

# Central Academy of Technology and Arts Cougar Chronicle

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Central Academy Families,

Into the Woods, our spring musical, opens tonight! Performances will occur on March 12, 13, & 14 at 7:30 pm and March 15 at 2:30 pm. Tickets are \$7.00!! Spring Sports are off to a great start. Please be mindful of the weather and check the CATA website for updates on games. We look forward to a great season.

Attention Juniors and Junior Parents - The CATA Guidance Department will be hosting a Junior Night on Tuesday, April 21st at 6:30 pm in the Auditorium. The counselors will be sharing everything a junior needs to know to get ready for their senior year! We hope to see you there!!!! Juniors and Seniors should also check their student email account to vote for Prom Court. Seniors—be sure to see important dates on the Senior page—for graduation, senior awards ceremony and senior week. Deposits for the field trip during senior week are being accepted to reserve your senior's spot. Details are available in the Cougar Chronicle.

Yearbooks are selling out fast!! Buy yours today. See chronicle for information on how to order. Student Council has started their fundraiser for Victory Junction and are at almost \$900 towards their goal of \$2500. Please support this great cause. Details about staff members who will "take a dare" if we raise enough money is 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 and our Health Occupations students have been busy preparing for their competition coming up. All students participated in Academy Advisory this week and discussed how what they learn in English Language Arts classes is connected with their Academy studies, and skills needed in careers.

CATA students completed all-state band auditions this past Saturday. CATA is proud to have third chair bass clarinet, fourth chair alto saxophone, and first chair bari sax in the 9/10 band. We are also very proud to have second chair trumpet in the 11/12 band. Those totals are the highest in history for our school! Way to go!

CATA had many middle school students from around Union County come out to the CATA Crawl for prospective students this week. Teachers and students enjoyed meeting students that were interested in the academies here at CATA.

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:

**Attention Juniors and Junior Parents** - The CATA Guidance Department will be hosting a Junior Night on Tuesday, April 21st at 6:30 pm in the Auditorium. The counselors will be sharing everything a junior needs to know to get ready for their senior year! We hope to see you there!!!!

**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 31<sup>st</sup>**, but it is recommended that you apply as soon as possible.

**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>.

Are you looking for something to do this summer?? **South Piedmont Community College is offering a variety of FREE and low cost day camps for students.** They will be offering camps on the following topics: Advanced Manufacturing, Art, Construction Trades, Cyber Crime, 'Finding Your Tomorrow in the Medical Field', Intro to Auto Mechanics, Robotics, and Solar Energy. If you are interested in any of those topics, make sure you sign up today! You can learn more about each camp, and register here: <http://www.spcc.edu/summercamps/2136-summer-camps-home.html>

## 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 Cattlemen'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), Ellen Simmons Howes Prospective Educator Scholarship (3/20); Michael A. DeMayo Scholarship (3/23); The Mary Doctor Performing Arts Scholarship Fund (3/27); Union County Education Foundation Scholarship (3/27); Automotive Aftermarket Scholarships (3/31); Scholarship.com "You Like Me...You Really Like Me" Facebook Scholarship (3/31); Union County Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Association Scholarship (4/1); Union County Antique Tractor and Power Club Scholarship (4/1); Furman Scholars Program (4/1); Los Bravos Scholarship; and Latin American Women's Association's New Youth Scholarship

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

## Senior Week is May 18-22

**Whitewater Center Field Trip to develop a Healthy Lifestyle** is scheduled for Thursday 5/21. Please listen for announcements about the event. Make sure you reserve your spot today—Please bring \$25 to Ms. Nahum in room 403 before school.

Deposits are non-refundable unless the entire trip is cancelled.

