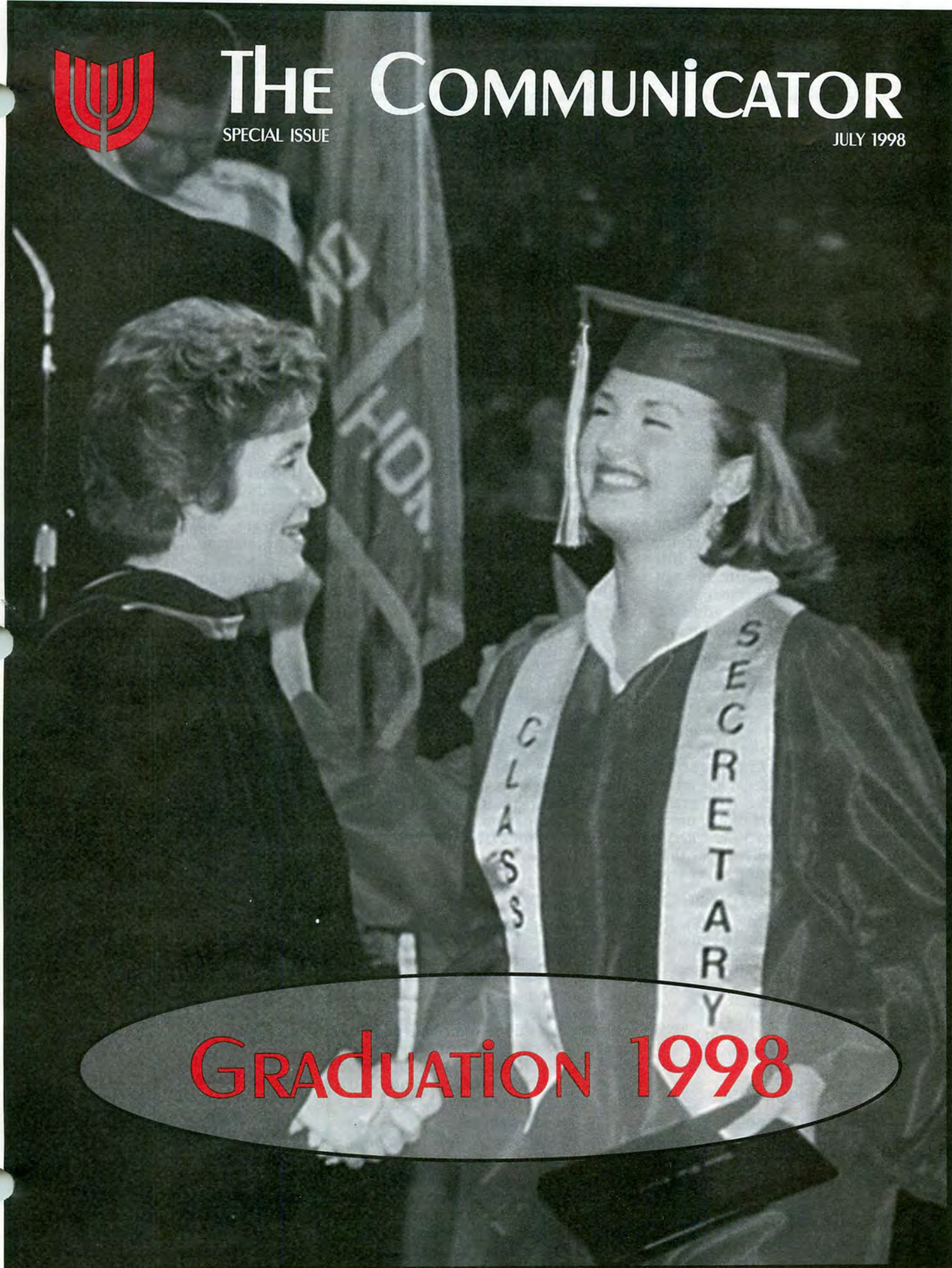




# THE COMMUNICATOR

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GRADUATION 1998



## Preparing for the 1998-99 School Year

### Enrollment Center Open

The Union Public School District has a centralized enrollment center this year to provide easier access for parents enrolling new students. The Enrollment Center is located in the Extended Education Building at 5656 S. 129th E. Ave. just north of the Education Service Center.

Hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 8-11:30 A.M. and 1-4:00 P.M. If you have specific questions about the enrollment process, please feel free to call the enrollment center at 459-4686, FAX 459-4688

### How to Prepare for Enrollment

The following are general guidelines for enrollment:

1. The student must be a resident of the Union Public School District, living with a parent or legal guardian. Proof of residence will be required. Current, original electric, gas or water bill reflecting the service address OR current, original lease agreement/house contract reflecting property address, agent name, address and phone number will be considered appropriate documentation. The district will not accept driver's licenses, checks or pieces of mail as proof of residence.

2. For kindergarten and first grade, a certified birth certificate verifying age must be presented. Kindergarten students must be five years of age on or before September 1, 1998. First grade students must be six years of age on or before September 1, 1998. Birth certificates are requested for all other students, although they are not mandatory.

