

Central Academy of Technology and Arts

Cougar Chronicle

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U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon School

Dear CATA Family,

We are proud to announce the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction has recognized Central Academy for its 100% Graduation Rate for the 2016 four year cohort. Dr. Fisenne traveled to Raleigh this past week to receive the recognition and a plaque to go on display at the school. This week's Cougar Chronicle includes our A and A/B honor roll. Congratulations students. We want to congratulate our women's golf team that ended their season 4th in the State! Way to go. Kaley Wiliford of our women's tennis team went to State competition today and won both matches which puts her in the Final Four for the state—this is school history in the making! Way to go Kaley!! Please consider the School Bond when you go to vote this November. At CATA we are lucky enough to have a school district that provides transportation to a magnet school—but to have good transportation we need an expanded transportation facility to service our fleet. A new transportation facility is included in this bond. Parents please help your child by ensuring that they are at school each day. We are tracking absence and tardy rates in our front office to raise student awareness, please support us by stressing this at home as well! We appreciate all you do!



- The **PTSO** has launched their annual **Invest in Excellence** campaign aimed at supporting great instruction in our school. Please see the Invest In Excellence Brochure in the chronicle for details.
- **Attendance matters.** Your child's attendance matters to their learning. We will place statistics on daily attendance in future editions of the Chronicle.
- There are great stories in this edition about our Environmental Science classes and
- Dance Academy.
- There is information in this edition about the **UNCG Teaching Fellows Program**
- The annual **Powder Puff Games** are on Thursday, November 10. Please see the Chronicle for details.
- **Winter Sports** start on: ; Monday – October 31st (Basketball & Wrestling), Friday November 4th – Swimming @ Monroe Aquatics Center, Indoor Track – Monday November 7th. Please see the athletics' page in this edition for more information about try out forms and tickets.
- We will honor our Fall Athletes at **Fall Sports Awards Night** Monday, November 14th @ 7:00 pm in the CATA Auditorium.
- **Seniors:** check out important information about **FAFSA Day on 10/29 and financial aid** in this edition of the Chronicle. Additionally, seniors should check out information about **choosing your year-book pose** is in this edition.
- Our Annual **Trunk or Treat is quickly approaching—Sign up information is in the newsletter—Trunk or Treat is an event** for local children so that they have a safe place to trick-or-treat. It has grown to a big event and our students do a great job hosting this event at CATA.
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Please take time to read over this newsletter. The Cougar Chronicles are also 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! Dr. Fisenne

CATA Dancers Participate in the Charlotte Ballet Middle and High School Dance Festival

The Charlotte Ballet Middle and High School Dance Festival took place over the weekend with our dance department in attendance. The weekend kicked off with the performance *Fall Works* by the Charlotte Ballet. Mrs. Cyphers was pulled up on stage and performed as the audience member centre in *Minus 16*. Next, our students learned hip-hop master classes featuring Dance District teachers. Sunday morning started bright and early for a few dancers who attended the scholarship auditions. Other dancers participated in master classes taught by Kim Jones, E.E. Balcos, Emily Morgan, Niahm Kioski and many more. Sunday evening was the performance by the festival attendees. Dances were



submitted and adjudicated to create a well rounded concert. C.A.T.A. performed *Return* choreographed by Zealy Helms, *Accumulation* choreographed by the senior dancers, and *Geometric*, a solo choreographed and performed by Cortney Vartanian. *Accumulation* was awarded Best Student Choreography. Before the performance concluded scholarship awards were handed out. Emma Marvel received a \$60,000 dollar scholarship to La Rouche, as well as another scholarship to ECU. Aryanna Allen, Allegra Persico, and Cortney Vartanian received scholarships from UNCC, College of Charleston, Winthrop, ECU. Morgan Dooley received scholarship money to J.C. Smith summer program, and Milana Acolino was accepted into the Charlotte Ballet summer program. Our dancers are AMAZING!!!!

