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Dear Monument Academy Community,

I am pleased and honored to be chosen as the Chief Operating Officer of Monument Academy. Staff and parents have been so welcoming, and I appreciate the warm reception. I look forward to meeting you all and working toward a great future for this school. I know the history of Monument Academy is one of academic excellence and I am glad to be part of the story moving forward.

As we prepare for the start of the 2021-22 school year, I am excited to welcome students back into the building. One of the questions we often get is about the COVID regulations that will be in place. Currently, we are planning to start school as close to "normal" as possible. There are 4 more weeks until we start, so the situation can change. As the calendar turns to August, we ask that you be diligent to read any updates that we send from either campus. Also, remember that one of the most effective tools we have is for parents to keep your student home if they show any illness symptoms. We appreciate your cooperation on this.

Our enrollment continues to grow as more families choose Monument Academy. To those new families, welcome to our school. We hope your experience is truly wonderful. At this time, our total enrollment for next year will show an increase from last year of 125+ students. If you have friends or neighbors that might be a great fit for MA, please invite them to sign up for a tour in the coming weeks. We still have a few spaces in most grade levels, but as interest continues to grow, that might not be the case in future years. I want to thank the selection committee and the Monument Academy Board of Directors for the opportunity to work with the students, parents, and staff of this fine school.

Enjoy the rest of Summer, Merlin Holmes Chief Operating Officer Monument Academy



2021-2022 Parent/Student East Campus Back-To-School Events

Please pay fees, online or in the business office, by **August 11**th and bring a printed receipt to Meet and Greet. To pay online, visit http://www.monumentacademy.net/parent-info/online-payments/. If you have questions or concerns about paying school fees, please contact Julie Shook at 719-431-8001 x1010 or jshook@monumentacademy.net.

Tuesday, August 3: Dessert on the Turf

6:00-7:00

New to Monument Academy families with students at East- Come meet other new East families, some existing East families, and talk with student leaders and administrators! Spirit Wear and used uniforms available!

Monday, August 16: 6-10th Grade Meet & Greet- Free dress for students

Please make every effort to attend Meet and Greet during your scheduled time to help minimize wait times.

8:00 am – 12:00 pm 6th and 7th Grade 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm 8th, 9th, 10th Grade

Please bring student's schedule (printed from Reports on Infinite Campus), receipt or print-out that shows proof of fee payment (Fees tab in Infinite Campus or PayPal email receipt), and a print out of email confirmation that IC information update has been completed.

Please look over the iPad agreement with your student and fill out the iPad agreement form.

Parents and students are invited to

- "Walk" schedule and meet teachers
- Pick up pre-ordered EduKits
- Choose locker and unpack supplies
- Pick up iLicense and iPad (only if fees have been paid)
- Shop Peak shirts and Spirit Wear at PTO table

Tuesday, August 17: East Campus Orientation- Middle School students in uniform

7:30-7:50 am All student drop off (normal carline procedures)

12:30 pm Pick up for 7th and 8th grade students **not** new to MA (normal carline procedures)

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm New Students and 6th Grade lunch in MPR (pizza and water provided)

1:00 pm – 3:30 pm I-License Training for New Students and 6th Graders

3:30 pm Pick up for 6^a grade students and students new to MA (normal carline procedures)

Wednesday, August 18: First Day of School- Students in uniform

8:00-8:45 Welcome to Middle School! Sixth-Grade Parent Welcome in the outdoor Fine Arts Pavilion

Friday, August 20: Half Day Friday – Peak Competitions! Wear Peak shirt (if purchased) to represent your Peak. May the odds be ever in your favor!

Monument Academy is HIRING!

For more information:

https://www.monumentacademy.net/quick-links/employment/



Uniform Policies

Approved Vendors:

French Toast:

www.frenchtoast.com

Code: QS5QVJI

Educational Outfitters

www.educationaloutfitters.com

Code: CO01086

Land's End

www.landsend.com Code: 900030560

Middle School Uniform Policy

High School Dress Code

6th Grade – Camp Shady Brook

Camp Shady Brook: September 15-17, 2021

Cost: \$185

Every September, Monument Academy takes the 6th grade students to an outdoor education camp. This year we are again attending Camp Shady Brook in Deckers, CO. It is a wonderful opportunity for our new middle school students to get to know one another and their teachers and to extend personal limits. Students will work together with team members as they complete activities in high and low ropes courses, canoeing, survival games, rock wall climbing, group initiative challenges, and orienteering. Identifying and practicing Character First is a focus throughout all activities.

Camp Shady Brook is bound to be an unforgettable experience for your sixth grader!

Registration information will be sent out in August.

Athletics

MA will be starting our open Gym workouts for Football, Boys Soccer and Cross Country this week. Go to the MA Athletics web page to see the days and times.

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

From the Front Office

If your child will need a consistent Early Release or a Walker Pass for the coming school year please use this link to find both items: https://www.monumentacademy.net/secondary-school/
These will be requested electronically this year and then Walker Passes will be delivered to your student in class. Early Releases will be added to our list and begin on the date requested.

Business Office

Thank you to the MA families that have submitted academic fees for the 2021-22 school year. These fees help Monument Academy provide excellent resources for your children.

The annual required student fees are as follows:

\$100 Preschool

\$125 Kindergarten

\$175 Grades 1-5

\$285 Grades 6-10 (includes iPad fee)

Please check your student's account using the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. Please visit www.monumentacademy.net to sign up for an account if you have not already done so. Payments are usually posted within a week. However, during the month of August, it may 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:

- Credit card contact jshook@monumentacademy.net
- Online Payments visit https://www.monumentacademy.net/quick-links/online-payments
- Checks made payable to Monument Academy (drop box at front office)

Monument Academy does \underline{not} accept payments through Infinite Campus or on the PaySchools 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 at (719) 431-8001 x 1010 or Rachel Walsh at 481-1950 ext. 1709 jshook@monumentacademy.net or rwalsh@monumentacdemy.net

MA East PTO