**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).

**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](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.

**"2015-2016 CTE Internship"** Attention Rising 12<sup>th</sup> 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 @ [sa-rah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto: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 1 – Sun Valley 5

**Men's Tennis:** CATA 4 – Piedmont 5, CATA 6 – Monroe 3

**Women's Soccer:** CATA 1 – Piedmont 0, CATA 0 – Weddington 9

**Softball:** CATA 0 – Anson 5, CATA – Piedmont

**Men's Golf:** - @ Mt. Pleasant Match Finished:

### Upcoming Events:

**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

**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

**Monday 3/16:** AWAY Golf @ Stonebridge 3:30 pm

HOME Softball vs. Anson 5:00 pm

**Tuesday 3/17:** AWAY Tennis @ Mt. Pleasant 4:00 pm

AWAY Softball @ Mt. Pleasant 6:00 pm

HOME Baseball vs. Mt. Island Charter School 4:30 pm

HOME Soccer vs. Marvin Ridge 5:00/6:30 pm

**Wednesday 3/18:** AWAY Soccer vs. Mt. Pleasant 6:00 pm

**Thursday 3/19:** AWAY Tennis vs. Forest Hills 4:00 pm

AWAY Baseball vs. Mt. Island Charter School 4:30 pm

AWAY Track & Field vs. West Stanly 4:30 pm

AWAY Softball vs. Sun Valley 5:00 pm

**Friday 3/20:** HOME Soccer vs. Union Academy 5:00 pm

**Saturday 3/21:** AWAY Track & Field @ Marvin Ridge Meet – All Day Event



**Spring Sports Pictures** will take place on **Friday – March 13<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto:jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us) or

Lisa Eaton – Yearbook Advisor – [lisa.eaton@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto: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??

**Congratulations to Elijah Inuwa who was honored at the UCPS Board of Education meeting for earning his State Championships in the 2A 1000-meter run and the 2A 1600-meter run**



# Yes, we do!!



## Spring Head Coaches Contact Information:

**Athletic Director and Women's Soccer:** Jay Niessner – [jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Baseball:** Nelson Rowell – [neson.rowellteacher@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:neson.rowellteacher@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Softball:** Doug Mayhew – [doug.mayhew@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:doug.mayhew@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Men's Tennis:** Ken Neese – [keneese@gmail.com](mailto:keneese@gmail.com)

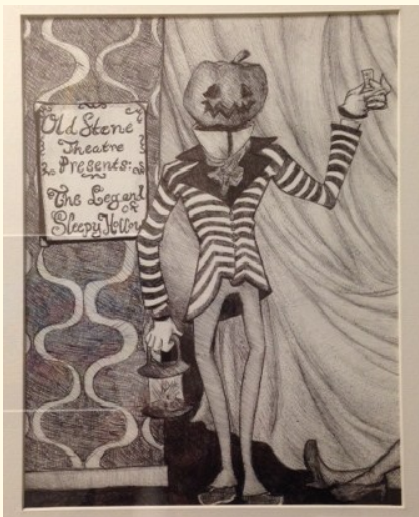
**Track & Field:** Field Miller – [field.miller@aol.com](mailto:field.miller@aol.com)

**Men's Golf:** Mike Jacobus – [mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us)



# Cougar Pride....

- Congratulations to Ms. Deb Christensen for renewing her National Board Certification. Ms. Christensen was honored at the UCPS Board of Education meeting on March 10th. Way to go!!
- 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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

**March 26—The Dark Knight**

**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](http://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>.



# Central Academy of Technology and Arts

## *Into The Woods*

**Into the Woods opens today—  
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.**

### **CATA Performing Arts Committee**

**Help make the first CATA PTSO Performing Arts Committee Fairytale Dinner a delicious success!**

- The committee is seeking donations of baked goods – cookies, cupcakes, and brownies to be the icing on the cake after a dinner catered by Kate Clyde's Catered Creations! These items can be store bought or homemade. Please sign up and drop your desserts off at CATA anytime on Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, or between 10:00 am – 4:00 pm on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Anyone available to come to the school on Thursday, Friday, or Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon to help sell tickets or concessions are also welcome. Assistance for Saturday evening dinner theatre can also be used (set up begins at 5:00 pm and dinner starts at 6:00pm).

The money raised from this dinner will go the purchasing a piano in memory of former chorus teacher – Ms. Debbie Watwood. Thank you to anyone who can assist us on short notice. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle McGuire at [CATAPTSOperform-ingarts@gmail.com](mailto:CATAPTSOperform-ingarts@gmail.com) or Kathie McKain at [Kathieptsocata@gmail.com](mailto:Kathieptsocata@gmail.com)

Please click on the link below to view the online sign up sheet.

