Central Academy of Technology & Arts

Cougar Chronicle

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Dear CATA Family,

2019 UCPS Parent Survey: Parents, your feedback is important to us. We encourage you to participate in the 2019 UCPS Parent Survey. The survey will be open April 15-26. Please know that this is an anonymous survey and the information you provide will only be used to improve our teaching and learning practices and the overall UCPS experience for families. No personally identifiable information pertaining to you or your student will be collected. For your convenience, the survey can be taken through a mobile device and it is compatible with all operating systems. We appreciate your time and cooperation. We would like to thank the cast, band, crew, and teachers of our Spring Musical, "Rock of Ages," and thank **Attention AP students** - the **AP Pre-Administration** is required and will be on Tuesday, 4/30 during Cougar Time in the cafeteria!!! If you do not complete your AP Pre-Administration you cannot take your AP exams. Please see Ms. Lawson with any questions. Junior Night is on Tuesday 4/30 at 6:30 PM in the Theatre. Current Juniors, rising seniors are encouraged to come to this event led by our counseling department. The event is about the upcoming senior year, what you need to do over the summer, college tour information, resume building and interview tips, the college application process and FAFSA, and Naviance updates. Graduation Speeches: Each academy has one senior speak at graduation. A committee of the faculty and staff of Central Academy choose the individuals for graduation speeches. Students may audition for consideration



to this committee on **Wednesday**, **May 1 or Thursday**, **May 2** starting at 3:45 in the media center conference room. Please pay attention to the announcements for information on how to register to audition on May 1 and 2. Please see information in this edition about the **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 <u>Ms.</u> <u>Cole</u> in guidance if you have any questions. All scholarships should be reported by 5/2.

We appreciate your time and cooperation. We would like to thank the cast, band, crew, and teachers of our **Spring Musical**, "**Rock of Ages**," and thank for such an awesome performance. The show was absolutely a joy to watch and we are awaiting our nominations for the Blumey Awards. Please see information in this edition. One of the **CATA Robotics** Teams placed 3rd in the UCPS Spring Competition. Please see details in this edition. The **Canine Club** held its first "Pet the Puppy," event to raise money for Project2Heal in Waxhaw. The **NHS** hosted an 18 act **talent show** this past week to raise money for Turning Point.

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. 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! **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. The **Rho Kappa application** and two recommendations must be completed and turned in to Ms. Jones by the end of the school on Wednesday, 5/1. The CATA Band of Blue will be holding **color guard tryouts** for the 2019 season on Monday, 4/29 4:30-6:30 PM. Prior experience is not required. Please see Mr. Retzlaff for more information. Central Academy of Technology and Art's very first completely student-run musical directed by Senior, Ava Grismer! Join us on May the 4th at 7:00 pm for our one-night performance of **The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee** (full musical). The cost is \$5.00 at the door,. **CATA Spiritwear** is on sale online by clicking here. Check out the new CATA Spirit Wear store. 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 <u>click here</u>. 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



The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

Saturday, May 4th at 7 PM in the theatre:

The cost is \$5.00 at the door, although any further donations would be greatly appreciated. All profits will go towards the Seniors next year so that they too can create a special project of their own. This musical is directed by senior Ava Grismer. We are excited about our first senior Theatre Specialization Project! All profits will go towards the Seniors next year so that they too can create a special project of their own. Over the past month, students have been rehearsing early in the mornings before school, and on the weekends, while also participating in the school musical during the evenings. Our team came together and raised a total of \$1,000 to pay for all aspects of putting on this show.



Please come out and join us for an amazing performance that you don't want to miss!



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

Parents of students receiving awards will receive a separate invitation.

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



CATA 2018/19NEW

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



PLEASE JOIN US!

TUESDAY, APRIL 30TH @ 6:30PM-8PM

CENTRAL ACADEMY OF TECHNOLOGY & ARTS I 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

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Robotics Team Places 3rd in UCPS Event

The CATA Robotics Club sent three teams to the Union County CTE Spring Robotics Tournament. The tournament featured thirty-six teams from high schools in Union County. During the first half of the competition teams are randomly paired with another team, to challenge another randomly generated pair. From these challenges the top 32 teams are selected. Two of the CATA teams made the top 32. From these, the top 16 teams form an alliance with a team in the bottom 16. The teams select robots that are built with options to complement their robot. These 16 pairs challenge in a best 2 out of 3 format. The CATA team, Brotherhood of Steel, placed 3rd in the final challenge. The team is comprised of Taylor Shaw, Kieran Lorray and Ben Rodgers. This is the first time this team has competed.





