# Central Academy of Technology and Arts Cougar Chronicle Volume 5; Issue 8 September 28, 2017

Next Week is Homecoming Week: Please check this edition for information about our homecoming Week activities. The Homecoming Dance, "A Night in Vegas," is Saturday 10/6 from 8-11 PM in the gym. Tickets are \$25 for two or \$15 for one and are on sale during student lunches. For Spirit Days Monday is Meme Monday (Dress as your favorite school appropriate Meme), Tuesday-Twin Day, Wednesday-Wacky Tacky Day, Thursday- Throwback Day to dress from any decade. Friday-Color Wars day: Seniors wear Black, Juniors wear white, sophomores wear ma-



roon, and freshmen wear navy. We will have the annual pep rally on Friday and an Academy Banner Contest. See details inside. We are having tryouts for the **School Mascot** to perform at the homecoming week Pep Rally and at the homecoming game, maybe for Basketball??? Come to the Cougar Audition (Wednesday) 10/4 in Mr. Robinson's classroom 715 at 3:45.

**The PTSO "Invest in Excellence"** A big thank you to everyone that has contributed to our Invest In Excellence campaign! So far we have raised almost \$2500. The campaign is winding down so if you'd still like to contribute, check out the link in the Chronicle and send in your form and money next week. We will accept donations whenever they come in! **Hurricane Relief:** Student Life Organizations collected donations to send directly to the Houston Independent School District Foundation "Harvey," Fund. We have raised nearly \$1000.00 thus far. Thank you to all who donated. The **Theatre Academy** is looking for help in sewing some costumes for our upcoming play festival shows. Also, the Theatre Academy needs three or four pairs of drywall stilts to use in a production ASAP. If you have a pair that you will allow the Theatre Academy to use, please email Mr. Robinson at: <u>larry.robinson@ucps.k12.nc.us</u> Our **Academy spotlight this week: Information Systems** where we highlight what makes our Info Systems Academies the best!! **The Transportation Department and PTSO will sponsor the Annual Car Show** on Saturday, November 11, from 9 AM 1 PM. Please see the ad in this article to participate. Please check out the Transportation Academy in this edition. **Athletics:** For athletic events this week, see the Cougar Chronicle or follow us on Twitter or go to the <u>school athletic website.</u>

**UCPS Technology Family Night and FAFSA Information Sessions:** 10/9 at PRHS, 10/12 at Monroe High, 10/16, at CHS, 10/19 at FHHS. All sessions begin at 6:30. These sessions are to assist families with digital learning resources and FAFSA deadlines and procedures for college financial aid. FAFSA is a federal form completed to be able to get any assistance and scholarships for seniors applying to colleges. Check out the **Union County Community Arts** Fall Newsletter <u>here.</u> Art Matters! And we are thankful for their support!

Please take time to read over this newsletter to see the great things our children and teachers are doing. 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



# Homecoming Week 2017

Central Academy Presents ....

October 7th, 2017 8-11pm CATA Gym Cost: 1 for \$15 2 for \$25

Do YOU have what it takes to be the **School Mascot** at the Pep Rally and at the homecoming game, maybe for Basketball???

Come to the Cougar Audition (Wednesday) October 4 in Mr. Robinson's classroom 715 after school at 3:45.

Be Prepared to Dance, Run, and Growl, but most importantly impress our judges.

We are looking for Spirited Students who will pump up the crowd Friday 10/6 at the Pep Rally and maybe in the future. We want to start a new tradition for the annual Homecoming Week Activities. A **Homecoming Academy Banner Contest** will be held in order to show school spirit and promote your academies. Information about this contest will be shared with Academy Teachers, so students please inquire with your academy teachers or Dr. Wall. Each academy will be allowed a maximum of two banners that are due in the guidance suite by Friday, October 6th at the end of 1st period.