"The Charlotte Ballet's High School Dance Festival was such a fun experience and offered insight to the world of a professional dancer. We began our day with a 3 hour audition and then participated in advanced masterclasses in modern, jazz, and ballet. After a day full of dancing, exploring the city, and having fun with friends, we got the opportunity to perform our dances at the Knight Theatre. We won a student choreography award for our piece entitled *Accumulation*, as well as, multiple scholarships for the senior class.

Aryanna Allen

"ON October 23, 2016 I had the privilege of attending the Performance portion of the Charlotte Middle School and High School Dance Festival. As mother of one of the dancers, as well as a parent who has been associated with CATA for over 5 years, I am so very proud that the Dance Academy represented CATA in such amazing ways. The three CATA performances showcased the talent and diversity that is such an integral part of the entire school at CATA. I lost count of the awards given to Ms. Cyphers, the CATA choreographers and the students who auditioned for scholarships. It is such an honor being a part of the CATA family!"

Dale Ann Plyler



Ms. Kopchick's Earth Science Classes with a Real World Experience at Bearskin Creek

On Thursday October 20th Ms. Kopchick, along with 40 of her students, set out to cleanse the environment at Bearskin Creek in Monroe. The day prior to the field trip, storm water engineers from the City of Monroe visited Ms. Kopchick's Earth and Environmental Science class. Students learned how agricultural practices affect our surface waters such as cows bathing in our rivers, and heavy rain washing sediment, debris and leaves into our fresh water. All these problems can be very expensive to clean. Sediment is the worst water pollutant. Sediment can suffocate fish by clogging their gills to a point where they can no longer breathe. Students also learned ways to prevent water contamination. For example, construction workers can check if a heavy rain is expected. On these days, they should not throw up a lot of sediment. This dirt, after a big storm, washes down into our storm drains and right into our rivers. To prevent this, they can install silt fences to catch some of the runaway sediment. Other preventive practices include farmers fencing in their cows, as well as people recycling and not littering. People can also wash cars in the grass instead of on cement. Washing cars on cement lets the soap wash away and allows it to enter into storm drains and then continues into freshwater rivers. Once at Belk Tonawanda Park in Monroe, students had two goals. First to clean up two miles of Bearskin Creek and second to test the water quality. Students put on protective gear and those who wanted to go in the river put on water wading boots. Students found all sorts of items such as found basketballs, footballs, rims, tires, a shower chair, four golf balls, a jar filled with peanut butter, and a whole lot of glass bottles, and cans. After about two hours of cleaning, students tested the water quality. Students entered the finding on the World Water Monitoring Challenge Website. Results can be found here at this link: https://app.monitorwater.org/#/entities/surface_water/07253fc2-8ff5-49c1-b5fc-9098d32a7ca5. Ms. Kopchick appreciates all the hard work the students performed along with the chaperones that attended. **Written by Deanna Gillespie**



Community and the Arts

CATA Winterguard; CATA is looking into starting a Winterguard Team. If you are interested, please let Mr. Craig Retzlaff know. More information will be coming soon if we have enough interest.

Guidance News

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

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

[Melody Carr](#): Information Systems (CyberSecurity, Computer Engineering, Software

Seniors....

Graduation—Saturday, June 10, 2016 7:30 PM at Winthrop Coliseum

SENIORS – did you miss Financial Aid night?? Check out CFNC's presentation [here!](#)

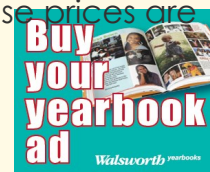
The link will be at the top of the page. You can learn about the FAFSA, financial aid basics, and more!



FAFSA Day - October 29, 2016 - This *FREE* program can help you complete and submit your FAFSA. Volunteers and financial aid officers will be on hand to help you at SPCC's Monroe Campus (4209 Old Charlotte Highway, Monroe, Campus Library, Building B) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For more information, and to register, please visit: <https://www.onlineregistrationcenter.com/register/222/page1.asp?m=227&c=2810>.

Parents of seniors – Senior ads are on sale now! Order online or at CATA. These prices are good until **November 18th**. Contact Ms. Christensen for more information.

