Dear CATA Family,

Please check for information in this edition about Junior Night on 4/30 and Senior Academic Signings on 5/20 and 5/21. Seniors and Senior Parents: Information on how to report any officially offered scholarship in Naviance is in this edition. Please contact Ms. Cole in guidance if you have any questions. All scholarships should be reported by 5/2. All 2018-19 registration forms are due to the counseling office this Friday 4/12 at 3:30 pm. Rising Junior and Senior Parents, please see information about registering for Career and College Promise courses in this edition. Juniors: There is information in this edition about a Common App Simulation Activity hosted by our guidance department. Please see the information on the counseling pages in this edition to sign up. The Senior Cap and Gown delivery day is on 4/15 in the cafeteria. The Senior Cap and Gown Picture is on Wednesday 4/17 during second period. Seniors should wear their caps and gowns and report to the gym when called over the intercom system. The Senior Cap and Gown photo will cost $15. Students needing to recover absences are expected to report to guidance after school and check in with Ms. Tweed Monday to Friday after school up until 5:00 PM. Students interested in playing men’s soccer in the fall should see Coach Niessner before school or at lunch, starting on Monday 4/15 to pick up information. Sophomores: UCPS needs your help with completing a survey. A link was sent to your UCPS email that includes the survey link and password to access the survey. Please complete the survey by Friday 4/12. CATA is having a financial literacy event on 5/22 in collaboration with the State Employee Credit Union (SECU) and are in need of 30 volunteers to help at this event. Please sign up if you are able to help here!

The Spring Musical is “Rock of Ages” and is in full swing. Rock of Ages regular show times are 4/12 at 7 PM and 4/13 at 2:00 and 7 PM. Tickets are $10 and can be purchased at the door or online here. Seating is reserved. There will be food trucks on 4/13. Please visit our Performing Arts Committee of the PTSO website for more information here. Make plans to come out at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, 4/16 for our Fifth Annual CATA’s Got Talent event! We have 20 acts. The cost is $5.00 at the door that gets you 5 tickets to cast votes for your favorite acts. Additional voting tickets are $1 each. Seniors and parents click here or go to the CATA website to see the Spring Senior letter with all information seniors need to know for the rest of the year. Seniors, information about the senior trip to the National Whitewater Center is in this edition and permission and waiver forms are due by 4/17. The Student Council is hosting its annual volleyball tournament on 4/18 during 4th block. Tickets to attend are $5 and on sale during lunches 4/16 to 4/18. See Mr. McDowell to fill out the form for your team and bring your registration fee. The last day to sign up is Friday, 4/12. Also, teams may sign up at this link. Any student interested in running for a student council officer position next year needs to inform Mr. McDowell before 4/18. Interviews, campaigns, and voting will be held in May. The spring Red Cross blood drive will be on 4/17. Please sign-up during lunches this week. You must be 16 in order to donate. If you have any questions, please see Ms. Turner in room 600. The CATA Band of Blue will be holding marching percussion tryouts 4/15 to 4/17 from 4:00-6:00 PM in the band room. All students interested are welcome to try out and prior band experience is preferred but not required. Please see Mr. Retzlaff for more information! CATA Spiritwear is on sale online by clicking here. Check out the new CATA Spirit Wear store. We’ve got t-shirts, hoodies, shorts, pants to show off your school spirit! Check out the display case near the front office to see the gear. There is information in this edition about the Yearbook, Scholarship Opportunities for Seniors, upcoming College visits at CATA, upcoming home athletic events, and student life organization meetings.

Please take time to read over this newsletter. For information about how to make sure you and your CATA neighbors are on the list to receive the newsletter, please go to the For Parents tab on our website, or click here. 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! Ms. Merritt
you're invited to

Academic Signing Day @ CATA
celebrating the class of 2019!!!

Awards, Scholarships, College Acceptance & Career/Military Offers Acknowledged

May 20, 2019
~Medical Science-9 a.m.
~Pre-Engineering-10:30a.m.
~Performing Arts-12:15p.m.

May 21, 2019
~Transportation Academy-9a.m.
~Information Technology-11 a.m.

Contact the Counseling Office with any questions

Central Academy of Technology & Arts,
600 Brewer Drive, Monroe, NC 28112
(704) 296-3088

*Parents of students receiving awards will receive a separate invitation.