3. Immunization records must be presented for students to enroll. Immunization requirements are as follows:

#### Kindergarten: Transitional & 1st (not having had Kdg.)

5 DPT\*, 4 OP\*\*, 2 MMR, 3 Hep B,  
2 Hep A & 1 Chickenpox

1st & 2nd Grade  
5 DPT\*, 4 OP\*\*, 2 MMR

3rd through 6th Grade  
3 DPT, 3 OP, 2 MMR

7th Grade  
3 DPT, 3 OP, 2 MMR, 3 Hep B & 2 Hep A

8th Grade  
3 DPT, 3 OP, 2 MMR, 3 Hep B

9th through 12th Grade  
3 DPT, 3 OP, 1 MMR

- \* Unless the fourth dose was received on or after the fourth birthday.
- \*\* Unless the third dose was received on or after the fourth birthday.

Beginning in the 1998-99 school year, all children entering kindergarten and transitional first grade will be required to have three hepatitis B vaccinations.

On June 18, 1998, the Oklahoma State Board of Health approved two revisions, to school entry requirements beginning with the fall 1998 semester. Students entering kindergarten and 7th grade in the fall of 1998 will be required to have had two doses of hepatitis A vaccine, with the first dose on or after the second birthday and the second dose six to eighteen months later. In addition, students entering kindergarten will be required to have had one dose of chickenpox (varicella) vaccine given on or after the first birthday, OR a parent's statement verifying a history of the disease will be accepted. There will be a 120-day grace period for those students who have not completed the required immunizations prior to enrollment for the 1998-99 school year.

If you have questions, please contact your physician or the Tulsa City-County Health Department. Exemption forms are available for those who have medical, personal, or religious reasons for exemption.

4. School records will be obtained from the previous school, so please bring that school's address. If your student was in Special Education or Gifted classes, please bring those records.

### Bus Route Maps to be Posted at Each School

The new school year always brings questions about where the bus will stop and what time it will be there. Route maps and bus stop lists will be posted in all schools by August 1. Each school will post only those routes affecting that individual school. Very few stops have been changed for the 1998-99 school year, but bus numbers and, quite possibly, stop times may change.

### Schedule Pick-Up

Union students entering grades 6 through 12 may pick up class schedules at the appropriate school site on Wednesday, August 5, from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. and on Thursday, August 6, from 2:00 until 7:00 P.M.

### 1998-1999 School Hours

#### Elementaries (K-5)

8:55 A.M. to 3:25 P.M.

#### 6th Grade Center

8:20 A.M. to 2:50 P.M.

#### 7th Grade Center

7:45 A.M. to 2:15 P.M.

#### 8th Grade Center

7:45 A.M. to 2:15 P.M.

#### Intermediate High (9-10)

8:20 A.M. to 2:50 P.M.

#### High School (11-12)

8:15 A.M. to 2:55 P.M.

### Helpful Information

**High School** - Parking permits are \$15, and students must provide their car license tag number to purchase a permit. Activity cards are \$10, which includes admission to Union home athletic events and fine arts performances. Volunteers are needed to help with enrollment. Call PTSA volunteer coordinator Elaine Claxton at 481-1616 to volunteer.

**High School Back to School Night** -  
Tuesday, September 8

**High School College and Career Night** -  
Monday, September 14, 6-9 p.m.

**Intermediate High** - Parking permits are \$15. Activity cards are \$10.

**Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grades** - All students are asked to purchase the Student Planner, which includes the student/parent handbook, for \$2.50 at the 6th/7th Grade Center and \$2.00 at the 8th Grade Center.

### Lunch Prices

Regular School Lunch:	
Grades 1-5	\$1.15
Grades 6-12	1.50
Extra Milk	.25
Reduced Lunch	.40
Fast Foods	
& A La Carte	Cost Varies

Regular lunch tickets may be purchased daily or weekly. At the elementary level, a lump sum may be deposited in an account and the price of lunch deducted daily.

Elementary students are allowed three lunch charges only. Upon accumulating three charges, the student will be served a peanut butter sandwich and milk. No lunch charges are allowed at the secondary level.



# '98 Graduation Celebration

The 1998 Graduation Celebration Committee would like to express its heartfelt thanks to the many generous businesses and organizations in this community that made it a resounding success. 85% of the senior class attended the all-night drug- and alcohol-free event. Companies that contributed prizes for the May 1998 Graduating Class...

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Top - Sheena Washington & Principal Dave Stauffer

Middle - Zach Anderson

Bottom - Joey Brown & Jennifer Brown



## Fine Arts Students Win Honors

The Union Fine Arts Department continued to build on its strong foundation of excellence and success by receiving state and national recognition in many venues.

The **Union High School chorus** represented Oklahoma during the spring at the national Festival of the States "Music at Mt. Vernon: George Washington at Home" in Washington, DC. Selection was based on recommendations of state music officials, past achievements and current superior ratings. The 77-voice choir was further honored by invitations to sing at Mt. Vernon and on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.

**Bryan Thompson** and **Ashley Alexander** led a stellar cast in the spring production of *The Music Man*. **Ashley** and **Chris Campbell** were selected to the Oklahoma Music Educators Association (OMEA) All-State Choir.



Chris Campbell

In their 20th anniversary year, the **Highsteppers Drill Team** celebrated by taking first place in the National Drill Team Competition in San Antonio, Texas. They hosted the National Dance Team Competition in February, the first high school in the state to do so, with more than 50 teams from across the United States participating.

