



## Warriors & Wildcats Report

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### UNI SCORES WELL IN STATEWIDE STANDARDIZED ENGLISH TEST

- ▣ A lengthy [review](#) of student performance on the new, Common Core-linked statewide standardized tests showed about 33% of Los Angeles Unified School District pupils met or exceeded grade-level scores in English.

For the 391 Uni 11th-graders who took the test, the results were much better: 54% were able to meet or exceed the 11th-grade standard in English.

This is a significant increase in proficiency, however, from the 8th-grade scores achieved by students from Uni's primary local feeder schools, Emerson Community Charter and Webster Middle School, and Revere Charter, which sends some students to Uni:

#### English:

- Emerson Community Charter: 38% of 500 students met or exceeded grade standards
- Webster Middle School: 16% of 441 students met or exceeded grade standards
- Revere Charter: 59% of 1,979 students met or exceeded grade standards

The results were not as strong in mathematics, where 25% of LAUSD students in grades 3, 8 and 11 were able to test out at grade-standard levels. For the 383 Uni students who took the exam, only 22% were able to meet or exceed the grade-level standard.

Again, however, the performance of Uni students was a step up from the feeder-school scores:

Mathematics:

- Emerson Community Charter: 26% of 517 students met or exceeded grade standards
- Webster Middle School: 11% of 451 students met or exceeded grade standards
- Revere Charter: 51% of 1,931 students met or exceeded grade standards

The new, more rigorous exam, used for the first time, is designed to test student proficiency in English and mathematics at the level required for students to attend a four-year college or university. Former California State Superintendent of Schools Bill Honig noted in an interview with the *Los Angeles Times* that the number of students meeting or exceeding grade levels on these exams would be higher “if calibrated to the skills needed to attend a community college, get a two-year nursing certificate or pursue a career in manufacturing.”

**“YOU’RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN”  
 READING FOR SHOWS ON DECEMBER 3-4-5**

- ▣ Never say that Uni Theater Arts chief **Ronnie Sperling** ‘76 isn’t on the cutting edge when it comes to selecting timely shows for the Stivelman Theater stage.

With the first *Peanuts*-themed movie in 35 years set to debut at movie theaters on November 6, the cast has been set and rehearsals have started for “You’re A Good Man, Charlie Brown.”

The show is set for four performances over three days in December: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 3-4-5, supported in part by the UCLA AfterSchool program:

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|------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| • Thursday | December 3 | 7:30 p.m. | <i>Tickets:</i> | \$10 for adults |
| • Friday   | December 3 | 3:30 p.m. |                 | (students only) |
| • Friday   | December 4 | 7:30 p.m. |                 | \$10 for adults |
| • Saturday | December 5 | 2:00 p.m. |                 | \$10 for adults |

The show will be directed by Sperling, with choreography by Lindsey Lorenz and musical direction by David Kamenir.

Tickets can be purchased **NOW online** at [www.BrownPaperTickets.com](http://www.BrownPaperTickets.com), or at the Uni Student Store, or at the door. Online purchases allow you to print tickets on your own printer; a small convenience charge of 99 cents plus 3.5% of the sales price is added to your order (\$1.34 for a single \$10 ticket).

**ON CAMPUS**

- ▣ Uni Fall sports report: *Follow the Wildcats on Twitter: [@Utownsports](https://twitter.com/Utownsports)*
- Boys/Football 1-3 overall (0-0 Western League)

Uni registered its first win of the 2015 season with a 28-13 victory over Lincoln at Uni's Cavanaugh Field on September 18. Uni took a 22-7 lead at halftime and cruised in with rushing touchdowns from senior back **Gabriel McClain** (two scores; 153 yards in 14 carries in the game) and quarterback **Paul Davis** (one TD). Davis also threw for a touchdown to McClain for a 55-yard touchdown and completed six of 14 passes for 190 yards. McClain also led Uni with 11 tackles and three sacks in the game. Uni gained 417 yards in the game to 310 for Lincoln.

The Wildcats lost at Culver City the following Friday, 34-21. Uni took a 7-0 lead on a 20-yard touchdown pass from Davis to senior end **Eugene Ford**, but trailed 14-13 at halftime. The Centaurs scored once in the third quarter and twice in the fourth to take a 34-13 lead before a final Uni score and two-point conversion. Davis was only 9-26 passing for 124 yards, but did score a rushing touchdown, and McClain had 14 rushes for 100 yards plus 14 tackles. Uni is on the road at 11th-ranked Oaks Christian (5-0) next.

Uni's football program, which has made significant strides under coach **Lee Lowe**, will not participate in the City playoffs in 2015 as part of a penalty for having an ineligible player participate in the 2013 and 2014 seasons.

