

Central Academy of Technology and Arts Cougar Chronicle

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Central Academy Families,

Into the Woods, our spring musical, will open on Thursday, March 12! Performances will occur on March 12, 13, & 14 at 7:30 pm and March 15 at 2:30 pm. Tickets are \$7.00!! The Performing Arts Committee is planning their **first Annual Dinner Theater** on Saturday, March 14th which will be held prior to the performance. Dinner and Show VIP package is only \$25.00 per person! Reservations are required, see the chronicle to reserve your seat today! Our students also participated in a Shakespeare Competition at Wingate University this week and we had three finalists—Maddie Branca, Dovid Moberg, and Morgan Miller. We are happy to report that Morgan finished third overall. Thou art all terrific!!

In Visual Arts we are proud to announce that Emmy Howell and Logan Polk were honored for their award winning artwork. Both students were chosen to represent CATA in the Union County Public Schools Art Show. Way to go!! Our students are not only involved at CATA, but also in the community... Congratulations to James Bernash who will be honored next Tuesday, March 10th at the UCPS BOE meeting for his efforts in community service, and his academic record. James will be recognized as one of 10 recipients of the John H. Crowder Award.

Reminder: Tomorrow, Friday, March 6 is a make-up day for schools and therefore a regular day for all students. UCPS staff are still determining options to make up the instructional time that was lost due to severe weather on February 18 and 24. There could be more inclement weather in the coming weeks and administrators want to determine the best course of action for students and staff. More information will be announced in mid-March.

All CATA families need to remember to Spring Forward.. In time.... this Sunday, 3/8 for Daylight Savings Time. Be sure to adjust your clock ahead one hour so you will be on time to school!!

Spring Sports are off to a great start. This week we enjoyed our first home baseball game with the smell of hot dogs and popcorn, and more importantly, the smell of victory as CATA defeated Albemarle by one run in the seventh inning. What a great night! Soccer and tennis also played good matches this week and are looking to be quite competitive this year! Way to go!! Some games were cancelled due to the weather and we look forward to making those up soon. Please watch the website.

Yearbooks are selling out fast!! Buy yours today. See chronicle for information on how to order. Any parent that purchased a Senior Ad needs to turn their pictures in to Ms. Eaton. You can email them as a jpeg or send them in to the front office by Monday. **Student Council has started their fundraiser for Victory Junction and are over \$700 towards their goal of \$5000.** Please support this great cause. Details in the chronicle. Remember that prom tickets are on sale before school in the main lobby and during lunch. Buy yours today for Masquerade at Midnight on March 21st.

In this week's chronicle, read about our Family and Consumer Science students kicking off the **e-tracker program** to analyze energy use in conjunction with the City of Monroe. Our Pre-engineering students have been prepping for the Robotics Competition that will occur this month. Our Performing Arts Academy students had the wonderful opportunity of training with, or observing, two legends in Theatre. See the Chronicle for more information.

We will be hosting the **CATA Crawl** for prospective CATA students from middle schools on Tuesday March 10th and Thursday March 12th.

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

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! For more information, and to register, please visit <http://continuinged.uncc.edu/examprep/hs/>.

For more test prep resources, please visit our [webpage](#).

Upcoming Events:

College representatives will be here at the dates and times listed to discuss the admissions process and answer questions. Please sign up in Guidance if you are interested in attending any of these sessions.

March 18, 2015 - University of South Carolina @ 11:00 a.m. (for 10th and 11th graders only)

Summer may seem far way, but application deadlines for summer opportunities are quickly approaching! For a full list of summer opportunities, [please click here](#). And keep checking back for new listings!

Are you interested in a **medical-related career**? Novant Health is providing an opportunity for students at least 14 years of age to learn more about healthcare through their Junior Volunteer Summer Program. The nine week long programs will be held at the following Novant Health facilities: Presbyterian Medical Center, Charlotte Orthopedic Hospital, Matthews Medical Center, and Huntersville Medical Center. Students will be able to assist staff, visitors, and patients with non-medical tasks. To apply, visit <http://www.novanthealth.org/home/giving/volunteer-opportunities.aspx> and select the hospital you are interested in to find the appropriate application. The deadline is **March 31st**, but it is recommended that you apply as soon as possible.