The Highsteppers took first place in the Novelty category at the State Championships and received the Oklahoma State Grand Champions Award with the highest overall score for their Novelty routine. Officers took first in the Team Leader Division, and **Jenny Pitts** and **Caitlin Garcia** took first in Senior Ensemble.

Members of the Union High School

marching band, the **Renegade Regiment**, received the Grand Masters Award at the Fiesta Bowl National Championship of Bands in Tempe, Arizona, during the holiday break. Competing with ten of the top bands in the country, the Regiment placed first in General Effect, first in Music and second in Marching to win the overall field marching championship. Competing bands included state champions from Michigan, Florida, Georgia and Pennsylvania.

During the Fiesta Bowl Parade, which was nationally televised, the band won outstanding achievement awards in colorguard, music and general effect, taking first place in parade competition. Union has competed twice previously at the Fiesta Bowl, taking the parade marching championship in 1985 and the field marching award in 1993.

Senior **Damion Shade** received eight regional qualifications, an all-time Union



Damion Shade

record. At the State tournament, **Damion** became Union's first-ever state champion by winning the gold medal in Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking, and **Ben Weaver** took 2nd in Dramatic Interpretation. They represented the district in the National Speech and Debate Tournament in St. Louis.



Vanessa Somerville

The **High School Jazz Ensemble** completed a successful season with superior ratings at the Pittsburg State University Jazz Festival and the State Jazz Ensemble contest.

Receiving straight superior ratings at the National Adjudicators Invitational in St. Louis earned strings students the right to compete at Grand Nationals in the spring of 1999. The **Orchestra** also received superior ratings at State Contest. Senior **Vanessa Somerville**

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The Union Renegade Regiment's interpretation of "Gloriosa" depicting the struggle of Christianity in Japan, earned national recognition.





*Michael Bulatowicz*  
Merit Finalist



## 1997-98 Merit Finalists

Four Union High School seniors were chosen as National Merit Scholarship finalists.

To be selected as Merit scholars, students must demonstrate an outstanding academic record, be endorsed and recommended by their school principal, confirm PSAT/NMSQT performance on the Scholastic Aptitude Test or the American College Test and provide detailed information about their scholastic accomplishments, school and community activities, educational plans and goals.



*Whitney Steen*  
Merit Finalist



*Stephanie Dunham*  
Merit Finalist



*Kari Robbins*  
Merit Finalist



### *Union High School Hosts Student Council District Workshop*

Union High School hosted the District VII Oklahoma Association of Student Councils workshop in the spring. More than 800 student leaders representing 18 high schools from across Tulsa County were in attendance. Union student leaders were instrumental in planning all phases of the conference.

During the day students attended leadership workshops and general assemblies featuring nationally known speaker Phil Boyte. The focus was on team building, school improvement and leadership skills. Adult advisors attended a workshop emphasizing skills and leadership class development.



*Batman and Robin, Wonder Woman, Superman, Spiderman and the Incredible Hulk (principal Dave Stauffer) appeared at this year's district student council workshop at Union High School to support the theme, "Super-leaders!"*

*Approximately 800 High School and Intermediate High students from throughout the region attended.*





On Friday, May 15, 1998, 659 graduating seniors received their diplomas at one of the most memorable ceremonies held in recent years. **Alexia Iatridis**, Senior Class vice president, welcomed those in attendance and presented her class to **Dr. Cathy Burden**,



Superintendent of Schools, who in turn extended her personal greetings to the graduates and their families and friends in attendance.

"You have completed a major step in your

# The Class of '98

education and are about to embark upon a great journey into adulthood," noted Dr. Burden. "We know that your future is filled with promise. You are the hope of a better world for us all," she said.

"As you write the next chapters of your lives, I hope you are taking three things with you. First is a **thirst for education**. The world is changing like a kaleidoscope right before our eyes. It's up to you individually to take advantage of every opportunity to take a risk and learn new things. Second is a **positive attitude**. The greatest discovery of my generation is that a human being can alter his life by altering his attitude. And finally take with you a **sense of caring for those around you** -- commitment to make a difference. Remember, we are all in this together, and we are all better off when we are helping someone else to succeed.

"Your education with us is almost through, but in reality it's just beginning. You have been a great class and Union is better

because of you. We are confident that you have the ability, and my hope for you is that you have the will to make a difference, to make a better society."

**Maranda VanStraten**, class treasurer, and **Brandon Eshelman**, class executive officer, presented a brief history and guided the graduates on a memory trip through their thirteen years of public education. **Katy Shaw**, Senior Class secretary, had some fitting comments in her inspirational message that the future is built on past accomplishments.

**Mr. Dave Stauffer**, principal of Union High School, presented the class Valedictorian, **Rahul Seth**, and Salutatorian, **Roy Sivley**. Both Rahul and Roy encouraged their classmates to be all that they can be, take challenges, and use their talents to the fullest.

**Zach Anderson**, Senior Class president, gave the traditional "Redskin Speech" in which he encouraged those in his class to build on their past, look to the future with enthusiasm and broad expectations, and

remember their heritage as Redskins. Zach, along with the other class officers, passed on the torch of leadership to the president of the class of 1999 at the conclusion of a most impressive ceremony.

