

LONGHORN LAUNCH

UTHS VIRTUAL NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
AUGUST 4, 2026 - 2:00PM-5:00PM CST

LINKS ARE EMBEDDED IN THE SESSIONS BELOW.

2:00pm - 3:30pm CST

WELCOME & GENERAL INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

- ✓ Welcome - Dr. Horton, Principal
- ✓ Attendance and Grading Policies - Mr. Payne, Associate Principal
- ✓ Take a Break - Mr. Kertcher, Social Worker
- ✓ Schedules and First Day Procedures - Ms. Tappendorf, Lead Counselor
- ✓ Breakout Sessions - Student and Parent Q&A
- ✓ Panels - join our student and parent panels for a discussion on tips and tricks for navigating asynchronous learning successfully.

Session 1

3:30pm - 4:00pm CST

MEET YOUR ADVISORY TEACHER - STUDENTS ONLY

Get to know your Advisory teacher and classmates while you work against the clock in our virtual escape room activity. Use the links below to join your Advisory Teacher's room.

<u>ADAMS</u>	<u>ARDIS</u>	<u>BUCKO</u>	<u>BUZZARD</u>
<u>CHU</u>	<u>DIAZ</u>	<u>DONEY</u>	<u>FROSSARD</u>
<u>GUTIERREZ</u>	<u>HAYNES</u>	<u>JAMES</u>	<u>KINSEY</u>
<u>KNIGHT</u>	<u>KRAUSKOPF</u>	<u>LAND</u>	<u>MUHA</u>
<u>NGUYEN</u>	<u>NORTHCUTT</u>	<u>OGBOALOH</u>	<u>OVERMAN</u>
<u>ROMER</u>	<u>ROMERO</u>	<u>SANDS</u>	<u>SHIVE</u>
<u>TEEL</u>	<u>ULBRICH</u>	<u>WILBORN</u>	<u>WINN</u>

Session 2

Need help logging into Skyward/Canvas? Get Tech Support here!

MINI SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

During our mini sessions, choose the presentation that best fits your needs. All presentations will be recorded and made available to UTHS families after the event. Click the presentation to access the zoom link.

Session 3

4:00pm - 4:20pm CST

Building a Strong Portfolio - Grades 9 and 10 - The School Counseling Team will discuss steps you can take this year to build a strong academic portfolio.

Making Your Junior Year Count - Grade 11 - The School Counseling Team will discuss key topics for making the most out of your junior year as you prepare for life after high school

Finalizing your Post-Secondary Plans - Grade 12 - The School Counseling Team will discuss the college application and post-secondary planning process

Mini Session A

4:20pm - 4:40pm CST

Transitioning to a Virtual Program - Learn more about building a healthy, balanced virtual school routine and how to reach out for support with the UTHS social worker.

All About CCMR: AP Exams, PSAT/NMSQT, SAT, & ACT - Learn about Advanced Placement (AP), PSAT, and SAT/ACT opportunities at UTHS.

Navigating Canvas and Proctorio - Learning a new system doesn't have to be overwhelming. Get expert tips to help you use our learning platforms effectively.

Student Services at UTHS: How student supports are provided in a virtual setting. Learn about Special Education and Section 504 services at UTHS, including available supports, accommodations, staff roles, and resources to help your student succeed in the virtual learning environment.

Mini Session B

4:40pm - 5:00pm CST

Mapping Out Your First Semester with Synchronous Supports - Kick off your journey at UTHS with confidence! This presentation provides students with an essential roadmap for navigating online learning—covering everything from establishing healthy study routines and managing well-being to building community and accessing academic support.

Dual Credit and Dual Enrollment Opportunities at UTHS - This session will cover dual credit opportunities at UTHS, request and enrollment process, grades and GPA implications, and how this impacts your CCMR Indicator.

Managing Your Parent Accounts - Learn how to use your parent Skyward, Canvas and ParentSquare accounts to monitor your student's progress and communicate with staff at UTHS.

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