Wake Forest University will be offering a **Summer Immersion Program** where rising 10th, 11th, and 12th graders will have the opportunity to explore a particular field of study in-depth at Wake Forest University's Charlotte Center location. Four programs will be offered: The Business of Sport Institute (June 22-26; July 27-31), Medicine Institute (June 22-26; July 20-24), Leadership Institute (July 13-17; July 27-31), and Business and Entrepreneurship Institute (July 6-10; August 3-7). Tuition for these week-long programs ranges from \$1,450 to \$1,600 and is all-inclusive. Scholarships are available. For more information about the program, and for a detailed list of activities and events for each institute, please visit: <http://charlotte.wfu.edu/summer-immersion-program/>. **Deadline: March 13, 2015.**

!!!COLLEGE FAIR!!! There will be a FREE college fair for sophomores, juniors, and seniors on March 8, 2015. Students and their parents can speak to admissions representatives from hundreds of colleges and universities. Workshops will also be available on such topics as: The College Search, The NCAA, The ACT, the SAT, How to Pay for College, etc. The event will take place at the Park Expo and Conference Center in Charlotte, NC from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Registration is strongly encouraged. To view a list of participating schools, please visit: <https://webportal.nacacnet.org/Exhibit/ExhsSearch.aspx>. To register, please visit: <http://www.nacacnet.org/college-fairs/SpringNCF/Pages/default.aspx>.

NC Community Development Initiative's Youth Leadership Program - Through this initiative, 25 students will have the opportunity to participate in a PAID six-week, full-time internship at a non-profit organization in the student's community. In addition, students will participate in field trips and two leadership training sessions in Raleigh, N.C. Students will receive a \$2,250 stipend. This program occurs from June 23-July 30, 2015. Students are expected to be at their internship sites from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday during these dates.

Students must be rising seniors that are at least 16 years old and legal residents of North Carolina. Applicant selection will be based on: the overall application, their commitment to continuing high school, community or school involvement, and recommendation letters. No minimum GPA is required. Applications are available in Guidance. Please see Mrs. Cameron if you have any questions. Deadline: March 31, 2015.

Are you a freshman or sophomore interested in the United States **Air Force Academy**? If so, you may want to register for their Future Falcons Program. By registering your name will go into their database that will allow them to send you periodic mailings. These mailings will inform you about the Academy and what you need to be doing to be a competitive applicant. You can register for the Future Falcons Program here: <http://www.cvent.com/events/future-falcon-registration/event-summary-028d3e4fe8444783af405857a839c707.aspx>.



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

Seniors

Graduation Day—Thursday June 11, 2015 3:00 pm
Winthrop University Coliseum, Rock Hill, SC
Senior Awards Day—Friday May 22, 2015 9:00 am
CATA Auditorium (this is during the school day)



Seniors and Senior parents – Need more information about financial aid?? Check out our [Financial Aid website](#) for helpful articles and useful websites.

Seniors – Seniors – Get the February/March Scholarship Newsletter!! Pick one up in your English class or in the Guidance Office. **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](#). Kohl's Cares Scholarship Program (3/13); Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE) Carolina's Annual Essay Contest (3/15); Alamance Community College Early Commitment Scholarship (3/15); The Cattleman's Association Scholarship (3/15); The Rotary Club of Charlotte Public Safety Scholarship Fund (3/16); Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee, Inc. Scholarship (3/19); Union Power Cooperative Scholarship (3/20); Union County Educational Office Professionals (EOP) Scholarship (3/20); Ann H. Williams Memorial Scholarship (3/20); and Billy Stegall Memorial Scholarship (3/20).

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

Any parent that purchased a Senior Ad needs to turn their pictures in to Ms. Eaton. You can email them as a jpeg or send them in to the front office by Monday. A proof will be mailed to you as soon as the ad is done.

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

Career Development Corner—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 **CATA Career Development Center has a twitter account.** Start following @CATACareerDev to keep up with career opportunities in and around North Carolina.

"2015-2016 CTE Internship" Attention Rising 12th graders, if you have taken at least 2 Career & Technical Education (CTE) courses, and are interested in participating in a CTE Internship next school year, stop by the guidance office and pick up an application from Ms. Webb or your guidance counselor.