# **Our Future with Information Systems**

#### Meet the Teachers

**Ms. Lingle** has been teaching for 14 years and seven years at Central Academy. Previously she served in a CTE administrative role for UCPS. She has a Bachelor of Science in Education from Western Carolina University. Her major projects this year are Microsoft Office Certifications for students.

**Mr. Markle** taught at the high school level for three years when he graduated from Appalachian State University and currently has taught at CATA three years. He previously taught at the college level for ten years. He has certifications in Six Sigma Green Belt – NC State, MCDBA and MCSE, and CompTIA Fundamentals of Information Technology. He attended Wilkes Community College and Appalachian State. His major projects this year include building and repairing PCs, and continuing to improve the Information System's Lab. He has field trips planned for Red Ventures with Mr. Bryan and UNCC. He works with our Robotics Club and Team, and the Chess Club.

**Mr. Bryan** has been teaching for ten years and is currently in his fourth year at CATA. His certifications are math 7-9, Programming 9-12, Scientific Visualization 1, Game Art and Design, Advanced Game Art and Design, AP certified for Computer Science Principles, and AP certified for Computer Science A. He attended Ball State University and earned a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education with Middle School Math Add-on. His major projects this year include Arcade Cabinet in Arcade club, Lytic Cycle video completed in 3-D Studio Max in Sci Vis 1, original board game/ video game prototype in GAD, original 2D game in GAD, modern retelling video of a fairy tale in AGAD, and original 3D game in AGAD. Planned field trips or activities include a visit Red Ventures in the spring. He works with the arcade and gaming club.

**Ms. Bounds** is starting her 11<sup>th</sup> year teaching in Union County and starting her 3rd year teaching at CATA. Her certifications are Microsoft Office and CompTia IT Fundamentals. She attended Malone University, Canton, OH – Bachelor of Arts in Accounting and Business Administration with minor in Computer Programming, NC State University, Raleigh, and OH – Master of Education in Business and Marketing. Her major projects this year are setting up and using the Cyber Security lab and the FIT students will create a webpage using various multi-media Her planned field trips or activities are Cyber students will visit Bank of America Corporate and FIT students will visit UPCS Tech-



nology Services and the Depot. Ms. Bounds and Mr. Markle work with our Robotics Clubs and team.

**The Information Systems Academy** has three pathways: Cybersecurity, Software and Game Design, and Computer Engineering Pathways. Students are leading the way in the technology field!

Central Academy of Technology and Arts

# YOUR CATA PTSO

Your 2017-2018 Cougar Council Executive Officers are:

Click on this page if you, have an interest in serving on the CATA PTSO President - Teri Tucker Vice President - Emily Watts Secretary - Michelle Schrader Treasurer - Ann Helms

Our Committee Chairs are:

Communication - Jeannine Kenary & Sarah May Fundraising - Myra Ledbetter Hospitality - Carol Taldo & Megan Huffman Performing Arts - Carla Harrison & Janet Peirano Membership - Open Staff Advisor/Liaison - Deb Christensen

If you, or someone you know, have an interest in serving CATA's students and staff in one of these areas, please Click on this screen/ad or contact us at catacougarcouncil@gmail.com.

Please join us on September 5, 2017 at 6:00 for a brief PTSO meeting and CATA's Open House!

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Lend a helping hand.

School Number: 3612

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

Cougar Athletics – Contact Jay Niessner at jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us

# **Cougar Council PTSO Information**

- The CATA Performing Arts Wreath Sale will run 10/2-11/3 with delivery during the week of Thanksgiving. More details to come in September for this event.
- The next general PTSO meeting is November 6 at 6:30 PM in the Media Center .
  Click <u>here</u> to view important PTSO information, minutes, and agendas.

