

# UMATILLA HIGH SCHOOL



## Board Report

May 2026

### Prom: Under The Northern Lights

Under the Northern Lights is this year's prom theme. Students have been participating in dress up days leading up to the dance. Leadership has done a great job preparing and planning for this year's dance. Friday afternoon, they will transform the commons into a representation of the great white north. FCCLA has been busy making the snacks and treats that will be served. Students are looking forward to seeing who will be crowned King and Queen.



**Taskmaster:** This spring, the Umatilla High School drama department is putting together a night of fun, laughs, and fundraising with their version of the hit British gameshow, *Taskmaster*. Audience members will watch four Umatilla seniors compete by completing a range of silly and unusual tasks, both in previously recorded clips and with live performances, while being judged by long-time UHS teacher, Keith Gebers who will award them points based on how well they do his bidding. This one-night event is the drama club's only fundraiser of the year, so bring some cash and help the drama department grow into the 2026-2027 season. Mark May 16 at 7:00 pm on your calendar, gather your friends and loose change, and head to the UHS cafeteria for a family-friendly evening you won't soon forget!

UHS DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS: **TASKMASTER**

BASED ON THE HIT BBC GAMESHOW

**Your Task:**  
Come to a family-friendly FUNdraiser.  
**DONATIONS ENCOURAGED.**  
Watch four UHS seniors compete for the TASKMASTER'S approval and points.  
Your time starts Saturday, May 16 at 7:00 PM

**ONE NIGHT ONLY!!!**

**Earth Day Activities:** Mrs. Rivera's and Mrs. Reuter's Earth Science classes developed mini science lessons and presented them to the McNary students at their annual Earth Day walk to the dam. This is always a fun way for our high school students to relive their experiences from the Earth Day trip while giving back to a new generation of future Vikings.



**Healthcare Careers:** On April 21, the Healthcare Careers Class toured BMCC's health department. We learned about the following programs: Medical Assisting, Nursing, and EMT/Paramedic.



**Mrs. Rivera's Classes:** Throughout this year, students in Physical Science and Earth Science participated in standards-aligned, hands-on learning experiences that emphasized critical thinking and real-world application. From renewable energy design challenges to modeling Earth's history, students actively engaged in scientific practices and collaboration. The photos included provide a snapshot of student learning, engagement, and growth.



## Sports Report

Spring Sports seasons are winding down. We have several programs tuning up for district competitions that will be happening in the next two weeks.

Tennis: Districts will be held in Hermiston on May 13, 14, and 15. We have several players who are hoping to make a run for a state berth.

Golf: Golf will be traveling to Union for their district event. The Union course is a very beautiful course but it's ups and downs make it a tough course to play. Our young golfers hope to improve on their practice round scores.

Baseball has three more games to play. They play Enterprise this week and Mac Hi next and finish up the season at Irrigon. We have a lot of young players who have shown improvement this season and hope to continue that growth in the future.

Softball also only have three more games. They too will play Enterprise, Mac-Hi and finish at Irrigon. We have only sophomores and freshmen this year. If they stay together, they will see a lot of improvement.

Track has two more meets before Districts at Vale. We have several athletes who are in great positions to earn a trip to state in Eugene. It is great to see our coaches and athletes pushing themselves to be better each week.

### **Yearbook Time is Almost Here!**

The Umatilla High School yearbook program has a lot to celebrate: for the third year in a row, we have sold out of preorders. Over the last five years, dedicated and creative student journalists have helped transform a struggling program that was consistently in the red and facing an uncertain future into an award-winning publication that now sells out and earns statewide recognition alongside much larger high school programs. Their work reflects the heart of student storytelling, the power of consistent effort, and the pride our students have in preserving the memories and voices of Umatilla High School. We look forward to sharing the latest edition of The Viking at the end of the month with a fun distribution party where students can receive their books, sign their friends' books, and celebrate the school year before summer begins. Go Vikings!