

Urban Advantage at a Glance

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Administrators

All professional learning registration is through the myUA portal at <https://myua.amnh.org>

Professional Learning

UA 2022-2023 Administrator Kick-offs and Orientations

- Kick-offs are being offered for new-to-UA Administrators or Administrators who wish to learn about the resources being offered for the 2022-23 school year:
 - 9:00-10:00 AM, Tuesday, September 13, 2022
 - 3:00-4:00 PM, Wednesday, September 14, 2022
 - 12:00-1:00 PM, Saturday, September 17, 2022

UA 2022-2023 Administrator Breakfasts

- Breakfasts are for both ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE school leaders. Attendance is required for continued participation. All Administrator Breakfast Events are occurring online on Zoom this year. **UA 2022-23 administrator breakfast dates are from 9:00-11:00 am on the following Wednesdays:**
 - 9:00-11:00 AM, December 7, 2022
 - 9:00-11:00 AM, February 8, 2023
 - 9:00-11:00 AM, March 22, 2023
 - 9:00-11:00 AM, May 17, 2023

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Parent Coordinators

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Professional Learning

UA 2022-2023 Parent Coordinator Kick-offs

- Kick-offs will be online using Zoom. Elementary and Middle School Parent Coordinators will be together. You can choose to attend one of the following times:
 - 10:00-11:00 AM, on August 30, 2022
 - 10:00-11:00 AM, on August 31, 2022
 - 10:00-11:00 AM, on September 14, 2022 (make up)

PC Workshops:

- Workshops assist PCs with using UA resources to further support science-focused family engagement in your school. **Attendance at a minimum of one workshop is required.** Check format before registering. Workshops may be online OR in-person.
- Workshop descriptions and dates are emailed to PCs (all events in person except BBG):
 - November 15, 2022, at NY Aquarium
 - December 6, 2022, at Staten Island Zoo
 - January 10, 2023, at American Museum of Natural History
 - January 24, 2023, at Bronx Zoo
 - February 6 and February 13 at Brooklyn Botanic Garden (**online**)
 - March 22, 2023, at New York Hall of Science
 - April 4, 2023, at New York Botanical Garden
 - April 18, 2023, at Queens Botanical Garden
- Schools are required to use UA School Community Trip vouchers & the UA-provided buses as part of continued participation in UA. UA resources for PCs can be found at <https://myua.amnh.org>, your UA portal account, forum tab at the upper right.

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Middle School Teachers

All professional learning registration is through the myUA portal at <https://myua.amnh.org>

New Teacher Professional Learning

- 42 hours of professional learning:
 - Cycle 1: 12 hours
 - Cycle 2: 30 hours
- Registration for CYCLE 1 is through the UA portal at <https://myua.amnh.org>

Continuing Teacher Professional Learning

Kick-offs

Kick-off is **required for all continuing UA teachers including ALUMNI** (6+ years in UA). These will all be online via Zoom. Important program information will be reviewed during this time.

Kick-off dates are:

- 9:00-10:00 AM, Saturday, September 10, 2022
- 11:30 -12:30 PM, Sunday, September 11, 2022
- 9:00-10:00 AM: Tuesday, September 13, 2022
- 4:00-5:00 PM, Wednesday, September 14, 2022
- 9:30-10:30 AM, Thursday, September 15, 2022
- 5:00-6:00 PM, Wednesday, September 21, 2022

Year 2 and 3 Teacher Professional Learning

Required 21 hours of continuing teacher PL

- 1-hour kick-off
- Two 10-hour courses.

Year 4 and 5 Teacher Professional Learning

Required 11 hours of continuing teacher PL with the option to complete 16 hours.

- 1-hour kick-off
- One 10-hour course
 - Teachers may opt for a 15-hour course with permission.

See the CTPL catalog at <https://uanyc.science/UA-PL-Course-Catalog>

Alumni Teacher Professional Learning

- Professional learning is **optional** for Middle School Alumni teachers. Register at <https://myua.amnh.org>.
- We encourage you to participate in UA's professional learning program for Alumni teachers!
 - Alumni teachers may choose from UA's offering of 400-level courses.

The UA Alumni Teacher PL Catalog can be viewed at <https://uanyc.science/UA-PL-Course-Catalog>

- On-site school visits are available for teachers who do participate in UA's PL program for Alumni teachers. Request your visit at <https://myua.amnh.org>, school visit tab.
- Professional Learning participants will receive professional learning materials that support PL content (valued at \$50 per participant per course)
- Teachers will receive funds for classroom/teaching supplies.
- Teachers can choose to have UA Student Science Notebooks

Stipends

- Weekend professional learning - teacher receives a stipend of \$35 per hour
- Weekday professional learning - school receives reimbursement for a substitute teacher at the NYCDOE per day, per teacher rate of \$199.27.

