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A Message From Our CEO

Dear U Prep Community:

It has been somewhat of a challenging start to the new school year. Uncertainties and nuances from the residuals of the global pandemic have caused us to take a pause, and reflect as we reacclimate to being back to school, fully in person. We are charging ourselves to give and receive grace while maintaining unshakable optimism in the practice of patience.



What has become more evident as the early weeks progress is that we are a village whose collective support and belief in one another is the glue that binds us. It molds our scholars in a joyful learning environment, where they are seen, heard and understood. Included in this issue of the "News at the U!" you will see that very joy and community mindset resonating through the stories highlighting new initiatives and partnerships we have developed for this school year. I am confident that our restorative and resilient community of extraordinary educators and families will continue to partner to ensure the very best outcomes for every scholar in the U Prep community. Welcome back!

In Community and Partnership,

Danielle Jackson, CEO
U Prep Schools

**Welcome Back to our Scholars,
Staff, and Families!**



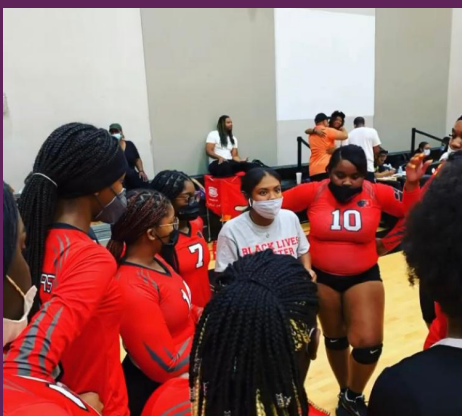
We could not be more excited to have our scholars and staff back in our buildings. Our first day of school was spent getting back into the routine of in-person learning. Click below, to see why our scholars are happy to be back and why they love the U!. We are wishing all of our U Prep families a safe and innovative year.

[Watch the Video Here](#)

Athletics at The Prep

Our athletics program is in full swing this fall. All sports are currently participating with a full schedule. We have exciting announcements and new programming updates to share about when your favorite U Prep team is playing. Click below to catch up with what's been happening on and off the field.

[U Prep Athletics Update](#)



Meet Our Volleyball Coaches

Meet our Varsity Volleyball coaches who dedicate time to our student athletes and the game that they love. Our coaches are mentors and leaders to their players. Find out more about how they coach and who inspires them to be the leader that they want to be. We will be profiling additional U Prep coaches in upcoming issues!

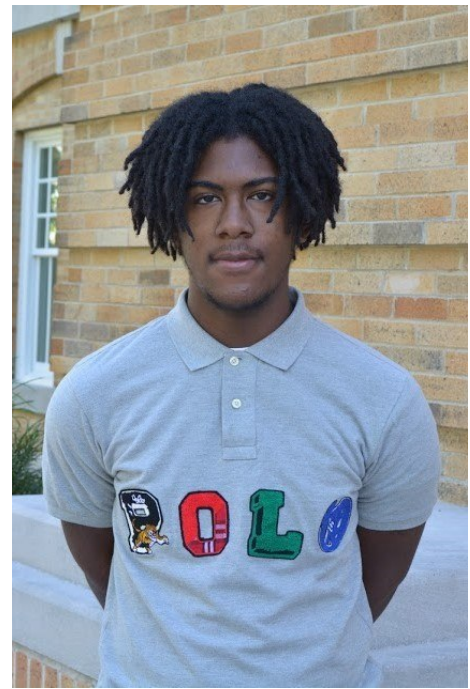
[Learn More About Our Coaches](#)

Meet Taran Sherman

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: Taran Sherman is a member of the UPSM High graduating class of 2020. Taran helped organize the Big Brother/Big Sister program at UPSM High and is proud of the mentorship work that he helped create while at U Prep.

He is currently attending Bowling Green State University on a full scholarship. Find out more about Taran and his aspirations below!

[Read About Taran](#)



The U Crew Collective Blog - Restorative Communities Rebirth in the Midst of COVID

U Prep Schools is a restorative community, a village of interdependent stakeholders in an agreed-upon social construct. Each of us must do our part if the village is to remain healthy.

Join us next month as Brandon Lane, U Prep's Director of Restorative Practices, takes us on a journey to restore a community standing strong still in the midst of the global pandemic as guest blogger for October's U Crew Collective.

[Check Out Our Blog](#)

U Prep Partners with Prestigious Africa-America Institute

University Prep Schools is pleased to

announce a partnership with the Africa-America Institute (AAI) in a project aimed at transforming the student educational experience. This partnership will allow our scholars to take part in increased academic rigor, while professional development will be offered to teachers and leaders. Click below to learn more about this partnership and its benefits.



Benefits of the AAI



October Birthdays and Anniversaries

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

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