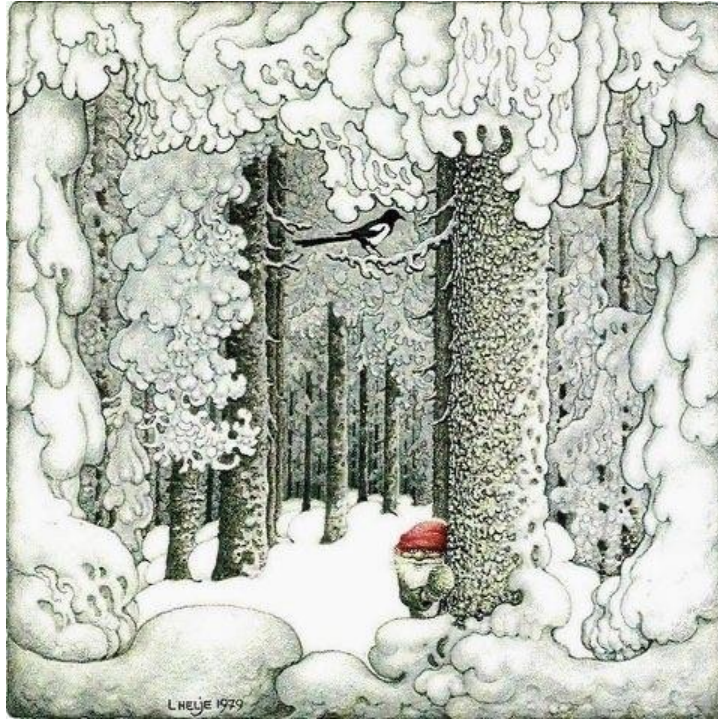


# LYNX NEWS

## East Campus Edition

### January 23, 2023



By Lennart Helje

## Upcoming Events:

Jan 27 – Spirit Wear Friday (Middle School)  
Feb 2 – High School Town Hall, HERE 6-7 pm  
Feb 3 – First Friday of the Month, Free Dress Day (MS)  
Feb 4 – High School “Black & White” Dance, HERE at 7:30 pm  
Feb 10 - Spirit Wear Friday (MS)  
Feb 10 – Middle School Movie Night, HERE at 7 pm  
Feb 17 - Spirit Wear Friday (MS)  
Feb 20 – **NO SCHOOL** – Presidents Day  
Feb 24 - Spirit Wear Friday (MS)  
Feb 25 – 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Formal, HERE at 6:30 pm  
April 19-21 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade YMCA Event  
April 29 – PROM – 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

# Josten's Picture Ordering Tips

[www.jostenspix.com](http://www.jostenspix.com)

Monument Academy's Secondary Campus is in Colorado Springs

Event Codes are MS = FE149222 and HS = FE149122

## Yearbooks

Order yours today at <https://www.jostens.com/yearbooks/students-and-parents/about-yearbooks>

## Call out for Photos for the Yearbooks

Please send any photos from sports, classrooms, etc that the yearbook might like to use to our yearbook advisor at [Email](#)

## From the Library

Who will complete the school-wide **20 book reading challenge?**

This is the library's big literacy event for Spring semester (and a west campus bookfair in April.)

January 17<sup>th</sup> - April 4<sup>th</sup>

Challenge completers will read 20 different books that match the challenge sheet. Books should be appropriate to the reader's reading level but also match the challenge sheet selections.

\*West campus grades K-5<sup>th</sup> read books from their matching grade level **2023 Dive into a Good Book** sheet.

\*East Campus grades 6-11<sup>th</sup> read books from their Secondary School **2023 Dive into a Good Book** sheet.

Prizes provided from the library as readers reach levels during the challenge:

5 books completed – a bookmark or pencil and Smarties

10 books – a treasure box prize and fruit snacks

15 books by April 4<sup>th</sup> - \$4 coupon to shop at the book fair (*fair is April 7-17<sup>th</sup>*) (East campus prize TBD)

20 books by April 4<sup>th</sup> – celebration party in May (East campus prize TBD)

Questions? Email [kcollier@monumentacademy.net](mailto:kcollier@monumentacademy.net)



# High School Town Hall – Fulfilling the Promise

Parents of current or future Monument Academy High School students are cordially invited to a Town Hall gathering on **Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6 – 7 pm** at the East campus.

The Monument Academy community is preparing to fulfill the promise of those visionary and courageous individuals who imagined our tradition of excellence extending into a four-year high school. As you know, that steadfast vision was translated into a physical reality in 2020 as the first freshmen class walked through the front doors of the beautiful East Campus building.

Now, that freshman class is preparing to advance into their senior year. As our MA community looks to fully realize the promise of a four-year high school, we would like to raise your eyes to the horizon and give you an advanced look at the landscape being created for our students.

At this town hall, you will have the opportunity to hear from the Principal, Mr. Kennington, and learn how the high school intends to fulfill its destiny of carrying out Monument Academy's mission and vision as a 9-12 institution.

Additionally, members of the *High School Parent Advisory Group* will be on hand to take questions about the planning underway in advance of next school year, including the designs to fully develop the Senior Capstone Project.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to glimpse the exciting future in store for your children!



## Prom 2023 ~ Many Hands, Make Light Work

Monument Academy's first prom is Saturday, April 29th and we are looking for East Campus parents to help make it a huge success. There are plenty of opportunities to volunteer from chaperoning the dance or after prom, making decorations, creating after prom activities, decorating the venues, making food, donating prizes, donating fun activities (example: donate a blow up obstacle course rental for the event, loaning things like a ping-pong table, karaoke machine, snowcone maker, cotton candy maker, etc.).

Thank you in advance,

Kim McKenna

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## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ~ YMCA

April 19-21 – All 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to YMCA of the Rockies for three days and two nights of outdoor education, friendship, and fun! Chaperones and drivers are needed, too! More details to come. Contact Karl Brown ([kbrown@monumentacademy.net](mailto:kbrown@monumentacademy.net)) if interested in helping or you did not get the announcements emailed in December or earlier this month.

## Parent Volunteers Needed

Middle School Student Council would like to request some parent volunteers for the following positions during the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Winter Formal: (Times are approximate)

- Set-up in the commons, foyer & gym from 1PM-6PM on Fri Feb 24
- Concessions, ticket, chaperoning duties for the dance from 6:30PM-9:45PM on Sat Feb 25
- Tear Down of all decorations from 9:30PM-11:15PM on Sat Feb 25

It would be ideal to have 3-5 parents for each position (parents filling multiple roles are okay with us.

Contact student council advisors by email at [csebastian@monumentacademy.net](mailto:csebastian@monumentacademy.net) or [dfloyd@monumentacademy.net](mailto:dfloyd@monumentacademy.net)

Monument Academy High School presents

# Black and White

MA East Winter Formal  
February 4, 2023  
7:30pm - 10:00pm

Events Contract

Guest Contract

\$15



MONUMENT ACADEMY  
MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTS

# MOVIE NIGHT

FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY  
10

AT M.A EAST

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MOVIE STARTS AT: 7:30PM  
DOORS OPEN AT: 7PM

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blanket(s) to enjoy the movie

Admission is free, concessions  
are available for purchase





# LYNX FUND

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**PHASE II**

This fund will allow Monument Academy to say “YES” to many opportunities for our staff and students.

**\*Donations of \$1996 or more will be part of our LYNX LEGACY.**

Your name and/or business will be engraved on the Lynx Legacy plaque at East & West Campuses.

Questions - Email

Jake Dicus, Manager of Development & Mission Engagement  
[jdicus@monumentacademy.net](mailto:jdicus@monumentacademy.net)





INVEST IN TOMORROW  
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# BOOT, SCOOT & Bid!

Dear Members of our Community,

Monument Academy is hosting its annual fundraising event, "Boot, Scoot & Bid," on Thursday, April 20, 2022, at Spruce Mountain Ranch, located in beautiful Larkspur, Colorado. Last year the event raised over \$150,000 thanks to the generosity of people and businesses who believed in the continued growth and success of Monument Academy.

This year we anticipate over 400 supporters with a goal of \$175,000 for staff compensation and school safety. We value our teachers. They are the heart of our school. They take what is good, and what is true, and cultivate it into something beautiful.

We are collecting auction donations such as a products, services, or experiences. This live auction, performed by professional auctioneer, Dean Gunter, will highlight your \*Sponsorship or Donation. This is an event you do not want to miss!

Thank you in advance for your sponsorship as well as your contributions to our community.

- Invest in Tomorrow, Powered by Monument Academy

*\*All donations are tax-deductible*

FOR ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT JAKE DICUS (719) 481-1950 EXT. 1702  
OR [JDICUS@MOUMENTACADEMY.NET](mailto:JDICUS@MOUMENTACADEMY.NET)  
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## EAST PTO

Help stock the teacher lounge for the new year! <https://signup.com/go/Vgdyqoa>

THANK YOU!



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Kneaders of CO Springs Northgate  
is proud to host this fundraiser for

### MONUMENT ACADEMY SECONDARY SCHOOL PTO

Thursday, January 26th, 2023  
from 5:00 – 8:00pm



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# 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**

#### **Now - March 31st:**

- 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 the Board Meeting

#### **June:**

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

#### **July:**

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

**Submit an application using the following link:**

**<https://forms.gle/BhkEohPuyPd4T7Wz9>**

Still have questions?

E-mail: [Board@MonumentAcademy.net](mailto:Board@MonumentAcademy.net)