

# LYNX NEWS



*West Campus*

September 29, 2021



We are excited to announce that Mr. Kurt Walker has been hired for the Interim Assistant Principal position at the West Campus. Mr. Walker has been in education for over 30 years. He began his teaching career in Florida and relocated in 2000 to teach 6th grade at Monument Academy. Kurt has been a charter school principal since 2006 and enjoys leading and supporting his students, staff, and parents. He will begin serving in his new role on October 11<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Walker received his bachelor's degree from Nova Southeastern University in 1992 and his master's degree from Lesley University in 2005. He received his Principal Licensure from the University of Phoenix in 2006. He left Colorado to lead an elementary charter school in Arizona and, after eight years, is excited to return to our beautiful state and back to his roots at Monument Academy. Kurt and his wife enjoy hiking, the mountains, kayaking, and game nights with family and friends.



## **Phase II Community Forum**

Dear Monument Academy Community,

We would like to invite you to a community forum to discuss options, priorities, and ideas for the East Campus. The meeting will take place on October 5<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be held in the commons area of the East Campus.

So that all board members can attend and be part of the discussion, this will be posted as a work session of the Monument Academy Board. Some questions that might be considered are:

- What are the immediate academic space needs for East Campus?
- What additional facilities will encourage more of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to stay for 9<sup>th</sup> grade?
- In the final design of the Campus, what needs to be added?
- What parts of the campus need to be completed during Phase II?
- What might need to wait for Phase III?
- When will Phase II likely begin and be completed? Timeline goals?
- How do we get further input from the MA community moving forward?

We hope that many of you can attend this meeting. After the meeting, an avenue for further public comment will be provided since we understand there may be calendar conflicts.

Sincerely,

*Merlin Holmes*

Chief Operating Officer

Monument Academy

## REMINDER:

***Please be respectful of spacing during carline to avoid blocking the entrance/exit to the Staff Parking Lot. Thank you!***

Just a friendly reminder that carline begins promptly at 3:15pm Monday through Thursday and 12:15pm each Friday. If you are waiting and gathering your child(ren) on the sidewalk side, please do not linger or block the walkway. Teachers and students need to use this area to safely walk and load those waiting in carline. Also, please, let's be good neighbors and remember to not park in the Eye Dr's or the banks parking lot.

### **Dates to Remember**

**Parent Teacher Conference - Oct 13-14**

**Fall Break – Oct 15-18**

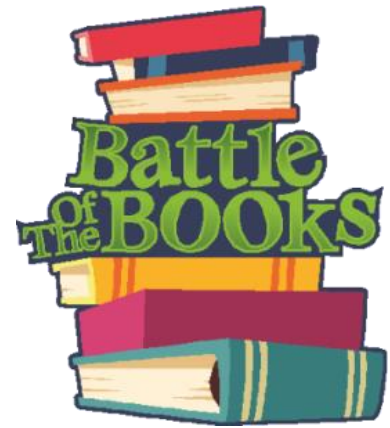
**Free Dress Friday – Oct 1**



**NATIONAL  
COFFEE DAY**



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** *Hearing and Vision Screenings* are coming September 30<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for two volunteers for on Thursday, the 30<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Please email [ajanzen@monumentacademy.net](mailto:ajanzen@monumentacademy.net) if you can help. Thank you!



*Pikes Peak Battle of the Books:* [pikespeakbob.org](http://pikespeakbob.org)

- ✓ Read awesome books!
- ✓ Expand your mind!
- ✓ Make new friends!

Attention **5<sup>th</sup> graders** who like to compete and read fiction! Battle coaches, Mrs. Collier & Mrs. Pinkstaff, invite you to join the *Battle of the Books*. Meetings will be every Tuesday during morning recess time. Two teams of committed readers will be formed in January or February and taken to the competitions. If your student is interested in joining, they should come to the Tuesday meetings and start reading the 40 books with a goal to finish by February.

### **Scholastic Book fair for all MA families**

- <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/monumentacademy>

Goal is to sell \$17,000 during the fair! This will help MA purchase much needed books and materials.

Parents, looking for a way to show appreciation? Load some cash into your favorite teacher's eWallet for them to shop the fair!