CATA 2018/19 NEW
MAY 22ND - VOLUNTEERS FOR FINANCIAL LITERACY EVENT FOR OUR SENIOR CLASS

CATA Families

CATA is having a financial literacy event on May 22nd in collaboration with the State Employee Credit Union (SECU) and are in need of 30 volunteers to help at this event. Please sign up if you are able to help!

As always thank you again for your amazing support of our school.

Please click here to volunteer

Any questions please contact Sarah May sarah.w.may@gmail.com
THE CATA COUNSELING DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

JUNIOR NIGHT 2019

FOR RISING SENIORS

PLEASE JOIN US!

TUESDAY, APRIL 30TH @ 6:30PM-8PM
CENTRAL ACADEMY OF TECHNOLOGY & ARTS | 600 BREWER DRIVE. MONROE, NC

Everything you need to know including...

• SUMMER PREP TIPS
• COLLEGE TOUR INFORMATION
• RESUME BUILDING/INTERVIEW TIPS
• COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS/FAFSA
• ALL ABOUT "NAVIANCE" UPDATES

Prepare for your senior year!

Please contact the CATA Counseling office with additional questions.

FOR MORE DETAILS PLEASE CALL:
(704) 296-3088

PosterMyWall.com
Join us for CATA’s Got Talent!!

The annual talent show will be held on Tuesday, April 16th at 6:30 pm in the auditorium. Admission is $5.00 and that gets you 5 vote tickets. Additional voting tickets are $1.00 each. The winner will be determined by audience votes and a panel of judges. All proceeds raised will be donated to a local charity.

Please join us for a fun night of student talent!

Annual Volleyball Tournament
April 18, 4th Block
$5

Tickets on sale 4/16 to 4/18 at lunch
Proceeds to Victory Junction a camp for kids with Chronic Illnesses
See Mr. McDowell to fill out the form for your team and bring your money. The last day to sign up is Friday, April 12th. Also, teams may sign up at this link.

The Canine Club is Sponsoring Service Puppy Day

Service puppies in training are coming to CATA on Friday, April 12

Buy a ticket to meet one for $2 during your lunch. Tickets will be available the day of the event.

All money raised will benefit Project2Heal in Waxhaw.
**Around CATA**

**Friday, April 12**—Rock of Ages Spring Musical Performance, 7 PM (Theatre)
**Saturday, April 13**—Rock of Ages Spring Musical Performance, 2PM and 7 PM (Theatre); UCPS Spring Robotics Challenge, 7:30 AM (Parkwood High School)

**Monday, April 15**—Student Council Officer’s Meeting, 3:30 (Media Conference); CATA Cougar Skills Basketball Camp, 6 PM (Gym); NHS Talent Show Dress Rehearsal, 3:30 PM (Theatre); **Senior Cap and Gown Delivery Day (Lunches)**; Columbia College Chicago Visit, 10:30 (Guidance); Society of Women Engineers Meeting, 3:30 PM (Rm. 525 Mr. Recher)

**Tuesday, April 16**—End of Grading Period; NHS Talent Show, 7 PM (Theatre); Hands Helping Others, 3:30 PM (Rm. 527 Hinson)

**Wednesday, April 17**—Art Club, 3:30 (Rm. 102 Ms. Pentecost); **Red Cross Blood Drive, 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM (Behind the Gym)**; Senior Cap and Gown Picture, 2nd period (Gym)

**Thursday, April 18**—Yearbook Club, 3:30 (Rm 102, Ms. Pentecost); 7 PM (Theatre); Annual Student Council Volleyball Tournament (4th period)

**Friday, April 19 to Friday April 26**—Spring Break, NO SCHOOL

**Monday, April 29**—First Day Back from Spring Break

**April Events:**
- 4/30—AP Testing Pre-Administration
- 4/30—Junior Night, 6:30, (Theatre)
- 4/30—UNCC College Visit: 11:00 AM (Media Center)

