if you would log in online.

Email or call the school for your information if you don't have it handy!

# February Students Of The Month

## ELEMENTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Ms. Peterson  
Brayden Kerfeld

Ms. Wolbeck  
Alex Fuchs

Ms. Bengston  
Sidney Schulte

Ms. Fuchs  
Izabella Johnson

Ms. Duclos  
Josie Roerick

Mr. Van Sloten  
Graciella Castro

Mr. Riitters  
Erica Johnsonf

Ms. Thell  
Elyn Zinniel

Ms. Klosowski  
Ethan Ashbrook

Music  
Madison Goebel

Phy Ed  
Trygg Aleckson  
Owen Blonigen  
Wayne Bloom

Art  
Ella Achmann

Library  
Evan Pipenhagen

## SR HIGH STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Nicholas Kulla

### *Subject Students of the Month:*

English: Emily Press  
Math: Daniel Kokett  
Social Studies: Carter Johnson  
Science: Aliah Warga  
Technology: Brooke Opatz  
Art: Myra Arvig  
Music: Monica Nienaber  
FACS: Dylan Yurczyk  
World Language: Madalin Koetter  
AVID: Kaylea Loscheider

## JR HIGH STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Eric Landowski

### *Subject Students of the Month*

English: Evie Aleckson  
Math: Austin Klein  
Social Studies: Beau Ripplinger  
Science: Holly Johnson  
PE: Brayden Leners  
Health: Vance Benson  
Ag/Voc Ed: Noah Zinniel  
Art: Evie Aleckson  
Music: Hailie Luedtke

### **Athletes of the Month**

Girls Basketball: Kris Biniek, Boys Basketball: Levi Lampert  
Wrestling: Austin Wensmann

## **FEBRUARY ACTIVITY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**



Paige Gerads

**FFA**



Lukus Daniel

**Robotics**



Audrey Thomas

**Drama**

## ELEMENTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Ms. Peterson  
Mikaala Schmidt  
Reese Schmidt

Ms. Wolbeck  
Jasmyn Oldakowski  
Zahara Floan

Ms. Bengston  
Joe Rahn

Ms. Fuchs  
Vincent Bahn

Ms. Duclos  
Gavin Blenker

Mr. Van Sloten  
Cassidy Ressemann

Mr. Riitters  
Bryce Roerick  
Isaac Roerick

Ms. Thell  
Addisyn Hovland

Ms. Klosowski  
Zoey Leners

Music  
Thea Voller

Phy Ed  
Lucylee Aleckson  
Conner Steinhofer

Art  
Josie Roerick

Library  
Video Project Helpers

## SR HIGH STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Myra Arvig

### Subject Students of the Month:

English: Michael Young  
Math: Natalie Wensmann  
Social Studies: Emma Scepaniak  
Science: Jacob Gunderson  
Ag/Voc Ed: Zac Boeckermann  
Technology: Noah Boeckermann  
Art: Mikal Woidyla-Wood  
Music: Luke Harren  
World Language: Tyler Smieja  
FACS: Emmalee Hollermann  
AVID: Bryce Binek

## JR HIGH STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Samantha Pilarski

### Subject Students of the Month

English: Beau Ripplinger  
Social Studies: Isabelle Klug  
Science: Vance Benson  
PE: Evie Aleckson  
Health: Kalaeb Rene  
Ag/Voc Ed: Riley Middendorf  
Art: Olivia Kleve  
Music: Aiden Brannan

## MARCH ACTIVITY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Mikal Woidyla-Wood

Robotics



Nick Kulla

Robotics



Braedan Rene

Drama

# April Students Of The Month

## ELEMENTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Ms. Peterson  
Alex Klasen  
Greta Kremers

Ms. Wolbeck  
KaDena Saarela  
Gabriel Barthel

Ms. Bengston  
Blake Willing

Ms. Fuchs  
Lilly Dickinson

Ms. Duclos  
Leah Fruechte

Mr. Van Sloten  
Delilah Brinkman

Mr. Riitters  
Carter Steinhofer  
Suzette Guthrie

Ms. Thell  
Daniel Gunderson

Ms. Klosowski  
Matthew Tschida

Music  
Logan Ley

Phy Ed  
Lydia Kokett  
Wyatt Klasen

Art  
Trygg Aleckson

Library  
Charlie Hallermann  
Blake Willing

## SR HIGH STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Shelby Krebs

*Subject Students of the Month:*  
English: Zachary Boeckermann  
Math: Savannah Stumpf  
Social Studies: Gracie George  
Science: Mikal Woidyla-Wood  
Ag/Voc Ed: Gavin Koetter  
Technology: Dillon Krebs  
Art: Ethan Moon  
Music: Hannah Luedtke  
World Lang: Molly Leners  
FACS: Joseph Stueck

