LYNX NEWS





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Save the Date:

This year, our Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for November 5 and $6^{\rm th}$. You may sign up for conferences with as many teachers as you wish. The notice for sign up will be released by October $21^{\rm st}$.

Fridays

Friday is an academic school days like our Monday through Thursday school days. Attendance and assignments need to be completed by due dates and times to receive full credit. Please assist your student in successfully navigating this academic day.

• Sign in for attendance using the attendance app (link) on the iPad. This is NOT found in





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- Check into all 7 classes to complete assignments and pay attention to the due dates and times. Complete and turn in all assignments that have a due date of Friday.
- Check into your teachers' office hours (noted on their Canvas course homepage) for additional help!

Canvas. It is a square app that looks like this

screen along with the other apps.



If your student will be absent for any reason, please send an email to

attendance-EAST@monumentacademy.net

Please consult our Student/Parent Handbook for further information about discretionary absences. https://docs.google.com/document/d/14qtApqu_RucI5BmQF8-4jyS3M6fT0ZEfnJrOKvdQu9w/edit?usp=sharing

Look under Prearranged Absence on page 10. The Extended Absence Form is now in the Appendices on page 51. Discretionary absences of 4 or more days need to be approved by the Principal to be marked as excused absences.

NWEA Assessments

We are wrapping up a few more NWEA assessments and within the next couple of weeks you will be able to access results in the Reports Center on IC. We will communicate when these results are ready. Please visit the link below to find instructions for accessing student results: http://www.monumentacademy.net/wp-

content/uploads/2020/09/2020_2021_Fall_NWEA_Report_Access.pdf



Business Office

Thank you to the MA families who have submitted academic fees for the 2020-21 school year. These funds help Monument Academy provide excellent resources for your student.

The annual required student fees: \$285 Grades 6-9 (includes iPad fee)

Please check your student's account using the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. Payments are usually posted within a week.

Payment options at Monument Academy: For Tuition, Fees and EPDs:

- Online Payments https://www.monumentacademy.net/quick-links/online-payments/
- Checks made payable to Monument Academy (drop at front office)
- Credit card contact <u>ishook@monumentacademy.net</u> to set up recurring payments

Monument Academy does not accept payments on the PaySchools Central app.

School Lunches:

Make checks made payable to LPHLP (Lewis Palmer Hot Lunch Program) – drop off at MA front desk or pay online at https://www.myschoolbucks.com

Financial Assistance: If you need assistance with fees and/or lunches please complete an application at: https://www.myschoolapps.com/Application

Contact Julie Shook, Business Manager Monument Academy <u>jshook@monumentacademy.net</u>

ATHLETIC NEWS

Program	CCAL Season		
	8/10 - 9/25		
Cross Country	"Post-Season" Through 10/9		
Matchwits/Chess	Not Decided Yet		
Cheer	1/4 – 4/30		
Boys' Basketball	1/4 – 2/1		
Girls' Basketball	2/2 – 3/1		
Football	3/29 – 5/8		
Girls Volleyball	4/5 – 4/30		
Track and Field	4/26 – 5/29		
Girls' Soccer	5/3 – 5/26		

Please visit our Athletic webpage for more information:

https://www.monumentacademy.net/athletics/

Uniform Jacket Ordering

If you ordered a jacket from Monarch Merchandising, please check your email and junk email to see if you have received communication stating that your jacket is in. Monarch has lots of jackets that are ready to be picked up!

In case you missed the opportunity to order a jacket previously, the link is active again.

https://www.myschoolstoreco.com/

You will be required to enter an address when ordering however the order will not be shipped to you directly. Ordering is open until the due date shown and all orders are printed at the same time. You will be notified by email when your order is available for pickup at Monarch Merchandising (15706 Jackson Creek Pkwy #110, Monument) approximately 2-3 weeks after the order due date shown on the site.

So far the new MA East PTO has raised over \$1000 from individual donors and Spiritwear for the benefit of our beautiful new school and our most amazing & dedicated teachers.



There is still time to join the giving parade and really make a difference this year for our teachers, the school and most of all the students.

The PTO is trying to do something every month to celebrate our teachers.

We appreciate any amount you can donate to help!

