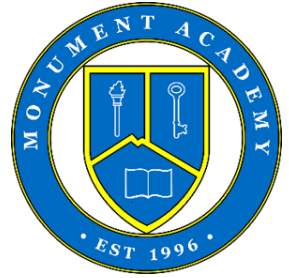


LYNX NEWS



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Dear Students and Parents of Monument Academy East Campus,

What a wonderful surprise to see Monument Academy's beautiful new Secondary School off of a street with MY name. Thank you to the countless students and parents, teachers and staff who nurtured and supported Monument Academy during my tenure.

I was not the founder of Lewis Palmer Charter Academy (first name) in 1996. I joined Monument Academy in 1999 as a fifth grade teacher. In 2002 I moved to fourth grade. I was offered the position of Administrator when decisions were made to build a new campus.

The educational product of Monument Academy was so well received by the community that MA expanded into additional portables year after year until MA ran out of land. It was apparent that Monument Academy needed a new building. With encouragement and support of so many super individuals, the property on Village Ridge Point became our terrific new K-8 school.

Upon my retirement in July of 2009, I received the honor of having the Library in that Building named for me.

Always looking forward to bigger and better educational options, Monument Academy has opened a Secondary School "just down the street."

I would offer the symbol on the new Road Sign as a guide to all the Monument Academy students. It may appear at first glance to be a circle. But in reality it is an OPEN ROAD that each one of us needs to see as the chance to never stop seeking new opportunities. Keep forging ahead without fail and continue moving toward your future which, as the sign indicates, is never ending.

Thank you and Keep On Moving On!
Jane Lundeen

Upcoming Events

Spirit Wear Day, tomorrow, Thursday – February 25

Free Dress Day – March 5

End of 3rd Quarter – March 19

Spring Break – March 22-26

Nurse's Office

Looking forward to the next 2021/2022 school year. There are some updates to immunization requirements. Please take a moment to check out what Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has published. Here is the link:

http://www.monumentacademy.net/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/2021-22_LPSD_ParentImmunizationLetter_School-K-12th_Eng_FINAL.pdf

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Athletics

The CCAL Boys Basketball teams finished up their seasons in our playoff/division crossover games on Friday. The C-Teams do not play in the crossover games, but our C-Team had already finished their season undefeated! While the B-Teams aren't technically included in the playoff format, they did get a chance to play against CSCS and win again finishing their season undefeated! The A-Team was taking on a very strong CSCS team in a rematch of last year's championship which Monument Academy won. The Cheer team was there to support the team, and the boys gave good effort, but sometimes you have to tip your hat to a very talented group like the one from CSCS, and for this year anyway, another team gets to claim the CCAL Championship. Still, with all the challenges faced this season our boys did great finishing up as the runner-up. Congratulations to the boys, Coach Brock, and Coach Rocciola on a great season!

The Girls Basketball team just wrapped up tryouts and will jump right into their first games next week! We are looking forward to another opportunity for our student-athletes to get some time

competing! The game schedules may yet change a little, and all updates will be found on the team website at:

<https://www.monumentacademy.net/athletics/ccal-programs/girls-basketball/>

Voluntary workouts for the CCAL Football team will occur again Friday (2/26) from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM on the East Campus turf field, should the weather permit, or in the gym if not.

The CCAL Girls Volleyball and Football programs will officially begin immediately after spring break with Girls Soccer and Track & Field starting a little later in April. We will continually refresh the team websites with updated information as changes are made to schedules, practices, etc. Please visit our athletics website for more information on individual programs at the link below:

<https://www.monumentacademy.net/athletics/>

2021 CMAS Colorado State Standardized Assessments

The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) is currently planning to have schools administer CMAS assessments this spring in the subject areas of math and reading. CMAS social studies will not be administered this year, and it is not yet known if science will be administered. It is possible that no CMAS assessments will be administered this spring, but if they are, there will not be an option for remote assessments. This means that any students completing the CMAS assessments will need to do so in-person and at school.

We expect that some families may choose to refuse allowing their students to complete CMAS assessments this year due to concerns about COVID-19. CDE has asked us to include an option for specifying COVID-19 as a reason for refusal to our normal refusal process.

Monument Academy accepts online refusals only, per board policy 1525, found at the link below:

<https://www.monumentacademy.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/1525-State-Assessments-Refusal-Policy-2-8-18.pdf>

If you plan to refuse allowing your students to participate in CMAS assessments this spring, regardless of the reason, please complete the online refusal found at the link below so that Monument Academy may comply with CDE protocols. Thank you.

<https://www.familyid.com/monument-academy-2/monument-academy-state-standardized-assessment-refusal-2020-2021>

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If you missed our last week and want to still donate, please use our PayPal account to help us do more for our school & teachers.

paypal.me/MAEastPTO



APPRECIATION WEEK



Teacher Appreciation Week

What a wonderful MA East Family we have! We were overwhelmed by the generosity of everyone who supported our teachers and school during Teacher Appreciation week.

Thank you for supporting the MA East PTO and for helping us celebrate our teachers!



If you have questions, please contact: maeastptopresident@gmail.com