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Webb @ sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us.

"Exploring Light Technologies" Duke University and the Pratt School of Engineering are hosting an open house On Sunday, March 8, 2015 from 1-4 p.m. at Fitzpatrick Institute for Photonics FCIEMAS Atrium, Duke West Campus. Honorary Co-Chairs for the event will be John and Marilyn Hall. This event is free and open to the public. For more information and to register please visit Fitzpatrick.duke.edu/march8. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Webb @ sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us.

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:

Baseball: CATA 3 – Albemarle 2

Men's Tennis: CATA 1 – Concord 8

Women's Soccer: CATA 1 – Cuthbertson 4

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 3/5: HOME Women's Soccer vs. Piedmont @ Monroe High 6:00

Friday 3/6: No Events

Saturday 3/7: No Events

Monday 3/9: HOME Women's Soccer vs. Weddington 4:00 & 5:30 pm, Varsity Plays First

HOME Men's Tennis vs. Piedmont 4:00 pm

AWAY Softball @ Anson 4:30 pm

Tuesday 3/10: AWAY Men's Tennis @ Monroe 4:00 pm

AWAY Baseball @ Sun Valley 4:30/7:00 pm

Wednesday 3/11: AWAY Golf @ Mt. Pleasant @ Green Oaks Country Club 3:30 pm

Thursday 3/12: HOME Men's Tennis vs. West Stanly 4:00 pm @ Monroe High

AWAY Track & Field @ Mt. Pleasant 4:30 pm

AWAY Baseball @ Union Academy @ Dickerson Park 4:30 pm

HOME Women's Soccer vs. Porter Ridge 4:30/6:00 pm – Varsity Plays First

HOME Softball vs. Union Academy 5:00 pm

HOME Golf 3:45 @ Monroe CC.

Friday 3/13: Spring Sports Pictures after school – Forms will go home with **ALL athletes on 3/10**

HOME Baseball vs. Carmel Christian 5:00 pm

Saturday 3/14: AWAY Track & Field @ Weddington – All Day Event



Spring Sports Pictures will take place on **Friday – March 13th** after school for ALL spring sports teams. Athletes should check with their coaches about what each team is wearing. **Picture forms** will go home with **ALL athletes** on **Tuesday 3/10**. Anyone who wants to order pictures MUST have their money and order form on picture day. If you have any picture questions please contact:

Jay Niessner – Athletic Director – jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us or

Lisa Eaton – Yearbook Advisor – lisa.eaton@ucps.k12.nc.us

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: February March 9-April 1; April 20- May 13



Got Spirit??



Yes,

we do!!



See

https://twitter.com/cata_athletics

for more great pictures as we go through the season!!

Spring Head Coaches Contact Information:

Athletic Director and Women's Soccer: Jay Niessner –

jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us

Baseball: Nelson Rowell –

neson.rowellteacher@ucps.k12.nc.us

Softball: Doug Mayhew –

doug.mayhew@ucps.k12.nc.us

Men's Tennis: Ken Neese – keneese@gmail.com

Track & Field: Field Miller – field.miller@aol.com

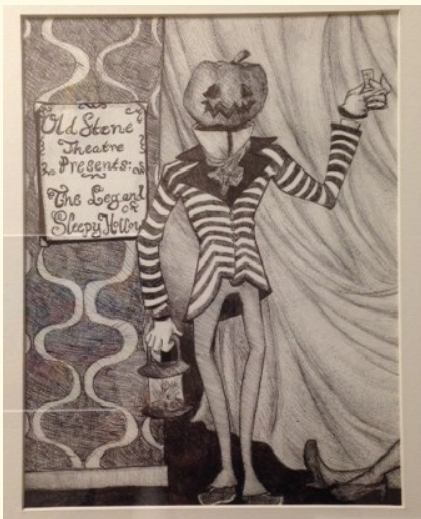
Men's Golf: Mike Jacobus –

mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us



Cougar Pride....

- Congratulations to all students that competed in the Shakespeare Competition at Wingate University this week. Maddie Branca and David Moberg were finalists and Morgan Miller finished in THIRD Place overall!! Way to go!
- Congratulations to James Bernash who will be honored next Tuesday, March 10th at the UCPS BOE meeting for his efforts in community service and academics. James is one of ten recipients of the John H. Crowder Award. Way to go!!



