

Central Academy of Technology and Arts

Cougar Chronicle

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Dear CATA Family,

Central Academy of Technology & Arts is proud to announce that we are hosting our annual Car Show on May 13, 2017. This car show is an exciting family fun event that will feature all classes of cars, trucks, motorcycles, tractors and more! See the chronicle or the announcements on our website for more information on how you can support the show and register. Our Ratrod will be on display at Moe's Barbecue this Saturday in Matthews from 10 to 4 and will then compete in Charlotte STEAM competition on Sunday! The SPCC Robotics Competition is this Saturday from 8 to 3 at SPCC. Congratulations to Mr. Robinson for being honored with a North Carolina Theater Conference Marian A. Smith Distinguished Career Award. Mr. Robinson was presented the award during the second Saturday of the production of Sweeney Todd here at CATA before the performance. Congratulations to all who were involved in the production of Sweeney Todd!



The prom is this Saturday 4/22 from 8-12 at Rolling Hills Country Club. Tickets were passed out to students this past week. ALL school rules apply. Parents please remind your children about appropriate behavior at a school event. The senior cap and gown picture is on



Tuesday, April 25 in the gym. This occurs during second block and you must be present and in appropriate attire to be included in the picture (be here by 10:30 am if you flex first period). The AP Pre-Administration is scheduled for 4th block on Monday, April 24th in the CATA Cafe. All current AP students will be expected to attend. **JUNIOR NIGHT is scheduled for Monday, April 24th at 6:30 pm. This vital presentation will help juniors learn what they should be working on now and over the summer to prepare for their senior year.** This event is geared towards current juniors, but all 9th and 10th graders and parents are invited to attend!!! PTO scholarship information and the North Carolina State Employees Scholarship information is in this edition. In addition, you can seek further information about these scholarships by contacting guidance Counselor Ms. Ashley Cole.

Thank you to the CATA students and community for giving at the Red Cross Blood Drive hosted by HOSA. We gave a total of 94 pints of blood in our two blood drives this year. Thank you to all the students and staff who participated in the FCA fundraiser for St. Jude's. The three teachers who will get a pie in the face are Ms. Turner, Mr. Recher, and Ms. Horne. The pie throwing during the student council sponsored volleyball tournament on 4/21 during 4th period with a purchased ticket of \$3 to the event. The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Union County needs more volunteers for their event on Friday, May 5th at Sun Valley High School from 2pm-1am and duty assignments will be in 1-2 hour slots. Please contact Dr. Wall to sign up to volunteer.

To stay up to date with CATA be sure to follow us on Twitter and Facebook. 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

Guidance News

Scholarship and College Information

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

Cougar Council PTSO Senior Scholarship

The Cougar Council PTSO will be awarding six graduating CATA seniors a \$500 scholarship. This scholarship is designed for seniors possessing strong character, a demonstrated belief in service to the community and academic evidence predicting success in college. Eligible students must have at least a 2.5 GPA, parent or student must be a member of the Cougar Council PTSO before the end of the first semester, and they must be applying to attend a technical school, community college, or higher level of learning. Students must turn in a completed application packet consisting of: a completed application form, a resume indicating community service, leadership, extra-curricular activities, awards, and/or work experience, two letters of recommendation (at least one must be from a CATA staff member), and a minimum one page, double-spaced essay on the topic "Why I should be awarded the Cougar Council PTSO Scholarship". Applications must be turned in to Ms. Cole in guidance by the deadline. **Deadline: April 28, 2017. Recipients will be notified on May 19, 2017.**

State Employees' Credit Union (SECU) People Helping People Scholarship

The SECU Foundation is awarding a \$10,000 scholarship to one senior in every public high school in North Carolina. To be eligible you must: be attending a NC regular public high school, be a U.S. citizen and a resident of NC. Must be attending one of the 16 UNC system universities, must have at least a 2.5 GPA, must have demonstrated leadership, excellence of character, integrity, and community involvement. Preference will be given to students whose parents or guardians and family members are public sector employees who live and work in North Carolina. For more information visit: <https://www.ncsecufoundation.org/scholarships.html> **Deadline: May 1, 2017 and need to be turned in to Ms. Cole by the end of the day.**

