

LYNX NEWS



West Campus

February 9, 2022



Dear Parents of MA West Campus,

A quick reminder of our pickup procedures:

Arrival: please stay in the far-right lane until you pass the Vision Clinic. Our property begins at the access road just prior to the Kindie playground and from that point on, we become a one-way street. For Kindergarten and PK parents, you will merge left and put your blinkers on. All early release and remaining grade levels will stay in the right lane until Mrs. Coyne directs you to the curb.

Dismissal times are as follows:

Monday – Thursday:

2:45 Early Dismissal and PK

3:00 Kindergarten and 1st grade with siblings

3:15 2nd – 5th grade

Friday Only:

11:45 Early Dismissal and PK

12:00 Kindergarten and 1st grade with siblings

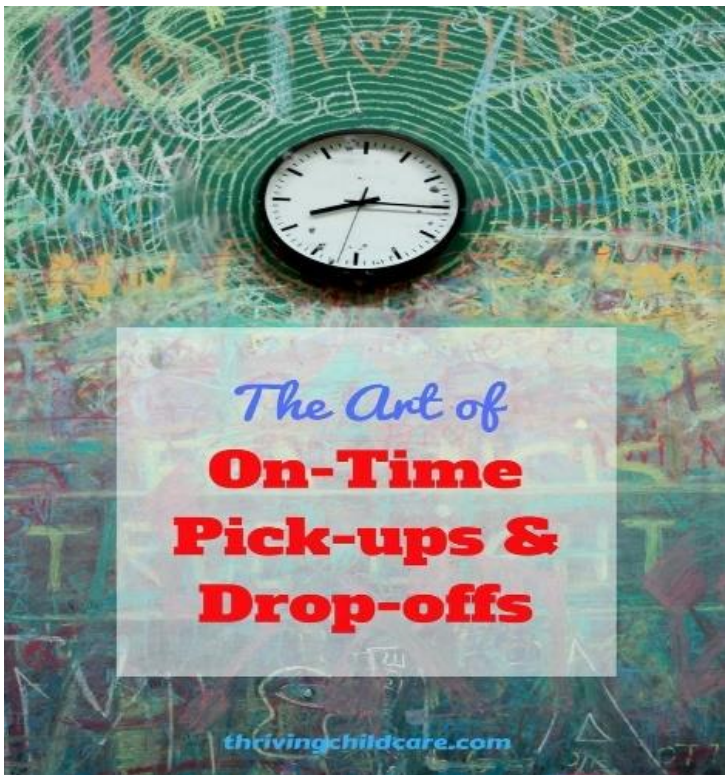
12:15 2nd – 5th grade

Please do not arrive early for your pick-up time. This causes a backup issue.

Thank you for all you do for our community,

Kurt Walker & Laura Barrette

Assistant Principals



Just a reminder to please pick up your students on time from any after school programs/activities.

Lewis-Palmer School District 38
15th Annual
free



Saturday, February 12, 2022

The tournament is open to all students, from grades Kindergarten through 12, who are either students in School District 38 or live within the District 38 boundaries.

The tournament will be held at **Lewis-Palmer Elementary School**
1315 Lake Woodmoor Drive

Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. and the First Round starts at 9:00 a.m. Please arrive by 8:40 a.m. We will play 4 rounds and the Tournament should be over by 2:00 p.m.

Pre-registration is encouraged so we can order sufficient trophies or medals for all participants.

Pre-register each student at: <https://bit.ly/3zFhXKP>

Chess sets will be provided. Students can bring their own snacks; however, concessions will be available.

Contact Steve Waldmann, the Tournament Director and Bear Creek Elementary School Chess Club Coach, at huskerco@gmail.com, or Annette Bass, District Gifted Ed. Facilitator, abass@lewispalmer.org with any questions.

Also, if you know an adult who would like to be one of our Tournament Referees, please have them contact Mr. Waldmann



SPRING TRACK 2022

<https://www.landsharksrunningclub.com/page/show/3135712-monument-academy-2022->

Head Coach: Kelly Collier kcollier@monumentacademy.net

The Landsharks Running Club, a Colorado Springs based non-profit, develops young athletes in positive, safe, character-based programs for those in Kindergarten through 6th grade.

The focus is on having fun, competing against individual abilities, improving personal skills, being an encouraging teammate, making new friends, and promoting a healthy lifestyle.