## JR HIGH STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Austin Klein

*Subject Students of the Month*  
English: Allie Maciej  
Math: Isaiah Sobiech  
Social Studies: Dominic Eggert  
Science: Sierra Bense  
PE: Dakotta Hartsock  
Health: Hannah Heesen  
Ag/Voc Ed: Dominic Blais  
Art: Eric Landowski  
Music: Kalaeb Rene

### Athletes of the Month

Softball: Isabelle Leners, Baseball: Levi Lampert,  
Track: Jake Gunderson & Madison Tschida

## APRIL ACTIVITY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Olivia Hollermann

**FFA**



Darcey Hayes

**Robotics**



Olivia Peterson

**Drama**



Wanda Erickson has been in education for 44 years. She started in Albany and was there from 1977 - 1982. After that she was the librarian in Melrose and subbed before landing in Upsala in 1986 (thank you Brian Doty).

Memories that stand out include one of the Opatz twins getting locked in the recycling bin when 6th Grade was collecting recycling (yes, it was on purpose), integrating school and public library services, providing seamless 'birth to old age' library service to the area, the beautiful squeaky wood floors in the 1920 building, seeing her mom's picture in the 1944 composite, and speeding around town in John Sand's Trans Am!

She has enjoyed working with so many successful Upsala graduates, and seeing Kindergarten students grow up to be real achievers. She also appreciates how the Upsala family surrounds each other and cares in times of tragedy.

When she is done teaching in Upsala she says she will do whatever God wants her to do. So far He has told her that it will involve people. She might travel, use Ancestry.com, have lunch with friends, and keep up with AllRoads!

Her advice includes reading Colossians 3:1-4 & Colossians 3:23-24. She says to write a life goal with incremental objectives - a 5, 10, and 20 year plan, for example. Refer to it. Pay off debt! Drive fast!



Mark Herbes has taught in Upsala for 43 years - but he actually started in Upsala in 1968 as a 7th grader!

Some of his favorite memories of teaching were on out of the building learning excursions. These included Deep Portage, the State Capitol, the Science Museum, iron mines, the TV station in Alexandria, Split Rock Lighthouse, the annual pictures at Gooseberry Falls, and many more!

A memory that stands out was the curator at the Walker Art Center scolding him and Mr. Abrahamson for standing on a rare art exhibit - when Mr. A thought it was just a rug.

He calls the relationships that evolved with the student athletes, the coaches he worked with, and the coaches he coached against invaluable.

He plans to enjoy the freedom that comes with not having to follow anyone's schedule but his own (or his wife's), and enjoy the Minnesota summers and falls. Plan B is to spend one month each winter on the East coast, starting in South Carolina and going a little further south each winter - ending in Key West.

His advice is to have empathy for the less fortunate. Try and leave your job woes in the parking lot and enjoy each day as it may be your last.

**Upsala Area Schools has been blessed to have both  
Mrs Erickson and Mr Herbes on staff for as long as we did.  
We wish them the best in everything their future holds!**