Rock of Ages: The Best Show Ever.....!

Posted are the preliminary nominations for Blumey Awards. We will await final nominations for these and all categories in the coming weeks. We will find out about other category nominations at a later date. There were over 60 students and 7 teachers involved in this amazing show! These listed performers are being considered for the following Blumey Nominations. I you missed this show, then you missed Nothin' But a Good Time!

CATEGORY	NAME	ROLE
Best Actor	Sayo Oni	Drew
Best Actress	Miia Harris	Sherrie
Best Supporting Actor	Henry Helms	Lonny
Best Supporting Actress	Ava Grismer	Anita
Best Featured Performer	Aamar Culbreth	Dennis

Thank you!

So Very Proud!

Don't' Stop Believin'!



Around CATA

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

Monday, April 29—First Day Back from Spring Break; Student Council Officer Meeting, 3:30 PM (Media Conference Rm.)

Tuesday, April 30—AP Testing Pre-Administration; Junior Night, 6:30, (Theatre); UNCC College Visit: 11:00 AM (Media Center); Beta Club Meetings, 8:20 AM & 3:35 (Media Center)

Wednesday, May 1—Art Club, 3:30 (Rm. 102 Ms. Pentecost); Graduation Speech Auditions, 3:45 PM (Media Conference Rm)

Thursday, May 2— Report Cards Yearbook Club, 3:30 (Rm 102, Ms. Pentecost); Graduation Speech Auditions, 3:45 PM (Media Conference Rm); World Language Club, 3:30 (Rm. 521 Ms. McAbee) **Saturday, May 4—**Theatre Specialization Project: The 25h Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (Grismer), 7 PM, (Theatre)

May and June Events:

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)

5/7—Theatre Specialization , Songs from Rent (Stivaletti)

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—Dance Spring Show, 7 PM (Theatre)

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 Human Geography, 11:30 AM (PDC)

5/15—AP English Language, 7:30 AM (PDC)

5/16—Progress Reports

5/16—AP World History, 7:30 AM (PDC)

5/16—AP Stats, 7:30 AM (PDC)

5/16—Union County Ed. Foundation, Sweet Salute, 6:30 PM (Wingate University)

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)

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)

May and June Events Continued:

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)



Performing Arts
Parents can view
the Academy
Calendar by
clicking here.



Cougar Pride - Way to go!!!

NHS Talent Show winners: Sam Cox finished first. Julianna Santiago finished second. Alexandria Johnson, Keilah Jones, and Jazmin Harrington finished third.

Thank you to our Medical Academy for the **Red Cross Blood Drive**. The second drive of the year collected 52 pints.

Track & Field: Congratulations to the following Men's & Women's Throwers, Jumpers and Runners on qualifying for the NCHSAA 2A Regional Meet, this does not include anyone that might have qualified at the Marvin Ridge meet: Jackson Hase, Donovan Walker, Joel Simpson, Evan Schmitt, Noah Estrada, Elliot Wunder, Roman Lopina, Ben Wojtkowiak, Nick Pirozzi, Kyle MacLelland, Sergio Andrades- Cristobal, Kirsten Hicks, Jordan Felipe, Brooke Butler, Riley Fecker, John D'Amico, Ryan Karhnak & Tyler Hudson (per Coach Inuwa)

Men's Golf: Congrats to the Men's Golf team on winning the Rocky River Conference Championship this week. Nick Song shot a school record 70 in the championship event and was named golfer of the year. Congrats to Coach Jacobus on being named RRC Coach of the Year. The team will compete at Regionals after spring break.

Men's Tennis: Congrats to the doubles team of Dilan Mattison & Trent DiMaio on winning the RRC Tournament and advancing to the NCHSSA Regionals in Salisbury on 5/3 & 5/4. Congrats to Sid Sivaram on finishing 3rd and advancing to the NCHSAA Regional singles tournament in Salisbury. The team will find out if they qualify for the dual team tournament on 4/29.













