



**Superintendent's Report State of
the Schools
November 19, 2024**

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Proclamation Honoring Nelson Hernandez

THANK YOU!

The HCES Administration, Teachers, Staff
&
The TUPS School Community

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Thank



**All of our Educational Staffs throughout the district, and
especially the staff at Hannah Caldwell School.**

TOWNSHIP OF UNION:
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE STAFF
PRINCIPALS
VICE PRINCIPALS
SUPERVISORS
DIRECTORS
COUNCELING DEPARTMENTS
ANTHONY CIRELLI
CUSTODIANS
MAINTENANCE & GROUNDS
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
SECURITY STAFF

SENATOR JOE CRYAN
DR. REPOLLET
KEAN UNIVERSITY
MAYOR MANNY FIGUIERDO
UNION TOWNSHIP COMMITEE
UNION TOWNSHIP BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION
JOE GRAZIANO
TWP DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ANTONIO CARVALHO
JENWAHLER & POMPTONIAN
TWP UNION POLICE & FIRE
UNION COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S
OFFICE

**“Every person in this district was affected by this situation.
I want to thank the UTEA for bringing the information to Mr. Cirelli, Manager
of Buildings and Grounds and myself. Communication is key as we all
continue to grow and learn from the challenges ahead.
I am confident in our staff.” Gerry Benaquista**

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Student Farmer Frontline

What's Up With TUPS?

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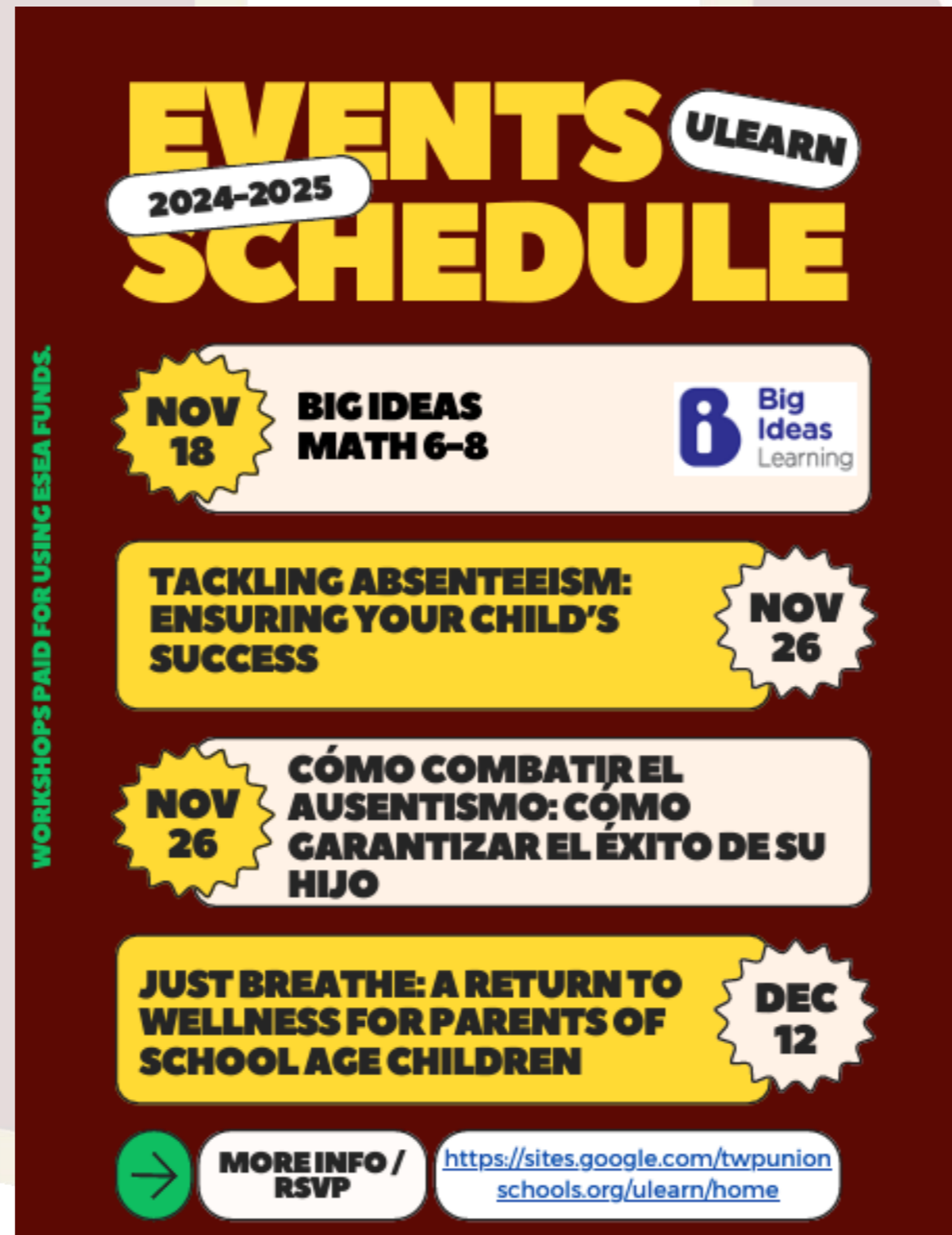