*Uni's 2015 schedule:*

Sep. 04	Morningside	Lost, 26-49	
Sep. 11	Banning	Lost, 12-35	
Sep. 18	Lincoln	Won, 28-13	
Sep. 25	at Culver City	Lost, 34-21	
Oct. 02	at Oaks Christian	7:00 p.m.	
Oct. 09	at Hamilton	3:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game)</i>
Oct. 16	Palisades	7:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game)</i>
Oct. 23	Fairfax	7:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game; Homecoming)</i>
Oct. 30	at Westchester	7:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game)</i>
Nov. 06	at Venice	7:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game)</i>

- Girls/Tennis 3-3 overall (3-2 Western League)

*Uni's 2015 schedule:*

*(\*=Western League matches)*

Sep. 03	at S.O. CES	Lost, 3-4	Oct. 12	at *Fairfax	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 17	*Fairfax	Won, 6-1	Oct. 14	at *Westchester	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 21	*Westchester	Won, 4-3	Oct. 19	*Venice	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 24	at *Venice	Lost, 3-4.	Oct. 21	*Palisades	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 28	at *Palisades	Lost, 0-7	Oct. 26	at *Hamilton	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 30	*Hamilton	Won, 5-2	Oct. 28	*L.A. CES	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 05	at *L.A. CES	2:30 p.m.			

- Girls/Volleyball 3-6-3 overall (2-3 Western League)

*Uni's 2015 schedule:*

*(\*=Western League matches)*

Aug. 31	Arleta	Lost, 1-3	Sep. 17	*Fairfax	Won, 3-2
Sep. 03	at S.O. CES	Lost, 0-3	Sep. 19	Narbonne	Lost, 0-1

Sep. 19	Bell	Tied, 1-1	Sep. 30	*Hamilton	Lost, 0-3
Sep. 19	Fremont	Tied, 1-1	Oct. 05	at *L.A. CES	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 19	East Valley	Won, 2-0	Oct. 12	at *Fairfax	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 19	Bravo	Tied, 1-1	Oct. 14	at *Westchester	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 21	*Westchester	Won, 3-0	Oct. 19	*Venice	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 24	at *Venice	Lost, 0-3	Oct. 21	*Palisades	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 28	at *Palisades	Lost, 0-3	Oct. 26	at *Hamilton	4:00 p.m.
			Oct. 28	*L.A. CES	2:30 p.m.

## REUNIONS

▣ Upcoming reunions that we know about include:

- October 17, 2015: CLASS OF SUMMER 1954: 60 + 1  
At the Crowne Plaza Hotel Los Angeles Int'l Airport  
*Information: **Carla Sampson Lowe*** (916/965-4825 or [carladlowe@aol.com](mailto:carladlowe@aol.com))
- October 17, 2015: CLASS OF SUMMER 1955  
At The Olympic Collection Conference Center  
*Information: **Dr. Robert E. Garfield*** (310/472-2949 or [drrobertgarfield@aol.com](mailto:drrobertgarfield@aol.com)), or **Lois B. Golden** (310/472-0198)  
(Please [click here](#) for a one-page information sheet)
- April 16, 2016: CLASSES OF 1966  
At the Marina City Club (*please note the change of date and venue*)  
*Information: **Neal Rein*** ([sabersafety@yahoo.com](mailto:sabersafety@yahoo.com)) and/or **Joyce (Gordon) Rangen** ([joyce.rangen@gmail.com](mailto:joyce.rangen@gmail.com)).  
(Please [click here](#) for the event's Facebook page!)
- July 9, 2016: CLASS OF 1976  
At the Marina City Club  
*Information: **Leslie Messer Ward*** ([lmward421@icloud.com](mailto:lmward421@icloud.com))  
*Reservations and tickets: The Reunion Committee, at*  
(661) 259-5999 or [www.reunioncommittee.com](http://www.reunioncommittee.com)

Please send details of any and all reunions, meetings or informal get-togethers to [Connect@UHEF.org](mailto:Connect@UHEF.org) for inclusion in future issues.

- ▣ Something is stirring among the Class of 1952 Mariners! On consecutive days, we heard from **Elaine Marinoff Good** ([marinoff8@aol.com](mailto:marinoff8@aol.com)), noting "We need a reunion for the class of Summer 1952" and **John Hook** ([hookjohn@yahoo.com](mailto:hookjohn@yahoo.com)), asking "Who is heading the Class of '52 Mariners reunion?"

Sounds like the two of you are the start of the reunion committee; let us know when your details are in place!