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Elementary School Teachers

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New Teacher Professional Learning

Orientations

- Orientations will take place in person at the American Museum of Natural History. These are mandatory for all new teachers. You must choose one of the following options:
 - 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM, Sunday, October 2, 2022
 - 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM, Tuesday, October 4, 2022

Year 1 Teacher Professional Learning

- One 20-hour course
- You will learn more about this course during orientation.

Continuing and Alumni Teacher Professional Learning

Kick-offs

Kick-off is **required for all continuing UA teachers including ALUMNI** (4+ years in UA). These will all be online via Zoom. Important program information will be reviewed during this time.

- Kick-off dates:
 - 5:00- 6:00 PM, October 13, 2022
 - 9:00-10:00 AM, October 15, 2022

2022-2023 Professional Learning

This year we are providing a unique course to allow us to revisit UA tools and establish a community of elementary teachers. This course is required for all continuing and alumni elementary teachers. You will choose one day 1 option, and 4 out of 8 virtual options for a total of 15 hours of PL.

Stipends

- Weekend professional learning - teacher receives a stipend of \$35 per hour
- Weekday professional learning - school receives reimbursement for a substitute teacher at the NYCDOE per day, per teacher rate of \$199.27.

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Vouchers

All vouchers will be available to download through the myUA portal beginning in early September 2022

Class Trip Vouchers

- Class trip “Master” vouchers are available to teachers.
- **Class trip voucher is good for multiple uses**
- Class Trip Vouchers expire on **May 31, 2023**

Teacher and PC Vouchers

- Class trip “Master” vouchers are available to teachers and PCs
- These vouchers are used to attend institutions prior to field trips for pre-planning.
- This voucher admits 4 people in total and is **good for multiple uses.**
- Teacher and PC Vouchers expire on **June 30, 2023**

Student +3 Vouchers

- "Master" voucher available for download to teachers/PCs/administrators
- This voucher admits 4 people in total and is **good for multiple uses.**
- Student +3 Vouchers expire on **June 30, 2023**

School & Community Trip Vouchers (for Parent Coordinators)

All bus reservations must be placed through the UA portal at <https://myua.amnh.org>

- School Community "master" vouchers will be available for download.
- Trips are to support non-school day community experiences to UA partner institutions.
- TWO FREE BUSES are available to be reserved to support non-school day school community trips (you may request more buses for additional trips)
- School Community Trip Vouchers expire on **June 30, 2023**

Events

UA Family Science Day (FSD) Events in October

- **Free** for all UA Families
- Vouchers for FSD will be emailed to UA teachers, PCs, and Administrators for distribution to students
- Dates TBD

UA Science Expo

- **Tentatively scheduled for early June 2023** at AMNH. Flyers for free attendance are mailed in mid-May.
- All UA teachers are expected to attend; administrators and guests are encouraged to attend

School Visits

All visit requests must be placed through myUA at <https://myua.amnh.org>

****Submit your request at least two (2) weeks before the date of your event!****

Teacher Support Visit

- Partners can work with you on-site at your school, at one of the partner institutions, or virtually to support teachers as they implement UA tools and strategies in their classrooms and to support teachers in planning content-specific field trips.
- UA Partners can:
 - Work with teachers to conference with students around parts of the student investigations
 - Assist with the planning and execution of science investigations
 - Support the use of and where to embed UA tools and strategies throughout the curriculum

Family Engagement Visit (family science events at your school)

- UA can support your school's...
 - Open House
 - PA/PTA Meetings
 - Curriculum Night
 - Family Science Night

General Program Implementation Visit

- UA can visit you and your staff to discuss UA resources and the implementation of UA tools & strategies. Please email Lauren Tecosky, Assistant Director of School Partnerships, at LTecosky@amnh.org.

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Classroom Materials

Student supply orders must be placed through myUA at <https://myua.amnh.org>

Elementary and Middle School Teacher/Classroom Supplies

- UA teachers receive UA student notebooks and an allocation for classroom supplies.
- Funding amounts will be provided at a later date.
- All UA teachers, including ALUMNI, must submit class information through the UA portal by **September 30, 2022**
- The Orders Portal will be open on October 10th.
- All supply orders must be submitted by **January 31, 2023**.
 - o You can find guidelines for purchasing on myUA

Helpful Links

UA Website: www.urbanadvantagenyc.org

UA Portal: <https://myua.amnh.org>

UA Calendar: <https://uanyc.science/calendar>

UA Teacher Manual: <https://uanyc.science/tm>

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