# LYNX NEWS





Photo credit to teacher Mrs. Edwards!

# East Campus Edition – November 4, 2020 Happy Fall!

Dear Monument Academy East Families,

Thank you for pivoting quickly with us for the school closures today and tomorrow. We are encouraged that we have made it to our 10<sup>th</sup> week and plan to move forward with more in person learning next week. Please know that the health and safety of your students and our staff are our utmost priority.

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### Free Dress Rescheduled to 11-12-20

First Thursday of the Month, Free Dress Day!

Please follow Dress Code for Non-Uniform Days

https://www.monumentacademy.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/1501MS-Uniform-Policy-08-24-2020.pdf

## No School through Friday

There will also be No Classes (no at-home expectations and no office hours) through Friday.

## Parent/Teacher Conferences

## Continuing as Scheduled

If you signed up for conferences, you will be receiving an email with your schedule and links to Zoom conferences.

### Save the Dates:

Picture Day Retakes are November 17th from 8-10am. At-Home Learners welcome also!

**East Campus Book Fair** will be in The Commons, November 17-19. During school and only open to students.

### **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. However, during the month of August, it will likely take longer. Thank you for your patience as we are enrolling new families and delivering curriculum to classrooms.

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

- Online Payments <a href="https://www.monumentacademy.net/quick-links/online-payments/">https://www.monumentacademy.net/quick-links/online-payments/</a>
- Checks made payable to Monument Academy (drop at front office)
- Credit card contact jshook@monumentacademy.net 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 <a href="https://www.myschoolbucks.com">https://www.myschoolbucks.com</a>

**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 jshook@monumentacademy.net



## Harvest of Love Food Drive, Nov 2-12

Each year Monument Academy participates in this food drive as it offers us a chance to give back to our community. Please take this opportunity to give big! NJHS is sponsoring this drive here at East Campus. Raffles of incredible prizes will be offered as incentives for donations. Please consider giving a cash donation or gift cards. Checks should be made out to **Tri-Lakes Cares**.

Thank you for your incredible generosity!!

#### Assessments

A reminder that NWEA results for this fall are available in the "Reports Center" on Infinite Campus. Please see the link below for instructions for accessing these reports. For those parents whose children recently completed CogAT assessments, know that results will also be available in the "Reports Center" in the next couple of weeks. Thank you!

http://www.monumentacademy.net/wp-

content/uploads/2020/10/2020\_2021\_Fall\_NWEA\_Report\_Access.pdf

### School Access and Carline Process Finalization

Access to the Monument Academy East Campus will soon be open to northbound traffic on Highway 83. We have been told this should be within the next couple of weeks. Pinehurst Circle is not open to through traffic at this time to the southeast of our campus. Thank you all for your patience as we've iterated through restructuring our afternoon carline process to comply with county guidelines regarding Covid-19 and concerns about our queueing process causing blockages to traffic on public rights-of-way. We are pleased with how quickly our release is completing and expect minor improvements as everyone continues to become accustomed to the process. Please see the link below for important updates and reminders regarding building access and carline procedures. Thank you!

http://www.monumentacademy.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/UpdatedAccessCarline.pdf

### Athletic News

Anytime there is a full closure at school due to Covid-19 ALL athletic activities will be canceled. We are moving forward with planning for future programs, please visit our athletics webpage at <a href="https://www.monumentacademy.net/athletics/">https://www.monumentacademy.net/athletics/</a> to find information on future opportunities for our students to compete.

CCAL Program:	2020-2021 Season Dates:	More Information:
Basketball – Boys	January 4th – February 1st	Click Here
Basketball – Girls	February 2nd – March 1st	Click here
Cheerleading	January 4th – April 30th	Click Here
Chess	Not Yet Scheduled	<u>Click Here</u>
Cross Country	August 10th – September 25th Post CCAL Meets for "A" Runners Until State in Mid-Oct	Click Here
Football	March 29th – May 8th	Click Here
Matchwits	Not Yet Scheduled	Click Here
Soccer – Girls	May 3rd – May 26th	Click here
Track and Field	April 26th – May 29th (Optional Workouts Begin Late Feb)	Click here
Volleyball – Girls	April 5th – April 30th	Click Here

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### Counselor News

Monument Academy East Campus will be implementing Sources of Strength (SoS), an evidence-based practice youth suicide prevention program this year. SoS is designed to harness the power of peer social networks to change unhealthy norms and culture, ultimately preventing suicide, bullying, and substance abuse. SoS moves beyond a risk-focus and utilizes an upstream approach, mobilizing a group of powerful Peer Leaders to spread messages of Hope, Help, and Strength through MA and the community. The upstream model strengthens multiple sources of support around young individuals so that when times get hard, they can leverage their strengths.

Teachers have received nomination forms for Peer Leaders. In the following weeks, students will be contacted if they have been nominated to see if they are interested in being a Peer Leader at MA.

The commitment involves participating in a Peer Leader Training that will last approximately 2 hours (most likely held on a Friday), and will meet with Adult Advisors every 2 weeks for 30 minutes. During these meetings we will play games and build relationships, share strengths, and work on messaging campaigns.

Sources of Strength will be pushed out to the students' Canvas page so they can learn about the opportunity!

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## 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.

#### East PTO



### MA LIBRARY NEWS

#### Requesting Library Books Through Holds

Student and staff accounts are completed in Destiny Discover! Login to Destiny at this website <a href="https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/58483">https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/58483</a> using your Google/Canvas username (WITHOUT @monumentacademy.net) and password to place library books on hold. Books will be delivered to your classroom!

#### **Scholastic Book Fair Is Coming**

The MA East Campus will be having a 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grade book fair! Buy gifts for teachers, friends, and family during the fair, and you will make everyone happy! Grab something to read during Thanksgiving break or stock up for the Holidays! A portion of the proceeds will benefit the school!

Online Fair: Nov 12 - Nov 25

**East Campus on Location**: Nov 17, 7:30-11:30am and 1:10-3:00pm

Nov 18 and 19, 7:30-11:00am and 12:30-3:00pm

Parents, please use eWALLET for bookfair purchases. It is so safe, easy, and convenient!! See video https://players.brightcove.net/1543299976/Eyj59PHsg\_default/index.html?videoId=5831064261001

Scholastic Secondary School Flyer

https://bookfairsfiles.scholastic.com/flippingbooks/F20-MS-booklist/F20-MS-booklist.html#p=1

Follow this link after November 12 to find more important Book Fair info and online shopping! <a href="https://www.scholastic.com/bf/monumentacadsecondaryschool">https://www.scholastic.com/bf/monumentacadsecondaryschool</a>