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, Auto Tech, Collision, Cyber-Security, and Software and Game Design

[Ashley Cole](#): Pre-Engineering, Dance, Theatre, MPRA, Computer Engineering

Class Information and College and Career Corner
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Appalachian State Forensic Science Camps: Information may also be found at <http://conferences-camps.appstate.edu/youth-camps>. We feel that this camp will prove beneficial for those students with a strong background in science who are interested in pursuing a career as a forensic analyst or who are just curious about the field. This is an academic camp that requires a science background. A letter of recommendation from a science teacher or guidance counselor is required with each application. **2017 Forensic Science Brochure (PDF) found here:**

<https://goo.gl/nQikTs>

CATA's Beta Club is now accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year. The Beta Club is an organization dedicated to serving the community while maintaining high academic status. Applicants must be rising sophomores, juniors, or seniors. Applications may be printed from this [link](#) or paper copies may be picked up from Mrs. Henry. Applicants must attach two printed teacher recommendations to the application and have a 3.5 unweighted GPA at the end of this academic year. Students must apply to be members of CATA's chapter even if they were members of a Junior Beta Club in middle school. As members, students will be required to complete 15 service hours per semester, attend all meetings, and attend at least one club sponsored service project per semester. The deadline for applications to be returned to Mrs. Henry is May 8. Applicants accepted for membership will be notified at the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year. Please email club co-sponsors Mrs. Calandro Miranda.calandro@ucps.k12.nc.us or Mrs. Henry sarah.henry@ucps.k12.nc.us if you have any questions about Beta Club.



Student Recognition Opportunity: If you have participated in PLTW courses and AP courses, you may be eligible to receive AP + PLTW recognition. College Board and Project Lead the Way have teamed up to offer this recognition that will demonstrate to colleges and employers that the student is ready for advanced course work and interested in careers in this discipline. There are three chosen pathways in which a student can participate: Bio-medical Science, Engineering, and Computer Science. To qualify, students must complete three courses in their pathway: One AP course; One PLTW course; One additional AP or PLTW course. The Pathway Menu of Courses that students can select from can be found at <https://www.pltw.org/our-programs/ap-pltw>. Please be on the lookout for information about how to apply.

"2017-2018 CTE Internship" Attention Rising 12th graders, if you have taken at least 2 Career & Technical Education (CTE) courses, one being a level 2, and are interested in participating in a CTE Internship next school year, stop by the guidance office and pick up an application from Mrs. Webb. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Webb at sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us.

"Health Careers Summer Camp" June 26-28 from 9:00 – 3:00 at Piedmont High School, Union County Public Schools will be hosting a Health Careers Summer Camp for all Rising 10th, 11th, & 12th graders. The summer camp will focus on different careers within the Health Care system. The cost of the camp is \$40. For more information and the application, please visit www.ucps.k12.nc.us/cte or see Mrs. Webb in guidance.

**Class of
2020**



**CLASS OF
2018**

Students!

Are you looking for a way to give back to your community or just trying to gain some extra service hours before the school year ends?

Please consider volunteering with the



**American Cancer Society's
Relay For Life of Union County**
Friday May 5th, 2017
Sun Valley High School

We will need volunteers from 2pm to 1am and will assign duties in 1-2 hour slots.

Please contact RFLUnionCounty@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering.

Thank you for your support!

UNCC Director of Engineering Visited Drafting and Calculus Classes



Meg Harkins, the Director of Engineering at UNCC speaking to Mr. Recher's Drafting class and Ms. Royster's AP Calculus class.



Mr. Recher's Classes design and build model houses– Pre-Engineering



Thank the CATA Community for Investing in Excellence through annual giving to the PTSO.

The PTSO Invest in Excellence Program was able to fund a Ballet Barre, DVD, and Program, Class novel sets of Frankenstein, Pre-Engineering supplies for projects, Science Arsenic Test Kits for the Lab, Math learning supplies, Media Center seating, whiteboard, and easel, and Crab Crawler Mini Robots.

INVEST IN EXCELLENCE! INVEST IN CATA!