- Congratulations to Emmy Howell (artwork on left) and Logan Polk (artwork on right) for their award winning artwork. Both students were chosen to represent CATA in the Union County Public Schools Art Show. What a great honor!!!



Performing Arts Academy Welcomed Terrence Mann and Charlotte d'Amboise This Week...

Terrence Mann a three time Tony award nominee and his wife, Charlotte d'Amboise conducted master classes with performing arts students at Central Academy of Technology and Arts on Monday March 2, 2015.

Charlotte d'Amboise gave dance instructions to performing arts students at Central Academy. Mann worked with Performing Arts students in both theatre and singing. The husband and wife team conducted master classes in dance, acting and singing as well as a question and answer session. At the conclusion of the sessions, students were able to audition for their summer camps, the Triple Acts Intensive, which are held on the campus of Western Carolina University and in New York City.



(Photo from Charlotte Observer—[click here for more...](#))

Travel Club gladly presents: **Heroes and Legends.**

On Friday, March 13th from 6:00-10:00, the Travel Club will be hosting a video game and movie night. We will be showing "I Am Legend" and "Avengers," and the 100 hallway will have numerous video games to be played. \$5 admission with pizza and soda; candy and popcorn will be extra.

Central Academy Student Council

Presents...

SPRING MOVIE NIGHTS

April— Divergent

May— Big Hero 6

June— Grease

CATA Students Kick-off E-Tracker Project

(article from Monroe City Manager Report)

Students at Central Academy of Technology and Arts (CATA) in Monroe will soon be teaching their parents a thing or two about energy efficiency. Fifteen students will participate in E-Tracker, a six-week, hands-on, interactive program to help them see how weather impacts electricity use. The program is sponsored and managed by Electricities of North Carolina. The City of Monroe Electric Department recommended and is coordinating the program at CATA. Students will read their electric meter daily and track local weather at Electricities' custom website, temptracker365.com. After they record this data in a customized E-Tracker portfolio, they enter it into a spreadsheet and use statistics to determine the degree of correlation between energy use and the weather. "The mission of E-Tracker is to educate kids on the relationship between weather and energy use so they can learn basic strategies to reduce energy consumption," said Phil Bisesi, Electricities Residential Energy Services Supervisor and creator of the program. "It's extremely rewarding to work with our members and customers and to see so many students understand the correlation." The program kicked off on February 17 and will run until the end of March. E-Tracker was created in 2013, and since then, 200 students in 11 schools have completed the program. E-Tracker provides an opportunity for hands-on, real-life application of science and math. "We look forward to working with the students at CATA to help them learn about energy consumption," said Don Mitchell, Monroe's Director of Energy Services. "Hopefully this will become an ongoing partnership between CATA and Monroe's Electric Department that will continue for many years." To learn more about E-Tracker, visit the blog at <http://bit.ly/1AZ8dt1> and watch the video at <http://bit.ly/1zwwgc4>.



CATA Performing Arts Committee invites you to see

Into The Woods

CATA Performing Arts Committee is preparing for Into the Woods which will open on Thursday, March 12! Performance will occur on March 12,13,14 at 7:30 pm and March 15 at 2:30 pm. Tickets are \$7.00!! We invite you all to come and attend one of the performances.

Don't miss out on the Performing Arts Dinner & Show. Fairytale menu provided by Kate Clyde's Catered Creations! Dinner, show ticket & VIP priority seating - all for \$25 per person. All proceeds will go towards the Debbie Watwood Memorial Piano. Reservations are required. Email cataptsoperformingarts@gmail.com to RSVP today.

CATA is well known for its' amazing performances on stage! The shows, songs, dances and performances require countless time, talent and support behind the SCENES! Please help CATA shine at opening night of INTO THE WOODS by volunteering in the days and weeks leading up to the show! We need all hands on deck!