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0E4BABAA2AA31-desserts/4676386](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0E4BABAA2AA31-desserts/4676386)

## **Central Academy Hits a Musical High Note in BAND!!!**

**CATA students completed all-state band auditions this past Saturday. CATA is proud to have third chair bass clarinet, fourth chair alto saxophone, and first chair bari sax in the 9/10 band. We are also very proud to have second chair trumpet in the 11/12 band. Those totals are the highest in history for our school!**



## PTSO Announcements

- It is not too late to purchase a ticket to see Into the Woods. Opening night is Thursday, March 12 at 7:30. Performances will continue Friday and Saturday, March 13, 14 at 7:30 and Sunday, March 14 at 2:30 pm.
- The Nominating Committee, chaired by Ann Helms will be meeting throughout the month of March and early April with the task of putting together a slate of officers for the 15-16 school year! Please contact Ann Helms at [adhelms@aol.com](mailto:adhelms@aol.com) if you are interested in learning more about opportunities to lead the PTSO at CATA! The slate will be presented at the April 14, 2015 PTSO Meeting.
- Pie Day is Monday, March 16. Thanks for all of the support! Don't forget to drop your donations off to the school Monday morning!
- Senior Scholarships - The PTSO will be awarding 4 scholarships to eligible seniors. We are seeking applicants who possess a strong character, demonstrate community service and have academic success predicting likewise in college. Applications are available in the guidance office. Deadline is April 17, 2015. Students will be notified on May 1, 2015. Students or Family must be a member of the PTSO to be eligible to apply.
- Senior T-Shirt Design Contest - Attention rising seniors.....that means, current JUNIORS.....be on the lookout for an email inviting you to enter the senior t shirt design contest! All juniors are eligible to enter. We are using Custom Ink, which is a web based program. All juniors will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite design. T's will be sold during senior week and all juniors will have the opportunity to pre order their SENIOR tee shirt!
- Upcoming events -
  1. Into the Woods - March 12 - 15
  2. Pie Day - March 16
  3. Scholarship Deadline - April 17
  4. Academic Achievement Breakfast - April 28
  5. Teacher Appreciation Week - May 5-8Senior Breakfast - TBA  
Thanks for all of your support of the PTSO!

A large, stylized red logo for the PTSO (Parent Teacher Student Organization). The letters are bold and slightly slanted, with a circular design element on the 'O'.

Thanks,  
Kathie McKain, PTSO President

### 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.

## 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 13:** Travel Club Fundraiser, 6:00; Into the Woods Performance, 7:30 (Auditorium);

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)

**Monday, March 16: Benchmarks begin;** 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); Student Council Senior Class meeting, 8 am (Media Center)

**Tuesday, March 17:** MPA Band Retreat, 4-8 pm; 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); German Club Meeting, 3:30 (Rm. 503)

**Wednesday, March 18: Report Cards;** 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); GSA Meeting, 3:45 (Rm. 610); Site-based Team Meeting, 3:40 (Media Center Conference)

**Thursday, March 19:** Social Studies Tutoring, 8:15 and 3:45 (Tesar); Math Tutoring, 3:30 (Royster (210); Student Council Sophomore Class meeting, 3:30 (Media Center)

**Friday, March 20:** NCASC State Convention until Sunday

**Saturday, March 21: PROM, 8 pm until Midnight, Bottle Factory in Monroe**

### Upcoming Dates:

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

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

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

**Juniors: Vote  
for Prom Prince  
and Princess**

**Seniors: Vote  
for Prom King  
and Queen**

**Check your  
student email  
to vote!!**

**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](mailto: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](mailto:josh.wall@ucps.k12.nc.us)



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*In the Community:*

**Union County Playmakers** announce their new show: The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940. March 13,14,20 at 7:30 pm and March 21 at 2:30 pm.  
Show is at Cuthbertson High School Auditorium

See [www.unioncountyplaymakers.org](http://www.unioncountyplaymakers.org)

**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](#)

**Victory Junction**—Staff members are getting involved to support Victory Junction! In addition to donating money, some staff members are also putting themselves “out there” to help raise money—Decide who YOU want to have to “take the dare” below:

**Ms. Fisenne**—Kiss a Pig

**Ms. White**—dress like a student

**Mr. Pusser**—say yes to every question for the day

**Mr. Wall**—move his desk to the hall and work there for the day

**Dr. Tarlton**—blue Mohawk hair style

**Ms. Foreman**—doused in water

**Ms. Kopchick**—roll around IN recycle bin during lunches

**Mr. Niessner**—mystery dare

# **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 one young person to camp for a week. The target goal:



**\$2,500.** 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>**


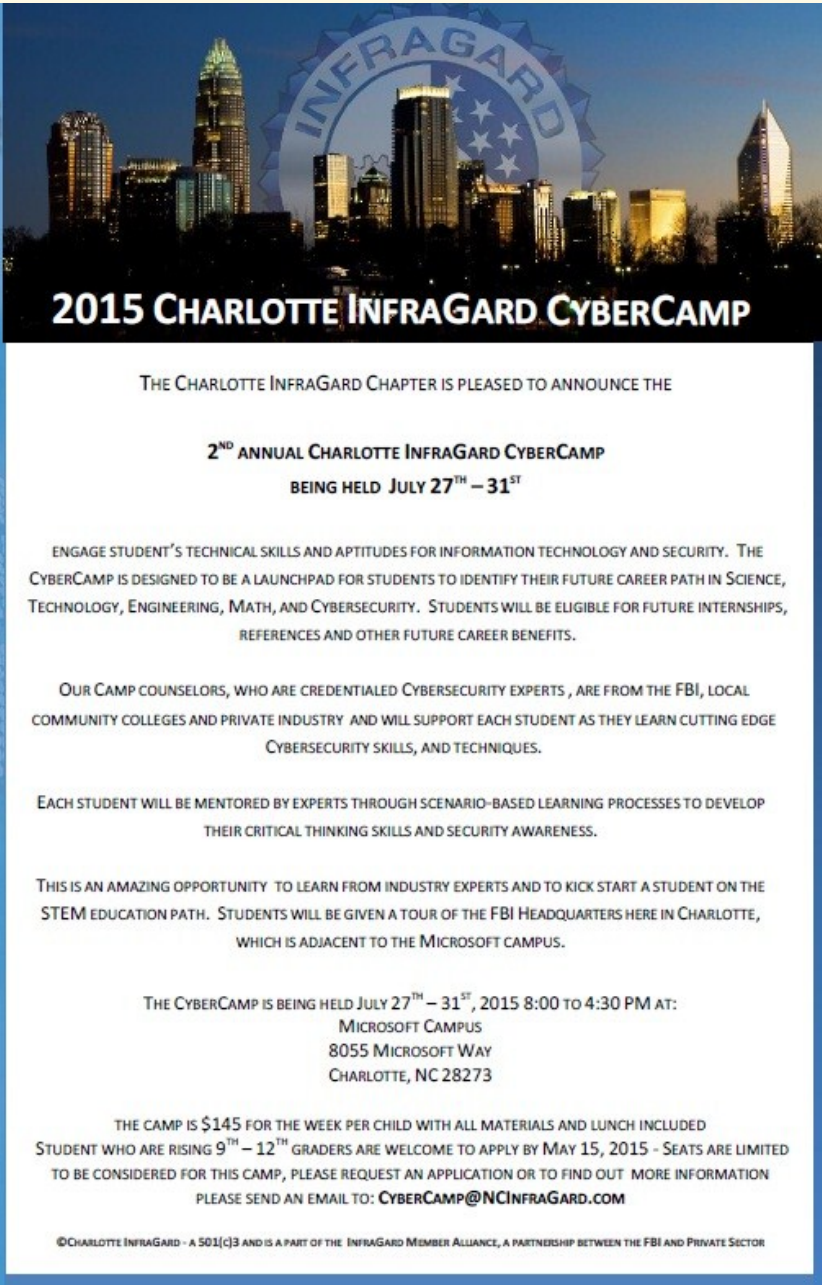
### **VJC Facts**

- 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](http://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

**2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL CHARLOTTE INFRA GARD CYBERCAMP**  
BEING HELD JULY 27<sup>TH</sup> – 31<sup>ST</sup>

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 27<sup>TH</sup> – 31<sup>ST</sup>, 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 9<sup>TH</sup> – 12<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto: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.](#)

Want to volunteer? [Click here.](#)

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