Around CATA

Friday, April 21 — Student Council Sponsored Volleyball Tournament and Pie in the Face Contest winners. 4th period)

Saturday, April 22— Prom, 8-12 PM (Rolling Hills Country Club); Rat Rod Event, 10 to 4 (Moe's BBQ in Matthews; SPCC Robotics Competition, 8 to 5 (SPCC);

Sunday, April 23— Shooting Sports Practice, 2 PM (Take Aim Sports)

Monday, April 24—Junior Night, 6:30 PM (Auditorium) Robotics Club, 3:30 (Rm. 118); Student Council Officer Meeting, 3:30 (Media Center); Fashion Club, 3 PM (Rm. 616); Society of Women Engineers, 3:45 (Rm. 525)

Tuesday, April 25— UCPS Strategic Planning Tour 4 PM, Staff, 6 PM Community (Auditorium) ; Senior Cap and Gown Picture during 2nd period.

Wednesday, April 26— FCA Leadership, 8:00 AM; Site Based Team Meeting, 3:30 (Media Conference Rm.)

Thursday, April 27— End of Grading Period; FCA Meeting 8:00 AM, ; Robotics Club, 3:30 (Rm. 118); jazz Band Rehearsal, 4 PM (Band Rm.)

Upcoming Events

4/22— Prom, Rolling Hills CC, (8-12)

4/24—Junior Night , 6:30 PM
(Auditorium)

4/25— Senior Cap and Gown Picture

4/26—Site Based Team Meeting, 3:30

4/27—End of Grading Period

5/1 to 5/12— AP Exam Window

5/1 to 5/12—Benchmark Exam Window

5/1 to 5/6— Teacher Appreciation
Week

5/2—AP Computer Science 8:00 AM; AP
Physics 12:00

5/3—AP English Lit, 8:00 AM

5/4—AP US Government, 8:00 AM

5/5—AP US. History, 8:00 AM

5/8—Graduation Speech Auditions, 3:30
PM (Media Conference)

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5/9—AP Calculus AB/BC, 8:00 AM

5/9—Graduation Speech Auditions, 3:30 PM (Media Conference)

5/9—Volunteer Appreciation, 8:00 AM (Media Center)

5/9—Voter Registration Drive (Lunches)

5/9—Josten's Ring Delivery Pick-up (Lunches)

5/10—AP English Language and Composition, 8:00 AM

5/11—CATA Band Rm. , 6:30 PM (Media Center)

5/12—Covered Canvas Dance Concert, 7 PM (Auditorium)

5/13—Covered Canvas Dance Concert, 7 PM (Auditorium)

5/13—Annual CATA Car Show, 9:00 AM to 1

Student Life Notes

- ♦ The **Beta Club** is now accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year. Please pick up an application from Mrs. Henry in Room 108 and return it with two letters of recommendation from current teachers by May 8.
- ♦ On Tuesday, April 25th, **ALL JROTC Cadets**, Spring Semester and Fall Semester Cadets will meet at 12:00 PM in the Monroe Gym Lobby for the **END OF THE YEAR** Commander's Call. You must be in uniform to participate in this event. Please see Dr. Wall for Details.
- ♦ Students if you are interested in attending the **Annual Volleyball Tournament this Friday during 4th period**, then you may pay \$3 to buy a ticket during lunch on Thursday and Friday of this week to come and watch. You must have your teacher's permission before you purchase a ticket.

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:

Men's Tennis – Loss vs. West Stanly, Loss vs. Mt. Pleasant, Loss vs. Forest Hills

Baseball – Loss vs. Mt. Pleasant, Loss vs. Parkwood

Softball – Lost vs. Mt. Pleasant, Loss vs. Parkwood

Women's Soccer – Win vs. Monroe, Loss vs. Parkwood

Men's Golf – First place in Rocky River Conference Match – clinched Rocky River Conference Regular Season Championship

Track & Field – Competed in Sun Valley meet

Upcoming Events:

Friday April 21st:

AWAY – Baseball @ Parkwood 4:30 & 7:00 pm

AWAY – Golf @ Monroe Country Club 1:30 pm

AWAY – Soccer @ Anson 5:30 pm

Monday April 24th:

AWAY Softball @ Carolina International School 4:00 pm – Double Header

AWAY Baseball @ Carolina International School 5:00 pm

AWAY Golf @ Monroe Country Club – Rocky River Conference Tournament – 1:30 pm

Tuesday April 25th:

AWAY Baseball @ Forest Hills – 4:30/7:00 pm

AWAY Softball @ Forest Hills 6:00 pm

Wednesday April 26th:

AWAY Tennis @ Rocky River Tournament – Wingate University – 10:00 am start

AWAY Soccer @ West Stanly – 6:00 pm

Thursday April 27th:

AWAY Track & Field @ Monroe High – 3:45 pm

HOME Softball vs. Forest Hills – Senior Night – 5:00 pm

HOME Soccer vs. Carolina International School – 5:00 pm

Friday April 28th

HOME Baseball vs. Forest Hills – Senior Night – 4:30/7:00 pm

Spring Head Coach Contact Information:

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

Track & Field – David Daniels – david.daniels@ucps.k12.nc.us

Track & Field – Kim Inuwa – kim.inuwa@gmail.com

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

Baseball – Aaron Hammers – aaron.hammers@ucps.k12.nc.us

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



CATA Spirit Wear available online. Support the Band and CATA and get your spirit on.

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



Cougar Concessions Now Accepts Credit/Debit Cards



Cougar Pride - Way to go!!!!

- ◆ Congratulations to Zane Reep supported the CATA PTSO Chick-fil-a night and won the door prize!!!
- ◆ Thanks to all parents and community members that helped our cast and crew build our set for Sweeney Todd



STRATEGIC PLANNING

Union County Public Schools is updating its Strategic Plan and we would like **your** input.

The district will hold staff and community meetings to discuss long-term outcomes and goals for UCPS.

April 25 at Central Academy of Technology and Arts
April 26 at Porter Ridge High School
April 27 at Marvin Ridge High School



At each location, staff will meet from 4 – 5:30 p.m. and community members will meet from 6 – 7:30 p.m.

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UNION COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

www.ucps.k12.nc.us



Seniors Graduation—Saturday, June 10, 2017, 7:30 PM at Winthrop Coliseum

Senior Cap and Gown Picture: The senior cap and gown picture is on Tuesday, April 25 in the gym. This occurs during second block and you must be present and in appropriate attire to be included in the picture (be here by 10:30 am if you flex first period).




SENIORS – did you miss Financial Aid night last Fall?? 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! **See your Counselor about Federal Financial Aid. Create an Account, have your parents fill out the information, and see if you qualify for MONEY**



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Sponsored by 

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Please contact me so we can discuss how you would like to participate in our school's fundraiser this year.

Myra Ledbetter
CATA - PTSO Fundraising Chair
704-254-6502
myraledbetter@gmail.com

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TEACHERS' CHOICE AWARDS!!**

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CENTRAL ACADEMY OF TECHNOLOGY & ARTS

Car Show

Saturday, May 13, 2017

REGISTRATION

Registration Starts at 9am. Judging Starts 10 - Ends Noon

Awards Ceremony - 1pm

Proudly Sponsored by

CAR SHOW CLASSES**CHEVROLET**Pre 1973
1973 & Newer**FORD**Pre 1973
1973 & Newer**ALL GM**Pre 1973
1973 & Newer**MOPAR/DODGE**Pre 1973
1973 & Newer**IMPORT - All Years****TRUCK/SUV - All Years****OTHER - TRACTORS/MOTORCYCLES****STUDENTS' CHOICE**

Sponsored by Sun Stoppers

STAFF'S CHOICE

Sponsored by _____

BEST OF SHOW

Sponsored by Hendrick Chevrolet

Judged Cars - \$20 Pre-Registration prior to May 5th
\$25 after May 5th and at event
Non-Judged Display Cars - \$10

1st Place Winner per Class will be awarded a trophy.
Runner up winner per Class will receive a ribbon.
No pre-registration is required.

Make checks payable to:
CATA PTSO

Cash or Debit only at gate if not pre-registered.

Total enclosed \$_____.

Mail to:
PRES

Attn: CATA PTSO Car Show Registration

Attn: Myra Ledbetter
2709 Rolling Hills Drive
Monroe, NC 28110

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Class _____ ☐ Judged ☐ Display

Vendors Welcome - Must be pre-registered and \$100 fee.