**CLASS COLORS:**

Blue & White

**CLASS FLOWER:**

Rose

**CLASS SONG:**

“Six Feet Apart” by Luke Combs

**CLASS QUOTE:**

“The key to getting ahead is getting started.” - Mark Twain

# Class of 2021



NOELLE ALLORD



MYRA ARVIG



JOSEPH BARTKOWITZ



ZACHARY BARTKOWITZ



PAIGE BINEK



ANNA BLONIGEN



ANTHONY BOECKERMANN



AUSTIN BRETH



TANISHA DINGMANN



SHANNA DOBMEIER



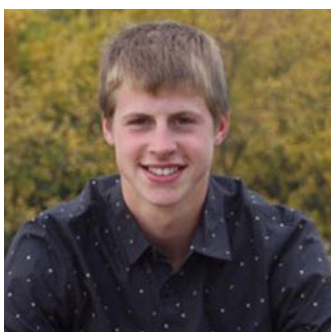
TOMASSO FILAGRANA



DARCEY HAYES



ALICE HEBIG



NICHOLAS HERZOG



OLIVIA HOLLERMANN



ANGELENA HORVATH



# Class Of 2021



**CARTER JOHNSON**



**ANA JUAREZ-LUCIO**



**DAMON KLEVE**



**GAVIN KOETTER**



**SHELBY KREBS**



**EMMA KREMERS**



**GRACIE LENERS**



**WIL LENERS**



**GRACE MACIEJ**



**JONATHAN MAYER**



**ETHAN MOON**



**OLIVIA PETERSON**



**MATTHEW PUNDSACK**



**REBEKA SNEDKER**



**AUDREY THOMAS**



**JOURNEY WENKER**



**AUSTIN WENSMANN**



**ZOE WIEGERS**



**MICHAEL YOUNG**



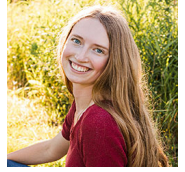
**DYLAN YURCZYK**

# Top 5 Honor Students

*The top 5 honor graduates for 2021 at Upsala High School are:*

## MYRA ARVIG

Myra Arvig of Grey Eagle, is the daughter of Scott and Sara Arvig. During high school, she has participated in Concert Band, Pep Band, National Honor Society President, M & M Mentorship Program, Upsala Trap Shooting Club, Knowledge Bowl, Art Club, Drama Club, FFA, Student of the Month, Pelican Peak 4H Club, Stroia Ballet Company, MN State Fair 1st Place 4H Chicken Barbecue Winner, MN State Fair 4H Poultry Showmanship Winner, St. Rose of Lima Church Lector. Arvig intends to attend University of Mary, ND and obtain her degree in Biology with a PrePharmacy concentration. Myra has received the honor of Valedictorian for the Class of 2021. She graduates with a 4.00 gpa.



## OLIVIA PETERSON

Olivia Peterson of Burtrum, is the daughter of Tim and Patty Peterson. During high school, she has participated in Varsity Volleyball, Varsity Track & Field, Knowledge Bowl, Concert Band, Pep Band and Jazz Band, Vice President Student Council, Vice President National Honor Society, Senior Class Vice President, Drama Club, Concert Choir, Student and Athlete of the Month, M & M Mentorship Program, Art Club, Community Covenant Church Youth Student Leader. Peterson plans to attend North Dakota State University for a degree in Interior Design and Art. Olivia carries a 3.99 gpa and has received the honor of Salutatorian for the Class of 2021.



## AUDREY THOMAS

Audrey Thomas of Burtrum is the daughter of Ryan and Sarah Thomas. During her high school career, she has been involved in Varsity Volleyball and Varsity Track & Field, Student Council President, Senior Class President, National Honor Society Secretary, Concert Band, Pep and Jazz Band, Drama Club, Student and Athlete of the Month, Concert Choir, M & M mentorship program, Art Club, Community Covenant Church Youth Ministries Board, Upsala Cross Country Manager and Knowledge Bowl. She plans to attend the University of St. Thomas, majoring in Neuroscience. She has a 3.92 gpa.



## MICHAEL YOUNG

Michael Young of Grey Eagle is the son of John and Lori Young. During his high school career, he has been involved in Concert Band, Pep Band, Knowledge Bowl, Varsity Basketball, FIRST Robotics, Drama Club, Student of the Month, Disc Jockey for DENON Professionals in Atlantic City and Las Vegas. Michael has a 3.91 gpa and has been admitted to North Dakota State University for a degree in Psychology & Business.



## SHELBY KREBS

Shelby Krebs of Little Falls, is the daughter of Donald and Marsha Krebs. During her high school career, she has been involved with the Snappy Elmdalers 4H Club, Morrison County 4H Ambassador, Mississippi Valley Cattlemen's Association Beef Princess, North American South Devon Junior Association Beef Heifer Recipient, FFA, National Honor Society, Phi Theta Kappa Central Lakes College Honor Society, Concert Band, Pep Band, Drama Club, Upsala HS volunteer group, St. Stanislaus Church, Sobieski member/volunteer, and was crowned the 2021 Morrison County American Dairy Association Dairy Princess. Shelby has also graduated with an Associate of Arts Degree from Central Lakes College, Brainerd and has achieved high honors in doing so. She has a 3.912 gpa and will attend the University of Minnesota, Crookston for Animal Science with a Veterinary Medicine emphasis and Ag Business degree.



## 2021 Sourcewell Educators of Excellence



Denise Cheney



Mark Herbes

## 2021 Sourcewell Students of Character



Olivia Hollermann



Anthony Nienaber

Our NMRC Conference Event went spectacularly on April 17th! There were 24 Teams present, of that, we had numerous safety precautions and creative problem solving efforts put forth to make sure the COVID-19 risks were minimized and so the event could still take place and be a great time!