Prior to graduation, the Class of 1998 shared their many experiences and honors received at the annual Senior Awards Assembly held on Tuesday, May 12. During the awards portion of the program, recognition was given to all seniors who had been offered scholarships from both colleges and private agencies totaling over five and one-half million dollars. Approximately 90% of this year's graduates will be continuing with some form of post-high-school education, and those financial offerings accepted will certainly be helpful.

The faculty and staff of the High School and Intermediate High School extended to the graduates of this year's class their best wishes for much success in the future and a hope that all their aspirations and dreams will be fulfilled.



## Class of 1998 Scholarship Recipients

Mandilyn Agent  
Ashley Alexander  
Jeremy Alexander  
Sofia Ali  
James Altendorf  
Kimberly Anderson  
Zach Anderson  
Leah Armstrong  
Jason Arnold  
Tim Austin  
Jake Aycock  
Christine Ayers  
Penny Aziere  
Brandon Barnes  
Tonya Base  
Benjamin Bax  
Tyler Beck  
Christine Beckmann  
Timia Bennett

Jason Bilyeu  
Andrea Blackmore  
Samantha Blish  
Briona Bohn  
Sarah Bowman  
Rachel Bridgewater  
Carl Brown  
Joey Brown  
Kelly Brown  
Merrick Buchanan  
Tiffany Buck  
Michael Bulatowicz  
Katie Burris  
Mary Burris  
Chris Campbell  
Ebony Campbell  
Kevin Candley  
Adam Case  
Jeremy Case

Pang Chang  
Breanna Chasteen  
Tara Claxton  
Lauren Clodi  
Kenneth Cole  
Blake Connelly  
Joy Conrad  
Linda Corley  
Christi Couch  
Chris Cox  
Chris Crawford  
Lindsay Crochet  
Carissa Crosby  
Buffy Dane  
Greg Dean  
John Dewey  
Michael Douget  
Chris Dresser  
Amanda Driggers

Stephanie Dunham  
Tiffany Dutton  
Alisha Easley  
Brandon Eshelman  
Allison Foley  
Jacquelyn Frere  
Caitlin Garcia  
Matthew Garner  
Steve Geary  
Adia George  
Kyle Gerald  
Lonnie Gilstrap  
Richard Glisson  
Melissa Gay  
Robert Hargrave  
Jennifer Hart  
Valerie Hart

John Harrington  
Steve Harrington  
Crystal Harrison  
Sarah Harter  
Neil Hasty  
Sarah Hensley  
Jonathan Ho  
Eric Hoffmaster  
Jordan Holt  
Nikki Hoyle  
Ryan Hughes  
Brandie Hutchins  
Alexis Iatridis  
Michelle Iverson  
James Jackson  
Megan Jackson  
Adam Johnson

Mandy Johnston  
Casey Jones  
Desiree Jones  
Stephanie Kim  
Laurie Knight  
Melanie Kruse  
Nathan Kruthof  
Nikola Kuzmanovic  
Chris Kyle  
Amanda Lahti  
Teresa Lane  
Clinton Langham  
Chris Latva  
Richard Le  
Ben Linger  
Deanna Long  
Lacresh Lopez

Gabriela Lugo  
Andy Lyles  
Nazanin Mahdieh  
Felicia Mansfield  
Jennifer Marrs  
Jessica Martin  
Stacey Masingale  
Puja Master  
Allison Mazza  
Marc McCaw  
Keri McKellips  
Adrian McKittrick  
Daniel Mercier  
Stephanie Michalak  
Rachel Monn  
Jared Moore  
Ed Moydell

Erin Naylor  
Kim Nguyen  
Kristen Nguyen  
Tai Nguyen  
Emily Nicar  
Heather Nichol  
Crystal Nicholas  
Michael Oglesby  
Megan Ohlig  
Erin O'Toole  
Chris Padley  
Jill Parker  
Velvet Patterson  
Brian Pavlanis  
Dorn Pearce  
Shaun Phillips  
Kristi E. Pierce

Paige Pisarra  
Jennifer Pitts  
Scott Pollard  
Melissa Powers  
Jennifer Prosser  
David Pryor  
Cindy Radin  
Lauren Rector  
Eric Reed  
Katie Remus  
Elisabeth Riccardi  
Veronica Riera  
Elvis Ripley  
Cassie Risner  
Kevin Ritter  
Kari Robbins  
Tracy Roberts  
Nicole Salamon  
Laura Sandefur

Joey Santiago  
Patricia Schaefer  
Erich Schwinn  
Peter Scieszinski  
Rebecca Seefeldt  
Rahul Seth  
Jared Sewell  
Damion Shade  
Chris Sharpe  
Alyson Shea  
Ben Shoemaker  
Purvi Shroff  
Roy Sivley  
Kevin Slankard  
Ian Smith  
Jeff Smith  
Jess Smith  
Tracy Steele  
Whitney Steen

Andrea Steffy  
Chris Straight  
David Surratt  
Justin Taylor  
Eric Teehee  
Jessica Tempest  
Brandon Thomas  
Kelli Tiller  
Lindsay Vance  
Juan Vizcaya  
Beth Walker  
Jennifer Warren  
Jamie Wehmeyer  
James Wells  
Tracy Wendt