Contact Myra @ 704-254-6502 for information and vendor's registration form.



presented by **Hendrick**
CHEVROLET CADILLAC
AUTOMOTIVE

CATA CAR SHOW

Saturday, May 13, 2017

9am - 1pm

Central Academy of Arts & Technology
600 Brewer Drive, Monroe, NC 28112

Sponsor/Vendor Contract

Event Participation

Company Information

Company:

Contact:

Address:

City, State:

Zip/Postal Code:

Email:

Phone:

Signature:

☐ Sponsorship - Car Class Award- \$200

☐ Chevrolet

☐ Ford

☐ GM

☐ Mopar/Dodge

☐ Import

☐ Truck/SUV

☐ All Other - Tractors/Motorcycles

☐ Student's Choice

☐ Business Vendor - \$100

☐ Food Vendor - \$100

Vendors - Please bring table/tent/chairs as needed as they will not be provided by the school.

Set-Up Details/Items Being Displayed:

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Payment

Please make checks payable to
CATA PTSO

Attn: Myra Ledbetter
2709 Rolling Hills Drive - Monroe, NC 28110

* Space reservations are not final until payment is received.

Event time: 9am - 1pm

Vendors may set up as early as 8:00 am on Saturday morning
Questions or concerns, please contact Myra at 704-254-6502 or myrahledbetter@gmail.com

Parent Involvement

The exciting time of electing PTSO officers for the 2017-2018 school year is upon us, and the PTSO needs your help with nominations. If you know someone who adores CATA and leadership (and we know you do!), please consider nominating that fabulous person for an office or position in the PTSO. It's a great way to contribute to so many areas and facets of an amazing school. If you think you'd be a perfect fit for the CATA PTSO yourself, let us know that, too, because we're sure we'd love to have you. [Click here](#), fill in the requested information, and submit if interested.

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

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 on how to help

Connecting Families The Cougar Council is trying to make it easier for families to connect. 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>

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Smile

You shop. Amazon gives.

CATA's Link

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/26-1542614>

Central Academy of Technology & Arts PTSO has linked up with Amazon Smiles.
This is a simple and easy way to raise money for our school!

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support CATA every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 5% of the purchase price to CATA.

Use your existing account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same.

from CATA to Career

Music Production and Recording Arts Careers

High School Diploma/Post-Secondary Training

- Choreographer
- Motion Picture Projectionist
- Musician
- Singer

Associate's Degree

- Sound Engineering Technician

Bachelor's Degree

- Audio-Visual Collections Specialist
- Film/Video Editor
- Multimedia Artist/Animator
- Music Composer/Arranger
- Music Director
- Producer
- Talent Director

Students should be on the look-out during March for "From CATA to College and Career" posters to surface around the school linking Academy learning to Careers and Colleges!! This week we are spotlighting **Performing Arts programs in North Carolina Colleges.**

from CATA to Career

Theatre and Dance Careers

High School Diploma/Post-Secondary Training

- Actor
- Choreographer
- Dancer
- Motion Picture Projectionist
- Musician
- Singer

Associate's Degree

- Movie and TV Camera Operator
- Sound Engineering Technician

Bachelor's Degree

- Film/Video Editor
- Multimedia Artist/Animator
- Producer
- Radio/TV Announcer
- Set/Exhibit Designer
- Talent Director
- Technical Writer

The 15th Annual U.S. Service Academy Day



- Are you a leader looking for a challenge?
- Are you interested in serving your country as a military officer?
- Do you have the "right stuff" to graduate from a military academy?

JOIN US AND FIND OUT!



Saturday, April 29, 2017
10:00 a.m.
Charlotte Catholic High School
7702 Pineville-Matthews Road, Charlotte, NC

Please be in your seat promptly at 10:00 a.m.

