

LYNX NEWS



West Campus

November 3, 2021



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Dear Monument Academy West Campus Parents,

Last week you received notification from our Board of Directors regarding our new car line procedures starting Monday, November 8, 2021. For the new process to run smoothly, we need your cooperation in the following:

- Entry to the West Campus is **ONLY** from Knollwood Drive.
- Keep in mind that we are starting school five minutes early (8:05). Please drop off students between 7:35 – 8:05.
- All drop off and pick up will be next to the curb only. Please do not drop off students on the south sidewalk.
- Please arrive at your assigned pick-up time (**Do not arrive early**)
- **Monday - Thursday**
 - 2:45 Pre-school and Early Dismissal
 - 3:00 Kindergarten, 1st grade and siblings/carpool
 - 3:15 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th grade
- **Friday**
 - 11:45 Pre-school and Early Dismissal
 - 12:00 Kindergarten, 1st grade and siblings/carpool
 - 12:15 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th grade
- You will only come through our pick-up line one time, ex: On Monday, if you have a Kindergartener, a 2nd grader and a 5th grader, you will arrive at 3:00 and pick up all of your children at once.
- If you are picking up a carpool, please come at the youngest child's dismissal time. You will need to communicate directly with your child's teacher if carpool puts your family into a different pick-up group.
- Your pick-up time will remain consistent regardless of attendance, ex: if you have a Full Day Kindergartener, a 2nd grader, and 5th grader, and the Kindergartener is out sick, your older students will still be dismissed at the earlier time (in this example: 3:00).
- Please do not arrive more than 5 minutes prior to your assigned pick-up time. If you do, you will be placed in a holding zone.
- Place your new car line number sign in your window for our staff to see (we will be sending the signs home with your child(ren) on Thursday, 11/4/21). Each child has an individual number with a colored dot indicating their pick-up group. Please have all signs in your window every day at pick-up.
 - If you are carpooling, please provide your number(s) to the other family and make copies as needed.
- Please continue pulling forward as directed by staff members. Once your child has been loaded, you may carefully pull out of line and proceed to the exit.
- For those of you that will be parking in the dirt lot and walking to pick up your child(ren), please bring your number, or be prepared to give the number to the staff member entering them into our system. These students will only be dismissed when they see their numbers/names appear on the inside monitors. You may wait for your child(ren) by the flagpole.
- All students will be exiting the building at the east gate near the modulares.

We recognize that it always takes a few days to work out the kinks with a new process, but it will get easier and more efficient over time. MA is committed to keeping your children safe and providing them with an excellent education and we thank you for the opportunity to work together to make this change a success. Thank you for the patience and grace you have shown throughout this process.

If you have a question not answered here, please email us and we will be happy to help answer it.

Sincerely,

Laura Barrette and Kurt Walker
Assistant Principals



Monument Academy will be hosting a Veterans Day breakfast this year for MA parents or other special family members who are veterans.

Students from West and East campus are invited to attend the breakfast with their veteran. The breakfast will be at the East campus, 4303 Pinehurst Circle on Thursday, November 11th at 8:15 AM.

Due to space issues, this year's Veterans Day looks a little different than the ones we have been able to do in years past. We hope it is special none the less!

Space is limited, please click to RSVP today!

[Veterans Day RSVP.htm](#)

EAC meeting at Monument Academy East Campus, Nov 3rd, 6 p.m.!

*Monument Academy is a member school of the [Education Alliance of Colorado \(EAC\)](#).
www.edallianceco.org*

The EAC was formed as a grassroots effort to help parents have their voices directly heard in legislative decisions regarding school choice and charter schools. If you're interested in learning more about the EAC or would like to sign up to receive emails about their latest efforts, [click -here. https://www.edallianceco.org/sign-up](https://www.edallianceco.org/sign-up)

Additionally, the EAC will be hosting an informational meeting for MA on how to get more involved and stand up for charters and MA. Join the EAC on November 3rd at 6 p.m., [Monument Academy East Campus](#). Please see the agenda below.



