

# LYNX NEWS

## MONUMENT ACADEMY



### A Dean's Perspective:

Good afternoon Monument Academy Peoples!

As I write, there are but 8 days until the students return to the Monument Academy campus! I can speak for the entire staff when I say we are uber excited to have everyone return. Summer is nice, but MA simply is not the same place without our students and parents on hand, so to all, Welcome Back!

As most of you may know, it has been a busy summer at MA with many, many changes. Depending upon one's perspective, some of the change is good while others may differ. What I can assure all is that the Faculty and Staff at MA have continued to display tremendous teamwork and dedication to make certain that your students return to a fine facility and receive an outstanding education this year. To that end, our PTO, Board of Directors, and parents have been incredible support mechanisms which makes our jobs so much more enjoyable, so Thank You!

As you visit us over the next week, please join me in focusing on the positives of MA. You'll see teachers in Pre-Service training and setting up classrooms because they want to provide the very best to your students. Facilities is eager to show off new paint, freshly sealed parking lots and, along with the PTO, an unbelievable new playground! Mrs. Collier and her staff have a newly remodeled Library she cannot wait to share with your kids. Mr. V. has Fall athletics in full swing. Lastly, today I had the pleasure of meeting our very own new School Resource Officer, a first for MA. The list goes on.

Whether we may be teachers, administrators, students, or parents, let's continue to stay focused on our continuing journey to make Monument Academy the very best school for students of all backgrounds and talents.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and stay safe!

Mr. R

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## PARENT CHECKLISTS ~

We're so excited that you've chosen Monument Academy! Here are some things you need to know to get ready for the next week. In order to save time and avoid check-in delays, please complete the following prior to your Meet & Greet day/time: [Checklist](#)

## ASSESSMENTS:

Welcome back everyone! It always seems the school year gets underway very quickly, and with that in mind, we want to ensure our families are aware of the assessments we administer here at Monument Academy. Please take some time to look over the attached file for information, schedules, and some important dates. Thank you and have a great year!

[Assessment Info](#)

## ATHLETICS:

Early Fall Athletic Programs are underway! Please follow the link below for important program information including current offerings, deadlines, registration requirements, schedules, spiritwear orders and more!

[Athletic Info](#)

## FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE:

Parents - please review the following health sections of the website and download medication sheets necessary for the health office this year. Be sure to bring the permission slip along with your medications.

[2019-20 ParentLetter School Eng FINAL.pdf](#)

[Student Health](#)

## EVENTS & CHECKLISTS

Please click on the appropriate link for a list of back-to-school Meet & Greet events:

[Elementary School Back-to-School](#)

[Middle School Back-to-School](#)

### MANDATORY IPAD TRAINING:

## Information for MS students

iLicense training for all incoming 6th graders and new 7th and 8th graders:

8/20 from 12:25 – 3:00  
Pizza lunch will be provided.  
**This training is required.**

Refresher iLicense training for all 6th - 8th graders:

8/21-8/22 during advisory.  
**This training is required.**

Contact Traci Trimbach, Director of Educational Technology, with any questions: [ttrimbach@monumentacademy.net](mailto:ttrimbach@monumentacademy.net)

### From the Registrar & Front Office:

*Elementary student class assignments and Middle School student schedules will be available via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal on August 12<sup>th</sup>. Middle school students may submit a schedule change request during Meet and Greet on August 19<sup>th</sup>; schedules will only be changed during the first two weeks of classes.*

**If you missed the Annual Update Window in IC, there are now forms available on the MA website under the “Back to School” link. Please print out these forms and bring with you to Meet and Greet. These forms will serve as your proof of update. If you are unable to print, forms will be made available in the library.**

**All students who walk home or walk to a destination after school MUST have a Walker Pass. The following form must be signed and returned to the Front Office before the pass will be issued: [Walker Pass Privileges Form](#)**

### *Also from the Nurse.*

Hello Monument Academy Families,

It is with great pleasure and passion that I serve in the health office as your 2019/2020 School Nurse. I realize the important role, challenges, and relationship that health plays in our children's' education. I have over 20 years of nursing experience; and, I have been assisting in the MA health office for the last two years. I have gotten to know, love, and serve many of the MA students, staff, and parents.

My husband and I have five children in this district, including four which have been students at MA, and three of which are currently attending MA. I love this community, and I believe with all my heart the importance of proper mental, social, spiritual, and physical health and its role in effective education.

I am excited to be part of the amazing Monument Academy staff and look forward to meeting your student with any health concerns he/she may have this Fall!  
I can be reached during school hours at (719)481-1950 ext. 1210 or email me at [cpierce@monumentacademy.net](mailto:cpierce@monumentacademy.net).

Thank you for this opportunity!  
Chelsea Pierce, BSN, RN  
Monument Academy Health Office



**FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE:** Julie Shook – [jshook@monumentacademy.net](mailto:jshook@monumentacademy.net)

**2019-20 Fee Schedule -**

Kindergarten: \$125  
Grades 1-5: \$175  
Grades 6-8: \$285\*

\*Includes \$75 iPad Tech Fee which covers in part tech support, insurance, Internet security software, and routine device management and maintenance.

**SAVE THE DATE! September 18-20  
CAMP SHADY BROOK**

Who - All 6<sup>th</sup> grade students  
When - Wed, Sep. 18 - Fri, Sep 20  
Why - outdoor & character education  
How much? - \$185 per student

You can pay in full online [here](#) or make payments by check or credit card.

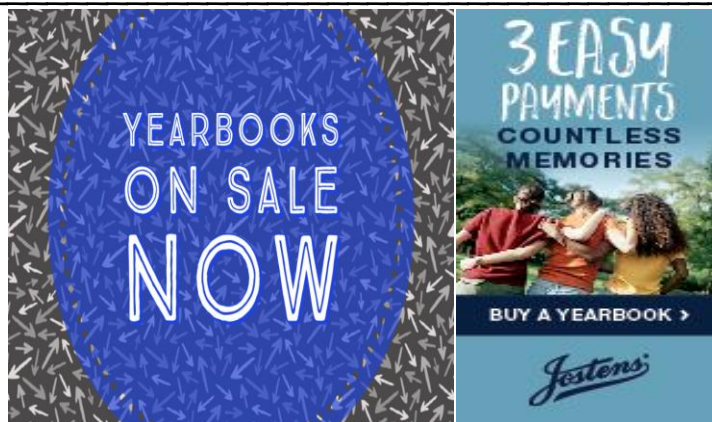
Monument Academy may be able provide financial assistance to families with material and field trip fee needs. Please visit the D38 website and complete an online application for free or reduced-price lunch consideration. This form needs to be completed each year. Once approved, you will receive emails from the district and MA with more information: [online application](#)

*Click on the link for MA Opportunities!*

[French Toast Uniform Sale](#)

[Support our School Resource Officer!](#)

[Friday Snacks Order Form](#)



[Order Form](#)

**FROM THE HR DEPARTMENT:**

Check out our employment opportunities and join the MA team!  
[Jobs at Monument Academy](#)  
(we especially need substitute teachers!)

