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Student-led Newscast at School District of University City Expands;  
Donated Shirts and Neckties Available to Aspiring Journalists

University City, MO – In November 2018, the School District of University City launched a 
brand-new, student-led newscast. This groundbreaking production has distinguished the District 
as one of the few school systems in the region with a student-led newscast. Currently, there are 
seven UCHS students involved in the production, with immediate plans to include middle school 
students.

The newscast is known as SDUC News, and is intended to inform district students, teachers, staff, 
parents, and the broader University City community about the great things happening in the 
School District of University City.

“The production of SDUC News has been an exciting development for our students, parents, and 
the community of University City,” said Sharonica Hardin-Bartley, Superintendent of Schools. 
“We are planning to show our recent newscast at the U. City Board of Education meeting on 
Thursday, February 28th. I am extremely proud of our students and their hard work.”

Each newscast episode is approximately 5-10 minutes and features stories published on the 
website of the School District of University City, as well as stories published in the UCity PRIDE 
newsletter.

SDUC News is produced monthly and posted on the District’s YouTube channel and website. To 
view the most recent newscast, please visit: www.ucityschools.org/sducnews

Last fall, UCHS launched “Tied to Greatness” a tie drive in which the high school started collecting 
ewn, or gently used neckties to be given to students taking part in mentoring programs. Since the 
launch, there has been an overwhelming response with neckties and dress shirts being donated to 
the school. To donate a necktie or other clothing item, please visit: www.ucityschools.org/T2G.

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On February 21, 1911, with a City population of only 2,417, The School District of University City was officially established. Classes began in September 1912 with a total school population of 769. Today, you will find outstanding educational programs serving a student population of approximately 2,800 with a preschool, four elementary schools, one middle school and one high school. In May 2018, University City High School held its 101st formal Commencement Ceremony.