1/8 page = \$60, 1/4 page = \$95, 1/2 page = \$185, Full page = \$280



Seniors, it's time to select your pose for the yearbook! Please go to www.metroseiorportraits.com, enter your event code that you received, insert an e-mail and then view your portraits. Once the images come up, there is a red button in the lower left hand corner that says "Yearbook Selection". Once you click on that, you will see their images. Students need to select a picture in their tux or drape that is on a blue background for the yearbook. Then, you will click on the green "SAVE" button in the lower right hand corner. A quick flash in the lower right hand screen will tell them that their "Yearbook Selection Has Been Saved". If you go back to images, click on the "Yearbook Selection" button, you should see your selection highlighted in green with a check mark in the upper left hand corner. **You must choose a pose by November 4th.** See Ms. Christensen if you've lost your code.

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

Cougar Pride - Way to go!!!!

- ◆ Congratulations to Zaria Reep for being nominated by the scholarship committee for the Prudential Spirt of Community Award!
- ◆ Congrats to Kaley Williford on winning the NCHSAA 2A Midwest Singles Championship. She is the first tennis player male or female at CATA to do so. She will compete in the state tournament this weekend in Cary, NC

College and Scholarship Spotlight

SENIORS – The Admissions Office at Wingate University will be hosting Senior Night on **November 10th**! This **FREE** event is for students and parents. Financial aid information and college transition tips will be discussed. The event starts at 6:00 p.m. in room 111 on the first floor of their Library. To register, please email Kayla Osterhus at ka.osterhus@wingate.edu

Ron Brown Scholar Program:

The Ron Brown Scholarship honors the legacy of Ronald H. Brown through a selective scholarship program that advances higher education for community-minded and intellectually gifted African Americans. They are looking for the most talented and economically-challenged high school seniors who demonstrate a keen interest in public service, community engagement, business entrepreneurship and global citizenship. Winners will receive \$10,000 annually for four years, for a total of \$40,000. to apply, please visit:

<https://www.ronbrown.org/section/apply/program-description>.

Priority Deadline: November 1, 2016 / Final Deadline: January 1, 2017

NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing:

This award honors young women in grades 9 - 12 for their computing-related achievements and interests. Awardees are selected for their computing and IT aptitude, leadership ability, academic history, and plans for post-secondary education. Recipients receive opportunities for scholarships, internships, peer networking experiences, computing resources and other educational and employment opportunities. Please visit their website to learn more:

<https://www.aspirations.org/participate/high-school>. **Deadline: November 7, 2016**

College Presentations: Juniors or Seniors

The following colleges plan to visit at the dates and times listed. If you are interested in attending one of these information sessions, please sign up in the Guidance Office.

- **UNC Greensboro** - November 1, 2016 @ 2:15 p.m.
- **College of Charleston** - November 2, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m.
- **Carolinas College of Health Sciences** - November 2, 2016 @ 11:00 a.m.
- **Davidson College** - November 4, 2016 @ 10:30 a.m.
- **UNC Chapel Hill** - November 4, 2016 @ 2:15 p.m.
- **Winston-Salem State University** - November 7, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m.**
- **North Carolina A&T University** - November 7, 2016 @ 2:15 p.m.
- **Belmont Abbey College** - November 10, 2016 @ 11:15 a.m.
- **Savannah College of Art & Design (SCAD)** - December 6, 2016 @ 11:15 a.m.

**Onsite admissions available!

Seniors – Your NEW Scholarship Newsletter is available! Find a copy [here!](#)

Class Information and College and Career Corner

ACT

JUNIORS—All juniors will be taking the **ACT**, a college entrance exam, in early March. In order to best prepare all juniors will work on ACT preparation during Cougar Time two times per week.