Set up in the West campus Library Oct 8 - 19<sup>th</sup>

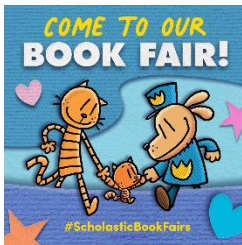
East campus families are welcome to shop during the P/T conference days

Preschool families have special shopping hours during P/T conference days

Find many more books online (free shipping if order of books is \$25 or more)

**eWallet setup:**

[https://players.brightcove.net/1543299976/Eyj59PHsg\\_default/index.html?videoId=5831064261001](https://players.brightcove.net/1543299976/Eyj59PHsg_default/index.html?videoId=5831064261001)



Oct 8 - 19<sup>th</sup>



Oct 7 - 20<sup>th</sup>

We need volunteers! Volunteer in the library and at the book

fair <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080544AEAC2AABFB6-elementary>

Pikes Peak Battle of the Books (5<sup>th</sup> grade) [pikespeakbob.org](http://pikespeakbob.org)

**Library catalog search and log in:** <https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/58483>

Canvas Library

website: <https://monumentacademy.instructure.com/courses/2146>

Google Library

webpage: <https://sites.google.com/monumentacademy.net/library/home>

Help *Clear the List* - Library Amazon

wishlist: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/L3P24MXTGF5L?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/L3P24MXTGF5L?ref=wl_share)

Welcome to our new library hire, Miss Kay-Lynn Bailey! She has joined MA as a library para. We are so happy and hope you'll give her a warm welcome.

Thank you!



Mrs. Collier, Monument Academy Librarian

Monument Academy is Hiring.  
[Apply here!](#)



# YEARBOOK

2021-2022 Monument Academy  
Preschool and Elementary

Yearbooks will be \$20 until  
February 28<sup>th</sup>  
at which point they will become  
\$25.

It is preferred and recommended that you order by  
February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022

To purchase a yearbook:



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[https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1355311/Monument-Academy/2022-Yearbook/2021072304172464394/CATALOG\\_SHOP/](https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1355311/Monument-Academy/2022-Yearbook/2021072304172464394/CATALOG_SHOP/)

Do you have pictures of your student in their  
classroom or at another school-related event?

Your pictures can be in the yearbook!

Please upload photos to the yearbook database by  
clicking this link and use the code 416224579 for  
the "User ID" when prompted:



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<https://images.jostens.com/416224579>



Have a fifth grader this  
year?

Commemorate their last year of elementary  
school with a recognition ad in the yearbook!

Ads are \$25 for a quarter of a page.

Scan the QR code below, select "Yearbook  
Recognition Ads," and fill in the information and  
photos you want in the yearbook!\*



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Ads are due by February 1, 2022.

\*Fonts, words, and photos submitted may be edited by the yearbook staff.

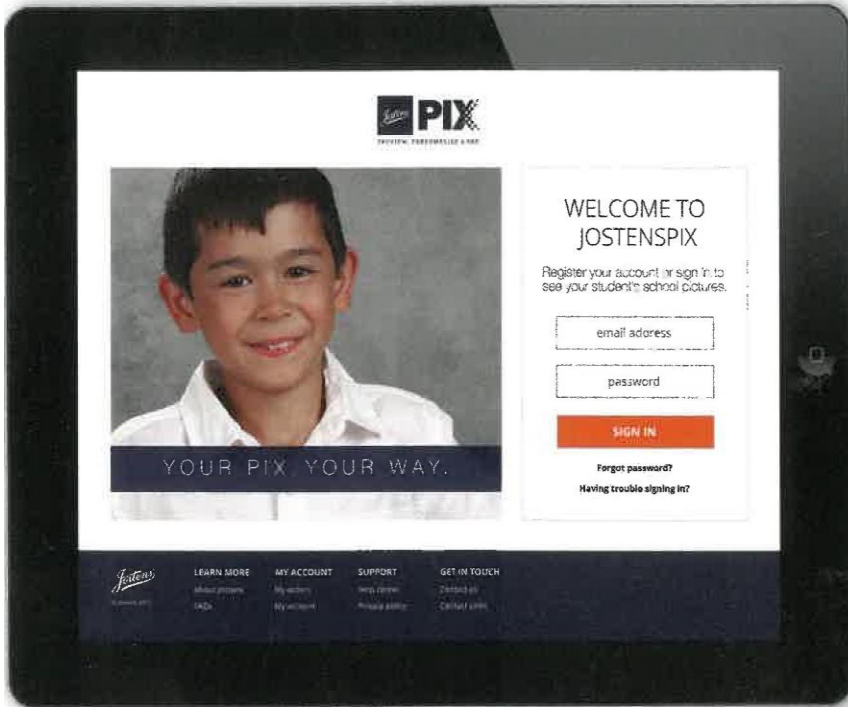
<https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/1355311/Monument-Academy/>





# Jostens PIX Picture Day

A new school portrait experience designed by you, for you.