Agenda Parent Voice MA - Wednesday, November 3, 2021

- Rob introduction
- Why was the EAC created?
 - Mission/Vision
 - A way for parents and schools to directly engage with government
 - Not Denver-centric
- Where does the EAC come in?
 - o What the EAC does
 - Monitoring ▪ Grassroots
 - Direct Representation
 - Lobbying
 - o How EAC was successful
 - HB 1295 ▪ SB 182
 - Health Department Conversations
- How do you get involved
 - o Sign up
 - o Share your story
 - o Testimony in the spring
 - o FB follow
 - o Pass out flyers/recruit others to join



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

We would LOVE for parents to sub as teachers or paras!!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

****Lunchroom****: November: <https://www.signupgenius.com/.../10C0F48AEA622A0FFC34...>

*** * Harvest of Love Food Collection****

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4aa8a72ba5f4c34-food>

****Rome Core Knowledge Day Nov 12th****

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090949aba822aa8-3rdgrade>

****4th Grade Medieval Day****

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4ea8af2ca3fe3-4thgrade>

****Thanksgiving Program****

<https://www.signupgenius.com/.../4090949ABA822AA8...>

****Library****: <https://www.signupgenius.com/.../5080544AEAC2AABFB6...>

**** Craft Fair Helpers****

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b054daaa923a5fa7-craft>

As Promised – Additional Outerwear

Lands End now has the Crew Sweatshirt, (that MUST have our Monument Academy Logo on it), available for order. Just shop under School Number 900030560. Thank you for your patience.

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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

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EVENT CODE: FE114521

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1. PREVIEW

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CREATE AN ACCOUNT

Get immediate access to your student's photos. Use the email address you provided to your school.



PREVIEW YOUR PHOTOS

If you don't see your photos in the gallery, go to Find Your Student and enter your event code.

2. PERSONALIZE

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



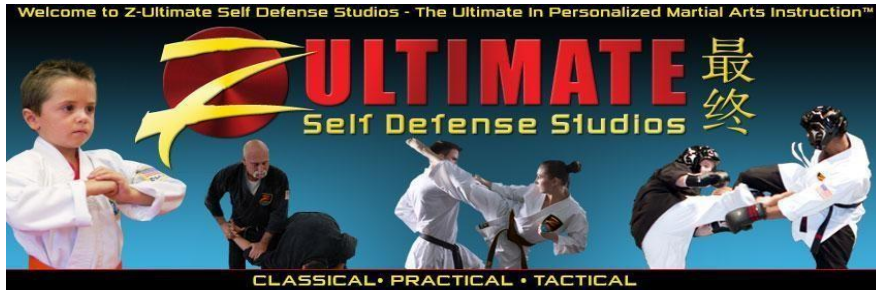
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Monument Academy Enrichment Class

\$75/month for:

3 Months of Weekly Classes at Monument Academy (January 20 - April 7)
In the Multi-Purpose Room 3:30 - 4:15 pm
MA Receives One Third of all Tuition

Class Teaches:

- Age-Appropriate Practical Self Defense
- Values of Respect, Discipline, and Humility
- Physical Coordination and Balance
- Fun Positive-Minded Activities to Keep them Engaged
- How to be leaders who lead by example
- New Material for Students Returning to the Class



There will be a presentation at the end of the course on April 9th at our studio location to perform what they have learned throughout the program

Register now to save your spot! Sign up now - text or email us to add your name to the list!

Training is available as well for anyone who would like to train at our studio! Just Ask us How!

13395 Voyager Pkwy #110, Colorado Springs, CO 80921 Northgate@zultimate.com
(719)488-6582 Facebook.com/zultimatennorthgate

Holiday Ornaments

The time is here to continue the holiday tradition
for your MA students!

Your MA Student Council is hosting their first fundraiser of the year. Handmade Personalized Keepsake Ornaments with your student's face for just \$3.50 from now until December 10th 2021.

To order for this fundraiser simply fill out this google form
<https://forms.gle/Jho951EHnSxHAJZv9>.

All parents of K- 10th students will be able to order these keepsake ornaments
and then pick them up
December 14th - 16th from the main office.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to treasure your child's smile, frozen in time in
a glittery wonderland. Order today!

Email questions to studentcouncil@monumentacademy.net
Happy Holidays!

