

West Campus January 19, 2022



Dear Monument Academy West Community,

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to sponsor a club starting in January. Listed below are details of new clubs:

- RAK Club (Random Acts of Kindness) Tuesday's
- 3:30 4:15 (Starts 1/18/22)
- o Grades: 3-5 only (Max 35-50 students)
- Cost: \$25 material fee
- Contact:
 - Samantha VerSteegt, 513-253-4502, <u>sversteegt@yahoo.com</u>
 - Katie Bertino, 303-946-6337, <u>skbertino@yahoo.com</u>
- Karate Club Thursday's 3:30 4:15 (Starts 1/20/22 and runs through 4/7/22)
 - o Grades: K-5
 - Contact: <u>Northgate@zultimate.com</u>, (719)488-6582
- Art Club Thursday's 3:30 4:15 (Starts 2/3/22)
 - o Grades: K-3 (Max 20-24 students)
 - Contact: Jessa Kocher, jessa.kocher@gmail.com
- Yoga Club/mindfulness Tuesday's 3:15 4:00 (Starts 1/18/22 and runs through 3/8/22)
 - Club will meet in Ms. McCreedy's room
 - o Grades: 2-5 only (Max 15 students)
 - Students will need to provide their own mat and bring a change of clothes
 - Contact:
 - Emily Wilterdink, <u>emwilterdink@gmail.com</u> (please email and put a contact number for a parent when you sign up)
- Mahjong Tuesday's 3:30 4:15 (Starts 1/18/22)

- Club will meet in Burkel's room, 308
- Grades: 4-5 only (Max 12 students)
- Cost: \$10
- Contact: Joanne Harris, <u>Jharris@monumentacademy.net</u>
- o https://www.ymimports.com/pages/how-to-play-american-mahjong

Check out upcoming Lynx News for additional clubs as they become available. Best Wishes, Laura Barrette & Kurt Walker Assistant Principals



Parents of Preschool and Kindies, please remember to stay in the **righthand** lane until after the eye doctor's office. We have been blocking their driveway and the patients cannot get out.

Thank you and make it a Great Day!!!

Kurt Walker & Laura Barrette Assistant Principals

Please see our **Staff Stoplight** of the week

On behalf of Ms. Barrette and Mr. Walker, our Character Spotlight Staff Members of the week are...

Mary Sletten- Our wonderful 3rd grade Para. We appreciate your kind heart, commitment to your team, and willingness to cover classes! Thank you for all you do!

Megan Cooke- Our sweet 2nd grade teacher. We are so fortunate to have someone as dedicated and caring as you on our MA staff, as well as someone so committed to excellence in education. We appreciate all you do!



Monument Academy is Hiring. <u>Apply here!</u>

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



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.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!!

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Library: https://www.signupgenius.com/.../5080544AEAC2AABFB6...

Art: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090949ABA822AA8-artclass

January Recess Help

https://www.monumentacademy.net/volunteering/#:~:text=January%20Recess%20Help%3A%C2%A0ht tps%3A//www.signupgenius.com/go/4090949aba822aa8%2Drecess1

Lunchroom January

https://www.monumentacademy.net/volunteering/#:~:text=Lunchroom%3A%20January%3A%C2%A0h ttps%3A//www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f48aea622a0ffc34%2Djanuary







Save the Dates: January 24th -28th- Spirit week February 21st- No School





SPIRIT WEEK Show your Lynx Spirit January 24th - 28th!

Students may dress in the theme of the day: Monday, January 24th - Pajama Day Tuesday, January 25th - Career Day Wednesday, January 26th - Wacky Wednesday (hair or clothes) Thursday, January 27th - Sports Day Friday, January 28th - Movie/Book Character Da



Explore the world through books! Take the 2022 Library's 20 Book Reading Challenge! Sponsored by the MA library



January 24th - April 4th

This week, elementary students will receive a special bookmark and an official tracking sheet of the 20 different categories to use for this year's challenge!

Books should be appropriate for the reader's reading level, too. Not too easy and not too hard... reading together with your young child is allowed. Parents initial the log. Read only 1 book per category. Cannot be a book read previously. Please let your teacher know when your child has read 5, 10, 15 or 20 books! Prizes will be delivered to the classroom. Please direct questions to our Librarian, Mrs. Collier <u>kcollier@monumentacademy.net</u> Prizes given out along the way as readers meet a smaller goal:

- 5 books completed a bookmark or pencil and candy
- 10 books a treasure box prize and rice krispie treat
- 15 books by April 8th \$4 coupon to shop at the book fair (fair is April 8-18th)
- 20 books by April 4th celebration party on *May 3rd* with the super cool Principals

Keep reading... the many benefits of reading for pleasure

The American Library Association has also found a strong connection between daily independent reading habits and overall student performance. The ALA cites findings from several studies:

- Students who read independently become better readers, score higher on achievement tests in all subject areas, and have greater content knowledge than those who do not.
- The more elementary-aged students read outside of school, the higher they scored on reading achievement tests.
- Multiple studies support that even a small amount of independent reading increases primary and elementary students' reading comprehension, vocabulary growth, spelling facility, understanding of grammar, and knowledge of the world.

One key factor in the positive influence seems to be that it is voluntary — students seek out books and participate of their own volition.

Early exposure to reading appears to pay off in that it creates an expectation in children that reading is an essential part of their daily lives, thus the families of pre-readers in preschool, kindergarten, and early elementary must be encouraged to expose them to reading through story time at the library or reading as daily habit in the home.

As students grow up, a level of independence should be encouraged as it supports their commitment to reading and that later elementary and middle-school students should be spurred to choose their own books.

YEARBOOK

New Information Below!

2021-2022 Monument Academy Preschool and Elementary Yearbook

Yearbooks will be \$20 until February 13, at which point they will become \$30.

To purchase a yearbook:



https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1355311/ Monument-Academy/2022-Yeaook/2021072304172464394/CATALOG_SHOP/



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!*

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



https://images.jostens.com/416224579





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

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

MA PTO WEST NEWS





Back-Ordered Jackets should be arriving the week of Jan. 24th. Thank you for your patience.



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 <u>maptopresident@gmail.com</u> for more information.

MA PTO RESTAURANT GIVE BACK NIGHT!





Mark your calendars for MA PTO's Shop and Swap February 11th 2pm to 4pm West Campus MPR

All items are \$2 or one for one exchanges Cash or check only

PreK to high school sizes Uniforms, spiritwear, core knowledge costumes, and more!



Save the Date



More info to come for PTO STEAM night after committee is formed



TO HELP CO-CHAIR S.T.E.A.M NIGHT.

SIGNUP TO TO HELP AT THE FOLLOWING LINK

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E45A4A72CA6 FF2-steam1

> Email if you have Questions: Maptopresident@gmail.com or Kendrakuhlmann29@gmail.com

Monument Academy: S.T.E.A.M night volunteers (signupgenius.com)

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 page3. Community Rewards (menu on the left side)
- 4. Add Organization: type in "Monument Academy," then click Monument Academy "BF553"

5. Enroll

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