



LYNX NEWS

September 16, 2020



~Back-to-School Night plans for this year~

Sessions will be held virtually from teachers' classrooms tonight & Thurs evening; Sept. 16th & 17th; one @5:30 p.m. and one @6:30 p.m. each night, according to the following schedule:

Wed, 16th – 1st, 4th

Thurs, 17th – 2nd, 3rd

Teachers will arrange their 5:30 & 6:30 sessions and invite their respective families via *Zoom* or *Google Meet*. Be on the lookout for their email!



~MA Volunteer Opportunities ~

SAAC!

Are you interested in serving on Monument Academy's School Accountability Advisory Committee? The purpose of the MA SAAC is to represent the Monument Academy community, including parents, legal guardians, students, and faculty regarding MA grade level academics, student achievement, budgetary, and safety matters, and to make recommendations to the Principals regarding these topics. Meetings will be approximately once a month from **2:00-3:00 p.m.**

Please submit your interest to Sharla Davis at sdavis@monumentacademy.net for the West Campus and Julie Ritschard at jritschard@monumentacademy.net for East. If appointed, you will receive notification from the school.



Parents, please...if you are not a preschool parent, please do not put your hazards on.

This is for preschool families only.

SAVE THE DATE!



Fall picture day: Thursday, Oct 1st

Details coming soon!



Business Office



Dear Parents,

You may have already received the information below from D38 but we want to make sure you are informed about this state food benefit program for elementary students.

Please contact me or D38 Nutritional Services at 488-4726 if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

Julie Shook
Business Manager
Monument Academy
719-431-8001, ext. 1010

Deadline approaching - September 23

In an effort to support Colorado's families during the COVID-19 epidemic, the Colorado Department of Human Services and Department of Education have teamed up to secure USDA approval to issue Pandemic-Electronic Benefit Transfers (P-EBT) - benefits to school-age children who would have received **free or reduced-price lunches** during the time that schools have been closed. Each household with a child receiving free or reduced-price lunches is eligible to receive an amount of \$5.70 per child per school day on a Colorado EBT card that will support the family in creating healthy, wholesome meal options for kids who are now home during the school day.

For Colorado families that currently receive SNAP benefits, no action will be needed from the family and benefits will be automatically issued. Families who currently do not participate in the SNAP program and whose children attend a school that participates in the National School Lunch Program will be eligible to apply for benefits. P-EBT benefits will be issued to households as a one-time payment reflecting the days that children would have been in school but were not in March, April, and May due to COVID-19.

The P-EBT application is now available and can be accessed through September 23. P-EBT benefits have been auto-issued for families with eligible children who were participating in SNAP in March, April and/or May. If you have not been auto-issued benefits for all children or months, we encourage you to apply for that child/month.

Apply for P-EBT: <https://coloradopeak.secure.force.com/PEBT>

For more information, please click on the link below.

[P-EBT FAQ's](#)

The **Free and Reduced application** is available on the [Nutritional Services Department webpage](#). Please contact Nutritional Services at (719) 488-4726 with questions.

Hello from the MA Library!



Welcome back! I wish you a wonderful year!



Mrs. Kuo and I are both excited to read and share books with you!

Library news and access to library books will be accessible through three sites:

Elementary: <https://sites.google.com/monumentacademy.net/library/home>

Secondary: <https://monumentacademy.instructure.com/courses/2146>

Library Website: <https://www.monumentacademy.net/> under the school tabs

What did you read recently? Please send in the MA Summer Reading star-tracking sheet, if you completed one, so we may get prizes to all who earned them by participating despite *COVID* chaos. To follow cohort protocol, please advise your student to give the tracking sheet to their homeroom teacher. Deadline is Sept. 25th.

Kelly Collier, Librarian

Monument Academy

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ATTENTION PARENTS:

Please be sure to use the screening tools you have been given prior to sending your students to school. **IF** your child comes to school with **any** of the symptoms OR develops any symptoms during the day, you will be notified to come pick up them up immediately. Due to our present *COVID-19* environment, we are required to monitor symptoms very closely.





COVID-19 GUIDANCE

Can I go to school today?

At-home symptom screening for parents and staff

Parents and guardians can use these symptom checklists to determine when to keep their child at home based on the level of COVID-19 transmission in their community (e.g. Is the community in Protect Your Neighbor or Safer at Home or Stay at Home). School staff can also use this tool to determine if they need to stay at home. **Any student or staff diagnosed with COVID-19 or who is a close contact of a COVID-19 case should not go to school and should isolate or quarantine according to public health recommendations.**

These lists refer only to new symptoms or a change in usual symptoms. A student/ staff should not be kept home__ for usual symptoms they experience due to a chronic condition unless they are worse than usual. These guidelines are in addition to your regular school guidance (for example, a child with vomiting should also not attend school based on usual school guidance).

If your child is/ you are experiencing any potentially life-threatening symptoms, please call 911.

Low Community Transmission (Protect Your Neighbors):

If any of the following symptoms are present, keep the child at home/ stay at home, inform the school of symptoms, and reach out to a health care provider about COVID-19 testing and next steps for treatment.

- Feeling feverish, having chills, or temperature 100.4°F or higher.
- New or unexplained persistent cough.
- Shortness of breath. Difficulty breathing.
- Loss of taste or smell.

Sustained Community Transmission (Safer at Home or Stay at Home):

If any of the following symptoms are present, keep the child at home/ stay at home, inform the school of symptoms, and reach out to a health care provider about COVID-19 testing and next steps for treatment.

- Feeling feverish, having chills, or temperature 100.4°F or higher.
- New or unexplained persistent cough.
- Shortness of breath.
- Difficulty breathing.
- Loss of taste or smell.
- Fatigue.
- Muscle aches.
- Headache.
- Sore throat.
- Nausea or vomiting.
- Diarrhea.
- Runny nose or congestion.

COVID-19 At-home symptom screening for parents UPDATED 08/10/20

MA PTO WEST NEWS



Join us for the First General West PTO Meeting via **ZOOM** or in-person On Thursday, Sept 17, 2020, at **8:30 a.m.**

In Person:

17554 Saddle Ridge Ct, Monument, CO 80132

Via Zoom:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75055837305?pwd=YUhsNTdTejVJOW4zZGhsNlZFaUVUQT09>

Meeting ID: 750 5583 7305

Passcode: Lynx

YOU CAN FIND US ON FACEBOOK

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

NEED SPIRITWEAR? CHECK OUT OUR NEW LOOK!!

<https://lynxlifecatmawest.threadless.com>

Tell Us What You'd Like to See Done with PTO funds this year.

Survey will close on (9/16/20) at 8:00 p.m.

Link: <https://forms.gle/fetTb7aQe8HVibJz7>

Virtual Back-to-School Night for PTO West Campus

Please Watch

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1erGlCrnX5KbL-GKGC2l2-xjz0OLF0hRX/view?usp=sharing>




October 15, 2020; time - TBD

(back-up date, Oct. 22nd)

<http://monumentacademypto.com/fun-run>

Volunteer: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b4aaaaf2aabf85-funrun>

DONATE HERE: https://www.paypal.com/donate/?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=FB7KRNMG3HQPJ&source=url




RAISE SOME DOUGH
Papa Murphy's can help you raise the money for your organization.

We are proud to help
MONUMENT ACADEMY PTO
with their fundraising efforts.

Simply visit the Papa Murphy's at
1012 West Baptist Road
on
Weds 9/23/20 and EVERY Wednesday thereafter

Present this flyer or mention your organization's name with your purchase* and
Papa Murphy's will donate a percentage of your sales to that organization.

So spread the word and help us put the fun in fundraising.



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