ALL STUDENTS—Do you want to opportunity to explore UNC Chapel Hill and take classes on their campus?? **Splash UNC** is an educational enrichment program that allows high school students to take classes on the UNC Chapel Hill campus that are created and taught by Carolina students. Students can choose from over 120 courses that cover topics such as: Harry Potter, Chemistry, Swing Dancing, college admissions, DNA, and much more! Students will be able to create their own schedule. This program will run from **9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on November 12th** on UNC Chapel Hill's campus. The cost to attend is \$15 with lunch provided. Financial aid is available for students who need financial assistance. For more information, and to register, please visit: <http://splash.web.unc.edu/>. **Registration deadline: November 5, 2016**

CLASS OF
2018

CLASS
OF 2019

Class of
2020

Attention sophomores – The Hugh O'Brian (HOBY) Youth Leadership Seminar was created for sophomores to recognize their leadership talents and apply them to become effective, ethical leaders. The selected student will spend 3-4 days participating in hands-on leadership activities. North Carolina's seminar will be in June, but the dates have yet to be determined. *10th graders* with leadership potential and/or ability are the target audience for this experience. If you are interested, please pick up an interest form in Guidance. In addition, to the interest form, students must submit a resume and short essay. For more information, please visit: <http://www.hoby.org/programs/leadership-seminars/>. All materials must be returned to Mrs. Cameron in Guidance. **Deadline: October 31, 2016.**

Parent Involvement

PTSO – To get involved, please send an email to thecougarcouncil@gmail.com or call the main office and leave a message for the PTSO.

PTSO MEETING DATES (all will be in the media center)

November 15th at 6:30 pm,

February 6th at 6:30 pm, April 3rd at 6:30 pm

Help our PTSO raise funds to support instruction and academics throughout CATA!

Shop at Harris Teeter. Simply link your HT card to CATA. You do need to re-link after August 1st each year. **CATA school # is 3612.**

Band Booster Club - Contact Band Booster president Aimi Gundersen to volunteer at catabandpresident@gmail.com

- **Cougar Athletics** – contact Jay Niessner at <mailto:jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us>
- **Performing Arts Committee** – contact the PTSO (see above) for information about how to help out

SEE ABOUT CONNTECTING COUGAR FAMILIES ON THE NEXT PAGE
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Click this Box for more information.



Teacher Education Fellows

Developing the teacher as servant leader within a diverse and global context



A UNIQUE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY AWAITS YOU!

We are now recruiting high school seniors for our campus-based Teacher Education Fellows Program. We are looking for students who are interested in becoming leaders in the teaching profession. Participation in the program will give you the opportunities you need to become a leader in the field of education.

Distinguishing features of the program include:

- \$20,000.00 in scholarships awarded incrementally over four years
- A semester abroad taking classes and interning in the schools
- Engagement with service initiatives designed to address the needs of the local community
- Internships in the schools starting in the first year
- Integrated seminars led by award-winning faculty
- Networking with educational leaders from the local, state, & national level
- Collaborative activities with a cohort of peers at UNCG and other North Carolina campuses
- Participation in professional conferences and workshops

The Teaching Fellows program has provided me with an opportunity to be a better educator through learning more about diverse populations, internships, and enrichment programs throughout my time at UNC Greensboro.

- Jon Walter, UNCG Teaching Fellow, 2015

AM I ELIGIBLE?

In addition to formal admission into UNCG, priority will be given to prospective students that meet the following criteria:

- North Carolina residency
- Major in Elementary, Middle Grades, High School, or Special Education
- 3.80 weighted cumulative high school GPA
- Minimum 1100 SAT (verbal and math) or 24 ACT composite score
- Responses to additional essay questions on the program application

HOW DO I APPLY?

The program is now accepting applications. Priority will be given to those that apply by January 1. A new cohort begins in Fall.

Applications can be found online.

WHOM CAN I CONTACT?

Email: teacher.fellows@uncg.edu
Phone: 336-256-1489

Click this Box for more information.

