

UHS Mini-THON 2019

Dancer Registration Packet



"Rise UP! Dance ON!"

Saturday, April 27th, 2019

3:00 PM - 11:00 PM

Urbana High School Gymnasium

\$10.00 Registration Fee

www.uhsmini-thon.com



Letter from the Executive

To the friends, families, and supporters of the Urbana High School Mini-Thon,

Based off of Penn State's THON program, Mini-THON fights to raise funds for Four Diamonds. Four Diamonds is an organization based out of Penn State Children's Hospital, 4-Diamonds mission is, "To conquer childhood cancer by assisting children treated at Penn State Children's Hospital and their families through superior care, comprehensive support, and innovative research." Four Diamonds assists families by paying for *everything* that insurance will not cover, so the family can focus on the well-being of their child. Their work pays for the treatment of every child who attends the hospital with pediatric cancer, both with the cost of treatment, as well as providing counseling for the family. The work they do is truly amazing and we at Urbana are hoping to give back and do what we can to support.

Last year we hosted our fourth Mini-THON event. All throughout the year, we did everything we could to raise money and garner support: a color run, a chipotle night, a ping-pong ball tournament, a car wash, canning weekends, a Zumba-THON, and even a silent auction, hoping to reach our goal. At the end of the year, we raised over \$40,000.00 to send to Four Diamonds. With over 70% of all funds resided for the foundation going directly to research, the donations made greatly supports children across the country. This year we set our sights even higher, with a goal to raise \$200,000.00 in 5 years. We've got a lot of work ahead of us, and we would like for YOU to be a part of the event.

In August of 2016, UHS Mini-THON was awarded an award for "*Excellence in Student Participation*," and we want to build on that success. Within four years, the students at Urbana High School have raised over \$155,000.00 for Four Diamonds, with over 200 students signed up for our club, and over 300 participants at our newly minted turkey trot and annual dance marathon. We are the largest student-run organization in Frederick County and I would love to see you join and dance for the fight against Pediatric Cancer. With that said, we cannot wait to see what this next year has in store for us, and we know with all of your support, this year will truly be record-setting for our organization. We hope you will join us in the fight.

Thank you for all of your support,

Seth Hajzus

Executive Director 2018-2019

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About Us

The UHS Mini-THON has been a tradition at Urbana High School for the past five years. The Mini-THON is a dance *marathon* where dancers are on their feet for seven hours. The event has dozens of activities including tournaments, games, open gym, dancing, and a special rave at the end! This is a charity event where all proceeds go to Four Diamonds supporting pediatric cancer research and treatment.

Participant Information

- All dancers must be willing to stay on their feet from 4:00 PM - 11:00 PM on Saturday, April 27, 2019.
- Registration must be completed and submitted by Friday, April 5, 2019. Packets may be submitted one of the following ways:
 - Directly to Mr. Ferrante (B205) or Mr. Ward (F112)
 - Given to a Mini-THON Board Member (See names below)
 - Mailed to 'Urbana High School Mini-THON', 3471 Campus Drive, Ijamsville Maryland, 21754.
- A \$10.00 Registration fee must also be turned in with the forms. Both cash and check are acceptable; Any checks should be made out to 'UHS Mini-THON'.
- Participants must be dressed in active attire, socks, and sneakers.
- Food, drinks, and snacks will be provided to all registered dancers.
- Dancers are encouraged to fundraise at least \$50.00 each. Fundraising this amount and registering early will guarantee you a T-Shirt. Additional T-Shirts will be provided as supplies last.
- The doors of the gymnasium will be closed to dancers at 4:30 PM. You are expected to stay the entire duration of the dance.



Donor Drive Fundraising

One of the ways our organization is able to make the difference that we do is through donor drive. This year we have set a minimum fundraising goal of \$50.00 per dancer. Signing up for Donor Drive is mandatory when participating in the event! To sign up for the donor drive:

- I. Visit UHSMini-THON.com and click on the "Donate Here" Button on the front page.
- II. Select the green "Register Now" button on the Donor Drive page. This will prompt you to create an account. Follow the instructions. If you have an existing account, Click "Log into your account".
- III. Set yourself a fundraising goal. The minimum required goal is \$50.00 but we strongly encourage you to aim higher!
- IV. Input the requested information and then select "Complete Registration", and you're ready to go!