**May and June Events:**
- 5/1 and 5/2—Graduation Speech Auditions, 3:45 PM (Media Conference Rm)
- 5/2—Report Cards
- 5/6—PTSO Meeting, 6:30 (Media Center)
- 5/6—AP US Government Exam, 7:30 AM, (PDC)
- 5/6—AP Environmental Exam, 11:30 AM, (PDC)
- 5/7—AP Physics Exam, 11:30 (PDC)
- 5/7—ITS Induction Ceremony, 6PM (Theatre)
- 5/9—AP Chemistry, 7:30 AM (PDC)
- 5/9—AP Psychology, 11:30 PM (PDC)
- 5/10—AP US History, 7:30 (PDC)
- 5/10—AP Computer Science Principles, 11:30 PM (PDC)
- 5/10 to 5/11—Dance Spring Show, 7 PM (Theatre)
- 5/13—AP Biology, 7:30 (PDC)
- 5/14—AP Calculus AB & BC, 7:30 AM (PDC)
- 5/14—AP Art History, 11:30 AM (PDC)
- 5/15—AP English Language, 7:30 AM (PDC)
- 5/16—Progress Reports
- 5/17—Class Ring Delivery All Lunches
- 5/19—Blumey Awards, 6 PM (Blumenthal PAC)
- 5/20 to 5/24—Senior Week
- 5/20—Academic Signing Day, Medical Sciences, 9:00 AM, Pre-Engineering, 10:30 AM, Performing Arts, 12:15 PM (Theatre)
- 5/20—Senior Week— Make Tie Dye Shirts, 4th Period (Café Courtyard)
- 5/21—Academic Signing Day, Transportation Systems, 9:00 AM, Information Systems, 11:00 AM (Theatre)
- 5/21—Senior Week— Field Day (Fourth Block)
- 5/21—Performing Arts Banquet, 6 PM (Café)

**May and June Events Continued:**
- 5/22—Senior Week: Reality of Money, 1st period (Gym)
- 5/22—Speech and Debate CATA Showcase, 6:00 PM (Media Center)
- 5/22—Site Based Team Meeting, 3:40 PM (Media Conference Rm.)
- 5/23—Senior Week—Senior Breakfast, 1st period (Café) (Toga and Crowns Day)
- 5/23—Spring Band Concert, 7 PM (Theatre)
- 5/24—Senior Trip, National Whitewater Center
- 5/27—NO SCHOOL— Memorial Day
- 5/28—CATA Band Banquet, 7 PM (Gym/Media Center)
- 5/31 and 6/1—A Raisin in the Sun Play, 7 PM (Theatre)
- 5/31—Exam Period One, Review Period Two
- 6/3—Exam Period Two, Review Period Three
- 6/4—Exam Period Three, Review Period Four
- 6/5—Exam Period Four, Community Building
- 6/6—Make-up Exam Day
- 6/6—End of Grading Period and Last Day of School
- 6/6—Graduation Practice, 2:00 PM (Gym)
- 6/7—Required Teacher Workday
- 6/9—Graduation, 2 PM (Winthrop University Coliseum)
ATTENDANCE AND EARLY DISMISSAL FACTS AND PROCEDURES

An attendance letter will be sent home with students after the 3rd, 6th, and 8th unexcused absence. At this time students will be notified if they owe recovery time for absences.

People to contact for absences:
SCHOOL PHONE # (704)296-3088
FAX # (704)296-3090
Mrs. Nahum- School Secretary-
andrea.nahum@ucps.k12.nc.us

Mr. Smith- Data Manager-
william.smith@ucps.k12.nc.us
Mrs. Riley- Absence Recovery Coordinator-
karen.riley@ucps.k12.nc.us

Student Life

Our student life organizations are listed on our website. Click here.

- Who’s got talent? CATA’s Got Talent! The talent show will be held on Tuesday, April 16th at 6:30 pm. Admission is $5, plus $1 for each extra voting ticket.
- Got rhythm? The CATA Band of Blue will be holding marching percussion tryouts April 15, 16 and 17th from 4:00-6:00 PM in the band room. All students interested are welcome to try out and prior band experience is preferred but not required. Please see Mr. Retzlaff for more information!
- The Student Council is hosting its annual volleyball tournament on 4/18 during 4th block. Six-member teams are $20. Teams with a faculty member are $15. Tickets to attend will be $5 and on sale during lunches 4/16 to 4/18. See Mr. McDowell to fill out the form for your team and bring your money. The last day to sign up is Friday, April 12th. Also, teams may sign up at this link.
- Any student interested in running for a student council officer position next year needs to inform Mr. McDowell before spring break. Yes, even if you are currently an officer, you still need to see Mr. McDowell. Interviews, campaigns, and voting will be held in May.
- Society of Women Engineers Meeting, 3:30 PM (Rm. 525 Mr. Recher) on 4/15
- Hands Helping Others, 3:30 PM (Rm. 527 Hinson) on 4/16
- The Art Club is meeting meets Every Wednesday in Rm. 102 (Ms. Pentecost)
- The Yearbook club meets Every Thursday in Rm. 102 (Ms. Pentecost).
- There is a Student Council Officer Meeting, 3:30 PM (Media Conference Rm.) every Monday

Cougar Pride - Way to go!!!

