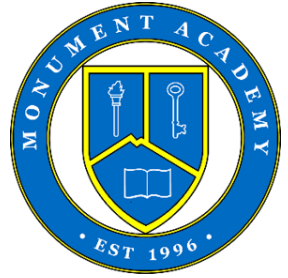


LYNX NEWS



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COMMITMENT – Make your dreams happen

Take positive action. Follow your vision without wavering.

19 days until Spring Break!!! This time of year, many of our students, teachers, parents, and administrators are looking forward to a week of well-earned relaxation. As I think back to a year ago, I am amazed at how much we have learned, the interesting obstacles we have overcome, and the positive actions we have taken as a community to keep our students in school while also providing those at home an online education. As we close in on the end of the third quarter on March 19th, we continue to encourage all students to finish strong this quarter (and to the end of the year) with this same commitment by working hard to complete all assignments with care, studying for tests and quizzes, and asking for help when it is needed.

At Monument Academy, the dream we are working to make happen is for our students to lead well-rounded, flourishing lives. The vision we are committed to in making this happen includes:

- Keeping our students safe.
- Modeling integrity, respect, and joy.
- Building relationships so that all are valued and have a sense of belonging.
- Embracing mistakes and cultivating a risk-taking environment.
- Doing and being our best.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to us as we navigate through these unique and interesting times in our history. We appreciate your feedback, encouragement, and support as we strive toward a successful end to the third quarter and to the end of our very first year in our new building. What an exciting time to be a part of the Monument Academy community!

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Upcoming Events

Free Dress Day – March 5
Daylight Saving Time – March 14
End of 3rd Quarter – March 19
Spring Break – March 22-26

Nurse's Office

Looking forward to the 2021/22 school year! Below are some updates to immunization requirements specific to immunization exemptions.

Please take a moment to check out what Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has published: http://www.monumentacademy.net/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/2021-22_LPSD_ParentImmunizationLetter_School-K-12th_Eng_FINAL.pdf

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Social Worker

Safe2Tell has been presented in all Middle and High School classes. The goal of the presentation was to educate students on how to report a behavior that they deem is threatening. It was encouraged to talk to parents, trusted adults, teachers/staff, counselors and Safe2Tell was introduced as another choice.

The Safe2Tell CO app will be located in the students' school's iPad for accessibility purposes.

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Athletics

The CCAL Girls Basketball teams have been working hard during the short timeframe they've had to prepare for the season this year. The teams opened their season with convincing wins against Atlas Prep! Our girls aren't very tall, but they are fast, move the ball very well, and play tough defense. The A-Team won 54 – 4, and the B-Team won 34 – 4. Up next is a trip to Thomas MacLaren this afternoon. Good luck ladies!

Voluntary workouts for the CCAL Football team will occur on Thursdays and Fridays through the month of March. Workouts will occur on the East Campus turf field should the weather permit, or in the gym if not. The team website has more information regarding voluntary workouts and the season, although the game schedule is likely to change some yet. Please visit the team website at the link below:

<https://www.monumentacademy.net/athletics/ccal-programs/ma-football/>

Voluntary workouts for the Girls Volleyball team will begin starting the week of March 8th in the MA East Gym. Please see the team website at the link below for more information:

<https://www.monumentacademy.net/athletics/ccal-programs/ma-volleyball/>

Coaching Help Needed!

We could use another Assistant Coach for our Football team. If you are, or know of anyone that would be interested in helping this spring, please contact the Athletic Director at athletics@monumentacademy.net Thank You!

2021 CMAS Colorado State Standardized Assessments

The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) is planning to have schools administer CMAS assessments this spring in the subject areas of math, science and reading. CMAS social studies will not be administered this year. 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. Full assessment schedules for the spring of 2021 will be coming out next week.

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>

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JOIN THE MA EAST PTO!

We are looking for volunteers for next School Year 2021-2022



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