Volunteers are needed to help us with our dinner theater on Saturday March 14th as well as to sell tickets & concessions during the spring musical "Into the Woods". Students from National Honor Society and Beta Club are helping at the dinner theater!!! All proceeds from the dinner & raffle tickets will go towards the Debbie Watwood Memorial Piano. Please sign up to volunteer using our [sign up genius](#) . Any questions can be sent to cataptsoperformingarts@gmail.com

There are still some slots available for the Into the Woods Playbill!!! Parents - give a shout out to your son or daughter! Local business owners - promote your business and service! Contact Michelle McGuire or email catapstoperformingarts@gmail.com

PTSO Announcements

Upcoming Events - YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION SUPPORTS EACH OF THESE EVENTS!

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| ⇒ CATA CRAWL | ⇒ INTO THE WOODS | ⇒ STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT |
| ⇒ PI DAY | ⇒ TEACHER APPRECIATION | RECOGNITION |
| ⇒ SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP | WEEK | ⇒ SENIOR BREAKFAST |

PTSO will celebrate Pi Day

Pies for Pi Day, Monday March 16 - Pi day is officially 3/14 and this year is significant because 3/14/14 at 9:26:53 are the first 10 numbers of PI! The PTSO will be distributing PIES to the staff at CATA as a sign of our appreciation for all you do for our students and community! Please consider baking or buying a pie to donate to the PTSO. We are also looking for a few good volunteers to deliver the pies to the staff on the 14th of March! Follow the sign up genius link to sign up! Thanks in advance for your help!

You have been invited by Cougar Council to sign up for "Pies for "Pi Day" Monday, March 16, 2015." Please click on the link below to view the online sign up sheet.

To sign up, go to: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0E4BABAA2AA31-pies1/4676386

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Seniors and parents of seniors watch for information and apply for one of the PTSO scholarships. Guidance has all of the information for senior scholarships in the office.

Please plan on attending the next PTSO meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 10 at 7:00 in the Media Center! We will be forming our Nominating Committee, so please give consideration to becoming a leader for the PTSO next year. Feel free to call Kathie McKain at 301-514-1890 to learn more about opportunities to serve on the PTSO board for the 15-16 calendar year!

It is never too late too..... Join the PTSO - \$10.00.....we have 75 very active members and need 75 more! Please consider joining!

.....Link your Harris Teeter Card to CATA - Every shopping bag helps CATA!!!

CATA CRAWL - March 10 and March 12 - Save the Date!!!

The PTSO will welcome 8th grade students and their families to the CATA Crawl on March 10 and 12! 8th grade students have been invited to come "experience" CATA! Please consider helping us to welcome students to CATA and help meet and greet our guests! On Thursday, March 12 we will be selling tickets to Into the Woods for the opening night as well as any of the other performances! More information to follow!

Senior Tee Shirt Design Contest!!!

Calling all Juniors.....be attentive to announcements and information that will be available to you soon to participate in the contest to design the senior tee shirt! It will be your senior tee shirt!!! Dr. Tarlton and the PTSO are working together and soon you will receive an invitation to get on board to help bridge your way into your senior year!!! Stay tuned!!! More to follow!~!!

Thanks,
Kathie McKain, PTSO President

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](#).

Friday, March 6: WE DO have school today!

Monday, March 9: End of Grading Period; Social Studies Tutoring, 8:15 and 3:45 (Zunic); Math Tutoring, 8 am (Lowder (521), Sheppard (529), Horne (527) – Pre-Calculus Only); Math Tutoring, 3:30 pm (Cochran (209)

Tuesday, March 10: CATA Crawl, 6:30 (Auditorium and School); MPA Band Retreat, 4-8 pm; PTSO meeting, 7 pm (Media Center; Social Studies Tutoring, 8:15 and 3:45 (Hibberd); Math Tutoring, 3:30 pm, Sheppard (529) Cochran (209) Royster (210) – Calculus Only; Student Council Officer meeting, 3:45 (Rm. 111);

Wednesday, March 11: Social Studies Tutoring, 8:15 and 3:45 (Niessner/Wenger); Math Tutoring, 8 am (Lowder (521) Horne (527); Speech and Debate, 3:30 (Rm. 209);

Thursday, March 12: CATA Crawl, 6:30 (Auditorium and School); Social Studies Tutoring, 8:15 and 3:45 (Tesar); Math Tutoring, 3:30 (Royster (210); HOSA meeting, 8:10 am and 3:30 pm (Rm. 515); Art Club, 3:45 (Art Room); Robotics Club, 3:45 (Hardy's Room); Into the Woods Performance, 7:30 Auditorium