# Class Standouts Earn In Excess Of \$5.5 Million In Scholarships

The following Union High School students were recipients of special awards as indicated:

## DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

**SCIENCE:** Outstanding AP Chemistry Student - Mike Bulatowicz; Outstanding Physics Student - Elvis Ripley; Outstanding Life AP Biology Student - Rahul Seth



Rahul Seth

**ENGLISH:** Outstanding AP English 12 Student - Whitney Steen & Nicole Hoyle

**MATHEMATICS:** Outstanding Math Student - Rahul Seth

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE:**

Outstanding Spanish Student - Nikki Hoyle; Outstanding French Student - Purvi Shroff; Outstanding German Student - Can Misirlioglu; Outstanding Chinese Student - Edward Chen; Outstanding Teaching Assistants in ESL - Bob John & Gregg Sanford; Patti Deuval Memorial Scholar - Rahul Seth

**VOCAL MUSIC:** Top Vocal Students - Ashley Alexander & Chris Campbell

**DRAMA:** Outstanding Theatre Technician - David Erickson; Outstanding Drama Students - Ben Weaver, Ashley Alexander, Bryan Thompson & Tara Brooke Watkins



Zach Anderson

**ART:** Outstanding Art Student - Chris Dresser; Outstanding Photographer - Can Misirlioglu

**COMPETITIVE SPEECH & DEBATE:** Erin Edelman, Daniel Gillispie, Nathan

Kruithof, Damion Shade, Tara Brooke Watkins & Ben Weaver

**HOME ECONOMICS:** Outstanding Child Development Student -



Gabriela Lugo

Christine Ayers & Lindsay Hall; Outstanding Family and Consumer Science Student - Kiley Cregg

**BUSINESS:** Business Student of the Year - Erich Schwinn &

Laura Sandefur; BCTI Students of the Year - Jessica Martin & Chrissy Beckmann, FBPA Students of the Year - Brad Coble & Christi Couch; DECA Student of the Year - Amy Johnston; National Marketing Education Honor Award - Elizabeth Ann Staskal

## SPECIAL AWARDS

**ACADEMIC ALL-STATE:** Nancy Lewis, Rahul Seth, Whitney L. Steen & Aaliyah N. Williams

**ACADEMIC LETTERS:** Zach Anderson, Joey Brown, Lauren Clodi, Leigh Crain, Lindsay Crochet, Carissa Crosby, Buffy Dane, Jon Dresser, Stephanie Dunham, Darin Ehrenrich, Benjamin Fick, Jacquelyn Frere, Valerie Hart, Summer Haynes, Jonathan Ho, Stephanie Hobbs, Nicole Hoyle, Megan Jackson, Carissa Jones, Nikola Kuzmanovic, Teresa Lane, Arvid Ligard, Melinda Love, Gabriela Lugo, Jessica Martin, Keri McKellips, Erin Naylor, Kristen Nguyen, Heather Nichol, Katie Remus, Elisabeth Riccardi, Kevin Ritter, Kari Robbins, Christina Romano, Laura Sandefur, Rebecca Seefeldt, Rahul Seth, Jamie Shaw, Benjamin Shoemaker, Purvi Shroff, Roy Sivley, Whitney Steen, Jessica Tempest, Kelli Tiller, Trang Thu Tran, Jennifer Warren, Aaliyah Williams,



Elisabeth Riccardi

Melissa Willis, Julie Wilson, Paige Winburn and Michelle Wood

**BOVAIRD:** Paige Winburn

**BROKEN ARROW ROTARY CLUB:** Zach Anderson & Christi Couch

**COCA-COLA NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:** Aaliyah Williams

**NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLAR:** Aaliyah Williams

**NATIONAL HISPANIC SCHOLAR:** Juan M. Vizcaya

**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY:** Benjamin Bax, Michael Connelly, Adia George, Amanda Johnston, Heather Nichol & Alicia Vo



Aaliyah Williams

**NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDED STUDENTS:** Timia Bennet, Edmund Brown, Michael Bulatowicz, Lindsay Crochet, Nicole Hoyle, Keri McKellips, David Robbins & Jamie Wehmeyer

**NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS:** Michael Bulatowicz, Stephanie Dunham, Eric Gappa, Kari Robbins, Whitney Steen & Bryan Thompson

**NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS:** Michael Bulatowicz, Stephanie Dunham, Kari Robbins & Whitney Steen

**NATIONAL VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY:** Lonnie Gilstrap, Justin Horn, Kevin McCormick, Jim Nabors, Cathy Nguyen, Matt Richey, Anthony Streck, David Tran & Vu Tran

**OKLAHOMA ACADEMIC SCHOLARS:** Ashley Alexander, Tonya Base, Benjamin Bax, Andrea



Keri McKellips

Blackmore, Briona Bohn, Jeanette Brown, Michael Bulatowicz, Mary Burris, Matthew Burroughs, Jeremy Case, Lauren Clodi, Michael Connelly, Joy

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# Senior Athletes Excel in Competition

Whether it's football, soccer, volleyball, swimming or any other sport, Union's senior athletes led the charge. On and off the field, the



*Erika Eby  
Gymnastics*

the girls gymnastics team won the state championship, a first-ever for Union, and was ranked fifth in the nation. **Erika Eby** was the lone senior on the team.