# Invest in Excellence at CATA

# **CAMPAIGN STARTS AUGUST 31ST AND ENDS OCTOBER 1ST**

Central Academy of Technolgy & 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: Materials for Science Olympiad Competition, Phospholipid & Membrane

Transport Kit from 3D Molecular Designs

MATH: Kuta Software for PreCalculus & AFM, TI84 Smart View <u>ENGLISH:</u> Two Giant Post-It Pads

SOCIAL STUDIES: Two Giant Post-It Pads, US Map for Writing/Wiping Off

MEDIA CENTER: 2 Double-Sided Mobile Magnetic White Markerboards, New Seating TRANSPORTATION: Small Storage Unit

INFORMATION SYSTEMS: SmartHome for the Classroom - Amazon Echo, Echo Hub, Light Bulbs, Lamps

**SPEECH & DEBATE:** Start-Up Funding for Competition Materials

**ROBOTICS COURSE:** Start-up Materials for Course

MUSIC PRODUCTION RECORDING ARTS ACADEMY: Finale Music Software for Recording

**Studio & Music Theory Classes** 

Invest in Excellence	Name:	
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\$25 \$50		
\$75 \$100	Email:	
Other	Phone:	
Make Checks Payable to CATA PTSO	Student Name:	
	Grade:	

# Technical Theater and Music Production and Recording Arts Student Makes an Instrument

#### By Grace Plyler

The technical theatre instructor, Jeff Weis, has had a desire to make a tubular instrument similar to that of "The Blue Man Group" for a while now. Ruth Rodriguez, a freshman in the Music Production Academy offered up her musical talents to assist Weis in bringing this idea to life. Ruth plays the flute in CATA's band, and worked for about two weeks, adjusting the lengths of the PVC pipes and making them match the note of "C." Using a basic design that Weis found on the internet, the two worked together to create a universal instrument that Weis hopes can be used by either the "CATA Band of Blue" or the MPRA academy in the future.



### The Transportation Department and PTSO will sponsor the Annual

**Car Show** on Saturday, November 11, from 9 AM 1 PM. Please see the ad in this article to participate. Please contact 704-254-6502 or email <u>Myrahledbetter@gmail.com</u> to participate.



# **College and Career Corner**

**Class Information from the School Counselors** 

Senior Information Seniors: Graduation is Saturday, June 9, 2018 at

6:00 PM at Winthrop Coliseum .

Senior t-shirts and signs: If you still need to order one, the form is in this newsletter—turn into Ms. Christensen in the media center.

**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.

**FAFSA Day** is Saturday, October 28 from 9 AM to 12 PM. One can go into an SECU branch and they will help them fill out the FAFSA forms. If families can't make it in on that day then they can go in on any day during the month of November.

Senior Yearbook Tributes: Please see Ms. Christensen in the media center and the ad in this edition. Seniors Please Consider! If you're in good academic standing and have participated in multiple community service opportunities then please consider applying for the

John H. Crowder Service Award. One senior from each high school cluster will be recognized at a Board of Education meeting throughout the school year. To be considered for nomination, please fill out an interest form and return it to Ms. Cole by October 1.

# College Visits to Central Academy: Click here to sign up for the event

**Campbell University Acceptance Day:** September 18 from 10-11:30 in the Media Center. You will be able to meet with an admissions representative who can process your application and acceptance (transcript and test scores permitting) on the spot.

Elon University: October 4 from 11:30-12 in the Media Center.

Queens University: October 19 during Cougar Time in the Media Center.

Baylor University: October 23 from 9:15-9:45 in the Media Center.

### Scholarship Information—Click Here for more Senior Scholarship Information

**DAR Good Citizens Scholarship:** This scholarship is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. Please click <u>here</u> for more information <u>Amount:</u> \$250 for state-level winners; \$500 for national winners; \$5,000 for two top national winners. <u>Deadline:</u> Interest forms are due to Ms. Cole by October 9.

Shelton National Leadership Scholarship at NC State: Students must demonstrate leadership experience and potential; evidence of personal character and integrity; orientation toward community service; commitment towards personal growth; commitment to physical fitness and wellness; understanding of and interest in the program; and academic eligibility. Please click <u>here</u> for more information. <u>Amount:</u> \$10,000 annually to cover tuition and fees, housing, and more. An additional \$2,000 for student leadership enrichment experiences. <u>Deadline:</u> October 15, 2017.