MA Student Council

YEARBOOK

2021-2022 Monument Academy Preschool and Elementary

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

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

It is preferred and recommended that you order by
February 28th, 2022

To purchase a yearbook:



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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/>



UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Dates:

November 9th- Class Pictures and Retakes

November 11th- Veterans Day Assembly (East Campus)

November 18th - 3rd Grade Thanksgiving Program

November 22-26th- Thanksgiving Break



3rd grade students will be putting on a Thanksgiving program about the pilgrims coming to the New World on November 18th. They will perform in the morning at 9:00 a.m. for grades K-2nd. The evening performance for parents and friends will be from 6:30 to 7:00 on November 18th. Please do not attend the morning performance unless you absolutely can't come to the evening performance, as the gym will not be set up with chairs for parents at this performance.

Needs:

Volunteers to set up the stage on November 16th from 3:30-4:45

Volunteers to tear down stage after evening program on November 18th

7 hay bales (you will get these back)

7 pumpkins (you may have these back)

If you can help in any way, please contact Suzy Benz at sbenz@monumentacademy.net

MA PTO WEST NEWS



Ordering Window is NOW open!!



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

King Sooper Community Rewards program is active for MA. It is easy and does not cost anything. It 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 (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 for more information.

YOU CAN FIND US ON FACEBOOK

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



SCHOOL NIGHT FUN DRAISER

**Order online or over the phone, for
Delivery or Carryout - all day long!**

Wednesday, November 10

**20% of sales will be donated to
Monument Academy West Campus PTO**

**When ordering, mention or enter promo code:
SCHOOL2
to receive credit.**

Monument, 1781 Lake Woodmoor Dr, 719-258-1950

***Valid ONLINE at 10 participating locations**

@PapaJohns.com

Promo code must be used in order for the school to receive credit. Valid with all offers.

LOCALLY OWNED AND OPERATED



Attention all crafters in grades 3 - 5

The annual craft fair is coming December 3rd from 8-12:15pm

Applications are available on the PTO page on the MA website, the front office, the PTO Facebook page, Lynx News or ebackpack express.

Applications are due by November 5th at 12:00 noon!

There are only 58 tables available, so don't procrastinate!



Monument Academy

HOLIDAY STUDENT CRAFT FAIR

WHO: ALL MA STUDENT ENTREPRENEURS IN GRADES 3 – 5 ONLY

WHEN: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3RD 8:00AM - 12:15PM IN THE MA GYM

APPLICATIONS DUE: BY NOVEMBER 5TH AT FRONT OFFICE

QUESTIONS: KIMBERLY KAYS MAPTOPRESIDENT@GMAIL.COM

Want to make money? Want an opportunity to highlight your creative crafts or artistic ability? Want to have fun? Then the MA Holiday Craft Fair is the answer! Sell your **handmade** crafts and/or art at the fair. You choose what to sell (it has to be handmade), you price it and then you sell it. Simple! Your buyers will be MA students, staff, and family. The craft fair a perfect time for buyers who are looking for Christmas gifts for their family, friends, and teachers (hint). Basically, anyone and everyone on their holiday gift list.

Applications will be available at the MA Front Office and on the PTO page of the MA website on October 29th. Space is limited. Only 58 tables will be available to the individual or group applicants who submit a completed application AND are approved by the Craft Fair team.

Please note due to COVID restriction no food items will be sold this year!

CHECK LIST

BEFORE Application Submission

- BOTH student and parent/guardian must read the **entire** application packet, especially the craft fair guidelines.
- FILL OUT application **neatly** with **all** information requested.
- TEACHER SIGNATURE(S) required. Homeroom teacher signature for elementary students.
- SIGN in the space provided for the student AND the parent/guardian.
- SUBMIT the completed application to the front office: DEADLINE is **Nov 5th by 12:00. Applications will not be accepted late!**

AFTER Application Submission

- WAIT while your application is reviewed by the Craft Fair committee. Not all completed applications will be approved and assigned a table space. An application may not be approved because it is an inappropriate craft, multiple applicants have submitted the same type of item to sell, submission of an incomplete application, all tables are filled or if a craft is not handmade.
- RESPOND to any requests for additional information from the MA PTO Craft Fair Committee as soon as possible. If you delay, it will hold up your application approval.
- WATCH your email for notification of your application's approval or denial by November 8th.
- START making your craft(s)