We left the great town of Upsala around 5am, and made the long trek North to Bemidji. Rolling in around 8am after stopping to get a breakfast, we were directed to our pit areas, and welcomed by the Gene Haas Foundation for a photo opportunity! We met with Hope Riska, who represented the Gene Haas Foundation, and took a quick photo out front by the NMRC trailer. Between this year and last year, we were awarded \$6,500 in all! A surprising and welcoming amount for our team! Of that some of the funding will go towards scholarships for students going into the machining fields!



Later we began competition, and had a short downtime due to making sure everyone was able to connect to the fields properly (first time doing so with a new system). Following the matches came by quickly and efficiently! Our team did well, our Autonomous program was working great, and our climber (at the end) finally began to work properly! Our new driver this year, Nick, had been working hard during the season to develop enough skill of moving in the way, and playing a strong defensive game! It was enough so, that we were selected by the number one seed in finals for that purpose!



Overall, we progressed through the final brackets all the way to the end, and ultimately took home the 2nd place alliance trophy. We had a few mishaps on our side, where our climber rope go wrapped around a bolt and wouldn't allow us to deploy fully, and another time our robot ended up getting bashed around a bit too hard, and found our climber deployed too soon. That deploy ended up costing us foul points which hurt our end game total.



We also got to take some time and chat with Twitch Streamer and FIRST Robotics enthusiast, Tyler Olds from FIRST Updates Now (FUN). He even did an interview segment with our team allowing us to explore and share our robot's capabilities, how we designed it and came up with our ideas. Long and short, we had a great time! The kids did extremely well given the circumstances of limitations with COVID-19, and we are proud and thankful to be a part of the Northern Minnesota Robotics Conference!

Moving forward, this year our team also managed to qualify for the state level of competition for the first time ever (it will be held digitally and using our video submissions for the national event). Plus, the event we attended in Bemidji, is a perfect sneak peak at what is coming to Upsala in October! We are super excited to host the NMRC Championship event for 2021!

# Census

Superintendent  
Mr. Vern Capelle



Dean of Students  
Mr. Nick Klug

Upsala Area Schools District 487  
Positive Attitudes Create Excellence

## Census Request

This data is necessary in order to calculate funding for the School Readiness Program (Minn. Stat. 123D.16) and the Early Childhood Family Education Program (Minn. Stat. 124D.135). Districts are required to submit the number of children ages 0-4 as of September 1, of each year, who are residing in their district as of October 1. The deadline for reporting these counts is December 1 of each year.

School District: \_\_\_\_\_ Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Requesting the following information for your home

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Male Female

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Male Female

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Male Female

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Male Female

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Male Female

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Male Female

**Please call with any questions: 320-573-2174**  
**Please send the document via**  
**In person: 415 main street Upsala, MN 56384**  
**Mail: Po Box 190 Upsala, MN 56384**  
**Email: mdaniel@upsala.k12.mn.us**  
**Fax: 320-208-9118**  
 www.upsala.k12.mn.us

## Great River Regional Library - Upsala



117 Main St. Upsala, MN 56384 - Phone: 320-573-4282 - <https://griver.org>

Mon: 10:00-3:00

Tues: 3:00-6:00

Wed: 2:00-8:00

Thu: Closed

Fri: 2:00-8:00

Sat: 10:00-1:00



### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Join the group that makes the library GO! Help us raise funds and awareness of library programs. Friends meets the fourth Monday of each month.

Perks include meeting authors behind the scenes and hosting great craft classes!

### WELCOME!

With the retirement of Wanda Erickson we welcome back a familiar face for many to manage the GRRL Upsala branch.

Marisa George will be the new Library Services Coordinator in Upsala beginning June 7.



## GRRL SUMMER READING PROGRAM

### 2021 SUMMER READING PROGRAM

READING  
COLORS  
Your WORLD



**June 7- August 7**  
*Join in the way that works for you:*

- Early literacy program for ages 0-3.
- Independent reading programs for kids and teens.
- Pickup a reading log at your library
- OR, use **Beanstack** to log your reading and activities [griver.beanstack.org](https://griver.beanstack.org)  
OR *Beanstack Tracker app*

**Enter prize drawings and earn online badges.**





**At Upsala Community Education** our goal is to provide opportunities for people of all ages and to enrich their lives through many different offerings beyond the regular school day and school year. We work with other groups including civic, non-profits and local businesses to enrich the lives of our community members.