- Congratulations to Blake Teague on signing with West Virginia Wesleyan College to continue his swim career next year!
- Thank you to our Performing Arts Committee of the PTSO for sponsoring such a great Rock of Ages Spring Musical Preview Night 1980s Party. Thank you!
COUGAR ATHLETICS

If you have questions about athletics or want to volunteer to help with athletics, please send an email to Athletic Director, Coach Jay Niessner. Make sure to follow all of CATA’s athletic teams on Twitter: @CATA_Athletics Please follow the CATA Twitter & Facebook feeds for the latest updates due to weather and rescheduled events. Athletic Director: Jay Niessner – jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us

Last Week’s Results:
Baseball – Win vs. Anson, Win vs. Anson, Win vs Forest Hills, Win vs Forest Hills
Softball – Loss vs. Anson, Win vs. Anson
Women’s Soccer – Win vs West Stanly
Track & Field – No events since last chronicle
Men’s Golf – No events since last chronicle
Men’s Tennis – Loss vs. Mount Pleasant

Upcoming Events:
Saturday, April 13th:
AWAY – Track & Field – Southern Guilford

Monday, April 15th:
AWAY – Baseball @ East Montgomery – 6:00 pm
AWAY – Softball @ East Montgomery – 5:00 pm
AWAY – Golf @ East Montgomery – RRC Championship Match – 1:00 pm
AWAY – JV Baseball @ Parkwood – 4:30 pm
HOME – Soccer vs. Anson – 5:00 pm – Senior Night

Tuesday, April 16th:
HOME – Softball vs. East Montgomery – 5:00 pm – Senior Night

Wednesday, April 17th:
AWAY – Tennis @ RRC Championship Tournament – Mount Pleasant – 10:00 am
AWAY – Track & Field @ Marvin Ridge – 4:00 pm
AWAY – Softball @ Parkwood – 6:00 pm
AWAY – Soccer @ Forest Hills – 6:00 pm

Thursday, April 18th:
HOME – Baseball vs. East Montgomery – 4:30/7:00 pm – Senior Night – Varsity Only Double

News & Information:
FAMILY ID: If you plan on participating in Athletics during the 2018-2019 school year you need to create a NEW Family ID account and get registered. Once you have registered, you must get approved before you can participate. You only have to register once and you are good for the entire school year. The link to the CATA Family ID page can be found under FORMS on the CATA Athletics Website. Anyone participating in off season workouts must be registered and approved to participate.
Attention Seniors - Check out the Spring Senior Letter by clicking here.

Seniors— Graduation is at the Winthrop University Coliseum on Sunday, June 9 at 2:00 PM.

The Annual Senior Field Trip will be to the US National Whitewater Center. It is on Friday, May 24th and the cost is $75. Permission slips and waiver forms are available in the front office. Money, permission slips, and waiver forms are due to Ms. Bivens by Friday, April 17. Contact Ms. Royster if you have any questions.

College Visits— Please sign up in Naviance if you would like to attend. See Ms. Cole if you have questions. You must have your teacher’s permission to sign up.

Senior Scholarship Opportunities: Please click here to learn more and see scholarship offerings.

CATA Guidance Department
A high school guidance department can help your student with a LOT during high school—counseling during a problem/or stress, college planning, career/college questions, interview skills, problem solving with classes/teachers, friendship/social issues. Counselors also help with scheduling and what courses to take. Counselors are available to answer parent questions as well.

Please see the list of counselors by academy:
Ashley Lawson: Medical Science, Transportation & Guidance Department Chairperson
Ashley Cole : Pre-Engineering and Performing Arts (theatre & dance)
Sarah Goodwin: Information Systems (Cybersecurity, Computer Engineering, Software & Game Design) and Music Production & Recording Arts.
College and Career Corner
Class Information from the Guidance Counselors

JUNIORS — Common App Simulation Activity - do you want a better view of how students get admitted to college? CATA will be offering an activity to help you see behind the scenes of how students are admitted - grades, test scores, community service, extra-curricular activities, and other items you would never think about!! Please go to your Naviance account, click College Home, and then the link to sign up will be at the bottom of this page. Only 30 Juniors are eligible, so sign up quickly!!! See Ms. Lawson for questions.