Every donor drive page has a unique link that can be shared with your friends and family and can be posted on social media. All donations on this link will count toward your fundraising total! For fundraising, we encourage you to reach out to your friends and family, post on social-media & retweet us, and or go canning! You can also submit an offline donation through cash/check by handing in an envelope labeled with your name and grade to Mr. Ferrante (B205) or Mr. Ward (F112). If you have any questions, Contact Kaitlyn Reilly at kkreilly11@hotmail.com



Color Wars Competition

Part of our Mini-THON Tradition is the Color Wars! Each grade competes to fundraise the most to win! Freshmen are Green led by Megan Mulligan. Sophomores are Yellow led by Gretchen Hoffman. Juniors are Red led by Ben Landon. And Seniors are Blue led by Lucas Robertson!

Community Hour

Mini-THON has something for the entire family. From 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM we will be holding our annual community "hour". Admission to the community hour is by donation only and there will be a wide variety of activities for both children and adults alike. Some of these activities include face painting, crafts, raffles, silent auction, displays, moonbounce, and yard games. **You do not need to be a student or have a student attending Urbana High School to participate in Community Hour.** So encourage all your friends and family to come out and support us! The community hour will be hosted in the Urbana High School Gymnasium & Cafeteria on Saturday, April 27th, 2019 (The same day as Mini-THON).

Frequently Asked Questions

FAQ's, volunteer opportunities, and miscellaneous information are located on <https://www.uhsmini-thon.com/faqs.html> for your convenience.

If you have any additional questions or concerns please contact the Mini-THON school advisors and or the Mini-THON Executive Director.

- Mr. Stephen Ward (Advisor) at Stephen.Ward@fcps.org
- Mr. Matthew Ferrante (Advisor) at Matthew.Ferrante@fcps.org
- Seth Hajzus (Executive Director) at sohaj101@gmail.com



Board Contact Information

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Commitment Form

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Email Address: _____

Cell Phone: (____) _____ Home Phone: (____) _____

Information of Parent/Guardian(s)

Name: _____ Relation to Participant: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

The cutoff to raise \$50.00 and get a T-Shirt is April 5th, 2019.

T-Shirt Size (Circle): S M L XL XXL

1st semester First Block Teacher's Name _____

2nd semester First Block Teacher's Name _____

Student Agreement:

I will be on my feet for the entire seven hours of Urbana High School's Mini-THON to benefit the fight against Pediatric Cancer, on Saturday, April 27th, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. with the exception of a medical or family emergency. I will be an active participant in games and activities. I know that I am representing myself, my class, my school, and am participating in the event for children suffering from pediatric cancer, and therefore I will act with dignity and respect in all aspects of the event. Failure to comply with the school rules will forfeit my participation from this and future Mini-Thons, and I will NOT get a refund. I also recognize that if I leave I will not be allowed back in, nor will I be allowed to enter late.

Dancer Name _____ Dancer Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Agreement:

I allow my child to participate in Urbana High School's Mini-Thon on Saturday, April 27th, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. I understand the event is for charity purposes. I will ensure that my child has transportation home after the event and is not driving him or herself because of the exhaustion he/she may feel.

Parent Name _____ Parent Signature _____



Publicity Release

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Photos, videotape footage and personal interviews with Urbana High School students who are involved in various school-related activities are often used as part of the district's community relations efforts (e.g district publications, local television programs, newspapers, and on the school district's website).

By signing below you are granting permission to the School District to photograph or videotape the person named below. The photographs would be used in school-related publications, such as the district calendar, newsletter, district website, and local media.

FCPS is sincere in its commitment to keep the public informed of the programs, activities, and events that are taking place within our schools. Without your permission, your child cannot be part of this endeavor. However, in situations in which large groups are participating, it is impossible not to photograph certain students. Therefore we cannot prevent the use of photos that unintentionally include your child.

_____ **I DO consent to have a photograph, video or information that includes my child submitted in releases for publication and public distribution.**

_____ **I DO NOT consent to have a photograph, video or information that includes my child submitted in releases for publication and public distribution.**

Student's Name (Please Print)

Date

Parent's Signature

Date



Medical And Contact Information

Participant Name: _____ Grade: _____ Age: _____
Address: _____ Home Phone: (____) _____
Family Physician: _____ Phone: (____) _____
Physician Address: _____

Emergency Contacts:

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____
Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____
Relationship: _____

Medical Information:

Please mark an "x" next to any medical condition that applies to your current or past medical history. Please use the additional space to briefly explain.

- ____ Asthma _____
- ____ Diabetes _____
- ____ Emphysema _____
- ____ Epilepsy _____
- ____ Heart Problems _____
- ____ Other _____

Medications: (List any medications you are currently taking.)

_____ Dosage _____ Times _____
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My child, _____, may receive the medication listed above at the specified times by the attending school nurse/medical technician at Mini-Thon.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____