Hear what others say about UNCG and the Teacher Education Fellows Program:

utlc.uncg.edu/teacher-education-fellows

Connecting Families

The Cougar Council is trying to make it easier for families to connect with each other based on their student's academies, geographic location, sports played, clubs involved with, etc. We realize that since our school covers the entire county it can sometimes be hard to make connections with other families. If you are interested in participating, please fill out the form using the link below. Please know that your information will only be shared with other CATA families who are in the directory. This is a great place to go for contacts if you need to find someone to carpool with or just to network with other parents in your student's academy.

<https://goo.gl/forms/MNtCilKqJRia6pNP2>

Invest in Excellence at CATA

Central Academy of Technology & Arts Cougar Council PTSO needs your help! The mission of Central Academy of Technology & Arts is to prepare students for informed decision-making, effective citizenship, personal achievement, higher education, and rewarding careers.

We are kicking off the annual Invest in Excellence at CATA campaign. It is a simple, one-time, straightforward way for individuals, businesses, and corporations to invest in the excellence of CATA. Please consider a tax-deductible investment! 100% of the money donated is reinvested in CATA.

CATA Department Wish List

Examples of How We Can Help CATA Departments

SCIENCE: Arsenic Test Kits, Sidewalk Chalk,
Scientific Calculators

MATH: Flexible Rulers, Ribbon, Paint

ENGLISH: Two or More Sets of Books for Classroom

PRE-ENGINEERING: Balsa/Bass Wood, Templates,
Crab Crawler Mini Robot, New Head for 3D Printer

WORLD LANGUAGE: Class Set of Leveled Readers from
TPRS Publishing Company and the Teacher's Guide.

DANCE: Yoga Balls, Exercise Ball w/Pump, Ballet Barres,
Muscle Rollers, DVD, Therabands

MEDIA: Comfortable Furniture

PTSO Sponsored Events

*Invest in a Student
Senior Scholarships
Staff Appreciation
Parent Information*

*Student Achievement Award
Senior Shirts & Signs*

Invest in Excellence

- ☐ \$25 ☐ \$50
☐ \$75 ☐ \$100
☐ Other

Make Checks Payable to CATA PTSO

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

Student Life Notes

- **Student Life Meetings** for advisers and organization presidents are on the first Wednesday of each month. The next meeting is on **Wednesday, November 2, at 8:20**. Meetings are in room 401
- CATA Cougars, we need you to be a part of the s annual **Powder Puff games** on November 10th. Packets are due no later than Friday, October 28th to Ms. Christensen in the Media Center. Please bring \$20.00 along with your packets. Practices are 11/1, 11/2, 11/7, and 11/9
- **Fellowship of Christian Athletes:** Everybody come join us on Thursdays from 8 until 8:40 in the gym!
- A new club is starting up at CATA, called **YCI Bible Studies**. Is there something you have always wanted to ask or learn about from Scripture? We are coming together one day a week digging into Scripture seeking answers and making friendships. All are welcome, so come out Friday mornings to room 525 at 8:00.
- **Travel Club** Are you interested in spending two weeks traveling through Spain and Portugal next year? If so, see Ms. Foreman if you have any questions.
- The **CATA Band Program** is holding a Yankee Candle Fundraiser to raise funds for Winterguard and other band needs. This fundraiser is going until November 4th.

RED CROSS
BLOOD DRIVE
8 AM to 2 PM
Weds. Nov. 16
AT CATA
See Ms. Turner In Rm. 600

SEE U
AT THE POLL!
VOTE NOVEMBER 8, 2016

Attendance Letters and Recovery

-Attendance at school is a priority. It is so important to be present in order to learn and to gain opportunities for mastering coursework. This is also a very important life lesson for our children to learn—in life we have expectations of going to work and working to the best of our ability, and this good life habit starts with attendance at school.

- To ensure maximum student attendance we will be contacting students and parents when students reach 3, 6, and 8 absences.

-According to UCPS attendance policy students should not miss more than 7 classes in each class. The goal is to not miss ANY school, but if a student has a valid reason, such as an illness or other excused absence, they can have up to 7 absences and still pass the class.

-It is important that excuse notes be written and turned into the office within 3 days after an absence. After the three days, then the absences are recorded as unexcused permanently.

