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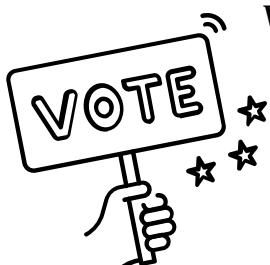


DELTA EXPANDING IN UTAH

Delta Air Lines is making a big move by expanding its international reach with a new direct flight from Salt Lake City to Seoul, South Korea. This is a significant step for both the airline and Utah's growing global presence. The new route will not only connect Utahns to one of Asia's most dynamic cities but also boost business, tourism, and cultural exchanges between the two regions. The new service is expected to begin in 2025, marking another milestone in Utah's ongoing development as a key player in the global travel network.

There are 29 days until the General Elections. Ballots will be mailed out in 9 days. Get out and

VOTE!



SALT LAKE BEES

The Salt Lake Bees played their final game at Smith's Ballpark in September, marking the end of an era at the stadium they've called home for decades. The farewell was bittersweet for fans and players alike, as the team prepares to move to a new ballpark in Daybreak by 2025. We look forward to supporting the Bees in their new stadium next season.

ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS CONFERENCE

This month, the Wasatch Front Regional Council welcomed hundreds of their colleagues from around the country to the Beehive State as they hosted the annual Association of Metropolitan Planning Organization (AMPO) Conference. A key highlight was a panel with Utah leaders discussing Utah's collaborative approach to tackling complex issues.

— A CLOSER LOOK —

UTAH CHARTER SCHOOLS

Let's take a deep dive into Utah Charter Schools

Charter schools in Utah have become an increasingly popular choice for families looking for alternatives to traditional public schools. These schools are publicly funded but operate independently, often with a unique focus—STEM, arts, or a specific teaching philosophy.

Utah now has over 120 charter schools that cater to a wide range of student needs. Some schools focus on hands-on learning, while others emphasize technology or language immersion. The diversity of options is one of the biggest draws for families.

Parents often cite smaller class sizes, personalized learning, and a stronger connection to the school community as reasons for choosing charters. Surveys show high levels of satisfaction, with many families appreciating the flexibility to pick a school that fits their child's needs.

Utah's charter schools offer many choices for families and are a growing part of the state's educational landscape. And growing even faster - today the US Department of Education announced it has awarded Utah \$45 million to expand charter schools in the state. Whether you're looking for a different teaching style or a more specialized focus, charter schools in Utah provide a wide range of educational opportunities for students across the state.