Friday, March 13: Travel Club Fundraiser, Into the Woods Performance, 7:30; Spring Sports Pictures, 3:30

Saturday, March 14: Into the Woods Performance, 7:30 (Auditorium)

Sunday, March 15: Into the Woods Performance, 2:30 (Auditorium)

Upcoming Dates:

2/23 to 3/23—Student Council Fundraiser: Victory Junction

3/9—End of Grading Period

3/9 to 4/1—Drivers Education-4th Session

3/10 —PTSO Meeting, 7 pm, Media Center

3/10 & 3/12—CATA Crawl, 6:30 pm, Auditorium

3/12 to 3/14—Into the Woods, 7:30 pm, Auditorium

3/13—Travel Club Fundraiser -Heroes&Legends—Movies & Video Game Night

3/13—Spring Sports Pictures, After School on Location

3/15—Into the Woods, 2:30 pm, Auditorium

3/16—Benchmarks Begin

3/17—MPA Band Retreat , 4-8 pm

3/17—ACT Make-up

3/18 —Report Cards

3/18—Site Based Team Meeting, 3:40 pm, Media Conference Room

3/20 to 3/22—NCASC State Convention, Fayetteville, NC

3/21—Prom, Bottle Factory, Monroe, NC 8-12

3/23 & 3/24—MPA Band Performance

3/24—Senior Delivery Day from Jostens

3/25 to 3/29—Band Trip to Florida

3/26 to 3/28—HOSA State Competition, Greensboro

3/27—Talent Show Sponsored by NHS, 6 pm, Auditorium

4/1—Guest Speaker: Holocaust Survivor : Suly Chenkin, 1:30 pm, Auditorium

4/1—Senior Cap and Gown Panoramic Photo 10:52 to 11:52,, Gym

4/3 to 4/10—NO SCHOOL-Spring Break

4/14—PTSO Meeting, 7 pm, Media Center

4/21—Red Cross Blood Drive, 8:30 to 3:30

4/22—Site Based Team, 3:40, Media Center

4/20 to 5/13—Drivers Education Session Five

4/23 to 4/25—Sophomore Theater Show, 7 pm Auditorium

4/24 to 4/25—Union County Band Clinic

4/27—Benchmarks Begin

4/28— End of Second Grading Period

Spring Forward..

.... In time....

This Sunday, 3/8

Be sure to
adjust your
clock
ahead
one hour
so you will
be on time to school!!



CATA Crawl
For potential
students

Tuesday 3/10
Thursday 3/12

6:30 pm
in Auditorium

UCPS—Safety Net MORE INFORMATION ON KEEPING YOUR TEENS AND CHILDREN SAFE—

[READ THE WHOLE SAFETY NET NEWSLETTER](#)— GREAT ARTICLES FOR HS!!!!!!

[BACK EDITIONS](#) ARE AVAILABLE ON THE UCPS WEBSITE.

2015 AP Exam Information:

As part of the Advance Placement (AP) program, students will take the corresponding AP exam for each AP course they take. AP exams will be administered May 4-15, 2015. The *Broaden Access and Successful Participation in Advanced Courses* (115C-83.4A) legislation in 2013 has made it possible for ALL students to take AP exams free of charge. Through appropriated funding, the state will pay for each AP exam that every student takes. Guidance will be visiting AP classes the week of March 9-13 to distribute important information and to collect exam information from each student. If your student may qualify for a fee waiver due to income, please let them know to indicate that on the form completed.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Cameron at

Kendall.cameron@ucps.k12.nc.us.



Student Life Notes

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Upcoming Events:

Travel Club Fundraiser March 13

Student Council Sponsored Fundraiser for Victory Junction! See the Chronicle Page

Questions??? OR an announcement needed, please e-mail Mr. Wall at josh.wall@ucps.k12.nc.us

MAKE THE GRADE WITH SCHOOL BREAKFAST

MARCH 2-6, 2015 IS NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK.

UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS CELEBRATING THE SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM AND EDUCATING STUDENTS ABOUT HOW A HEALTHY BREAKFAST ENSURES THEY “MAKE THE GRADE” IN THE CLASSROOM

CONTACT MS. ANNA IN THE CAFETERIA TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OFFERINGS FOR BREAKFAST!