Registration and Financial aid opens February 10, 2022

Financial assistance closes March 25, 2022

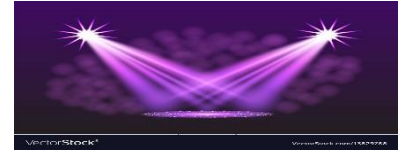
Practices start the week of April 11, 2022 (Price increases \$10)

Registration closes April 16, 2022

Meet week #1 April 24, 2022

Meet week #2 May 1, 2022

Meet week #3 May 8, 2022



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

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

Sandy Ward- *our excellent Kindergarten teacher, your passion and dedication to Monument Academy continues year after year, we are beyond grateful for all that you have done and continue to do.*

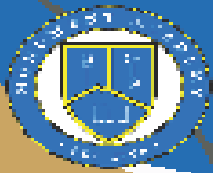
Jen Lundy- *our fabulous first grade para, she always goes above and beyond her job duties. We are so thankful to have you.*



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

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





MONUMENT ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Election Information

What does it mean to serve on the MA Board of Directors?

As a charter, school policy is set by a volunteer parent Board. Members of the Board work diligently to ensure the school is staying true to the mission and vision of Monument Academy. The Board has two employees, the COO and CFO, and together this team makes decisions for the current and future success of the school.

Who Can Apply?

- Parents or Guardians of a current Monument Academy student are eligible
- Applicants must be at least 25 years of age
- Applicants should have an enthusiasm for MA and conviction in its purpose

Election Timeline

January - March:

- Complete the application and submit it to the Board
- Meet with 1-2 Board members to ask questions about the position
- Confirm desire to be an official candidate
- Attend as many Board meetings as possible

April:

- Give a 5-minute statement of interest at Board Meeting
- Community Q&A session with candidates
- Formal 5-day election held last week of April

May:

- Election results announced to the community at Board Meeting

June:

- Newly elected Directors sworn in at Board meeting, effective July 1st
- Complete Board training & background check

July:

- July 1 begin a 3-year term as a voting member of the MA Board of Directors

Submit an application using the following link:

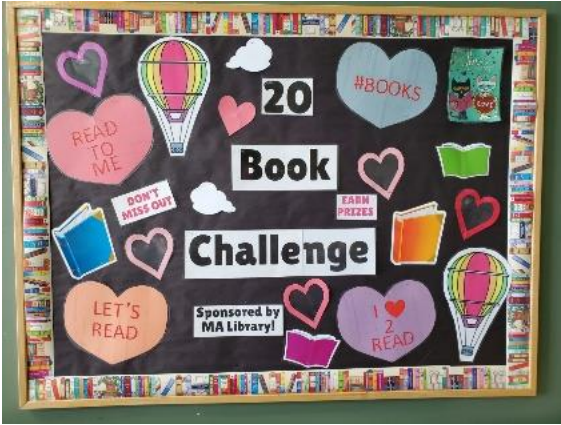
<https://forms.gle/PTe8BxQmXXjn9SAR6>

Still have questions?

E-mail: Board@MonumentAcademy.net

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.



Students, have you accepted Mrs. Collier's 20 Book Reading Challenge? She's excited about reading and wants to explore new books! The library is FULL of great books for you!!

Read 1 book per category (20 books total if you complete the Challenge!)

Cannot be a book read previously.

Books should be appropriate for the reader's reading level. Not too easy and not too hard... reading together with your young child is allowed.

Parents initial the log.

Please let your teacher know when you have read 5, 10, 15 or 20 books!

Prizes will be delivered to the classroom.

Please direct questions to our Librarian, Mrs. Collier kcollier@monumentacademy.net

Challenge ends April 4th

Prizes given out along the way:

- 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 in May with the super cool Principals



Kelly Collier

Librarian

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!



Thank you to all the WATCH D.O.G.S., it is great to have you back in our school. We have plenty of available openings, grab your spot now.

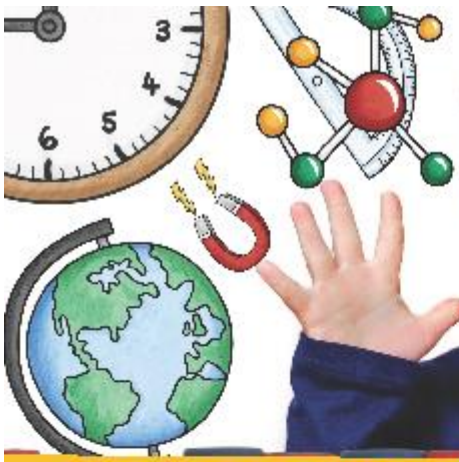
Watch Dogs:

<https://signup.com/go/sVvbhCq>

Music:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/4090949aba822aa8-5thgrade>





NEW VOLUNTEER TRACKING PROGRAM



Follow the code to register!