- Listen to presentations from each of the five U.S. Service Academies
- Speak with Congressional staff, Cadets, Midshipmen and Academy representatives
- Have an opportunity to ask questions of each representative individually
- Open to high school, middle school & home school students interested in attending a Service Academy
- Family members, school counselors and educators are welcome to attend

PRIMARY CONTACT: Bob Becker, District Director/Military & Veterans Specialist, Office of Congressman Robert Pittenger, NC09
5970 Fairview Road, Suite 450, Charlotte, NC 28210-8480 (704) 262-1060 Fax: (704) 262-6324
Bob-Robert.Becker@robert.pittenger.gov

INDIVIDUAL ACADEMY CONTACTS / QUESTIONS



US Naval Academy
Annapolis, MD

Joseph Steiner
Captain USNR
(704) 523-4515



US Military Academy
West Point, NY

Will Grooms
(704) 575-2594



US Coast Guard Academy
New London, CT

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Timothy.G.Frasier@USCGA.edu
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US Air Force Academy
Colorado Springs, CO

Kimberly Coleman
LTC, USAFR
(704) 843-1265



US Merchant Marine Academy
King's Point, NY

Roger Tetrault
USMMA Admissions Rep
(704) 846-4618

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.



Annual Car Show

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9am - 1pm



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CATA Rat Rod 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](#)



Join the CATA Life Savers Relay for Life Team at the following link:

<https://goo.gl/rtJyjb>

Register TODAY!

There are no more parking spaces available for sale. Students may come to the office to get on a waiting list if they wish to possibly purchase a parking pass for this school year. Parking passes are not guaranteed as bus service is provided to the school and we have a limited supply of parking for the school.



Opportunity for students to serve on the Site Based Team

Students who are interested may apply to be on CATA's Site Based Team for 2017-2018. In order to qualify, the student must be in officer position on the student council. Commitment is meeting with staff and parents once per month after school. Please see Dr. Wall for details.

Math Lab

Trouble with MATH?

Bring your math problems!

Improve your math skills with

NHS Peer Tutors

Every
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday
8:15am - 8:40am
Media Center

Mr. Broome
Every Monday and Wednesday
3:30pm - 4:30pm
Room 519

DO THE MATH!

THE ONLY WAY TO LEARN MATHEMATICS IS TO DO MATHEMATICS

Paul Halmos

Join us in the

WRITING LAB

CAN'T GET STARTED WRITING?
NEED HELP GETTING STARTED?
NEED A SUBJECT?
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Class of 2017 Spring Letter

Dear Class of 2017,

We are very proud of every one of you. This spring semester we hope you will enjoy your time with your friends, family, and teachers while maintaining high academic performance. We hope you will have fond memories of CATA and of all the people here. Congratulations on making it to this point in your academic career. We would like to provide you some updated information for of your senior year. We ask that you review the entire letter with your family. We are excited about the remainder of your senior year and want to be sure you know all necessary information and expectations.

Graduation: The ceremony is on Saturday, June 10, 2017 at 7:30 PM at the Winthrop Coliseum (1162 Eden Terrace Rock Hill, SC 29733). Please arrive no later than 6:30 to line up. Please be aware of traffic and plan accordingly to arrive on time. A map and directions will be provided for you on a later date. If you have any questions or need directions, then please visit the website (www.winthrop.edu).

Graduation Practice: Practice is on **Friday, June 9, 2017 from 2:00-4:00 PM** in the gym. Please arrive no later than 1:45 PM. Be mindful that we must begin at 2:00. Please make sure to make plans to attend the entire practice. Failure to do so will result in not walking at graduation. It is your responsibility to schedule any college functions and work schedules around final exams, graduation practice, and graduation itself. You do not have to wear your cap and gown to practice. If you are speaking at graduation, then you should bring a copy of your speech so you can practice it a couple of times. You will not receive your tickets until the end of practice so make arrangements beforehand.

Attire: Students are expected to dress appropriately and professionally since this is a dignified ceremony. Students at CATA are only permitted to wear CATA issued cords, medallions, and cap and gown. No graduation regalia may be altered in any way.

Ladies: Ladies will need to wear an appropriate dress that is no longer than their gown or dark slacks. There should be no collar showing with the gown. Flip-flops and tennis shoes are not appropriate; however, dressy sandals are appropriate.

Gentlemen: dark pants, a white shirt, black or dark tie or bowtie. No tennis shoes or flip-flops will be allowed.

If you have any questions about your attire, then please ask administration.

