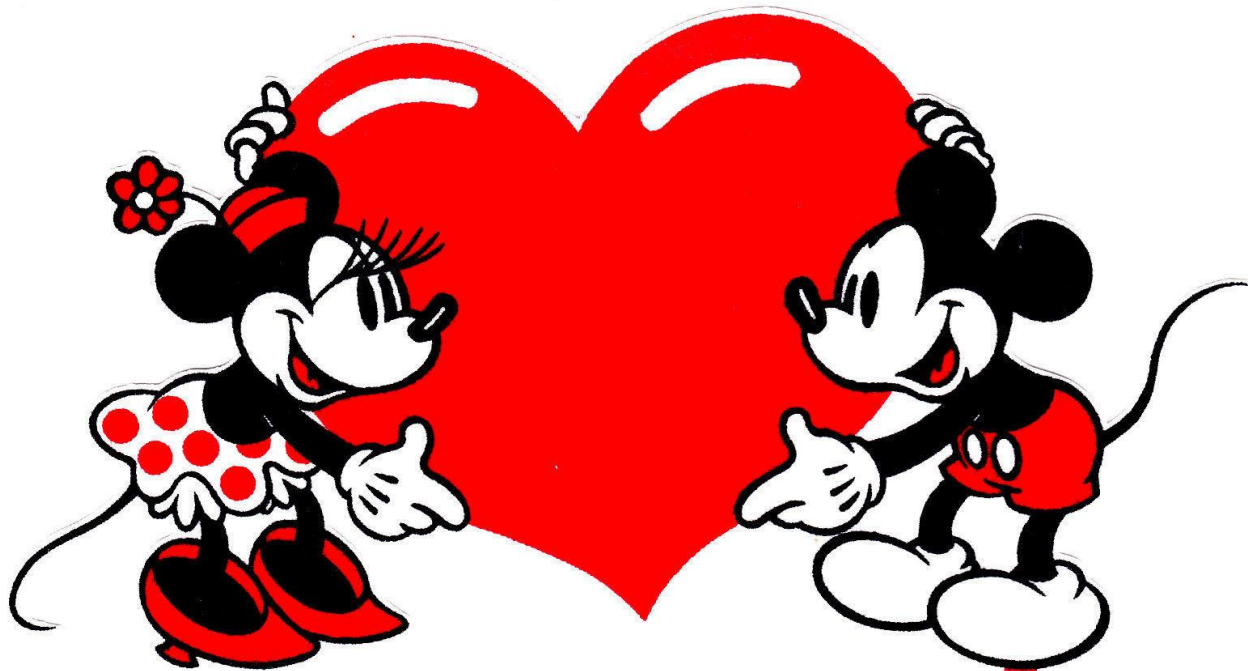


LYNX NEWS



East Campus Edition

February 10, 2021

Upcoming Events

Holiday Wear Day, tomorrow Thursday – February 11

Valentine colors

Nurse's Office

All Student Health information can be found at <https://www.monumentacademy.net/student-support/student-health/> . Thank you for continuing to follow the guidelines so we have the best chance of remaining open.

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School Social Worker



Parents are key players in creating safer schools and communities.

Safe2Tell Colorado provides the only anonymous way for students, parents, and community members to report unsafe and risky behaviors before they grow out of control. Each year, Safe2Tell Colorado receives thousands of reports on bullying, cyber-bullying, suicide threats, mental health concerns, child abuse, substance abuse, violence, planned school attacks, and other concerning behaviors. Each concern reported to Safe2Tell Colorado allows for caring, concerned adults to effectively intervene in the life of a child or youth who is struggling. Click [here](#) to see a short clip explaining Safe2Tell.

The mission of Safe2Tell Colorado is to ensure that every Colorado student, parent, teacher, and community member has access to a safe and anonymous way to report any concerns to their safety or the safety of others, with a focus on early intervention and prevention through awareness and education.

Safe2Tell is an anonymous reporting line. It is open 24 HOURS a DAY 7 DAYS a WEEK! To Report • Call: 1-877-542-7233 • Make a web-tip at: click [here](#) for web-tip link • Download and report • on the mobile app: Apple Device download [here](#)

[What teenagers want parents to know](#)

Topic is Suicide

Colorado schools are required by the Colorado Department of Education to include Safe2Tell Colorado as part of school safety planning. There are Safe2Tell posters all over the building. This month students will be educated on Safe2Tell Colorado and how to use it appropriately.

