



# NEWS

UNIVERSITY PREP SCHOOLS



## A Message From Our CEO

Dear U Prep Community:

Spring is just around the corner! At U Prep, this means that it's Open Enrollment Season for the 2022-23 school year! We consider it a privilege that so many of our families continue to entrust their child's educational journey to us and extend that invitation to their circle of family and friends each year. Beginning March 4, new families can apply to attend one of our ten U Prep Schools by visiting our website at [UPrepSchools.com](https://UPrepSchools.com).



In this edition of "News at the U!" we share an update on our Computer Science and Engineering Pathways at U Prep Science & Math High School. You'll hear from our basketball coaches and learn how our college prep coordinators persist through pandemic challenges to ensure our scholars enter the college and universities of their choice.

I am also pleased to announce that Grand Valley State University has extended its scholarship opportunities to include an additional award to U Prep graduating seniors who matriculate to the GVSU college community. Scroll down to learn more.

In Community and Partnership,

Danielle Jackson, CEO  
U Prep Schools

## Experience Music with Orchestra



Participating in orchestra benefits our scholars at University Prep Academy Middle School in many ways, providing them opportunities outside of the classroom that they may not have enjoyed otherwise. Click below to learn more about this music program.

**Orchestra at UPA  
Middle**

## Computer Science Pathway Introduces Students to Coding

Computer Science is one of the many pathways our scholars can experience at UPSM High School. In this pathway, students learn the fundamentals of computer programming and design through project-based learning.



**Computer Science at  
UPSM**

## Engineering Pathway Lets Scholars Solve Real-World Problems

Engineering is another hands-on pathway that our scholars can participate in at UPSM High School. Scholars get the opportunity to help solve real-world problems by engineering solutions that make a real-world impact. Scholars in this pathway can also compete in robotics competitions throughout the year. Click below to learn more.



**Find Out  
More**

## Preparing Scholars for College and Career During COVID

The global pandemic has created new challenges for high school students and their preparedness for college. Fortunately, our U Prep college and career counselors have created several ways to supplement students' readiness. Click below to learn more.



[Preparing for College & Career](#)

A photograph of a male graduate in a blue cap and gown, wearing a face mask, holding up his diploma. The background is a graduation ceremony with other graduates visible.

Introducing the  
**GV Charter Schools Alumni Scholarship**  
+  
**UPrep Alumni Scholarship**

**EARN UP TO \$8,000**

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Connect with your college advisor to learn more

## GVSU Scholarship Expansion

We are thrilled that Grand Valley State University continues to deepen its commitment to us. Demonstrating their continuing generosity, GVSU has doubled their scholarships for U Prep students to \$2,000 per year for four years. These funds are available to any U Prep graduating senior who attends GVSU, reinforcing our scholars' foundation for achieving a college degree. Click below to read the announcement.

[GVSU Expands Their Scholarship](#)

## Meet the U Prep Basketball Coaches

Our Varsity Basketball coaches dedicate their time to our student-athletes and the game they love. Our coaches serve



as mentors and leaders to their players, helping develop good habits and strong characters. Click below to find out more about how these leaders coach and who inspires them to be their best.



[Meet our Basketball Coaches](#)



## The U Crew Collective

We hope you enjoyed our relaunch of the U Crew Collective. In March's issue, Senior Director of ELA Instruction K-5, Kristin Venier, will engage us through the evolution of *The Science Behind Reading*. Look to be inspired in Mid-March.

[Visit The U Crew Blog](#)

## Meet Noah Robinson

**ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT:** Noah Robinson, a member of the 2016 UPAD High School class, went on to graduate from college with a degree in Industrial Design. Noah now works at UPAD High School and continues to grow his own entrepreneurial ventures, too. Find out more about Noah's unique experience as an alumnus working for U Prep below.



[Noah's Journey](#)

[March Birthdays and Anniversaries](#)



Help us celebrate! We have several birthdays and U Prep anniversaries in March. Click the links below to wish our Crew members a Happy Birthday or Happy Anniversary.

**Crew Birthdays**

**Crew Anniversaries**

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