- At each absence threshold (3,6,8) CATA staff will make the determination if the student needs to begin the recovery process to make up absences and notify parents and students on how to make up time missed from school. Recovery should be done during the semester and in the two week time span given or the student will not be allowed to recover the absences at a later date.

-There are UCPS limits on how many classes can be recovered. Recovery will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school with Ms. Riley, or with the student's individual teacher. Students are expected to work on content during recovery time. This plan is in place so that your student makes up content close to the date it was delivered in class.

Around CATA

Saturday, October 29— FAFSA Day, SPCC,

Sunday, October 30— Shooting Sports Practice, 2 PM (Take Aim Sports);

Monday, October 31— **Annual Trunk or Treat 4:00 PM (Staff Parking Lot)** Student Council Officer Meeting 3:30 (Media Center), Robotics Club, 3:30 (Rm. 118);

Tuesday, November 1— **Progress Reports**; NHS Meeting at 8:15 AM and 3:45 (Media Center); Powder Puff Practice, 3:45 PM (Field near student parking lot)

Wednesday, November 2— Student Life Organization Meeting, 8:20 AM (Rm. 401); FCA Leadership, 8:00 AM (Mr. Lindley's Rm.);

Thursday, November 3— Robotics Club, 3:30 (Rm. 118); FCA Mtg, 8 AM (Gym); SAT Prep Course, 4:00 PM (Rm. 401); Powder Puff Practice, 3:45 PM (Field near student parking lot)

Friday, November 4— Science Olympiad, 3:30 (Rm. 605); Sweet Frog Night for Dance, 5-9 PM (Indian Trail)

Upcoming Events

10/31—Annual Trunk or Treat, 4:15 PM (Staff Parking Lot)

11/1—Progress Reports

11/1— Powder Puff Practice, 3:45 PM

11/3— Powder Puff Practice, 3:45 PM

11/4— Sweet Frog Night, 5-9 (Indian Trail)

11/1-11/30—American Indian Heritage Month

11/8—NO SCHOOL, Teacher Workday, ELECTION DAY

11/7— Powder Puff Practice, 3:45 PM

11/9— Powder Puff Practice, 3:45 PM

11/10—CATA Band Boosters, 6:30 PM, Media Center

11/10—Powder Puff Games , 6:00 Walter Bickett Stadium

11/11—NO SCHOOL, Veterans Day

11/14— Fall Sports Awards Night, 7 PM Auditorium

11/15— PTO Executive Board Mtg, 6:00 (Media Center)

11/15— PTO General Mtg, 6:30 PM (Media Center) Info Systems and Engineering Night

11/16— Buffalo Wild Wing Night, Band Fundraiser

11/18— Yearbook Ad Night, 5 PM

11/18,—Covered Canvas Dance Concert, 7 PM (Auditorium)

11/19— Covered Canvas Dance Concert, 7 PM (Auditorium)

11/21—Poetry Out Loud School Wide Contest, 3:30 PM

11/23— 11/25— NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Break

11/30—Site Based Team Meeting, 3:45 PM (Media Conference Rm).

Annual Trunk or Treat
Monday, October 31
4:00-5:45, for cluster
elementary schools
Sign up today at this
link through your stu-
dent life
organization

Click here

Have you Purchased Your
Yearbook?

Now offering

Easy Payment Plan

Three Payments of \$25

- October
- November
- December



All Payments Must Be Paid
Before Winter Break

Bring Installment Payments to Mrs. Pentecost
Bring Full Payment to Ms. Christensen



Referendum Overview

Quality schools are essential to the residents of Union County. Our community recognizes that in order for students to receive an excellent education, they must have safe schools and a positive learning environment.

On Nov. 8, Union County residents will vote on \$54 million in school bonds. The bond package would provide funding for six school renovation/addition projects and a new transportation facility.

This bond is needed to address safety repairs, stability, the removal of long-term use of mobile classrooms in our schools and build a new transportation facility.

