

March 4, 2020



Remember to "spring forward" one hour, Sunday, March 8th!

From the Leadership Team:

~ Due to the current number of snow days, Monument Academy will be having full-day Fridays* March 13th, April 10th, May 8th, and May 15th in order to meet our required contact days and hours.

*Dress for these days will be the same as regular 1/2-day Fridays for both students and staff. Enjoy wearing Spirit Wear and jeans!



"First Friday" Free Dress, this Friday, March 6th, for all those <u>without</u> a uniform notice in February!

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It's an exciting time for MA athletes! How about the MA Boys vs. MA Girls (CCAL Champions) in a game of volleyball? Tough draw for the boys first competitive event, but it isn't their only one! The CCAL Champion Boys Basketball team is going to try their luck at the Colorado State Middle School Basketball Championships this weekend, and spring programs are about to start. Find out more <u>here!</u>



The snowy winter has affected our Friday schedules and slightly affected our CMAS schedule. Please view our 2019-2020 "Spring Assessments at a Glance" <u>link</u> for details.



Employment Opportunities: Monument Academy is now hiring for the 2020-21 school year. Please take a look at our **job listings**.



It's time to bring your best to the stage!!

Grades 2nd through 5th are invited to show off their talents and audition for a chance to be in this year's talent show. Last audition date is **March 6th.** Sign up for a time slot on the sheet outside Ms. Benz's music room, #106. If chosen to be in the talent show, you will be required to come to one rehearsal on March 20th.

The talent show is March 20th at 6:00 p.m. Questions: email Ms. Benz at <u>sbenz@monunmentacademy.net</u>



Save the date! Monument Academy *Grandparents Day* is Friday, April 3rd! Please go <u>here</u> and provide your child's grandparents' mailing addresses as we would like to send them a formal invitation when the date gets closer.



Attention families with students entering 3rd through 9th grades for the 2020-21 school year* - Don't miss the Monument Academy "Instrument Selection Event" for 2020-21 on **Wednesday, March 18, 2020,** in the MA gym from **3-6 p.m**., open house style. Come try out band and orchestra instruments to learn in music specials and electives classes next year, meet the MA Band and Orchestra directors, and get instrument rental and/or purchase information from local music store representatives: *Music and Arts, Meeker Music,* and *Graner Music*.

*For all beginners and students who may be interested in learning to play a different instrument.



Monument Academy Elementary Yearbook

You can still get your yearbook! The cost is \$25.

To purchase a yearbook: http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A01064957

<u>Or scan:</u>



Coming Soon to The Library

We are so excited to welcome Chris Lennon to MA on Monday, March 9th, to speak to students in the library! A race car driver and author, Chris has been a regular competitor in the Pikes Peak Hill Climb since its first fully paved year in 2012. In 2019, he got his sixth podium finish on Pikes Peak, coming in third in the Exhibition Class.

To learn more about the author and to order a copy of his book, *The Peak of Racing*, visit <u>https://peakofracing.com/</u>. Mr. Lennon will autograph books ordered before Mar 9th.

*Parents are encouraged to participate in our author visits as well, and we would love to see you when Chris comes! *

Library Website: https://monumentacademy.instructure.com/courses/2146



Click here for details!



Calling all 5th grade students & their parents!

Friday, March 6th, starting at 8:10 am, will be our Annual Middle School "Sneak Peek." This is a morning of activities designed to allow your child to experience a day in the life of a middle school student as they prepare for next year. Students will be given a schedule to follow, visit some middle school classrooms, meet middle school teachers, and learn of the fun opportunities available to our middle school students. And of course, no activity would be complete without finishing up with a pizza lunch!

Parents are invited to attend an optional Q&A in our library at 8:15.



Camp Invention is returning to Monument Academy!

In partnership with the National Inventors Hall of Fame[®] (NIHF), **Monument Academy** is pleased to offer the nationally acclaimed *Camp Invention*[®] program to children entering grades **K** through **6th**. This exciting, weeklong summer adventure provides lessons that explore connections between science, technology, engineering, and innovation. Children rotate through several hands-on activities each day while using teamwork, creative thinking, and problem-solving skills to invent unique solutions to real-world challenges. The week begins on **June 8, 2020**, with **Andrea Dickey** serving as Director of the **all-new 2020 program**, *Elevate*!

During this program, young innovators will:

- Build a cityscape out of upcycled materials, navigate planes through a storm, and take apart a robot they'll bring home at the end of the program.
- Learn the value of their creativity as they sketch and build prototypes, design logos, market their invention, and protect their intellectual property.
- Collaborate and discover solutions to protect the Earth's ecosystems as they compete in zipline races, explore energy conservation, and help wildlife habitats.
- Discover the great inventors behind their favorite sports, play high-energy games, and design the ultimate sports complex.

Camp Invention's activities give participants the opportunity to explore, create, and build confidence as they bring their biggest ideas to life.

Local educators facilitate the program and enthusiastic high school students serve as Leadership Interns, ensuring that one staff member is in place for every eight children.

Register using promo code SUM25 to save \$25 (expires 3/31) or SUM15 to save \$15 (expires 5/12) off the \$240 registration fee. Availability is limited. Visit invent.org/camp or call 800-968-4332 to secure your child's spot today!



PTO HIGHLIGHT

Attention MA Families: The PTO wants to share a wonderful success made possible by previous PTO members and the wonderful parents and staff at MA...

Water bottle refill stations were installed about three years ago and have saved a combined "25,279 plastic bottles" from being used! That, combined with clean, filtered, and easily accessible water for our kiddos is a great win!!



General PTO Meeting, March 10th, 2020 at 6:00 pm -7:00 pm at MA, room #312



PTO Is looking for volunteers for next school year.

If you are interested in any below, please email Kim Stoltenberg at <u>maptopresidentelect@gmail.com</u> President Elect, Vice President, Spiritwear, Fun Run Chair



Sign up today!! The schedule is open till the end of the school year.

https://signup.com/go/sVvbhCq



Please sign up! King Soopers Community Rewards program is now active, just in time for all your shopping. It is super easy to set-up and then automatic every time you shop. It does not take away from your personal fuel points or coupons...our PTO will simply get a percentage back of all purchases. So, sign up today to help Monument Academy:

- 1. Log on to your personal account on Kingsoopers.com (you cannot do this from the app)
- 2. Click "My account" under Valued Customer tab at the top of the page
- 3. Community Rewards (menu on the left side)
- 4. Add Organization: type in Monument Academy, then click Monument Academy BF553
- 5. Enroll

It is that Easy to start helping our School this year!! Gather friends and family and have them sign up today.

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