DO NOT FORGET:

STUDENTS ENROLLED IN OUR FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM CAN START THE DAY OFF RIGHT WITH A HOT AND NUTRITIOUS BREAKFAST AT NO COST!

ONE STUDENT HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO WIN A \$20 MOVIE GIFT CARD WHO EATS LUNCH FROM THE CAFETERIA ON THURSDAY, MARCH 5.

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

Central Academy of Technology and Arts Athletic Twitter at: 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.

VICTORY JUNCTION FUNDRAISER

Support KIDS going to camp who have chronic illnesses in a safe environment

Student Council officers will be carrying around Mason Jars with them for one month beginning February 16 collecting coins and dollars to send two young people to camp for a week. The target goal:



\$5,000. This could be seen as an arduous task, but when the reality of sending two campers that may not have the ability to do so otherwise to camp, it really helps change the focus from students collecting coins to campers experiencing life. **PLEASE HELP SUPPORT VICTORY JUNCTION AND SEND IN ALL OF YOUR COINS AND DOLLARS TO HELP US MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN.**

Click here for VJC Public Service Announcement

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XGDqZtNuL0U>


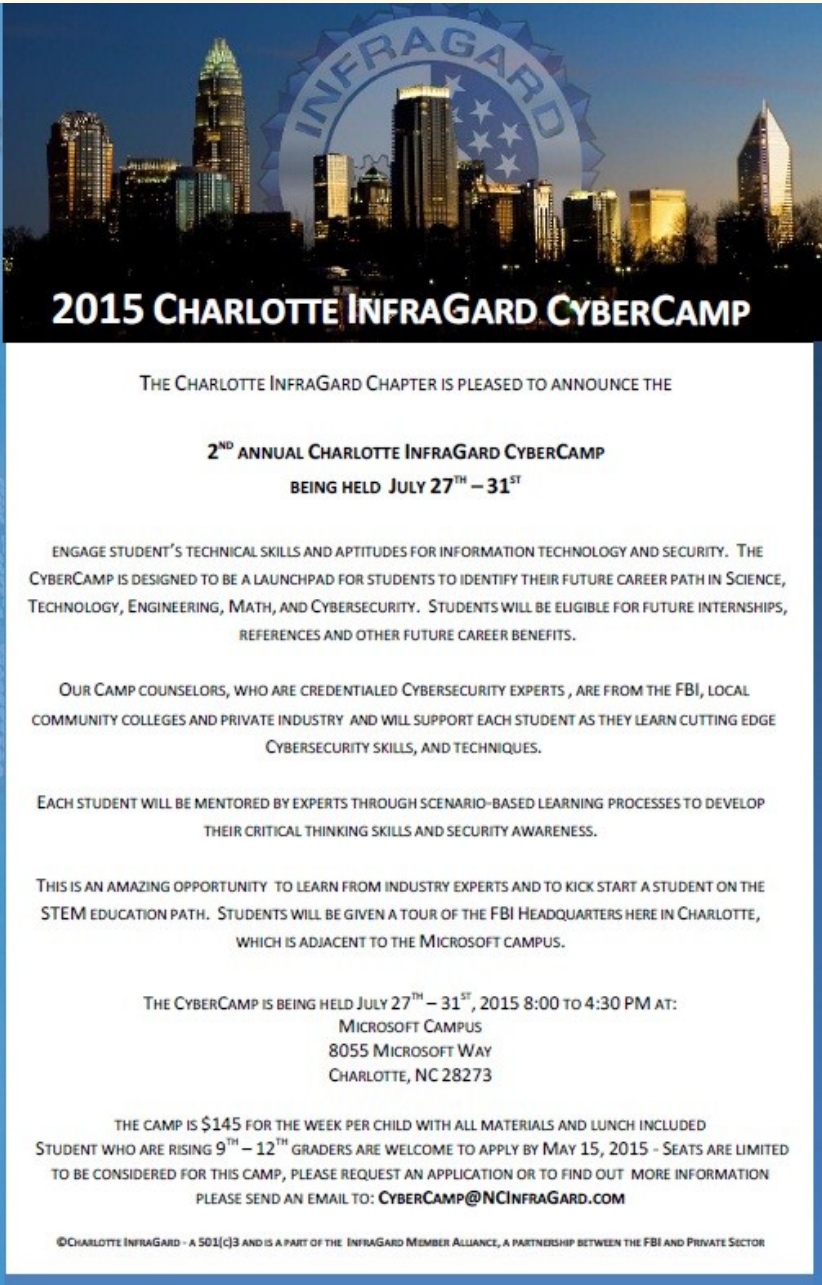
VJC Facts

- Victory Junction serves 24 chronic medical conditions and serious illnesses such as, but not limited to, Cancer, Craniofacial Anomalies, Diabetes, Hemophilia, Sickle Cell and Spina Bifida.

“The mission of Victory Junction is to enrich the lives of children with chronic medical conditions or serious illnesses by providing life-changing camping experiences that are exciting, fun and empowering, in a safe and medically-sound environment, at no cost to campers and their families. The program offers a week of exhilarating, challenging and nurturing fun under comprehensive, but unobtrusive, 24-hour medical supervision,” (victoryjunction.org/mission).

The camp, located in Randleman, N.C., is built on 84 acres and donated by Richard and Lynda Petty.



2015 CHARLOTTE INFRA GARD CYBERCAMP

THE CHARLOTTE INFRA GARD CHAPTER IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE

2ND ANNUAL CHARLOTTE INFRA GARD CYBERCAMP
BEING HELD JULY 27TH – 31ST