**If you have a talent, interest, or area of expertise; consider sharing your talents or interests with your community by becoming a Community Education instructor.**

### *Upstage Junior*



The Upstage Players are running a summer theatre camp for grades K-12, which will end with a production of the Disney Jr musical “Frozen.”

“Frozen” auditions will be June 13 at 6pm. Pre-camp rehearsals are June 26 & July 24. The camp runs August 16-20 from 9am-4pm, with performances August 20 at 7pm and August 21 at 10am.

Cost is \$30, which includes a show t-shirt! Get more info and register on the school website.

### *Drivers Training*



Summer drivers training classroom sessions will be held in the high school media center July 12-16 & July 19-23 from 9am-noon. The price is \$390 which includes 6 hours of behind the wheel with home pickup and drop off. The contract lets you take behind the wheel up to a year after the class ends.

Payment is required with registration. You can register online or pay in person at the school office during office hours.

The class is offered through Today’s Driving School.

### *AR Summer Reading Program*

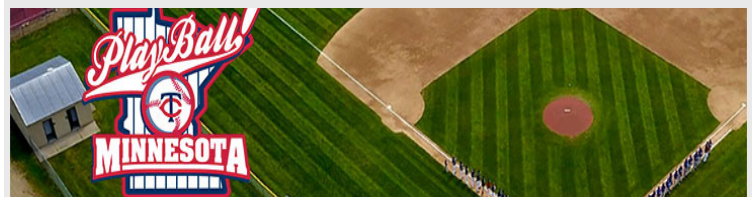


Program runs June 7 - August 5 for students PK-6.

Students will be able to check out books, take quizzes, accumulate points, and use points in the AR store. Drawings will be held weekly.

Elementary library will be open Tuesdays 9-11am, Wednesdays 9-11am, and Thursdays 6-8pm. Program is free, but registration is required to participate.

### *Twins Clinic*



Upsala is hosting a Twins baseball clinic on July 31 for boys and girls ages 6-12. There are two sessions, one starts at 10am and the other at 11:30am. Instruction is the same at both sessions.

The clinic is free but you **MUST** register online in advance with the Twins at [www.playballmn.com](http://www.playballmn.com).

Please bring your own glove!

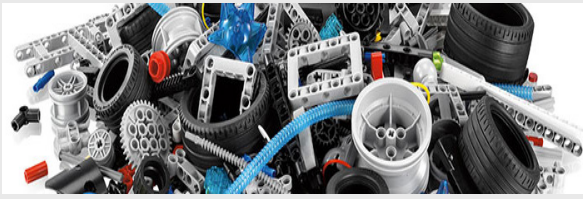


## Community Education News

Upsala Area Schools  
415 South Main, PO Box 190  
Upsala, MN. 56384  
<https://upsala.k12.mn.us/community-education.php>

**Dan Cheney**  
**Community Ed Coordinator**  
(320) 573-2176 ext 173  
[dancheney@upsala.k12.mn.us](mailto:dancheney@upsala.k12.mn.us)

### STEM Camps



#### Eureka Engineering

June 21-24, 9am-noon; grades 3-8  
Cost: \$99 (\$169 if combined with Tech Trek)

Introduces students to the core skills of robotics and other STEM areas through engaging, hands-on learning opportunities. Students will work with Lego Mindstorm kits which include both programming and mechanical components.

#### Tech Trek

June 21-24, 1pm-4pm; grades 5-10  
Cost: \$99 (\$169 if combined w/ Eureka)

Students will work with robotics kits which integrate electrical, programming and mechanical concepts. Tech Trek builds a concrete foundation of robotics concepts.

#### Drone Programming

July 26-29, 9am-noon; grades 4-10  
Cost \$99 (\$169 if combined w/ Battle Drones)

Students will learn to program and fly at the same time! The drone can be programmed using entry level block based coding, or more advanced text based coding to perform various challenges.

#### Battle Drones

July 26-29, 1pm-4pm; grades 3-9  
Cost: \$99 (\$169 if combined w/ Programming)

Students will learn from an experienced drone pilot to complete challenges and earn their drone pilot's license. Students will compete in exciting, aerial laser tag battles.