As always, if you have any questions please reach out to me.

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Athletics

The CCAL Boys Basketball team is defending their championship well so far with the A, B, and C-Teams all winning convincingly against RMCA, Manitou Springs, and Banning Lewis! The A-Team is well positioned for an opportunity to defend their title next Friday should they win their game against Thomas MacLaren next week. We'd like to thank the Cheer team for supporting the A-Team this week against Banning Lewis! Keep working hard everyone!

Girls interested in playing basketball this season will have an opportunity to participate in their first open-gym workouts this evening from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM in the East Campus Gym. The CCAL Girls Basketball tryouts will not begin until the week of Feb 22nd. Exact tryout days/times will be posted on the team website soon at the link below:

<https://www.monumentacademy.net/athletics/ccal-programs/girls-basketball/>

Voluntary workouts for the CCAL Football team will resume next Friday (2/19) should the weather permit.

Several additional programs will begin after spring break, and the condensed seasons do not allow as much time as usual for communications. We will continually refresh the team websites with updated information as changes are made to schedules, practices, etc. Please visit our athletics website for more information on individual programs at the link below:

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

2021 CMAS Colorado State Standardized Assessments

The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) is currently planning to have schools administer CMAS assessments this spring in the subject areas of math and reading. CMAS social studies will not be administered this year, and it is not yet known if science will be administered. It is possible that no CMAS assessments will be administered this spring, but if they are, there will not be an option for remote assessments. This means that any students completing the CMAS assessments will need to do so in-person and at school.

We expect that some families may choose to refuse allowing their students to complete CMAS assessments this year due to concerns about COVID-19. CDE has asked us to include an option for specifying COVID-19 as a reason for refusal to our normal refusal process.

Monument Academy accepts online refusals only, per board policy 1525, found at the link below:

<https://www.monumentacademy.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/1525-State-Assessments-Refusal-Policy-2-8-18.pdf>

If you plan to refuse allowing your students to participate in CMAS assessments this spring, regardless of the reason, please complete the online refusal found at the link below so that Monument Academy may comply with CDE protocols. Thank you.

<https://www.familyid.com/monument-academy-2/monument-academy-state-standardized-assessment-refusal-2020-2021>

Yearbook ~ 8th Graders Only

TIME IS RUNNING OUT: DUE 2/12

Dear 8th Grade Families,

Trying to simplify what we need for the yearbook.

- [Upload Baby Photo & Dedication \(free\)](#)
- [Check to verify](#) I received a baby photo &/or dedication
- [Buy a Yearbook](#)- we do not purchase extra inventory, only preorder
- [Buy additional dedication space](#) for \$20 (more details below)

We need both a baby/toddler photo (1) and a short dedication (150 characters) to wish your 8th grader well. This will be featured in the portraits section of the book.


The space is very limited, and it is FREE for all families. If you would like to expand your dedication and add additional photos, you may purchase that space by [clicking here](#).

Thank you,
Melissa Johnson
Middle School Yearbook Advisor
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*MA East Teacher Appreciation Week
February 16-18*



How to use the QR code



Scan, Pay, Go

If you'd rather donate money, the PTO will put it toward items on the Sign-up sheet.

Help us 'Grow' the Teacher's Lounge

♥ Tuesday, February 16th

Thank You Posters (MA East PTO is making)

♥ Wednesday, February 17th

Select something off of the Sign-up sheet (it's easy - 1 item can be for all teachers!) or bring something of your choice.

<https://signup.com/go/ECCZSuq>

♥ Thursday, February 18th

Teacher Breakfast (Items needed on Sign-up sheet)

UPDATE:

WE ARE 40% TO OUR GOAL FOR ITEMS FOR THE TEACHER'S LOUNGE.

IF YOU'D STILL LIKE TO DONATE, PLEASE GO TO:

[HTTPS://SIGNUP.COM/GO/ECCZSUQ](https://signup.com/go/ECCZSuq) (IT IS CASE SENSITIVE)

ALL ITEMS TO BE BROUGHT OR SHIPPED TO THE SCHOOL BY FEB 17TH (WEDNESDAY)

Link: [Click Here](#)