- Preview your pictures before you buy
- Buy only what you want
- Personalize your photos with a variety of backgrounds and add text
- Photos ship directly to home
- High-res digital downloads
- If you have more than one child, you can order everything together and pay only once



Our “Green Screen” technology allows you to personalize backgrounds. But it makes green clothing disappear into the background.

**Don't wear green for picture day please!**

## Get ready for Picture Day!

MONUMENT ACADEMY ELEMENTARY

EVENT CODE: FEIU521

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 05, 2021**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 09, 2021 - RETAKE

**Pictures will be uniform only**



EVENT CODE: FEIU521

TO PREVIEW

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VIEW YOUR PHOTOS ONLINE A FEW DAYS AFTER PICTURE DAY AT  
JOSTENSPIX.COM



CREATE AN ACCOUNT



PREVIEW YOUR PHOTOS

For immediate access to your student's photos, use the email address you provided to your school. If you don't see your photos in the gallery, go to Find Your Student and enter your event code.

TO PERSONALIZE

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**CHOOSE FROM A VARIETY OF BACKGROUNDS  
AND PERSONALIZE WITH YOUR STUDENT'S NAME**



TO PAY

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BUY ONLY THE PHOTOS YOU WANT! NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS. Photos are shipped directly to you!

ORDER AT  
JOSTENSPIX.COM

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL 1-877-515-1447

## MA PTO WEST NEWS



Our first ordering window has closed.

Orders should be delivered to your child's classroom this week!!

Orders will be sent home with the oldest sibling (even if they are at East)

Our next ordering window will be November 1<sup>st</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP MA EARN CASH EACH TIME YOU SHOP?**



**King Soopers Community Rewards** program is active for MA. It does not cost anything, is super easy to set-up, and then automatic every time you shop. It does not take away from your personal fuel points or coupons, our PTO will simply get a percentage back of all purchases.

**Sign up today to help MA:**

1. Log on to your personal account on [kingsoopers.com](http://kingsoopers.com) (you cannot do this from the app)
2. Click "My Account" under *Valued Customer* tab at the top of the page
3. Community Rewards (menu on the left side)
4. Add Organization: type in "Monument Academy," then click Monument Academy "BF553"
5. Enroll

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE PTO?**

The PTO is a fun way to get more involved with Monument Academy and work with an incredible team!

Please contact [maptopresident@gmail.com](mailto:maptopresident@gmail.com) for more information.

*Monument Academy PTO Presents*

# ***Kids Invite Someone Special***

## ***K.I.S.S***

**EACH CHILD MAY BRING SOMEONE SPECIAL AND ENJOY MORNING REFRESHMENTS.**

**PRE K & KINDER : MONDAY SEPTEMBER 27**

**1ST GRADE : TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 28**

**2ND GRADE : WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 29**

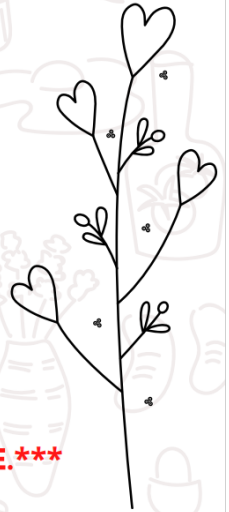
**3RD GRADE : THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 30**

**4TH & 5TH GRADE : FRIDAY OCTOBER 1ST.**

**K.I.S.S WILL BE HELD IN THE MPR FROM 7:30-8:00AM.**

**PLEASE USE THE GYM ENTRANCE AND SIGN IN WITH PTO STAFF.**

**\*\*\* PARK IN THE DIRT PARKING LOT AS TO NOT OBSTRUCT THE CARLINE.\*\*\***



### **YOU CAN FIND US ON FACEBOOK**

(West Campus) <https://www.facebook.com/MonumentAcademyPTO/>

### **Business Directory:**

<http://monumentacademypto.com/business-directory>

Have you ever wanted to connect with other Monument Academy Family Businesses? This year we are launching a new business directory! If you would like to have your business listed on our new directory, please email the following to [maptovicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:maptovicepresident@gmail.com):

1. Business Name
2. Business Logo (.png or .jpeg)
3. Website address
4. Brief description of business type

### **CONTACT US:**

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Treasurer - [maptotreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:maptotreasurer@gmail.com)