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. All items for sale must be handmade. No resale items will be allowed. **No stress balls (flour filled balloons), slime, excessively messy or inappropriate crafts are to be sold.** No taking of orders for future sales or samples of food items.
2. The Craft Fair committee may decline any crafts that are not allowed to be sold or do not match the students original description on the application.
3. Crafters must:
 - **Supply your own table: maximum length of 6'** (smaller is ok). MA will provide two (2) chairs at each table. **If your table is longer than 6', you will not be allowed to set up at the craft fair!**
 - Have your own cash box with change/cash for your buyers.
 - Price your items either individually or clearly display a price with a **maximum of \$15.**
4. Tables must be manned at all times. One parent is welcome to assist their young crafter.
5. Set Up: You must deliver and set up your own table during the designated set up times. Do not leave any crafts overnight!!!
6. Shopping times: Students will be scheduled and coordinated with the teachers. Shopping will take place from 8:00 a.m.–12:15 p.m. on Friday, December 3rd.
7. If the student sells out of all their inventory, they must return to class after checking out with the craft fair team.
8. **Students must check out with the craft fair team before leaving the gym to ensure that their space is clean. If you do not adequately clean your space, there will be a consequence which may include loss of privilege of participating in future craft fairs!**
10. You **CANNOT** unload your car in front of the school after 7:15am Friday morning! It interferes with car line. You have a few options. You can park in a parking spot (not the reserved spots) and unload your car using the crosswalk. You can unload your things **before 7:15am** Friday morning in front of the school. **If you disturb carline, it may result in the loss of privilege of participating in future craft fairs!**
11. The same thing applies when you are finished and are loading up after the craft fair. You **CANNOT** load your car in front of the school until 12:45pm after carline. Your options are to carry your things to your parked car (in a parking spot, not the reserved spots) using the crosswalk or wait until 12:45pm. **If you disturb carline, it may result in the loss of privilege of participating in future craft fairs!**

Important Dates

Nov 5th – Application Deadline

Nov 8th – Applicants will be notified if APPROVED or NOT APPROVED

Dec 2nd – Set up

Dec 3rd – Craft Fair selling hours 8am – 12:15pm; Clean up and take tables

BBQ NIGHT INVITE

Attention All 'DADS' of Monument Academy West Students!

'Dads and Kids' BBQ Night Event! FREE BBQ, Drinks and Fun!

Fathers and Father-figures,

On **Nov. 9th**, from **6:00 – 7:15 pm**, (Presentation starts at 6:30) we will be having our **2nd**** annual 'Dads and Kids' BBQ Night at our school. You will meet here at the west school MPR between 6 and 6:30pm for FREE BBQ and drinks. At **6:30pm** we will have a presentation about our **WATCH D.O.G.S.[®]** (Dads Of Great Students) Program. **WATCH D.O.G.S.[®]** is an innovative program being used by schools across America which helps them to be positively impacted by the committed involvement of fathers and father-figures in their student's life. Our goal is to have you spend at least one day this year at the school to be a positive male role model and to provide an extra set of eyes and ears.

Dads, granddads, uncles, stepdads, and adult brothers . . . this is your chance to have a night out alone with your student in a fun atmosphere at school.

In order to participate, you need to do two things:

1. Fill out the bottom portion of this slip and return it with your student (ASAP) saying that you will attend the BBQ night so we'll have an accurate head count for the food.
2. OR email Brad.Cheatwood@yahoo.com by Nov. 5th to reserve your spot, please provide the same information as requested below. The more accurate the head count the easier it is to secure AWESOME BBQ!
3. Mark your calendars, and we'll see you Nov, 9th from **(6:00 – 7:15 pm)**.

Sincerely,

Your WATCH D.O.G.S. team

Please Print Legibly to Complete and Return Bottom Portion to School by **Nov, 5th** Return one form per family!

 Yes!!! We'll be there! **(#) of 'Dad' and students attending**

Father/Father-figure Name _____ Email _____

Phone(s): Home _____ Mobile _____ Work _____

Student(s) Name _____ Teacher's Name _____

Student(s) Name _____ Teacher's Name _____

Student(s) Name _____ Teacher's Name _____

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:

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



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