Government Day 2024


On October 22, 2024, 40 students from Ms. Brubaker's AP Government & Politics classes attended Union Township's "Student Government Day." The students were paired up with township elected officials and department heads to better see how the government functions and to see what happens behind the scenes in the various departments. The culminating activity was when the students participated in an open Town Hall meeting with real life town decisions and business happenings. The students who paired up with the mayor and the committee people ran the meeting in conjunction with the elected officials. The town agrees, "It was an honor to have another successful Student Government Day with students from Union High School. Today, students stepped into the roles of council members, mayors, and public officials, gaining firsthand experience in local governance. We look forward to seeing how these young minds shape our town's future!"

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U^{LEARN} Events!




EVENTS SCHEDULE U^{LEARN}
2024-2025

NOV 18 **BIG IDEAS MATH 6-8** 

TACKLING ABSENTEEISM: ENSURING YOUR CHILD'S SUCCESS **NOV 26**

NOV 26 **CÓMO COMBATIR EL AUSENTISMO: CÓMO GARANTIZAR EL ÉXITO DE SU HIJO**

JUST BREATHE: A RETURN TO WELLNESS FOR PARENTS OF SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN **DEC 12**

 **MORE INFO / RSVP** <https://sites.google.com/twpunionschools.org/ulearn/home>

WORKSHOPS PAID FOR USING ESEA FUNDS.

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Newsletter

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IT'S ALL ABOUT U!

Our Monthly Newsletter Focusing on the School Community



TOGETHER WE REBUILD: A SCHOOL COMMUNITY'S JOURNEY THROUGH CHANGE AND RESILIENCE

When the Hannah Caldwell Elementary School was forced to temporarily close, the entire community—students, staff and families came together with incredible resilience. Everyone rallied to support one another, working collaboratively to ensure that the students' education continued without disruption. Temporary relocations were smoothly managed, and through this challenging time, the community remained strong and united. We are excited to announce that our staff and students will move to a new location 1086 Morris Avenue/Kean University. The spirit of teamwork and perseverance has only grown stronger, as Hannah Caldwell students and staff look forward to a bright future in its new home.

U LEARN PARENT AND FAMILY SESSIONS

Check out the U Learn series of family-focused learning sessions designed to strengthen the connection between our schools and community.

Click on the link below to RSVP for our many sessions:

<https://sites.google.com/twpunionschools.org/ulearn/home>

TUPS RECEIVES COUNTY GSA GRANT AWARD

The Township of Union Public Schools received two GSA Grants for both Burnet and Kawameeh Middle Schools within the 2024-2025 school year. This grant will include funding from the county to coordinate a GSA club in each middle school, parent and family engagement events, supplies, and professional development. In addition, this grant provided a Mural Artist to create and design a mural in each building.



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TUPS School Townhall November Reporting on Chronic Absentee Nights!

Union High School – 75
Burnet Middle School –
Kawameeh Middle School – 4
Jefferson Elementary School – 38
Battle Hill Elementary School –
Connecticut Farms Elementary School – 30
Franklin Elementary School – 6
Hannah Caldwell Elementary School – 265
Livingston Elementary School – 11
[Washington Elementary School - 20](#)

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Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) November 13, 2024 – November 19, 2024

HIB Incidents to Report

	Founded	Unfounded/Did Not Meet Criteria	Inconclusive
November 13, 2024 to November 19, 2024	1	1	1
	UHS	FES	FES

Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) October 16, 2024 – November 12, 2024

HIB Incidents to Affrim

	Founded	Unfounded	Inconclusive
October 16, 2024 to November 12, 2024	14	2	2
	UHS 8 KMS 2 BMS 3 LES 1	LES 1 CFES 1	UHS 1 KMS 1

Thank You, TUPS Community!

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