Attention Rising Juniors & Seniors—Career and College Promise Information

Are you interested in taking South Piedmont Community College (SPCC) courses during the 2019-2020 school year? If so, course registration for Career & College promise (CCP) will be held in the CATA guidance office on the following dates:

April 1, 2019 for returning Career & College Promise students (already enrolled in the program).
May 1, 2019 for new Career & College Promise Students.

All interested students should see Ms. Cain in the Guidance Office to sign-up for this course registration event. Returning students should sign-up by 3/26/19, and New students should sign up no later than 4/18/19.
New students will also need to complete the CCP enrollment application on the SPCC website prior to the registration date. Once your application has been submitted, please notify Ms. Cain within 1-2 days for submission of your transcript/test scores. The following link will take you to the program/application site: https://spcc.edu/programs-and-courses/high-school-programs/
Please see Ms. Cain for any additional questions regarding Career & College Promise or the application process.

CATA COUGAR SPIRIT WEAR
CATA Spirit Wear will be on sale on the dates posted below.
Our Band Boosters sell Cougar Spirit Wear!
Click here to purchase online.
Please call or text Mickie Carter at 980-257-4174 with questions.
Seniors How to Report Your Scholarships

SENIORS - Scholarship Reporting

- Seniors will report scholarships in Naviance.
- You will still need to provide a hard or electronic copy of your scholarship offer to Ms. Cole by Thursday, May 2nd.

1. From the Naviance homepage, click ‘About Me’
2. Click ‘Surveys’

SENIORS - Scholarship Reporting

- Click ‘Add New’
- If your scholarship is renewable, meaning you will receive that amount each year, put the 4-year total amount of that scholarship.
  - Ex: A renewable scholarship of $4,000 would have a 4-year total of $16,000.
- You will only be able to add scholarships that are in Naviance. If a scholarship you are offered is not in Naviance, you need to bring a copy of your offer to Ms. Cole so she can put it in.

SENIORS - Scholarship Reporting

- If you want to come back and add more scholarships click ‘Save and Come Back’.
- School-specific scholarships are listed as generic university/collage scholarships. For example, if you get the Wingate Presidential Scholarship you will search for ‘Wingate Academic Scholarship’ and then put the amount. Same goes for athletic scholarships.

- Make sure you are ONLY reporting scholarships.
- Grants, work, studies, and loans should not be reported.

If you are COMPLETELY done you will click ‘Save and Finish’. You will NOT be able to edit your scholarships after clicking this button.
Cougar Council PTSO Information

Click here to view important PTSO information, minutes, and agendas.

If anyone is interested in being a committee chair we have several openings for Fundraising and Membership chairs. Please contact catacougarcouncil@gmail.com for more information. We are still looking for a membership and fundraising chairperson. Please re-link your Harris Teeter VIC cards.

President: Nicole D’Amico
nicole.damico.me@gmail.com

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sfclontz@carolina.rr.com

Treasurer: Ann Helms,
adhelms@aol.com

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Hospitality:
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Membership: Vacant
Fundraising: Vacant

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Performing Arts @CougarArts
Athletics @CATA_Athletics
Football @cata_football
Band @catabanddirect
Student Council @StucoCata
Counseling Twitter @CATA_Counseling
Counseling Instagram @CATA.counseling
Cheerleading @CATACougarCheer
Baseball @CATA_Baseball
Theatre Instagram: @C.A.T.A.Theatre
UCPS @UCPS_MonroeNC

Chromebook & Technology Help Desk:

Students may see Mr. Eddins during the following times for help with Technology:
- Monday
- Wednesday
- Friday
7:30AM-8:50AM
12:00PM-2:00PM

Volunteering at Central Academy:

We are happy to have our parents volunteer for events, field trips, and other school activities. Please click here to fill out an application to volunteer.
Central Academy of Technology and Arts

Take Time to Visit our Media Center known as THE DEN

Click here on the media center website to learn about offerings of books to read, research materials for class, and tools to enhance educational experiences! Contact Deb Christensen, media specialist for details.

Yearbooks

Have you purchased a yearbook yet? Yearbooks are now $85.00. Metal name tags can be ordered until March (select itag at checkout). You can order online at https://yearbookforever.com/ (search for CATA) or send a check (made payable to CATA). The yearbook staff is hard at work designing another fabulous book. If you have any questions about yearbook sales, please contact Ms. Deb Christensen at deb.christensen@ucps.k12.nc.us or call 704-296-3088, ext. 7140.

Student Parking Passes

We have NO more parking spaces for the 2018-2019 school year.

Math Tutoring

with Ms. Broome
In room 519

Mondays
3:30-4:30