Donations can be made by:
- PayPal (paypal.me/MAEastPTO)
- Direct Checks (made out to 'MA East PTO')
- Spiritwear (www.lynxlifeatmaeast.threadless.com)
- King Soopers Card



Important Notice from the School Nurse

If your child is sick with any **MAJOR** symptom such as:

- Feeling feverish, having chills
- Temperature of 100.4 or greater
- Loss of taste or smell
- New or unexplained persistent cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

THEY MAY NOT ATTEND SCHOOL. If the above symptoms completely resolve within 24 hours with *no medication*, they may return to school.

*Students who had a fever must remain fever free for an additional 24 hours with no medication prior to return.

If your child is sick with any MINOR symptom such as

- Sore throat
- Runny nose or congestion
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Fatigue
- Nausea or Vomiting
- Diarrhea

THEY MAY NOT ATTEND SCHOOL. If the above minor symptoms completely resolve within 48 hours with *no medication*, they may return to school.

*If a student has **both** major and minor symptoms, they must be well within 24 hours to return to school.

If any symptom continues beyond the 24-48 hour window, the student must remain home for 10 days from date of initial symptom onset.

- A negative COVID test will not allow a student to return sooner (there is a chance of false negative results)
- A letter from a medical provider with an alternative diagnosis *might* allow a sooner return, depending on the diagnosis and laboratory confirmation. Please contact your school nurse to determine when your child is eligible to return.

Siblings that are symptom-free may continue to attend school.

Anyone with a known exposure to someone with COVID-19 should quarantine for 14 days after the exposure, regardless of illness.

Some individuals with COVID-19 will have minor symptoms that can mimic the common cold. These guidelines were recommended by the El Paso Health Department and are designed to be cautious due to the fact that community transmission of COVID-19 remains medium-high in our community. We appreciate your assistance in keeping our schools open.

Adapted from Return to School/Work Guidance: following a positive symptom screen for COVID-19. (August 2020). CDPHE.

The preceding is designed to help families determine when to send their students back to school. It was adapted from our state and local health guidance.

Thank you, parents, for communicating with us and following our guidelines during this difficult time. WE appreciate your assistance in keeping our school open.

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 $Exterior\ Work{\sim}In{\sim}Progress$ The outdoor activity spaces are currently on order and/or being installed. Our goal is to have this all completed by the end of October!

Basketball Hoops are installed, and students are using them in PE!

Grass has been seeded too.



LIBRARY NEWS

Information for students and staff to access the MA Library: https://www.monumentacademy.net/

East Campus 6-9 students use their Canvas username and passwords

Student and staff accounts are completed in Destiny Discover. Students, please log in using your Google or Canvas username and password to place library books on hold..... books will be delivered to your classroom! MA staff members use the username and password sent to you via your MA email account. Remember, we can only give you as many books as your account allows. Be sure to return library materials as soon as you've finished.

Mrs. Collier, Mrs. Kuo and Mrs. Lamb look forward to sharing a ton of great books with you.

We encourage you to email Mrs. Collier at kcollier@monumentacademy.net with questions about reading, the library, Destiny Discover, Library Canvas page, Library Google Classrooms and Library user accounts!



Scholastic Book Fairs are coming to MA! Buy gifts for teachers, friends, and families during the fair and you'll make everyone happy! We'll have teacher wishlists starting Oct. 26th.

Preschool – 6th grade bookfair flyer https://bookfairsfiles.scholastic.com/flippingbooks/F20-custom-booklist.html#p=1

West Campus dates: Online fair Oct. 21 - Nov. 3 On Location: Oct. 26 - Nov. 3

Parents, please use eWALLET for bookfair purchases. It's so safe, easy and convenient!!

Video:

https://players.brightcove.net/1543299976/Eyj59PHsg_default/index.html?videoId=5831064261001

Follow this link to find more important Book fair info and online shopping! https://www.scholastic.com/bf/monumentacademy

Orders online of \$25+ ship for free to your home!

> There is a quarantining process when Library books come back. It is not out during the school, but instead classrooms have special bins for books. The Library team will deliver library books to the bins and pick up any that were not returned in the morning. Bins are cleaned and sanitized every time. Returned books are quarantined for minimum 5 days.



LANDS' ENDA

ENTER TO WIN \$5,000

We're excited to announce that the 2020-2021 Lands' End School Starboard Scholarship, which rewards students who demonstrate exceptional leadership skills, is now open for applications. Up to 5 students in grades 8-12 will each receive a \$5,000 scholarship for school or college tuition.

Up to 1,000 applications will be accepted through 12/15/2020.

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