Secretary - maptosecretary@gmail.com

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Save the Dates:

October 7<sup>th</sup>- Fun Run

October 21<sup>st</sup>- Restaurant Day/Night at Jarrito Loco

October 27<sup>th</sup>- Trunk or Treat, 5-7pm

\*\* More information to follow \*\*

**We hope you have all enjoyed watching your teachers “Walk the Plank” at each donation milestone. Be sure to enjoy the videos over and over again!!**



**Total earned to date: 9/27 \$13,419.52**



### Class Standings:

PS. Seabolt \$200  
K Alafat - \$897.82  
1st Rudolph - \$465.68  
2nd. LoBosco - \$342.97  
3rd Laird - \$466.69  
4th Dickey- \$1340.64  
5th McCreedy \$526.24

If you have forgotten to submit your child's t-shirt size for \$50 plus donations, please email [MAPTOTreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:MAPTOTreasurer@gmail.com) with the donor's name, child's name, grade, teacher, and t-shirt size.

Find all the videos on our website!

Watch your favorite teacher "Walk the Plank" at [monumentacademypto.com/fun-run](http://monumentacademypto.com/fun-run)

\$2,000 – Ms. Campbell - <https://vimeo.com/597205306>  
\$4,000 – Mrs. Ward - <https://vimeo.com/600702463>  
\$6,000 – Ms. Blair - <https://vimeo.com/601842331>  
\$8,000 – Ms. McCreedy - <https://vimeo.com/607398219>  
\$10,000 – Mrs. Collier <https://vimeo.com/613582497>

**October 7<sup>th</sup> Schedule:**

Pre-K – 8:20- 9:00  
Kindergarten – 11:00 – 11:40  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade – 9:10 – 9:50  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – 10:00 – 10:40  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – 12:20-1:00  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade – 2:00 – 2:40  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade – 1:10 – 1:50

**Ninja costumes can be worn during the students run**

**We Still Need Volunteers:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b4aaaaf2aabf85-funrun1>





# Monument Academy's 6th Annual Fun Run



Are you as swift as a Ninja? Or as cunning as a Pirate? Perhaps as mysteriously clever as a Ninja Pirate? Show us your skills in this year's Ninja Warrior: Pirate Edition on **October 7th, 2021!** We are raising money this year to support the many services of the PTO such as community building events and activities, teacher appreciation and support services, and school enrichment projects.

## Volunteer



- Water and a snack will be provided after the run!
- **Dress Code:** Come dressed as your favorite Ninja, Pirate, or Ninja Pirate! (NO Weapons!) & Athletic shoes
- Participation is consent to be photographed
- Please sign the waiver for Altitude Ninja Gym.
- There will be a designated area for parent spectators to watch the event.
- Parent Volunteers will be needed on the field.

## Waiver



## How to Donate



### ONLINE:

Donate through Paypal using our QR code or find the link at [monumentacademypto.com/fun-run](http://monumentacademypto.com/fun-run) or through our spiritwear page! Please include your student's name, grade, and teacher for your student to receive credit towards fundraising prizes.

#### Please note:

- If you are donating more than \$50 dollars, please include your student's shirt size (along with name, grade, and teacher).
- If you are donating more than \$150, please include the words that you would like engraved on your brick in the comment box between quotation marks (or make sure to turn in your brick order form).

### Donate Here



### ENVELOPES:

We have included a donation envelope for our students to submit cash or check donations! You may also send in your own envelope marked "Fun Run" with your student's name, grade, and teacher!

## THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS



Questions? Email [maptovicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:maptovicepresident@gmail.com) Thank you for your support!!

# So Many Ways to Win!!

## Individually

\$5

Sticker



\$50

Shirt



\$150

Engraved Brick



\$250

Overdrive Gift Card



\$500

A month of Ninja at  
Altitude Ninja Gym



\$750

Top Golf Experience



\$1000

Indoor Skydiving



## As a Crew

The top earning class in every  
grade wins a PIZZA party!!  
Plus a special prize for their  
teacher!

## Walk the Plank

For Every \$2k raised we will  
dunk one of our teachers!

\$30K - Dunk Ms. Barrette

\$35K - Barrette's Revenge!

## Treasure Hunt

Keep an Eagle Eye out for  
our **Golden Ninjas** and  
win an INSTANT Prize!

## Everybody Wins!

On October 7th the whole school gets to show their skills on a Ninja Warrior  
Obstacle Course sponsored by Altitude Ninja Gym