Senior Cap and Gown Picture: The above described dress code is what you are expected to wear at the senior cap and gown picture on Tuesday, April 25 in the gym. This occurs during second block and you must be present and in appropriate attire to be included in the picture (be here by 10:30 am if you flex first period).

Senior Week is May 22-26: Please see the schedule below. We will make a separate announcement about the Senior Week Field Trip.

Monday: Seniors wear black, Tie-dye shirts during second block

Tuesday: Senior Toga Tuesday, senior breakfast/ Crown decorating during first block

Wednesday: Senior Trip to the North Carolina Zoo in Asheboro. Wear Tie-dye shirts

Thursday: College or career t-shirt, Field Day (third or fourth block)

Friday: Senior Awards Day 1st and 2nd block, ice cream party and receive yearbooks directly afterward

Senior Awards Ceremony: The ceremony is on Friday, May 26 at 9:00 AM in the auditorium. All seniors are expected to attend.

Graduation Speeches: Each academy has one senior give a speech 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 in May in the media center conference room. The dates for graduation speech auditions are Monday, May 8 and Tuesday, May 9 at 3:30 PM. Please come to one of the auditions for consideration.

Past due fees: Past due fees must be paid before students may participate in the graduation ceremony. Please make online technology payments through the Central Academy Website, and make all other payments at the school with the bookkeeper. Dr. Wall and other staff will be calling about past due fees in an attempt to settle all fees by the end of March. Students will not receive graduation packets, which include tickets if past due fees are not paid. Any unpaid fee owed to the school or school system must be paid by Wednesday, June 7 to be allowed to participate in a graduation ceremony. We are contacting parents and want to try to resolve fee issues as quickly as possible.

Tickets: Tickets will be on sale beginning May 8– May 26 before/after school in the main office, and will be available to be purchased online: Each senior will receive four (4) free tickets with the opportunity to buy extra tickets at \$7.00 a ticket. Students can pre-purchase as many tickets as they need (go to the CATA website, click on “Event Tickets” on the right tab starting May 8).

Tickets will also be sold at the door before the graduation ceremony.

Everyone (including children) must have a ticket to enter the arena.

Students will not receive their tickets until the end of Graduation practice.

Students owing fees will not receive tickets until fees are paid (see below).

Please keep your receipt for the tickets in case there are any questions.

Students can pay cash/check to pay for the tickets, or order online as shown above.

Graduating from high school is dependent upon earning the number and type of credits needed to earn a diploma. Participating in the graduation ceremony is a privilege, one that your family will truly value as they have spent a lot of time supporting you in your academic studies.

Extra Information about graduation day:

- Graduates must park at the back of the coliseum – this will be designated on the directions you receive and signs will be up at the coliseum. Guests must park at the front of the coliseum. If any of your guests a handicap accessible entrance at the front of the coliseum – cars can drive up to this entrance to drop their guest off and CATA staff will assist them in getting into the coliseum while the driver parks the car.
- Winthrop Coliseum will have police officers and security at the graduation event. Please remind your guests that no noisemakers are permitted in the coliseum. The officers represent Winthrop and will enforce the Winthrop rules. Guests to the ceremony should plan on arriving 30 minutes to an hour in advance to allow for traffic. Winthrop will close the doors to the coliseum once the graduation ceremony begins, so all guests need to be in place prior to the 6:00 start time.
- Students should not bring any valuables with them, including phones, into the coliseum, as there will be no place for them to store valuables. Please leave them with your parents.
- A professional photographer will take pictures of the graduates receiving their diploma. Students will receive information on how to order the pictures in their Senior Envelope that they get after the ceremony. Only graduates and staff are permitted on the arena floor.
- At the end of the graduation ceremony all seniors will proceed out of the coliseum and will use the coliseum tunnel to exit at the back of the coliseum, where they will receive their actual diploma, final transcript, picture information, and other important items. An official transcript in a sealed envelope will be in the packet. It is YOUR responsibility to mail it to your college. It is REQUIRED by your college for admission. **Please make plans to meet your families by walking around the outside of the coliseum toward the front. There are plenty of places to take pictures outside of the arena. Guests and graduates will not be able to stay inside the coliseum for pictures.**