LYNX NEWS

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Dear Monument Academy Families,

It's hard to believe we are halfway through the school year, and I feel compelled to acknowledge that for many of us this has been a year like no other. I was in a meeting this week when one of our lead teachers said, "how are your kids doing, because mine are doing very well". This question was an important reminder that children are resilient and that MA students continue to do very well even when faced with adversity. I was so encouraged by our conversation and in our teacher's ability to understand that we must remain student centered. This month our school is focused on the "This is it!" key of excellence. *This is it* is about making the most of each moment and keeping a positive attitude. As we prepare for our holiday break with family and friends, I am doing so with deep appreciation and gratitude for everyone in the Monument Academy community. May you receive the gift of peace and joy this season. I am so blessed to serve at MA and look forward to seeing your students when we return on January 6th.

Happy Holidays,

Tamiko Thomas, Ed.S East Campus Assistant Principal 719-431-8001 x 1006 tthomas@monumentacademy.net

Upcoming Events

Thursday, December 16 – Choir Concert at West Campus
Friday, December 17 – NO SCHOOL -First Day of Winter Break
Thursday, January 6 – Back to School (East Campus Only)
Tuesday, January 11 – College Jersey Day (earned from SAAC Survey)
Friday, January 14 – Cozy Day (so far just for HS, earned from SAAC)

EAST CAMPUS Only, Students return from Winter Break on **Thursday, January 6**th so our East Campus staff can have an additional day of professional development.

LOST & FOUND

All items currently in lost and found will be donated. School will be **open Friday until noon** for you to stop by and claim items.

From Student Council:

Your Holiday Keepsake Ornament orders will be ready for pick-up this afternoon, Wednesday Dec 15, at each campus! If you have an elementary age student, their ornament(s) can be picked up and paid for at the West Campus front office. Any MS/HS age students' ornament(s) can be picked up from the East Campus front office.

Exact change is the preferred method of payment, (\$3.50 per ornament), but you can also write a check made out to 'Monument Academy'.

Thank you for supporting Monument Academy East Campus Student Council!

From Admin:

Uniform Expectations:

Our Middle School uniform compliance has slipped this fall and it is important that we ensure each family and student is aware of the expectations. I am requesting that each family review the policy and reach out if you have any questions. Here is a <u>Link</u> to our uniform policy. Here are a few of the most common uniform violations observed this fall: inappropriate shoes such as slides and crocks, hoodies, and ensuring shirts are tucked in.

SAAC Survey

Students will earn a college jersey day if we reach 50% participation. They will earn a "cozy" day (sweats, pajamas, or other comfy/cozy clothes) if we reach 75% participation! Thank you for your time and attention in helping reach this goal! The survey will be closed on Thursday, December 16.

ALERT – HS has already earned both their college jersey and Cozy day!! MS is just 17 away their Cozy day and has already earned their college jersey day!!

Middle School Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7P2GLWT High School Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8STBCCX

We appreciate your feedback and are thankful for our partnership.

The SAAC Committee

From MS Yearbook:

- 1. Attention all 8th grade Parents! Please Visit https://www.monumentacademy.net/2021/11/8th-grade-yearbook-dedications/ to Upload a baby picture of your current 8th Grader and wish them well in the 2021-2022 Yearbook.
- 2. Any parent or community member with pictures of Monument Academy students from extracurricular activities please feel free to upload them onto our ReplayIt website and the yearbook staff will then be able to use them in this Yearbook!

Monument Academy's 2022 ReplayIt website for Middle School Yearbook is ready to go! Direct link to your site: https://images.jostens.com/416224582
It has been set up and will end on 1/31/2022. ReplayIt is a great way to upload and then share photos you have taken at your student/child's events, sports, activities, etc. to be considered for use in the 2021-2022 Middle School Yearbook! Your unique ID is: 416224582

Order your yearbook here: MS Here

From HS Yearbook:

Place an Ad for your Business in the Monument Academy High School Yearbook!

Ad space is 1/8 of a page (approximately 2" x 3"), either black and white or full color for \$75.00. Also available are ½ of a page for \$150.00 or ½ of a page for \$300.00.

Due to production deadlines and Monument Academy deadlines, all ads will be placed for submission in the Monument Academy High School Yearbook no later than February 4, 2022.

Space is limited, so order now! Contact Professor Wooten at dwooten@monumentacademy.net.

Order your yearbook here: HS Here

From Athletics:

Week of December 13

Boys Basketball

Boys Basketball finished their season December 3rd with a home clash against CSCS for the CCAL League Championship. Our Lynx ended up falling to the Lions 57-41, but what a successful season! At one point our Lynx had won 10 games in a row, an impressive feat. They finished the season with a 11-2 record.

Girls Basketball

Girls Basketball has begun! We had a great turnout for tryouts last week and the rosters for A, B, and C-teams have been finalized and practices are underway! Their first game will be a home one, taking on Atlas Prep on January 5th at the West Gym. Tip off for B-team is at 4:00pm with A-team playing afterwards at 5:00pm. C-team will have their first game January 10th at James Irwin.

Spring Track & Field

If you are interest in registering for Track & Field this Spring, please put your name and grade on the sign-up sheet located on the AD's office door. Coaches are looking to order new uniforms and need an accurate head count of how many athletes are interested. High School students are encouraged to sign up as well.

Carline Issues At West Campus

Attention all Parents/Staff: As many of you know, the carline at West has been a headache for all of us. Facilities staff have worked hard to implement changes to the flow of traffic to help with the situation. Entering in the church parking lot via 105 IS NO LONGER ALLOWED! That has become the exit for the carline, and you will be heading into oncoming traffic! Parents are advised that they must go down to Knollwood to enter the school property for all games and practices, no matter what day/time. There are signs posted to direct you to the proper entrance. We as staff appreciate your cooperation in the matter to keep our kids and other drivers safe!

From East Campus PTO:

