

# Central Academy of Technology and Arts

## Cougar Chronicle

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Central Academy  
Families,

Report cards were distributed to students yesterday. Please be sure to ask your child for their report card. Benchmark testing continues next week. Be sure to read the Cougar Chronicle's Around Campus section for dates for each subject. Students have also been told by their teachers in class. Seniors- You must choose a pose for the yearbook by tomorrow, Friday. You were given an event code in your email. Log on to Metro Portraits using the event code and choose a photo with a blue background. Friday will be the very last day this will be possible - otherwise a pose is chosen for you.

Please join us in celebrating some events at school and read the chronicle for more details. The Carve it Up Pumpkin Contest—please join us—even the administration is competing!! Sign up tomorrow—Friday—because the challenge is on! Our Band will be hosting the Spooky Fall Band Concert on Tuesday 10/21 at 7:00 pm—it is a great show and you don't want to miss it!! Our German class video-chatted with a CATA student that is studying abroad in Germany. This was a great opportunity to see what life is like in other countries. Kayli Tolleson, Bethany Snoggrass and Olivia Peppin all qualified for the 1A/2A Golf Regionals in Mt. Airy. Coach Field Miller was named RRC Conference Coach of the Year. In Cross Country Men finish 1<sup>st</sup> and Women 4<sup>th</sup>. Elijah Inuwa won the conference championship and was named male runner of the year. In tennis Kaley Williford won the Rocky River Conference singles championship and will play Friday in Lexington in the 2A Midwest Regional. The school is gearing up for Poetry Out Loud—see the chronicle for more details!!

Powder Puff has been moved to Wednesday 10/22 at 6:30 PM. Players must arrive by 5:30. We STILL need a few more juniors to participate. Please show your school spirit by helping out your classmates and playing. Powder Puff tickets are only \$5. Come see your class fight for the championship!! Who will win this year?? Concessions will be available. We hope that everyone joins us for our Homecoming Football Game tomorrow, Friday, kickoff is at 7:30. We are excited for this game and hope that you will wear your pink and join our pink-out to recognize Cancer Awareness.

Read the information in the Chronicle about Operation Medicine Drop to keep our students and children away from leftover medications. It occurs this Saturday between 10 and 2 at multiple Sheriff's Department sites listed in the Chronicle. Homecoming week has been great. Students and staff were seen in pajamas on Monday, they were seen twinning it up on Tuesday, wearing America colors on Wednesday, and sports themes on Thursday. Color War day is Friday. Please encourage your students to participate—truly there has been incredible participation this week!

Please take time to read over this newsletter. Back editions are available on the website. The Cougar Chronicle, in addition to our website, will be the main form of communication from school to home. At CATA we will continue to work toward Leading the Way so that your child can lead the way in the future! Go Cougars! - Mrs. Kim Fisenne, Principal



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## Guidance Info PSAT - Wednesday, October 15th, 2014

Students – are you interested in **SAT or ACT test prep**? UNC Charlotte, in partnership with The Princeton Review, offers the ACT and SAT exam prep courses at a discounted rate! Online and classroom formats are available that provide critical test-taking techniques, realistic testing practice with proctored exams, and drills/homework assignments to practice outside class. Students will get 18 hours of in-person or online instructor-led prep, four proctored tests, and access to additional video lessons and online practice drills. For more information, and to register, please visit <http://continuinged.uncc.edu/examprep/hs/>. For more test prep resources, please visit our [webpage](#).

Are you interested in **earning credit for college courses while in high school**? If so, you should attend a College & Career Promise information session on October 22<sup>nd</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm at either the LL Polk SPCC Campus or the Old Charlotte Highway SPCC Campus. Please contact your child's counselor if you have any questions. CATA will also be hosting an information session on October 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:30 a.m. for students. Students can sign up in the Guidance Office if they would like to attend.

**Career Development Corner—by Ms. Sarah Webb.** Ms. Webb's office is located in the Guidance Office and she is available to see students by appointment. You can email Ms. Webb at [sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us) **CATA Career Development Center has a twitter account.** Start following @CATACareerDev to keep up with career opportunities in and around North Carolina.



### CATA Guidance Department

Guidance Department Chairperson—

[Ashley Lawson](#): Medical Science and Teacher Prep

[Kendall Cameron](#) : Pre-Engineering and Performing Arts (theatre & dance)

[Scott Norris](#): IT and Transportation

**2014-2015 Yearbook** You may purchase at the school with cash or check or you may purchase online at [www.yearbooksforever.com](http://www.yearbooksforever.com) (there is a \$1 service fee for this option).

## CATA H-O-M-E-C-O-M-I-N-G 2014

### SPIRIT WEEK

#### Friday

#### Color Wars Day

**Seniors: Black/Juniors: White/Sophomores: Navy/Freshmen: Gray**

**Home Football Game: Pink Out**

**Cancer Awareness Wall: Students and Staff can honor or remember anyone lost to cancer or survivors**

#### Barbecue



#### Saturday

**Homecoming Dance: 8-11 in the Gym: Tickets on sale at lunches and at the door.**





## Seniors

**Senior Graduation Packages:** Josten's supplies the CATA cap and gown, announcements, and class rings. Josten's will return on Tuesday 10/28 during lunches to take final orders. All seniors MUST have the correct cap and gown to participate in graduation exercises. You can reach Mr. Honrine by emailing at [russell.honrine@jostens.com](mailto:russell.honrine@jostens.com)

**Seniors– Yearbook Photo** You must choose a pose for the yearbook **by this Friday**

**10/16.** You were given an event code in your email. Log on to Metro Portraits using the event code and choose a photo with a blue background. Friday will be the very last day this will be possible - otherwise a pose will have to be chosen for you.

**College Recommendations:** Be sure to provide staff with a minimum of 3—4 weeks time to complete a recommendation for you. Remember that it is your responsibility to meet deadlines, teachers cannot put aside their teaching or family responsibilities because you neglected to ask them in advance.

**Seniors – Did you receive your first scholarship newsletter?!?** If not, please stop by the Guidance Office to pick up your copy. This newsletter will be distributed on a bi-monthly basis.

**A representative from the colleges** below will be here at the times and dates listed to discuss the admissions process and to answer any questions you may have. Please stop by Guidance to sign up to attend any of these sessions.

- **October 17, 2014** - East Carolina University will be here at 10:30 am.
- **October 20, 2014** - Ohio University will be here at 10:30 a.m.
- **November 6, 2014** - UNC Greensboro will be here at 10:20 a.m.
- **November 6, 2014** - UNC Asheville will be here at 2:00 p.m.

**Scholarship Opportunities:** Scholarships are a great option for funding your college education. Below you will find a list of scholarships with upcoming deadlines in parenthesis. For more complete information, please visit our [scholarship webpage](#). The Thomas Wolfe Scholarship (10/15); NFAA's Young Arts Program (10/17); Horatio Alger Association Scholarships (10/25); Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship (10/31).

**Seniors** - if you have had high academic achievement throughout high school, proven and potential leadership qualities, extracurricular activities, and unique life experiences you are encouraged to apply for **NC State University's Centennial Scholarship** (valued at \$47,500). You can pick up an interest form in Guidance and return it, along with your resume, to Mrs. Cameron by October 27th.

Here is a list of [NC College/University Open House Schedules](#) with Admissions Deadlines.

Here is a review of our [transcript request process](#).

**Seniors –** The following colleges have application deadlines quickly approaching:

Meredith College (October 30<sup>th</sup>)

## Carve it up Pumpkin Contest

Enter for \$5 and bring your own pumpkin

Prizes for the winners are given out at the Fall Band Concert on Tuesday, October 21.

Categories: PAINTED and CARVED: 1st to 3rd prize

“People’s Choice winter chosen by the audience”

Check out the "Carve It Up" website for complete information about entry fees and forms, deadlines, rules, and creative ideas -

<http://carveitupcougars.blogspot.com/>



## COUGAR ATHLETICS

If you have questions about athletics or want to volunteer to help with athletics, please send an email to Athletic Director, [Mr. Jay Niessner](#). **\*\*Go to [Athletics link](#) on the left side of the CATA homepage and click on your sport to access all the schedules. Coach contact info is there as well.**

### Varsity Results:

**Cross Country:** Rocky River Conference Meet: Men 1<sup>st</sup>, Women 4<sup>th</sup> Elijah Inuwa won the conference championship and was named male runner of the year. Coach Field Miller was named Rocky River Coach of the Year.

**Football:** CATA 10 – Monroe 16

**Soccer:** CATA 7 – West Stanly 0, CATA 7 – Mt. Pleasant 1

**Women's Tennis:** Kaley Williford won the Rocky River Conference singles championship and will play Friday in Lexington in the 2A Midwest Regional

**Women's Golf:** No Matches, Kayli Tolleson, Bethany Snodgrass and Olivia Peppin all qualified for the 1A/2A Regionals in Mt. Airy. The girls will play on Monday!

**Volleyball:** CATA 3 – Parkwood 0, CATA 3 – Monroe 1, CATA 1 – West Stanly 3, CATA 1 – Parkwood 3

### Upcoming Events:

#### Friday 10/17:

-HOME Football vs. West Stanly, Homecoming, Gates open @ 6:00 pm

#### Monday 10/20:

-AWAY Golf – 1A/2A Regionals – Mt. Airy  
-HOME Soccer vs. Forest Hills 5:00/6:30 pm. Senior Night

#### Tuesday 10/21:

-No Events

#### Wednesday 10/22:

-AWAY Soccer @ Parkwood 6:00 pm

#### Thursday 10/23:

-HOME JV Football vs. Mt. Pleasant 6:30 pm, gates open @ 5:30 pm

#### Friday 10/24:

-AWAY Football @ Mt. Pleasant 7:30 pm

### Other News:

- ⇒ Winter Sports Workouts have started. Please contact your sports coach for more information about workouts.
- ⇒ Any athlete attending workouts **MUST** have a current physical on file with Coach Niessner prior to attending workouts.
- ⇒ Winter Sports Mandatory Parent Night will be held on **Monday October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014** @ 7:00 pm in the CATA Auditorium
- ⇒ All athletic paperwork can be found on the CATA website under athletics and general information.

- Men's Basketball – Greg Wenger  
[greg.wenger@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:greg.wenger@ucps.k12.nc.us)
- Women's Basketball – Kevin Allran  
[kevin.allran@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:kevin.allran@ucps.k12.nc.us)
- Swimming – Kelly Lepsig  
[Kelly.lepsig@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:Kelly.lepsig@ucps.k12.nc.us)
- Indoor Track – Field Miller  
[field.miller@aol.com](mailto:field.miller@aol.com)
- Wrestling – Mike Jacobus  
[mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us)

Thursday 10/16—7:30 Start  
CATA vs UA  
CATA **Soccer** GAME

Friday 10/17—Kickoff 7:30  
CATA vs West Stanly  
CATA **HOMECOMING** GAME  
Join us in our PINK OUT to recognize  
Cancer Awareness

## Central Academy - Cougar Spirit

2014-2015 Student Spirit Wear Get your SPIRIT ON!!!!!! Some prices:

Tees - \$15

Hoodies - \$25

Ball Caps - \$20

Spirit wear will be on sale at all home football games.





New Night  
Same  
Excitement!!

# Powder Puff Football

\$5 Tickets

## Wednesday 10/22

at Walter Bickett Stadium 6:30 pm Kickoff

Players should arrive by 5:30

Concessions will be available

**FRESHMEN VS SOPHOMORES**

**JUNIORS VS SENIORS**

**WINNER VS. WINNER**



Need more Juniors—email [Mr. Wall](#) to play!!



## Got Spirit?



## YES WE DO!!!





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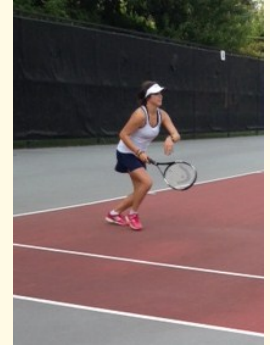


## CATA Tennis Season

The CATA women's tennis team had a great year finishing 5-5 in the conference which gave CATA 3rd place in the RRC conference. We finished the 2014 season on Friday October 10 with the RRC conference tournament. Kaley Williford won the singles conference tournament. Kaley was also voted all conference. Kendall Yelverton and Abril Ruiz were voted honorable mention all conference. During the year despite having a very young team our girls fought really hard. Kaley Williford will compete Friday Oct. 16 in Lexington at the 2A regional competition. Congratulations to all our girls.

The 2014 CATA Women's tennis team members are

Kaley Williford	Kendall Yelverton	Romina Painter	Kathryn Wittek
Elizabeth Helms	Abril Ruiz	Maggie Horne	Gabby Lacy
Haley Beard	Ziara Reep		



## The Buzz About Lord of the Flies





## CATA Golf Swings into a Successful Inaugural Season

The CATA women's golf team completed their inaugural season this year and did incredibly well for a first year team! Kayli Tolleson, Bethany Snodgrass and Olivia Peppin all qualified for the 1A/2A Regionals in Mt. Airy. The girls will play on Monday in the Regionals! The team was led by Coach Kevin Allran and he was a very proud coach this season as the CATA golf team continued to improve with every match.



The 2014 CATA Women's Golf team members are:

Nikki Householder  
Dumebi Okochoa  
Bethany Snodgrass

Tori Mengelkamp  
Olivia Peppin  
Kayli Tolleson

Way to go Cougars!!!!

**Central Academy of Technology & Arts is proud to announce that our 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year is:**

### Ms. Leslie Craven

Ms. Leslie Craven was chosen by her peers as the CATA Teacher of the Year because of her dedication to her students, her school, and her passion—music. Ms. Craven truly believes that all children can succeed and works diligently to build pride in themselves and their school.



A native of Charlotte, Ms. Craven received a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana in 2000 where she studied clarinet with James Campbell. In 2005, she received a Master of Music degree from Winthrop University in Rock Hill, South Carolina where she studied Instrumental Wind Conducting with Dr. Bill Malambri. Ms. Craven also successfully completed the National Board Certification process November 2009.

Throughout her teaching career, Ms. Craven has made performance a priority in her life outside of school. She has played clarinet over the years with the Wind Symphony of the Carolinas at Winthrop University, the Union Symphony Orchestra in Union County, NC, and the Matthews United Methodist Church orchestra. She is also a founding member of Quintessence, a woodwind quintet that performs in the greater Charlotte area.



Ms. Craven is a member of the Pi Kappa Lambda National Music Honor Society, the National Association of Music Educators, the American School Band Directors' Association, the North Carolina Music Educators' Association, the South Central District Bandmasters Association, and the Union County Bandmasters Association where she serves as chair of the Union County Middle School Honor Band Clinic.



## Student Life Notes

1. Parents be sure to sign a **student organization permission form** for each organization in which you child participates. These forms should be returned by **October 31st**.
2. Students, CATA is allowed up to seven free entries into the **Union County Christmas Parade**. Advisers need to submit proposals to Mr. Wall by **Monday, November 3rd**. (Packets were handed out in the last student life organization meeting). See Mr. Wall for additional packets
3. During homecoming week we will have a **PINK OUT** for breast cancer awareness. Please keep up the **school spirit** and continue to cheer on our athletic teams.
4. Please consider entering the Carve it Up Pumpkin Contest with Ms. Craven:  
<http://carveitupcougars.blogspot.com/>

## First Ever Trunk or Treat:

All student life organizations, athletic teams, academies, and faculty and staff are invited to sign up for various cars in this first time event. We will invite local elementary schools to trick or treat out of the back of our themed cars. Themes must not be scary and costumes must be within the dress code. Student Life Organization advisers have sign up information.

Students groups sign up at the following link: <http://goo.gl/PsaJZa>



## STUDENT LIFE



Questions??? OR an announcement needed, please e-mail Mr. Wall at  
[josh.wall@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:josh.wall@ucps.k12.nc.us)

## HANDS HELPING OTHERS FIRST PERIOD COMPETITION

10/9 until 10/23

Bring canned food and non-perishables to class!



Pay it forward by  
supporting our  
community

## Driver's Education—Sign Up Now!!

Driver's Ed classes must meet the minimum number of students or the class will be cancelled. Please sign up early so that classes are filled and do not have to be cancelled. Refunds are not permitted. The fee is \$55.00 for all classes. A student must be at least 14 1/2 years old on the first day of class. Classes will run Monday through Friday from 4:00-6:00 pm. To sign up please contact Ms. Tammy Tweed in the guidance office **as soon as possible**. Upcoming classes: November 3- November 25; February 2- February 25; March 9- April 1; April 20- May 13





## Around Campus... *(for all home and away sports times, see Athletics section)*

The CATA website Calendar is a great resource—please see that on the [main CATA page](#).

**Thursday, October 16:** NHS Induction, 5:30 PM (Auditorium); Sophomore Class meeting, 3:30 (Media Center); **SPORT/TEAM SPIRIT DAY**

**Friday, October 17:** YCI, 8 am (715); **COLOR WAR SPIRIT DAY (SENIORS-BLACK, JUNIORS-WHITE, SOPHOMORES-NAVY, FRESHMEN-GRAY; FACULTY/STAF: PINK; PEP Rally, HOMECOMING GAME VS. WEST STANLY PINK OUT**

**Saturday, October 18: Homecoming Dance 8-11 in the Gym**

**Monday, October 20:** Senior Class Meeting, 8 am (Media Center);

**Tuesday, Tuesday, October 21:** Student Council Officer meeting, 3:45 (111); SpookyFall Band Concert, 7 pm (Auditorium); Carve it Up Pumpkin Contest, 7 PM (Outside the Auditorium); Band Fruit Sale Begins

**Wednesday, October 22:** YCI Planning Meeting, 8:00 am; Freshman Class Meeting, 3:30 (Media Center); Shooting Sports Meeting 3:30, (102), Speech and Debate Meeting, (2:30) (309)

**Thursday, October 23:** Art Club: 3:45, (102)

**Friday, October 24:** YCI meeting, 8:15 am (715)

### Upcoming Dates:

**10/16—10/18—HOMECOMING WEEK Continues**

10/16—10/23—Hands Helping Others Food Drive (First Period Competition)

10/16—10/17—Carve it Up Pumpkin Contest Sign-ups

10/16—NHS Inductions

10/17—Homecoming Football Game

10/18—Homecoming Dance

10/21—11/7—Band Fruit Sale

10/21—Spooky Fall Band Concert and Carve it Up Pumpkin Contest

10/22—Powder Puff Football at Walter Bickett Stadium 6:30 pm (Fr. Vs. So, Jr. Vs. Sr. and winner v. winner)

10/24-25—Theatre Performance NCTC Show

10/28—Mix it Up Day during lunches

10/31—First Trunk or Treat 4:15 to 5:45

11/10-11/14—Bullying Awareness Week

All students are invited and encouraged to participate in **CATA's Poetry Out Loud competition**. Students who have English second semester should see Mrs. Henry in Room 108 to sign up for a special competition to be held on Tuesday, Oct. 28 after school. Participants must choose poetry to recite from the Poetry Out Loud website at [www.poetryoutloud.org](http://www.poetryoutloud.org). The winners from this competition and classroom competitions will compete for the school title by reciting on Monday, Nov. 24 during fourth period.

**CATA has an impressive record for Poetry Out Loud at the county and state levels. Be a part of our winning tradition!**

### BENCHMARK TESTING

#### English II- 10/13

Foreman/ Dr. Tarlton

#### Biology - 10/16

Suresh/ Cross

#### Math I & II- 10/24

Lowder/ O'Connor

#### World Language-10/16

Roncaglio/ Spanish II

#### History- 10/20

Hibberd/World

Navey/World

Niessner/Civics

Tesar/Civics

Wenger/ Civics/American

#### CTE—all classes






10/13– 1st Period

10/14-2nd Period

10/16 -4th Period

10/17-3rd Period

## Cougar Pride

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  - Congratulations to **all CATA Students** for the amazing spirit shown all week for our Spirit Week!!!
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  - Congratulations to **Anna Plyer** for being nominated as CATA's Parade Princess/Alex Kahle Scholarship nominee for the Union County Christmas Parade!
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  - Congratulations to **Ms. Leslie Craven**—CATA's 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year.
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  - Congratulations to all Fall Athletic Teams and athletes that are advancing to playoffs!! See athletic pages for details!
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  - Way to go Cougars!!!!



## CATA and MHS JROTC— Success at Union County JROTC Games!!

2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Unarmed, Platoon

Nick Juan, Leader (CATA)

Micah Blake

Jalen Bowman (CATA)

Abe Castillo

Mitchell Ensley

Samekia Haamid

Jose Jimenez

Davies Lee (CATA)

Madison Lockard

Danial McAfee

Josua Molina

Nayra Valle

Kila White

2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Unarmed, Individual

Cadet Samekia Haamid (Called by Cadet Nick Juan-CATA)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Armed, Individual

Nick Juan (CATA) (Called by Nijay Armstrong)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place, **Team** Mile Run (top two male and top female scores combined)

Elizabeth Sanchez – 6:56

Davies Lee (CATA) 5:57

Martin Orozco – 6:16

Although not announced as an “official award”, we took second in the mile relay as well, losing to first by only a tenth of a second. A true photo finish determined the outcome.

Mile Relay

Josua Molina

Elizabeth Sanchez

Mikkayla Hailey (CATA)

Danial McAfee





## Operation Medicine Drop

Partnering with the community for safe medication disposal.

Please take time to check your medicine cabinet and take any old, unused or out-of-date prescription or over-the-counter medications to one of the following permanent drop box locations:

**Date: Saturday, October 18, 2014**

**Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**Locations:**

Union County Sheriff's Office – Satellite Facility at

Wesley Chapel Volunteer Fire Department #26

315 Waxhaw-Indian Trail Road

Waxhaw, NC

Waxhaw Police Department  
3620 Providence Road South  
Waxhaw, NC

Union County Sheriff's Office – Satellite Facility  
109 Navajo Trail  
Indian Trail, NC

Union County Main Sheriff's Office - Wingate  
3344 Presson Road  
Monroe, NC

For more information:

contact the Union County Sheriff's Office at 704-283-3765 or CMC-Union's Safe Kids office at 704-225-9221.

### Grade Level Administrators—

9th grade (A-L) & all 10th grade—

[Mr. Josh Wall](#)

11th grade—[Mr. Jeff Pusser](#)

9th grade (M-Z) & all 12th grade—

[Ms. Deanna White](#)

**Information resources from Central Academy include:**

Central Academy of Technology and Arts website at : <http://cata.ucps.k12.nc.us/>

Central Academy of Technology and Arts Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/CentralAcademyCATA>

Central Academy of Technology and Arts Twitter at: [https://twitter.com/cata\\_monroe](https://twitter.com/cata_monroe)

Central Academy of Technology and Arts Athletic Twitter at: [https://twitter.com/CATA\\_Athletics](https://twitter.com/CATA_Athletics)

Central Academy of Technology and Arts Band page at: <http://cataband.blogspot.com/>

CATA Career Development Center @CATACareerDev to keep up with career opportunities in and around North Carolina.

Any other sites are not sites that are sanctioned by the school. We caution parents and families to get current and accurate information from the official sites listed above.

If a school club or school organization has an additional page, please notify Administration so that we can properly authorize the site. Thank you.

# All County Choral Festival

Six of the county's high school choral teachers recently brought 15-20 students each from their choral program to participate in the All-County Choral Festival at Wingate University. The festival was a two day event with high schools participating on Sept. 30 and middle schools participating on October 1st. This year's festival was under the direction of Marc Setzer, retired choral director from South Mecklenburg High School.

The festival concluded on Wednesday night with a combined concert of both middle and high school choruses performing the songs for parents, family and general public. CATA had 20 students to participate.



## CATA Student IN Germany Shares Experience with CATA Students in Monroe

On October 7, German II students video-chatted with a classmate who is currently doing the Congress Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX) program to spend a year in Germany! Cameron Dion explained to us what it is like to get a taste of real German language and culture. I interviewed Paula Das, a classmate, to answer some questions:

-What differences did you witness in your friend after she started adapting German culture? She had a slight German accent when she talked and her German drastically improved.

-Does the program look like something you would be interested in? Why/why not? Yes, because it seems like a great learning experience both for German and life in general. It teaches you how to adapt faster and improves your language skills.

This program is a very interesting opportunity. Witnessing it second hand from a classmate inspired some to apply for the CBYX program. We are anxiously awaiting Cameron's return to discuss more about the day-to-day life of a German student.

Tschüs!

(Written by Sarah Everhart)





## How to Get Involved as Parents:

- Band Booster Club - [Jacquie Jeffries](#) via email to volunteer – OR 704.292.1950
- Cougar Athletic Parent Support (CAPS) – Jay Niessner at <mailto:jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us>
- Performing Arts Club – [Michelle McGuire](#) via email for information about how to help out.
- PTSO – please send an email to [thecougarcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:thecougarcouncil@gmail.com) or call the main office and leave a message for the PTSO. Congratulations to our five elected parent representatives for the 2014-2015 Central Academy Site Base Team. Those parents are: [Ms. Kelly Thomas](#) and [Ms. Susan Duncan-Butler](#) representing the 9<sup>th</sup> grade, [Ms. Ann Helms](#) representing the 10<sup>th</sup> grade, [Ms. Kathie McKain](#) representing the 11<sup>th</sup> grade, and [Ms. Dale Ann Plyler](#) representing the 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Thank you for your willingness to serve on this committee. Parents in the community can contact their grade level site based team representative about concerns to be brought to the site based team by emailing the individuals above.

## American College Testing - THE ACT

The ACT will be given to all juniors **FREE** on **March 3rd, 2015!** Preparing and doing well on the ACT will have long term benefits. The most important benefit is that your student has the opportunity to take a college entrance exam for colleges and universities throughout the country will accept an ACT score (previously some colleges and universities only would accept the SAT but that is no longer the case). The second benefit is that students will be able to list four colleges or universities to send the score directly to - this is also FREE! The third and final benefit is that your student could potentially earn scholarships to college!!!! If they score within the high range (28 to 32) they could earn a full scholarship to many colleges and universities throughout the country. It is also possible to earn in-state tuition to surrounding state colleges or universities - for example The University of South Carolina and Clemson!!! **Please take time to communicate with your 11th grade student the importance of the ACT!!** Community Colleges also use the ACT score, as well as potential employers.

**Important Info for all JUNIORS and Parents!!!!**

**Preparation for Juniors at CATA**—All Juniors at CATA are participating in guided ACT preparation during Cougar Time.

Harris Teeter is offering a bonus contribution to schools for a limited time for shoppers that use their drive up shopping service "express lane." Shoppers have to be linked to a school. CATA's VIC number is 3612.

### TIE Express Lane Promotion

- Use our Express Lane Online Shopping between 9/3/14 and 10/28/14
- We will donate 10% of your total Express Lane order to your TIE school!

This donation is in addition to the normal contribution received from the purchase of Harris Teeter brand products.

**\*Customers must be linked to a valid TIE school at the time of purchase.**

For more information about the PTSO, please [follow this link](#).

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