*If your class maintains a [Web site](#) or [Facebook page](#),  
please send the address to [Connect@UHEF.org](mailto:Connect@UHEF.org)  
and we'll add it to this list!*

*Class of 1965: Artesians & Peleans*

- <http://uni65.com> or <https://unihi65.wordpress.com>
- To join the Class Facebook page, send an e-mail to [UniHi65@gmail.com](mailto:UniHi65@gmail.com)

## UNI HI EDUCATION FOUNDATION NEWS

- ▣ The Uni Hi Education Foundation exists to raise money to support the instructional programming at University High School. A new LAUSD policy allows *on-campus signage* to be available to recognize donations which assist the educational program.

Interested for yourself or your company? Sent us a note and we'll help to get the ball rolling:  
[Connect@UHEF.org](mailto:Connect@UHEF.org).

- ▣ One of the easiest ways to donate to Uni directly is via the **Ralphs Rewards Card**. As part of its Community Contribution program, from 1-4% of monthly purchases made by Ralphs Rewards Card members is sent to Uni, but only if you designate the school by linking it to your Rewards Card. It's pretty easy:
  - The program is only for Ralphs Rewards Card members, so be sure you have a card (you can enroll online or get one for free at any store).
  - Have your card handy (you'll need the number on the back) and visit the Ralphs [Community Contribution page](#) and either **register** or **sign in** (Questions answered [here](#)).
  - Once you either **sign in** or **register** to set up your account (you have to give your address so Ralphs can send you coupons), you can then designate University High School as your non-profit of choice. Uni's organization code for the Ralphs program is **93275**.
  - Members must swipe their registered Ralphs Rewards Card or use the phone number that is linked to their card when shopping for each purchase to count.

Ralphs, the largest grocery chain in the West, will donate about \$2 million annually to this program, so why not assure Uni of a share!

- ▣ Visit [www.UHEF.org](http://www.UHEF.org) and tell your classmates to sign up for the *Warriors & Wildcats Report* and volunteer for UHEF activities.

The Foundation, created by committed Uni administrators, alumni and parents in 1985, has raised nearly \$600,000 to support Uni's mission of educational excellence, and to supplement



the instructional budget in these lean times. You can donate to the cause by [clicking here!](#)

## UNI ALUMNI NOTEBOOK

- ▣ A wonderful update from **Ronald Javor** '63 ([rjavor@earthlink.net](mailto:rjavor@earthlink.net)):

“Since retiring a couple years ago as a State Attorney financing affordable housing and ensuring that existing housing is maintained according to code, I have volunteered working with homeless people in Sacramento. This led to a new endeavor: I've written four children's books on homeless and housing adventures. They're available on Amazon, and are great for your family's children, school donations, and other places where readers can learn that homeless children have the same hopes and aspirations as other children. Proceeds will be donated to homeless advocacy and assistance.”

Thanks, Ronald; you can check out his works on sale at Amazon.com [here](#).

- ▣ From energetic author and poet **Kim Conrad** '74 ([kim@kimconrad.com](mailto:kim@kimconrad.com)):

“I'm excited to say my new book – *Vice Versa Verse: Inspiring Twists on How to View Your Life and Fill Your Soul* – just won two awards at the Colorado Independent Publisher's Association EVVY Awards: a first in Inspirational and a second in Poetry.

“The eBook will be out soon to accompany the softcover version at [www.KimConrad.com](http://www.KimConrad.com). It's amazing to me how much goes into all of this and exciting to have it all come to fruition.”

- ▣ **Cheryl Spencer** '81 ([cherylsplace@earthlink.net](mailto:cherylsplace@earthlink.net)) asks:

“I graduated class of 1981, and our cheerleading coach was Ms. Bequette. I would like to reach out to her ... any ideas? If you know how, can you please share my e-mail with her, and let her know I am trying to reach her. I was the Drill Team Captain with Ms. Angela McCoy in 1981. Thank you.”

Cheryl, we don't have a direct way to contact her, but we are hoping our readers might. If so, please send information to Cheryl directly. Unfortunately, neither Uni nor the UHEF maintain a comprehensive contact list of former students, faculty or staff.

## SIXTH PERIOD BELL

- ▣ *From generation to generation:* Uni has 14 alumni serving as members of the teaching and counseling staff for the 2015-16 academic year:

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|------------------|---------------------------|
| • Steve Ackerman | Teacher/Social Studies    |
| • Roberta Barnes | School Psychologist       |
| • Daniel Bravo   | Counselor                 |
| • Walter Burgos  | Teacher/Special Education |

- Leslie Coleman Teacher/Spanish
- Brenda Fabbro Teacher/Physical Education
- Tascha Folsoi Librarian
- Dale Fuqua-Caballero Teacher/Spanish
- Sam (German) Estrada Teacher/Social Studies
- Susie (Koshinsky) Moreno Library Aide
- Vivian Mehlman Special Education Aide
- Claudia Monge Teacher/Mathematics
- Jack Morgan Teacher/Social Studies
- Victor Silva Teacher/English

Thanks to all of these alumni, serving the next generation of Wildcats!

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