ENGAGE STUDENT'S TECHNICAL SKILLS AND APTITUDES FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY. THE CYBERCAMP IS DESIGNED TO BE A LAUNCHPAD FOR STUDENTS TO IDENTIFY THEIR FUTURE CAREER PATH IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATH, AND CYBERSECURITY. STUDENTS WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE INTERNSHIPS, REFERENCES AND OTHER FUTURE CAREER BENEFITS.

OUR CAMP COUNSELORS, WHO ARE CREDENTIALLED CYBERSECURITY EXPERTS, ARE FROM THE FBI, LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND PRIVATE INDUSTRY AND WILL SUPPORT EACH STUDENT AS THEY LEARN CUTTING EDGE CYBERSECURITY SKILLS, AND TECHNIQUES.

EACH STUDENT WILL BE MENTORED BY EXPERTS THROUGH SCENARIO-BASED LEARNING PROCESSES TO DEVELOP THEIR CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS AND SECURITY AWARENESS.

THIS IS AN AMAZING OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN FROM INDUSTRY EXPERTS AND TO KICK START A STUDENT ON THE STEM EDUCATION PATH. STUDENTS WILL BE GIVEN A TOUR OF THE FBI HEADQUARTERS HERE IN CHARLOTTE, WHICH IS ADJACENT TO THE MICROSOFT CAMPUS.

THE CYBERCAMP IS BEING HELD JULY 27TH – 31ST, 2015 8:00 TO 4:30 PM AT:
MICROSOFT CAMPUS
8055 MICROSOFT WAY
CHARLOTTE, NC 28273

THE CAMP IS \$145 FOR THE WEEK PER CHILD WITH ALL MATERIALS AND LUNCH INCLUDED
STUDENT WHO ARE RISING 9TH – 12TH GRADERS ARE WELCOME TO APPLY BY MAY 15, 2015 - SEATS ARE LIMITED
TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS CAMP, PLEASE REQUEST AN APPLICATION OR TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO: CyberCamp@NCInfraGard.com

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Community Information

- Camp Opportunity

5K Run for U

Saturday, April 18th

8:00am Start Time

Historic Downtown Monroe

500 N. Main Street
Monroe, NC 28110

Course Description

The 5K course will start and finish at the Downtown Plaza in front of the Union County Government Center (the tallest building downtown.) The course takes you down Main Street, past Sunset Park and through beautiful Historic Downtown Monroe, passing the Historic Courthouse on the way to the finish line. This fast course is relatively flat and easy for walkers. We welcome strollers and dogs!

There's still time to get your business logo on the race T-shirt. [Click here for the Sponsorship Package including the benefits to the sponsor.](#)

Ready to run? [Click here.](#)

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