**Goodnight Scholars Program:** To be considered for this program, the student must be a North Carolina resident; have an adjusted gross income up to \$100,000 and demonstrate financial need (confirmed by FAFSA); For more information click <u>here</u> <u>Amount:</u> Tuition and fees, housing, and meals up to \$19,500 per academic year. <u>Deadline:</u> General application to NC State must be submitted by October 15, 2017.

#### **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)

<u>Sarah Goodwin:</u> Information Systems (CyberSecurity, Computer Engineering, Software & Game Design) and Music Production & Re-cording Arts.



# **Counselors Help Students Prepare for Their Futures**

On Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> the School Counseling Department hosted a **Senior Night**. An extensive packet was given out and reviewed (also located on the CATA School Counseling Page, <u>Click Here</u>). During the presentation the counselors reviewed a Senior Timeline, Options after high school - Four Year School, Two Year School, Military, Work - College Applications, ACT & SAT, Recommendation Letters, Resumes, Financial Aid, and Scholarships.

Starting the week of September 11th the School Counselors began **individual senior meetings**. These purpose of these meetings was to discuss each senior's after high school plan. The meeting was steered by the senior based on their interests and questions. All of these meetings will be concluded by the end of September.

**Financial Aid/FAFSA Night** is scheduled for **Monday**, **October 16th at 6:30 pm.** The School Counselors encourage ALL seniors and parents to attend to learn the financial aid process and how to fill out the FAFSA Form!!!

During the month of October the School Counselors will visit their 9th, 10th, and 11th grade Academy Classes and review Careers, Goals, and College Searches.

### Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior Information:

A representative from North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics will be at CATA on Wednesday, October 4th at 11:00 am to share with students detailed information about this school and program. If you are interested please see Ms. Goodwin in the guidance office.

**Governor's School of North Carolina:** This one-of-a-kind opportunity is open to **JUNIORS** (*10<sup>th</sup>* **Graders** are sometimes accepted in the performing/ visual arts areas **only**). Governor's School is the oldest state-wide summer residential program for gifted high school students in North Carolina. Students in this intensive program take non-credit courses in a particular discipline for 5 1/2 weeks during the summer of 2018. Students interested in this awesome opportunity, please come see Ms. Goodwin in Guidance. **DO THIS SOON! The deadline is Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.** More information about the

program can be found in this packet.

The PSAT will be given to all 10th and 11th graders on Wednesday, October 11th. Any 9th grader that is interested in taking the PSAT will need to pay \$17 to Mrs. Tammy Tweed in guidance by Friday, September 22nd. Spots are limited so please make sure you register immediately. If you have any questions please contact Ms. Ashley Lawson.

**Sophomores:** All Sophomores will take the PreACT on November 3rd. **JUNIORS**—All juniors will be taking the ACT, a college entrance exam, on February 27. In order to best prepare all juniors will work on ACT preparation during Cougar Time two times per week. All Juniors will also take the SAT this spring during the school day.

JUNIORS—All juniors will be taking the SAT , a college entrance exam, on April 24, 2018

# Cougar Pride - Way to go!!!

Congratulations for Garrison Batchelor, Isaiah Hamilton, Kyndal Ivey, Samuel Jackson, and Gracie Plyler for being selected to serve on the 2017 - 2018 Superintendent Advisory Council !!