Student Life

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

- The **Rho Kappa application** and two recommendations must be completed and turned in to Ms. Jones by the end of the school on Wednesday, 5/1.
- There are **BETA Club** meetings on Tuesday 4/30 in the Media center at 8:20 AM and 3:35.
- There is a **World Language Club** meeting on Thursday 5/2 at 3:30 in Room 521 (Ms. McAbee)
- 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

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 Secretaryandrea.nahum@ucps.k12.nc.us Mr. Smith- Data Manager william.smith@ucps.k12.nc.us Mrs. Riley- Absence Recovery Coordinatorkaren.riley@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, <u>Coach Jay Niessner</u>. 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 – <u>jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us</u>

Last Week's Results:

Baseball – Win vs. East Montgomery Softball – Win vs. East Montgomery, Win vs. East Montgomery Women's Soccer – Win vs. Anson, Win vs. Mount Pleasant, Win vs. Forest Hills

Track & Field – See below for regional qualifiers

Men's Golf – See below for Conference Champions Information

Men's Tennis – Win vs. West Stanly, See below for Conference

Championship update

<u>Upcoming Events:</u> Monday, April 29th:

AWAY – Men's Golf vs. Piedmont – 3:30 pm

Tuesday, April 30th:

TBA – Baseball – RRC Tournament – 6:00 pm TBA – Softball – RRC Tournament – 6:00 pm AWAY – Soccer – East Montgomery – 6:00 pm

Wednesday, May 1st:

TBA – Men's Tennis – 1st Round Dual Team Tournament

Thursday, May 2nd:

AWAY – Track & Field – Forest Hills – 2:00 pm – RRC Championship Meet

HOME - Soccer vs. Ledford - 5:30 pm

Friday, May 3rd:

AWAY – Tennis – Individual/Doubles Regionals – Salisbury High

HOME – Soccer vs. Parkwood – 4:00 pm

Saturday, May 4th:

AWAY – Tennis – Individual/Doubles Regionals – Salisbury High

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.

Spring Sports Information:

Baseball – Aaron Hammers – aaron.hammers@ucps.k12.nc.us Men's Golf – Mike Jacobus – mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us

Men's Tennis – Terry Lewis – terry.lewis@kw.com

Softball – Greg Peters – Gregory.peters@ucps.k12.nc.us

Track & Field – Kim Inuwa – kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us
Women's Soccer – Jay Niessner –

jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us









College and Career Corner

Class Information from the Guidance Counselors



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

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.

<u>Senior Scholarship Opportunities: Please click here to learn more and see</u> 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

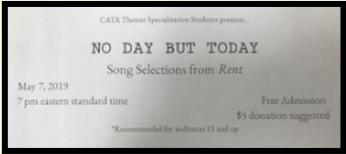
Arts (theatre & dance)

Sarah Goodwin: Information Systems
(Cybersecurity, Computer Engineering, Software & Game Design) and Music Production & Re-

Theater Specialization Projects

cording Arts.





College and Career Corner

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Attention AP students - the **AP Pre-Administration** is required and will be on Tuesday, 4/30 during Cougar Time in the cafeteria!!! If you do not complete your AP Pre-Administration you cannot take your AP exams. Please see Ms. Lawson with any questions.

Class of 2020
Class of 2021



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 - 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 #2 Click From the "Surveys Naviance Not homepage, click 'About Started' Me' Filter by #3 Not started My Surveys Click 'Surveys' 2019 Scholarship Reporting Scholarship Reporting'

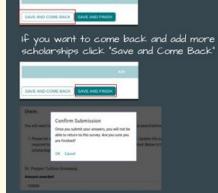


- Enter the scholarship offer(s) you have received and the amount
- If your scholarship is renewable, meaning you will receive that amount each year, put the 4-year total amount of that scholarship

 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.

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SENIORS - Scholarship Reporting



- School-specific scholarships are listed as generic university/college 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 <u>here</u> 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 <u>catacougarcouncil@gmail.com</u> 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

<u>nicole.damico.me@gmail.com</u> **Vice President:** Meena Sreeraman,

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Membership: Vacant Fundraising: Vacant



CATA Families-

Did you know that when customers shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by customers?

So please select Central Academy and help support our great school and get your shopping done at the same time

Please Click on the Ad to go to the site.



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.

Be in the Know by following us on Social Media

Follow CATA at @cata_monroe
Dance @CATA_DANCE
Performing Arts @CougarArts
Athletics @CATA_Athletics
Football @cata_football
Band @catabanddirect
Student Council @StucoCata
Counseling Twitter @CATA_Counseling

Counseling Instagram @CATA.counseling
Cheerleading @CATACoungerCheer

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





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



Math Tutoring



with

Mr. Broome In room 519

Mondays

3:30-4:30

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://



<u>yearbookforever.com/</u> (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.



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Student Parking Passes

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