Members of the boys varsity soccer team were crowned 5A state champions and were ranked fifth in the nation by USA Today. **Adam Case** and **Chris Spears** were selected to the All-State soccer team. **Adam** has signed with



*Brandie Hutchins  
Soccer*

Northeastern State University and **Chris** will play at the University of Tulsa.

The girls varsity soccer team won the district championship. Missouri universities will benefit as



*Sarah Sallee  
Soccer*

**Brandie Hutchins** will play at Missouri Valley State College, **Sarah Sallee** has

signed with the University of Missouri and **Alyson Shea** will continue her career at Southwest

Baptist University.



*Alyson Shea  
Soccer*

the more difficult Team Performance division against the top 21 teams nationwide and received a sixth-place trophy. With the leadership of seniors **Casey Kester**, **Jennifer Landrum**, **Michelle McBride**, **Erin O'Toole**, **Kristi Pierce** and **Emily Staat**, they were named to the "Top Ten" squads in the nation.

Both the varsity boys and girls basketball teams won berths in the state tournament. The boys were undefeated in conference play and reached the final game of



*Steve Geary  
Basketball*



*Kevin Ritter  
Basketball*

the state playoffs to finish the season with a 25-3 record. **Steve Geary** was named to the All-State team and has signed to play at Carl Albert with fellow guard and three-point ace **Kevin Ritter**.



*Osric Woods  
Basketball*

**Osric Woods** has accepted a scholarship to NEO at Miami.

The Lady Redskins demonstrated an incredible comeback attitude toward the end of the regular season. Spurred on by seniors **Lauren Rector** and **Heather Nichol**, they reached the quarterfinal game of the state tourney.



*Heather Nichol  
Basketball*

With an 8-3 record, the varsity football team qualified for state playoffs. **Chris Cox** and **Jess Smith** were named to All-State as was trainer

**Chrissy Beck-**

**mann**. **Chris** will continue his career at the University of Wyoming while **Jess** will attend Pittsburg State. **Jason Arnold** has signed with Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kansas; **Adrian**

**McKittrick** will play at the University of Central Oklahoma and **Chris Padley** will go to Southwestern College in Winfield, Kansas.



*Chris Cox  
Football*



*Adrian McKittrick  
Football*

All-Stater **Katie Remus**, along with fellow seniors **Kiley Cregg**, **Carissa Crosby** and **Buffy Dane** led the volleyball

team to the regional finals. **Katie** has received a scholarship to play at Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant.

On the diamond, members of the varsity

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Jennifer Marrs

Nicole Hoyle, Amanda Johnston, Melanie Krase, Teresa Lane, Christopher Latvala, Arvid Ligard, Melinda Love, Gabriela Lugo, Jennifer Marrs, Puja Master, Keri McKellips, Daniel

Mercier, Giao Nguyen, Kristen Nguyen, Michael Oglesby, Scott Pollard, Lauren Rector, Elisabeth Riccardi, Kari Robbins, Tracy Roberts, Melissa Romigh, Erich Schwinn, Rebecca Seefeldt, Rahul Seth, Benjamin Shoemaker, Purvi Shroff, Roy Sivley, Whitney Steen, Jessica Tempest, Tara Watkins, Aaliyah Williams, Melissa Willis & Courtney Wulf

PTA: Zach Anderson, Tyler Beck, Blake Connelly, Chris Campbell, Buffy Dane, Michael Douget, Brandon Eshelman, Adia George, Adam Greenfield, Stephanie Hobbs, Megan Jackson, Mason Paulec, Scott Pollard, Tracy Roberts, Andrew Stephens, Jessica Tempest, Kelli Tiller, Jennifer Warren & Paige Winburn

**RON BROWN SCHOLAR:** Aaliyah Williams

**SENIOR BOY AND GIRL OF THE**

**MONTH:** September - Rahul Seth & Lauren Rector; October - Blake Connelly & Aaliyah Williams; November - Tyler Beck & Nikki Hoyle; December - Chris Campbell & Amanda Johnston; January - Zach Anderson & Keri McKellips; February - Denver Brown & Gabriela Lugo; March - Robert Crawford & Heather Nichol; April - Scott Pollard & Jennifer Marrs; May - Brandon Eshelman & Elisabeth Riccardi



Scott Pollard

**SENIOR BOY & GIRL OF THE YEAR:**

Rahul Seth & Aaliyah Williams

**SIMON ESTES SCHOLAR:** Ashley Alexander

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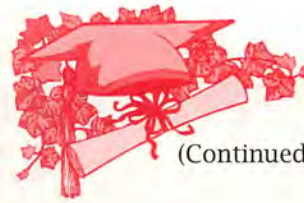


Lauren Rector

**SERVICE:** Blake Connelly, Michelle Hilton, Alexia Iatridis and Adam Wheelless

**U.S. ARMY DISTINGUISHED ATHLETES:** Lauren Rector & Kevin Ritter

**VALEDICTORIAN-SALUTATORIAN:** Rahul Seth & Roy Sivley



## Fine Arts

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was named to the All-State Orchestra and will attend the University of Tulsa on scholarship. Cellist **Chris Kyle** has accepted a scholarship to the University of Oklahoma.