### 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.

Please check for more athletic information at the CATA Athletics Website Make sure to follow all of CATA's athletic teams on Twitter: @CATA Athletics

#### Last Week's Results:

Football – Loss vs. Cox Mill

**Golf –** No Events Last Week

Cross Country - Women 15th, Men 20th @ Hare & Hounds Invite

Volleyball - Win vs. Carolina International, Loss vs. East Montgomery, Loss vs. Mt. Pleasant

Soccer - Win vs. Mt. Pleasant, Tie vs. West Stanly

Women's Tennis - Win vs. West Stanly, Win vs. Mt. Pleasant

#### **Upcoming Events:**

#### Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>:

AWAY – Tennis @ Piedmont – 4:00 pm AWAY – Volleyball @ Anson – 4:30/6:00 pm HOME Soccer vs. Anson – 6:00 pm

#### Tuesday, October 3rd:

HOME – Volleyball vs. West Stanly – 5:00 pm

AWAY – Cross Country @ Forest Hills – 4:30 pm

HOME – Golf @ Monroe Country Club – 3:30 pm

#### Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>:

HOME – Tennis vs. Forest Hills @ Monroe – 3:00 pm AWAY – Volleyball @ Piedmont – 4:30/6:00 pm AWAY - Soccer @ Forest Hills - 6:00 pm

#### Thursday, October 5th:

AWAY – Golf @ Skybrook Country Club – 3:30 pm Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>:

HOME – Football vs. Mt. Pleasant – Homecoming – 7:30 pm

#### Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>:

AWAY – Cross Country @ Wendy's Invite – McAlpine Park

Dates to Know:

Winter Sports Parent Meetings – Thursday 10/19 – 7:00 pm – CATA Auditorium

1<sup>st</sup> Day of Winter Sports – Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Fall Sports Awards Night – Monday, November 20th – 7:00 pm - CATA Auditorium

### **Blue Crew Student Section Themes** . . .

Date	Against	Theme
10/6	Mt. Pleasant (HOCO)	Pink Out
10/20	Anson (SENIOR NIGHT)	Black Out
10/27	Forest Hills	Blue Crew





# COUGAR ATHLETICS CONTINUED

#### Fall Head Coach Contact Information:

Athletic Director & Men's Soccer: Jay Niessner – jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us Football – Jeff Edwards— jeff.edwards@ucps.k12.nc.us Volleyball – Stephanie Peacock – <u>Stephanie.peacock@ucps.k12.nc.us</u> Cheerleading – Ashely Lawson – <u>Ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us</u> Cross Country – Kim Inuwa – <u>kim.inuwa@gmail.com</u> Women's Tennis – Nelson Rowell – <u>nelson.rowell@ucps.k12.nc.us</u> Women's Golf – Mike Jacobus – <u>mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us</u>

CATA SPIRIT WEAR- BUY IT IN Person Items available for in person sales are t-shirts, caps, visors, and hoodies. Other items may be available for ordering. We will sell at the home football games.

The Student Section at CATA calls itself the BLUE CREW.... Every year a new Blue Crew shirt is designed and voted on by students. Purchase the 17-18 Blue Crew Shirt by going to <u>our online link.</u> Shirts cost just \$12. Shirts can be purchased before or after school in the main office.



#### Many of our student life organizations are listed on our website. Click here.

- Fashion Club will meet on Tuesdays after school. New members welcome!
- Are you interested in photography, writing or design? If so consider joining yearbook club. We meet every Monday from 3:35-5:00. Come check all the advantages involved with being a part of this club.
- The **CATA Band Program** is holding its annual Bank for Band Donation Drive during the month of September. Each band student is tasked with asking seven people to donate \$5 each to the CATA Band Program. Funds raised will help the growing band program with equipment and supplies needs for the school year. Donate today via the band website or find a band student today and help this amazing band program!

CENTRAL ACADEMY COUGAR HOME GAME ATHLETICS PASS STUDENT ONLY

#### **\$50 FOR Winter and Spring Sports**

INCENTIVES SUCH AS CONCESSION ITEMS AND OTHER GIFTS WILL BE OFFERED PERIODICALLY THOUGHOUT THE YEAR.