Funding would help **Union County Public Schools** prepare for growth, increase capacity at several schools and move students into brick and mortar classrooms. The bond will add an additional 88,400 square feet to **Union County Public Schools**.

List of Bond Projects

Monroe High



Add eight classrooms, two teacher workrooms and two teacher offices. Remove/Repurpose mobile units. Increase student capacity to 1,500 (Maximum).
► \$3,452,760

Piedmont High



Add four classrooms, two teacher offices and teacher workrooms. Increase student capacity to 1,600 (Maximum).
► \$2,148,384

Porter Ridge Middle



Add 15 classrooms, expand Media Center, add two teacher workrooms. Remove/Repurpose mobile units. Increase student capacity to 1,600 (Maximum).
► \$6,272,514

Porter Ridge High



Add four classrooms and expand cafeteria. Increase student capacity to 1,800 (Maximum).
► \$1,496,196

Western Union Elementary



Add eight classrooms, expand cafeteria, add two teacher workrooms. Remove/Repurpose mobile units. Increase student capacity to 804 (Maximum).
► \$3,882,437

Sun Valley High



Add 10 classrooms, auditorium renovation, new athletic stadium, expand administrative office area, add teacher workrooms, expand cafeteria and kitchen, new chorus room, HVAC and plumbing upgrades, ADA renovations. Remove/Repurpose mobile units. Increase student capacity to 1,800 (Maximum).
► \$24,364,734

Transportation Facility



Build a new transportation facility with adequate service bays and maintenance areas to accommodate entire UCPS bus fleet.
► \$12,000,000

www.ucps.k12.nc.us



Total Bond ► 54 Million
***Est. Tax Increase** ► \$.16/1k

*Source Union County BOCC

SEE U AT THE POLL!
VOTE NOVEMBER 8, 2016

Link to the Bond Website for more Information

<http://www.ucpsbond2016.com/>

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](#)

Last Week's Results:

Football: Lost vs. Mt. Pleasant

Volleyball: **Season Complete – Team finished 6-16 (4-6)**
4th in Rocky River

Men's Soccer: Win vs. Mt. Pleasant, Loss vs. Forest Hills

Women's Tennis: Loss vs. East Lincoln 5-4 in 1st Round of State Tournament.

Congrats to Kaley Williford on winning the NCHSAA 2A Midwest Singles Championship. She is the first tennis player male or female at CATA to do so. She will compete in the state tournament this weekend in Cary, NC

Women's Golf: Team shot a 590 over two days @ the NCHSAA State Tournament to finish 4th in the 1A/2A State Tournament. Great job ladies!

Cross Country: **No Events Last Week**



Upcoming Events:

October 27th: No events

October 28th: Football – AWAY vs. Forest Hills – 7:30 pm

Women's Tennis – Kaley Williford @ 2A State Tournament, Cary, NC – All Day Event

October 29th: Cross Country – AWAY – NCHSAA 2A Midwest Regionals @ Ivey Redmon Park – Kernersville, NC – All Day Event

October 31st: **Start of Winter Sports** – All paperwork must be handed in before anyone can tryout

November 4th: Football – HOME vs. Parkwood – 7:30 pm – Senior Night

Senior Night – Football, Cheerleading, Women's Golf, Women's Tennis, & Cross Country

November 5th: Soccer 1st Round NCHSAA Playoffs – Time & Location – TBA

Cross Country – AWAY State Meet – Kernersville, NC



Other News:

Winter Sports start on:

Monday – October 31st (Basketball & Wrestling)

Friday November 4th – Swimming @ Monroe Aquatics Center

Indoor Track – Monday November 7th

Paperwork: ALL paperwork **MUST** be handed in to Coach Niessner for anyone to start or tryout for a winter sport. All athletes **MUST** pick up a **tryout ticket** to participate.

Tryout Tickets: Pick up times:

10/27 – Before School

10/28 – Lunch

10/31 – Before School/Lunch/After School

Fall Sports Awards Night will be on **Monday, November 14th @ 7:00 pm** in the CATA Auditorium.