High School art students received numerous awards at the Scholastic Art Awards program at the University of Tulsa. **Clint Langham** was awarded a Gold Key Portfolio, and Silver Key Portfolio winners were Langham, **Chris Strait**, **Jeanette Brown**, **Crystal Vaughan**, **Jared Moore** and **Gabriella Lugo**. **Young Gi** and **Ryan Smart** received Silver Key recognition. **Kathryn Walker** received Show awards for her drawings while **Can Miserlioglu** took honorable mention in photography.

Those presented with Gold or Silver Portfolio Awards had their work forwarded to New York for additional judging and elimination. Those achieving recognition at the national level are included in an exhibition during the summer of 1998.

## Proficiency-Based Testing for 1998-99 School Year

House Bill 1017 provides the opportunity for students to move forward in their educational endeavors by subject, course, and/or grade level based upon mastery of the Oklahoma Priority Academic Student Skills (PASS) objectives. During the 1998-99 school year, Union students will have two opportunities to participate in this process.

### August 3, 4, & 5

Applications available at the Professional Development Center (Building "B" of the Education Service Center), with pre-conferencing at the time of application pick up.

### August 6 & 7

Testing at the Professional Development Center, with post-conferencing to follow.

The second opportunity will be in the spring of 1999. The schedule will be announced after the spring standardized test dates are confirmed.



**Varsity pom** (top row, l. to r.) **Erin Schmidt**, **Casey Kester**, **Michelle McBride** (Co-Captain), **Emily Staat**, **Alison Hartman**, **Alisha Philpot** and **Carmen Daves**; (bottom row) **Ashley Mackey**, **Jennifer Landrum**, **Casey Curby**, **Kristi Pierce**, **Becky Hamm** and **Erin O'Toole** (Captain).



## Senior Athletes Excel in Competition

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baseball team were crowned regional champs. Pitcher **Ryan Dittfurth** was offered a full scholarship to Texas A & M, but has elected to fulfill his dream of going pro. He was a fifth-round draft pick and has signed a professional contract with the Texas Rangers. **Craig Reed** will continue his career at Hutchinson Junior College, and **Chad Stough** will venture to Ottawa University in Kansas.



*Leigh Crain  
Softball*

Seniors **Linda Corley**, **Leigh Crain**, **Michelle Creed**, **Heather Nichol** and **Carrie Wilber** anchored the softball team, finishing with a 21-3 regular season record. Michelle has accepted a scholarship to play at California Baptist College in Riverside, California.



*Katie Remus  
Volleyball*



*Michelle Creed  
Softball*

Senior cheerleaders **Joey Brown**, **Alisha Easley**, **Abby Eliot**, **Sarah Hensley**, **Megan Jackson**, **Amber Knapp**, **Erin Naylor**, **Kristi Pierce**, **Jamie Shaw**, **Shannon Sloan** and **Paige Winburn** led the way in providing spirit at varsity sporting events. The varsity cheerleaders

won regionals and took third in state competition.

The girls swimming and diving team took third place in state competition and also received an



*Kristina Jensen  
Swimming*

**Jeremy Case** received All-State honors in cross country; and the golf, cross country, track, tennis and wrestling teams all had individuals who qualified for state competition.



*Beth Volberding  
Swimming*

**Academic Achievement Certificate.** Diver **James Wells** placed second in the boys division and was named to All-State.



*Katie Burris  
Swimming*

## Town Hall Meeting August 10

The Union community is invited to attend a Town Hall Meeting, Monday, August 10, 1998, from 7:30 to 9:00 P.M. at First Baptist Church of Tulsa, 403 S. Cincinnati. J. Brent Walker and Marcia Beauchamp, representatives of the First Amendment Center, will address the issues of "Finding Common Ground" -- the appropriate role of religion in public schools.

Parents, ministers and interested patrons of the district are welcome to learn more about the constitutional issues surrounding this topic and participate in a question and answer forum.

For more information, please contact the Coordinator of Community Partnerships, Rose Lambert, at 459-4689.



*Best  
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## Elementary "Meet the Teacher" Schedule

### Traditional Learning Calendar (TLC)

<b>Andersen Boevers</b>	Tuesday, August 11	Grades K-5	2-3:00 p.m.
	Tuesday, August 11	AM Kindergarten	2:30-3:00 p.m.
		PM Kindergarten	3:15-3:45 p.m.
<b>Briarglen</b>	Friday, August 7	Grades 1-5	2:30-3:30 p.m.
	Monday, August 10	Kindergarten	10-10:30 a.m.
<b>Cedar Ridge Clark</b>	Tuesday, August 11	Grades 1-5	4:00 p.m.
	Friday, August 7	Grades K-5	3-3:30 p.m.
	Tuesday, August 11	Kindergarten	10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
<b>Darnaby Grove Jarman</b>	Tuesday, August 11	Grades 1-5	2:30-3:30 p.m.
	Tuesday, August 11	Grades K-5	2-3:00 p.m.
	Tuesday, August 11	Grades K-5	2:30-4:30 p.m.
<b>McAuliffe Peters</b>	Friday, August 7	Kindergarten	2-3:00 p.m.
	Tuesday, August 11	Grades 1-5	2-3:00 p.m.
	Tuesday, August 11	Grades K-5	2:45-3:30 p.m.
	Tuesday, August 11	Grades K-5	4-6:30 p.m.