WHY VOLUNTEER?

Volunteer Hours help our school, staff, bonds for school buildings, and grants!

We have a new volunteer portal with all events in one place and an easy way to log/track your hours.

Whether you can help in person or from home, we have a wide range of ways to get involved.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Dates:

February 21st- No School

February 24th – Parry's Pizzeria & Tap House

February 14th- wear a pink or red shirt with jeans



YEARBOOK

2021-2022 Monument Academy
Preschool and Elementary Yearbook

Yearbooks are
now \$30.

To purchase a yearbook:



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:



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

MA PTO WEST NEWS



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.

PTO Volunteer/Event Spotlight



We would like to take this opportunity to Thank all of the Monument Academy families who supported the PTO by eating at Arlene's Beans on January 27th.
You helped us raise \$425!!!

PTO Volunteer/Event Spotlight



Meet **Kendra Kulhmann**. Kendra has been a huge asset to the PTO by serving as our Hospitality Chair, and leading many events. Many of the events Kendra hosts for the PTO are during school hours to show our teachers how much we appreciate them. Kendra has been instrumental in organizing the Boo-hoo breakfast (for our Kindergarten parents), provide our teachers with a snack/treat cart, organize and run the holiday teacher/staff appreciation luncheons, and our upcoming teaching and staff appreciation week. Kendra also was the key organizer for our amazing trunk or treat and is organizing the upcoming S.T.E.A.M. night which is still looking for volunteers.

Thank you Kendra for your dedication to helping our PTO support our staff and have amazing activities for our children!





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!

**NEW
APPROVED
EVERYDAY
UNIFORM
ITEM**

Order Now Through
2/14!



<https://spiritwear.monumentacademy.net/>



Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week

If Teachers were flowers we'd pick YOU!

FEB. 22ND -25TH

TWOS-DAY 2/22/22

TACO TWOS-Day

Taco & Nacho Bar in the Staff Lounge

Visit the signup to contribute to Taco Bar

WEDNESDAY 2/23

Supply & Snack Cart

Visit the signup to
donate supplies & snacks

THURSDAY 2/24

Thank a

Support Staff & Admin

Send in a treat or Amazon list item
for Nurse, Counselor, Facilities, & Front office
See Signup for Amazon list ideas

FRIDAY 2/25

Thank a

Teacher & Para

Send in a treat or Amazon list item
for your Teacher, Specials Teacher & Para

Signup for Ideas or Items to donate <https://signup.com/go/SwfNHxc>

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**MA PTO GIVE BACK
NIGHT**



**PARRY'S
PIZZERIA & TAPHOUSE™**

1268 Interquest Pkwy, Colorado Springs

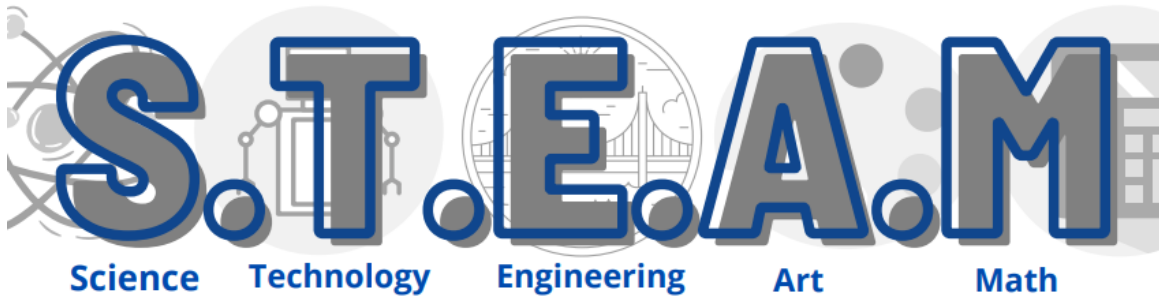
2/24/22 11am-10pm

Dine-in or Carryout (online or phone ordering
available)

Mention Monument Academy West.

Parry's will donate 20% of those sales
to the PTO!





Save the Date

April 19th

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



LOOKING FOR

4 -5 parents

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

SIGNUP TO TO HELP AT THE FOLLOWING LINK

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E45A4A72CA6FF2-steam1>

Email if you have Questions:

Maptopresident@gmail.com or
Kendrakuhlmann29@gmail.com

[Monument Academy: S.T.E.A.M night volunteers \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.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 page
3. Community Rewards (menu on the left side)
4. Add Organization: type in "Monument Academy," then click Monument Academy "BF553"
5. Enroll

YOU CAN FIND US ON FACEBOOK

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

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