Fall Sports Head Coach Contact Information:

Athletic Director & Men's Soccer – Jay Niessner – jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us

Football – Shane Griffin – edward.griffin@ucps.k12.nc.us

Volleyball – Doug Mayhew – doug.mayhew@ucps.k12.nc.us

Cheerleading – Ashley Lawson – ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Women's Golf – Mike Jacobus – mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us

Women's Tennis – Nelson Rowell – nelson.rowell@ucps.k12.nc.us

Cross Country – Kim Inuwa – kim.inuwa@gmail.com

Winter Head Coach Contact Information:

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

Cheerleading- Ashley Lawson – Ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Women's Basketball – Tony Byrum – tb93bball@yahoo.com

Men's Basketball – David Daniels – david.daniels@ucps.k12.nc.us

Indoor Track – Kim Inuwa – kim.inuwa@gmail.com

Wrestling – Mike Jacobus – mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us

Swimming – Kelly Lepsig – Kelly.lepsig@ucps.k12.nc.us



CATA Spirit Wear available online and at home Football Games. Support the Band and CATA and get your spirit on.



[To see all available spirit wear for CATA click here](#)

Support our athletics and our Band of Blue at once by showing school spirit!!

Chromebook —2016-2017: Please remember to pay your technology FEE of \$25

The required technology user fee (\$25) for your student. This fee includes an insurance policy that covers accidental damage. It is important to pay your fee so that if there is accidental damage to your child's computer that it is covered. You can pay this fee online at the CATA Website)

Parent email and phone contact information—it is vital that we have accurate information so that we can reach you concerning your s Students. **Email**

[Mr. William Smith](#) with any changes.

Support the Wolfe School, a school for students with very special needs, by brining in the following items for Box tops for Education: Bring items to the guidance suite.

**Late Morning Bus Notifications**

Late morning bus notifications will be posted on our school's Twitter Account. Click [here](#) if you do not have Twitter, follow @cata_monroe, or go to the CATA website, scroll down and click on the Twitter bird symbol.

Spotlight on Instruction and Academic Opportunities

CATA Rat Rod = Academy Collaboration

Harper Corp of America R.A.T. Rod Round-up Challenge - \$5,000 Grant. Currently students from Transportation, Information Systems, Family and Consumer Sciences, Engineering, and Art are involved in the creation of this build. This project will create a bond between academies as they strive to a common goal. The Rat Rod vehicle will consist of a minimum of 10 different parts from 10 different vehicles, and will be road legal and drivable.



[CLICK HERE FOR THE RATROD WEBSITE](#)



CATA Computer Repair



Bring your computer
to room 216

We will give you suggestions
and an estimate on cost



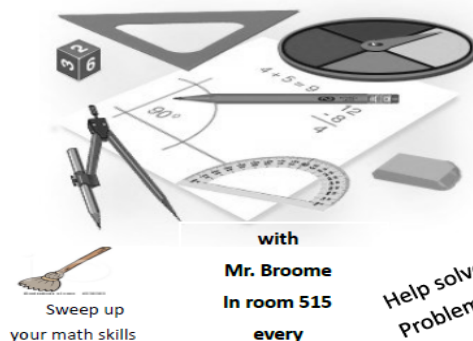
we can:

- get rid of viruses, malware, adware
- optimize your computer
- install upgrades
- install hardware

No additional charge other than parts

Math Lab

Bring me your math problems



with
Mr. Broome
In room 515
every

Help solve
Problems!

Monday
3:30-4:30

&

Wednesday
3:30-4:30

Click on the Arts Matters Picture to
see the Union County Community
Arts Council Fall Newsletter



Art Matters

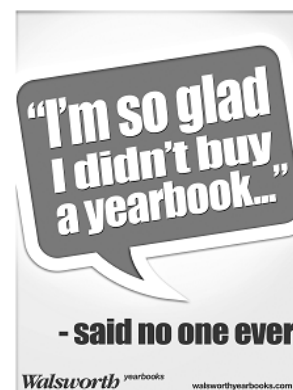
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