Enrollment for Extended Day (EDP) will be available during Meet the Teacher at each site.



*James Wells  
Diving*



## 1998-99 District Facilities & Administrators

**Education Service Center**  
5656 S. 129 E. Ave.  
Tulsa, OK 74134-6711  
(918) 459-5432 .....Fax 459-3399  
www.unionps.org

### Elementary Sites

**Andersen Elementary School**  
1200 S. Willow  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012-4511  
Larry Williams, Principal  
(918) 250-3674 .....Fax 461-3599

**Boevers Elementary School**  
3433 S. 133 E. Ave.  
Tulsa, OK 74134-4041  
Faye Pride, Principal  
(918) 663-3646 .....Fax 641-3099

**Briarglen Elementary School**  
3303 S. 121 E. Ave.  
Tulsa, OK 74146-2200  
Nancy Poole, Principal  
(918) 622-8321 .....Fax 641-2999

**Cedar Ridge Elementary School**  
9817 S. Mingo Road  
Tulsa, OK 74133-5183  
Cathy Collins, Principal  
(918) 252-9495 .....Fax 459-2800

**Clark Elementary School**  
3656 S. 103 E. Ave.  
Tulsa, OK 74146-2441  
Becky Hale, Principal  
(918) 664-9464 .....Fax 641-2799

**Darnaby Elementary School**  
7625 E. 87 St. S.  
Tulsa, OK 74133-4818  
Susan Crowder, Principal  
(918) 252-5759 .....Fax 461-3199

**Grove Elementary School**  
10202 E. 62nd Street  
Tulsa, OK 74133-1529  
Angela Bauer, Principal  
(918) 252-5511 .....Fax 461-3999

**Jarman Elementary School**  
9015 E. 79th St. S.  
Tulsa, OK 74133-6510  
Patti Pitcock, Principal  
(918) 250-3855 .....Fax 461-3299

**McAuliffe Elementary School**  
6515 S. Garnett  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012-8529  
Sandi Calvin, Principal  
(918) 252-7028 .....Fax 461-4099

**Peters Elementary School**  
2900 West College  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012-2100  
Jennifer Randall, Principal  
(918) 252-3505 .....Fax 461-3699



### Secondary Sites

**Union Sixth/Seventh Gr. Center**  
10100 E. 61st St.  
Tulsa, OK 74133-1507  
Richard Berumen, Principal  
(918) 459-2730 .....Fax 459-4747

**Union Eighth Grade Center**  
6501 S. Garnett  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012-8594  
Kirt Hartzler, Principal  
(918) 250-9541 .....Fax 461-3899

**Union Alternative School**  
5656 S. 129th E. Ave.  
Tulsa, OK 74134-6711  
Richard Storm, Principal  
(918) 459-6555 .....Fax 459-6566

**Union Intermediate High School**  
7616 S. Garnett  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012-8705  
Dr. Clark Ogilvie, Principal  
(918) 254-8644 .....Fax 252-4779

**Union High School**  
6636 S. Mingo  
Tulsa, OK 74133-3247  
Dave Stauffer, Principal  
(918) 459-2638 .....Fax 459-5556

## Traditional & CLC School Calendars for 1998-99

The Traditional Learning Calendar is in black.

CLC Calendar Dates are indicated  
in red or with an asterisk(\*) if the dates are  
the same as the traditional calendar.

**CLC First Day of School...July 16, 1998**  
Prof. Dev. Days\* .....Aug. 10 & 11  
First Day of School.....Aug. 12  
Labor Day\* .....Sept. 7  
End CLC 1st Qtr.....Sept. 25  
**CLC Fall Intersession...Sept. 28-Oct. 16**  
End 1st Qtr.....Oct. 9  
Fall Vacation\* .....Oct. 15 & 16  
Parent/Teacher Conf\* .....Oct. 23  
Prof. Dev. Day\* .....Nov. 9  
Thanksgiving Holiday\* .....Nov. 25-27  
End 2nd Qtr.....Dec. 18  
**CLC Winter Break..Dec. 14-Jan 1, 1999**

Winter Break.....Dec. 21-Jan. 1, 1999  
Classes Resume .....Jan. 4  
**End CLC 2nd Qtr. ....Jan. 4**  
Begin 3rd Qtr./2nd Sem.....Jan. 4  
Martin Luther King Day\* .....Jan. 18  
Prof. Dev. Day\* .....Feb. 15  
End 3rd Quarter.....Mar. 9  
**End CLC 3rd Quarter.....Mar. 11**  
Parent/Teacher Conf\* .....Mar. 12  
**Spring Intersession .....Mar. 15-Apr. 2**  
Spring Break .....Mar. 22-26  
Graduation.....May 14  
Last Day of School.....May 21  
**Memorial Day .....May 31**  
**CLC Last Day of School.....June 8**

Three (3) snow days have been built into both  
calendars to allow for inclement weather.



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