### How to register for classes online

1. Visit our webstore <https://upsala.revtrak.net>
2. Click the **Community Ed** button
3. Select the **category**
4. Select the **class** you want to register for
5. Select the **Click here to register** link
6. In the sign-in screen
  - a. Enter your email address and password if you are a returning customer. **OR**
  - b. If you do not have an account, select **create account**
    - i. Enter your contact information
    - ii. Create a password
7. The participant window will open. Select the participant's name and complete the required fields.  
If your child's name does not appear in the participant's list, select **A New Person** Enter their name and click submit. Proceed to fill out the required fields
8. If you have another child to register, click on **Continue to Shop**. If you are finished, click **Checkout** to add your class to the shopping cart and make payment. Your shopping cart window will open.
9. Verify the information for accuracy and click **Go to Checkout**.
10. Verify your registrations. Enter the payment information and click **Place Order** Payment will be processed. Your receipt can be viewed and printed.
11. **View & Print Receipt** Click Log out in the lower left corner. Credit card statements will show payment made to the school district.

#### Upsala Community Education Advisory Council

Vern Capelle, Superintendent/Director

Dan Cheney, Coordinator

Karin Nelson

Kathy Blonigen

Wendy Rene

Denise Cheney

Jennifer Servatius

Elizabeth Gunderson

Jessica Wenker

Upsala Area Schools  
 415 South Main Street  
 PO Box 190  
 Upsala MN 56384  
 www.upsala.k12.mn.us

Bulk Rate  
 US Postage Paid  
 Non-Profit Org  
 Permit No. 2

OR CURRENT RESIDENT

July '21

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

August '21

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

September '21

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

October '21

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

November '21

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

December '21

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

## 2021-22 Upsala School Calendar

Aug 2-5 & 9-12	Kindergarten Readiness
Aug 30 & 31	Teacher Workshop
Sep 01	Teacher Workshop
Sep 01	K-12 Open House (4:00 to 8:00 pm)
Sep 06	Labor Day (No School)
Sep 07	Classes Begin for K-12 Students
Oct 01	Early Release (Staff PD)
Oct 21 & 22	Fall Break
Nov 05	End of Quarter 1
Nov 08	No School (Teacher Trade Day)
Nov 09	Start of Quarter 2
	K-12 Parent Conferences (3:30 to 7:30 pm)
Nov 24	Early Release (Trade Day)
Nov 25 & 26	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 22	Early Release (Staff PD)
Dec 23-31	Holiday Break
Jan 03	K-12 Classes Resume
Jan 14	End Semester 1/Quarter 2
Jan 17	No School (In-Service)
Jan 18	Start of Spring Semester/Quarter 3
Feb 18	No School (In-Service)
Feb 21	No School (Presidents Day)
Mar 18	End of Quarter 3
Mar 21	No School (Mid-Semester Break)
Mar 22	Start of Quarter 4
	K-12 Parent Conferences (3:30 to 7:30 pm)
Apr 14	No School (Teacher Trade Day)
Apr 18-19	No School (Spring Break)
May 06	Early Release
May 28	Commencement (1:30 pm)
May 30	No School (Memorial Day)
Jun 02	Early Release - Last Student Day
Jun 03	Teacher Workshop

Student Days (S) = 172		Teacher Days (T) = 180	
Aug (S)0	(T) 2	Jan (S)20	(T)21
Sep (S)18	(T)19	Feb (S)18	(T)19
Oct (S)19	(T)19	Mar (S)22	(T)22
Nov (S)19	(T)20	Apr (S)17	(T)18
Dec (S)16	(T)16	May (S)21	(T)21
		June (S)2	(T)3

**Quarters/Semesters**

Quarter 1: Sept 7 - November 5	42 Days
Quarter 2: November 9 - January 14	40 Days
<b>Fall Semester = 82 Days</b>	
Quarter 3: January 18 - March 18	42 Days
Quarter 4: March 22 - June 2	48 Days
<b>Spring Semester = 90 Days</b>	

Summer Kdg Readiness	Teacher Workshop/In-Service
No School for Students/Staff	Early Release - Noon Dismissal
Start/End Quarter/Semester	Conferences
Commencement	

January '22

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

February '22

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

March '22

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

April '22

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

May '22

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

June '22

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

**2021-22 Weather Make Up Days**  
 First Day - No Make Up  
 Second Day - January 17, 2022  
 Third Day - February 18, 2022  
 Fourth Day - March 21, 2022  
 Fifth Day - April 14, 2022

<b>Administration:</b>		<b>School Board:</b>
Vern Capelle, Superintendent		Dean Peterson
Nick Klug, Dean of Students		Trevor Soltis
Mark Herbes, Athletic Director		Ryan Thomas
Colleen Harren, Business Mgr.		Stephen Roerick
		Brittany Harren
		Marvin Wensmann