# Around CATA

#### Friday, September 29— NO SCHOOL- Teacher Workday

**Monday, October 2— Dress as your favorite Meme Day;** PTSO Executive Board Meeting, 6:30 PM (Media Conference Rm.) Robotics Club, 3:30 (Rm. 118) Society of Women Engineers, 3:45 (Rm. 525; Student Council Officer Meeting, 3:45 (Media Center)

**Tuesday, October 3– Twin Day;** English I, II, and III Common Assessment, Math III Common Assessment; Fashion Club, 3:30 (Rm. 616); Travel Club, 3:30 (Rm. 208); NHS Meeting;, 8:15 AM and 3:35 PM (Media Center) Speech and Debate Workshops, 3:45 (Ms. Lindsay); Gaming Club, 3:45 PM (Rm. 217); NHS Inductions, 7 PM (Auditorium)

Wednesday, October 4– Wacky Tacky Day; English I, II, and III Common Assessment, Math III Common Assessment; Creative Writing Club, 3:30 (Rm. 610); Chess Club, 3:30 (Rm. 216); Science Olympiad, 3:30 (Rm. 605);

**Thursday, October 5— Throwback Thursday Day (Dress for favorite Decade)**; Civics and Economics Common Assessment; FCA, 8 AM (Gym); Speech and Debate (Debate), 3:45 (Ms. Jones); Speech and Debate Interpretation, 3:45 (Mr. McDowell)

**Friday, October 6— Color Wars Day** Seniors wear Black, Juniors wear white, sophomores wear marroon, and freshmen wear navy; Civics and Economics Common Assessment;

#### Saturday, October 7—Homecoming Dance, 8-11 PM (Gym)

\*Common Assessments are to gauge student learning—it is not a "test".

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### <u>October</u>

PTSO Wreath Fundraiser Month **10/2 to 10/7—Homecoming/Spirit Week** 10/9—Teacher Workday, NO SCHOOL 10/10—End of Grading Period 10/11—PSAT All 10th and 11<sup>th</sup> graders 10/16—CFNC Financial Aid Night, 6:30 PM (Auditorium) 10/18—Report Cards 10/19—Winter Sports Parent Night, 7 PM, Auditorium 10/24—Early Release Day, School is 8:50 to 12:30 PM 10/25—Underclassmen Photo Make-up Day 10/31—Progress Reports 10/31—Annual Trunk or Treat, 4:45 PM to 6 PM, Staff Parking Lot 11/3—Pre-ACT (All Sophomores)



# Make It in Union County – Manufacturing Awareness Week"

Union County is fortunate to be the home of several successful manufacturers, each brining a unique perspective to this region. During the Week of October 3-6, manufacturers in Union County will open their doors to the community to tour their facilities and learn more about manufacturing for Manufacturing Awareness Week. CATA has an opportunity to receive a prizes for their participation in the open house events and showcase. For each open house students, parents, teachers, counselors, career development coordinators, assistant principals, and principals attend points will be awarded to CATA. You must register for Open House tours at <u>http://makeitinunioncounty.com</u>. For more information, please contact your Career Development Coordinator, Sarah Webb at <u>sarah.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us</u>.

# 2018 Yearbook & Senior Tributes

Yearbooks are on sale for \$75.00 until December 2, 2017. The price will go up to the full price of \$85.00 on that date. Be sure to get your yearbook early! Order yours today! Order online at https://www.yearbookforever.com (search for CATA) or bring in a check or cash to Ms. Christensen. Make checks out to CATA.

**Senior Tributes** are on sale now! All space must be reserved and paid for by October 31, 2017 to guarantee space. After October 31st space may not be available. All photos and messages must be received before December break.

#### Pricing:

1/8 page (business card size) - \$65.00, 1 photo 1/4 page - \$100.00, up to 3 photos 1/2 page - \$195.00, up to 6 photos Full page - \$295.00, up to 9 photos.

Main photo must be from the current year and not the same pose as will be in the yearbook.

If you have any questions about yearbook sales or senior tributes, please contact Ms. Deb Christensen at

<u>deb.christensen@ucps.k12.nc.us</u> or call 704-296-3088, ext. 7140.

### **Student Parking Passes**

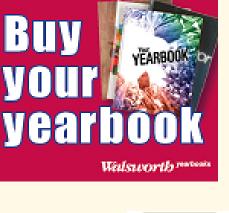
Parking passes <u>are not guaranteed</u> available throughout the school year. Once we sell out we will start a waiting list. Students obtaining their license during the school year are not guaranteed a spot, and may have to wait until the following year to drive. We will have a waitlist for those students bringing in all appropriate documentation. **Please click <u>here</u> for Parking** 

**Pass forms and further information.** Past due fees must be paid before parking passes are issued.

**Bus Tracking App Now Available:** This school year, Union County Public Schools (UCPS) parents will be able to view the real-time location of their child's school bus on their smartphones, tablets or computers. <u>Click here!</u>

**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. There is a new volunteer portal, so volunteers who are already approved should have received an automated email from the new system with instructions on how to activate their volunteer status in the new system.

# Click on the yearbook ad to go the purchase site.









# ATTENDANCE AND EARLY DISMISSAL FACTS AND PROCEDURES Click Here for Information about attendance and absentee notes

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 Managerwilliam.smith@ucps.k12.nc.us Mrs. Riley- ISS and Absence Recovery Coordinator- <u>karen.riley@ucps.k12.nc.us</u>

### Technology Fees: The required technology user fee (\$25) for your student is past due if it

was not paid before September 5th. 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 this link (click here).

### Be in the Know by following us on Twitter

Follow CATA at @cata\_monroe Dance @CATA\_DANCE Performing Arts @CougarArts Athletics @CATA\_Athletics Football @CATA\_cougarfb Band @catabanddirect Student Council @StucoCata Counseling @CATA\_CougarCheer UCPS @UCPS\_MonroeNC

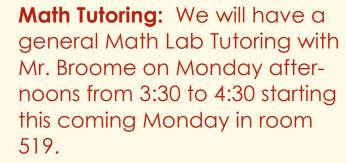
# Cougar Concessions





We are requesting assistance from parents and community members to volunteer for our Cougar Concessions for JV and Varsity Volleyball and JV and Varsity Men's Soccer this Fall. Please use the link below to sign up for a time. If you have any questions please contact CATA Assistant Principal Josh Wall at Josh.wall@ucps.kt2.nc.us. All concession funds support the entire athletic department.

Link: https://goo.gl/KBLcxz



Please click on the Cougar Concessions Ad to sign up for Volleyball and Men's Soccer Games.

# **Central Academy Dress Code**

**Dress code.** The administration recognizes that the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States respects a student's right to choose his or her style of dress or appearance. However, if a student's dress or appearance is so unusual, inappropriate, or lacking in cleanliness that it disrupts the learning environment; the student may be required to change the offending dress or appearance. Clothing that attracts undue attention to the body's form or contour is inappropriate for school. Students are responsible, therefore, for exercising good judgment in dress and grooming. The following are guidelines for high school dress, but are not limited to these:

- Shorts, skirts, dresses, etc. must extend beyond a student's fingertips when the student is standing up straight.
- No holes are allowed above fingertip length.
- Shirts that show cleavage, stomachs, or bare backs violate dress code.
- No spaghetti/tank tops with shoulder straps less than 3-fingers wide.
- No mesh tops, see-through, cut-off shirts, halters, skintight clothes, or clothing of any type that exposes the torso, contains profane words, drug or alcohol advertising, sexual innuendoes, or other unacceptable graphics.
- Students must wear shoes.
- No hats or headwear worn inside buildings.
- No gang related clothing, paraphernalia, or tattoos.
- · No sunglasses worn inside unless medically needed.
- Visible undergarments are prohibited at all times.

Students will be given the opportunity to change if they are out of dress code. If they choose not to or are not able to change, a parent will be required to bring an appropriate change of clothing.

Consequences for the above infraction may include up to Out-of-School Suspension.

Violation of classroom policies. Students shall follow any rules and regulations not addressed in this policy which are established by the administration or the classroom teacher.