

Central Academy of Technology and Arts

Cougar Chronicle

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The BETA Club is sponsoring a Moe's Restaurant Night in Monroe from 5 to 8 PM tonight. Please support the BETA Club. **The BETA Club and NHS** have completed their inductions for this year. Congratulations to all new BETA Club and National Honor Society Members. The Performing Arts Theater I students will have a **Pantomime Show** on Wednesday 10/10 at 7 PM in the Theater.

Wrapping up Homecoming Week: The Homecoming Dance, "A Night in Vegas," is Saturday 10/7 from 8-11 PM in the gym. Tickets are \$25 for two or \$15 for one and are on sale during student lunches. Tickets are \$15 at the door. For our last Spirit Day, Friday is Color Wars Day: Seniors wear Black, Juniors wear white, sophomores wear navy, and freshmen wear maroon.

PSAT-10th and 11th graders - The PSAT is on Wednesday, October 11th. All 10th and 11th graders will be taking this exam. Please make sure to bring your own calculator and a Drink and Snack for break time!!!

Powder Puff information will be available this week. The sign up day Friday 10/13 at 3:30 PM in the Media Center. Please pick up packets in the office this coming week starting 10/10. Students who have English during second semester; the **Poetry Out Loud** recitation contest is soon. If you are interested in competing but don't have English until next semester, please see Mrs. Henry in Room 108 by the end of the school day on Tuesday, 10/10.

CATA Performing Arts Wreath Sale— Please see the ad in this edition. An Order form was sent home with each Performing Arts Academy student.

The PTSO "Invest in Excellence" A big thank you to everyone that has contributed to our Invest In Excellence campaign! We raised almost \$2500.

Senior Tributes for the Yearbook: The yearbook staff must have payment by October 31st in order to guarantee space for a tribute. Bring check or cash to Ms. Christensen in The Den.

Hurricane Relief: Student Life Organizations raised nearly \$1000.00 thus far and are selling tumblers for \$8. To purchase please see the picture in this edition and contact [Ms. Kortney Kopchick](#). Please check out the feature story in this edition. Our **Academy spotlight this week: Pre-Engineering** where we highlight what makes our Info Pre-Engineering Academy 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 and registration form in this edition to participate. Click [here](#) for more information on our website in the announcements section. **Athletics:** For athletic events this week, see the Cougar Chronicle or follow us on Twitter or go to the [school athletic website](#). **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 [here](#). 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



College and Career Corner

CLASS OF
2018

Class Information from the School Counselors

Senior Information **Seniors:** Graduation is Saturday, June 9, 2018 at 6:00 PM at Winthrop Coliseum .

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.

College Visits to Central Academy: [Click here to sign up for the event](#)

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 [here](#) for more information Amount: \$250 for state-level winners; \$500 for national winners; \$5,000 for two top national winners. Deadline: 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 [here](#) for more information. Amount: \$10,000 annually to cover tuition and fees, housing, and more. An additional \$2,000 for student leadership enrichment experiences. Deadline: 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 [here](#) Amount: Tuition and fees, housing, and meals up to \$19,500 per academic year. Deadline: 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)

[Sarah Goodwin:](#) Information Systems (CyberSecurity, Computer Engineering, Software & Game Design) and Music Production & Re-cording Arts.

Counselors Help Students Prepare for Their Futures

On Tuesday, September 5th the School Counseling Department hosted a **Senior Night**. An extensive packet was given out and reviewed (also located on the CATA School Counseling Page, [Click Here](#)). 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**. The 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:

Governor's School of North Carolina: This one-of-a-kind opportunity is open to **JUNIORS** (**10th 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 13th.** 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!!!

- Thank you to the student council for planning a successful homecoming week.
- Congratulations to Jordan Hume and Lauren Sharpe for becoming our CATA Cougar Mascot!!!!
- Congratulations to all new BETA Club and National Honor Society members.

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 – Off Last Week

Cross Country – Women 1st, Men 1st @ RRC Meet

Volleyball – Loss vs. Anson, Loss vs. West

Stanly, Loss vs. Piedmont

Soccer – Win vs. Anson, Loss vs. Forest Hills

Women's Tennis – Win vs. Piedmont, Win vs. Forest Hills

Upcoming Events:

Friday, October 6th:

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

Saturday, October 7th:

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

Monday, October 9th:

AWAY – Golf – Badin Country Club – 3:30 pm

AWAY – JV Soccer @ Carmel Christian (Matthew's Sportsplex)
4:15 pm

AWAY – Volleyball @ Carolina International School – 5:00 pm

AWAY – Varsity Soccer @ East Montgomery – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, October 10th:

HOME – Tennis vs. East Montgomery – 3:30 pm @ Monroe High

AWAY – Cross Country @ East Montgomery – 4:30 pm

HOME – Volleyball vs. Forest Hills – 4:30/6:00 pm

Wednesday, October 11th:

AWAY – Soccer @ Mt. Pleasant – 4:30/6:00 pm

Thursday, October 12th:

AWAY – Tennis @ Mt. Pleasant – Rocky River Tournament – 10:00 am

HOME – Soccer vs. Monroe – 4:30/6:00 pm

HOME – Volleyball vs. East Montgomery – 4:30/6:00 pm

-Senior Night – Before the Varsity Game –

Friday, October 13th:

AWAY – Football @ West Stanly – 7:30 pm

Dates to Know:

- **Winter Sports Parent Meetings** – Thursday 10/19 – 7:00 pm – CATA Auditorium
- **1st Day of Winter Sports** – Monday, October 30th, 2017
- **Fall Sports Awards Night** – Monday, November 20th – 7:00 pm – CATA Auditorium

Blue Crew Student Section Theme



COUGAR ATHLETICS CONTINUED

Fall Sports 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 – stephanie.peacock@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 – Kimberley.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us

Winter Head Coaches Contact Information:

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

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

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

Indoor Track & Field – Kim Inuwa – Kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us

Women's Basketball – Angelia James – alouallen@yahoo.com

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

Men's & Women's Swimming – Kelly Lepsig – Kelly.lepsig@ucps.k12.nc.us

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.



Student Life

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.
- **Powder Puff sign ups are this week on Friday at 3:30 PM in the Media Center. Packets are available this week in the main office beginning 10/10**



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.

PASS

Around CATA

Friday, October 6—Color Wars Day Seniors wear Black, Juniors wear white, sophomores wear navy and freshmen wear maroon; Homecoming Pep Rally, 4th period. Civics and Economics Common Assessment;

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

Monday, October 9—NO SCHOOL—Teacher Workday; Technology Family Night and FAFSA Information Session , 6:30 PM Porter Ridge High School)

Tuesday, October 10—End of Grading Period; BETA Club, 8:15 AM & 3:40 PM (Media Center); Fashion Club, 3:30 (Rm. 616); Speech and Debate Workshops, 3:45 (Ms. Lindsay); Gaming Club, 3:45 PM (Rm. 217); Math I and Math II Common Assessment; Pantomime Show, 7:00 PM (Auditorium)

Wednesday, October 11—PSAT for All 10th and 11th graders; Math I and Math II Common Assessment; Earth Science Common Assessment; Black History Club, 3:30 (Rm. 602); Environmental Club, 3:30 (Rm. 620); Chess Club, 3:30 (Rm. 216)

Thursday, October 12—FCA, 8 AM (Gym); Speech and Debate (Debate), 3:45 (Ms. Jones); Speech and Debate Interpretation, 3:45 (Mr. McDowell); Earth Science Common Assessment; Technology Family Night and FAFSA Information Session, 6:30 PM (Monroe High)

Friday, October 13—Earth Science Common Assessment; Science Olympiad, 3:30 (Rm. 605); Powder Puff Turn In, 3:30 (Media Center)

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

Upcoming Events

October

PTSO Wreath Fundraiser Month

Environmental Club Tumbler Sales for Hurricane Relief

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

November

11/3—Pre-ACT (All Sophomores)

11/20—Fall Sports Awards Night , 7:00 pm – CATA Auditorium

Technology Family Night and FAFSA Information Session

Are you EmpowerED?

All families are invited to connect with Union County Public Schools and learn how you can partner with your child in their learning. These sessions will help families access digital resources and texts that are available to students.

Need help paying for college?

Learn more about the FAFSA application, deadlines and options for financial aid. Resources will be available to help you begin your application on site.

October 9	Porter Ridge High
October 12	Monroe High
October 16	Cuthbertson High
October 19	Forest Hills High

All sessions begin at 6:30 p.m.

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Hope for Houston; Flood the Jar Fundraiser

Written by Cynthia Hinson

For the past two weeks students at Central Academy have been donating their extra change to help others! The student life organizations at CATA decided to join forces in order to raise money for the victims of Hurricane Harvey in Houston, Texas. A contest between grade levels motivated the students to collect a total of 970.17! The seniors came out on top with \$343.55! Congratulations to our Senior class for showing that they care! The Freshman pulled into second place after only raising .35 cents the first day. They ended up raising a total of \$212.98. Way to go Freshman! The Juniors raised \$209.44 and the sophomores raised \$204.20. The entire student body should be very proud of our first fundraiser of the year! Please consider purchasing a tumbler from the environmental club for \$8. Please see Ms. Kopchick for details.



Homecoming Week 2017

Central Academy Presents....

A Night in Vegas



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



CATA SPIRIT WEEK

10/2-10/6

MEME DAY MONDAY 🐸🐸
Dress as your favorite Meme

TWIN DAY TUESDAY 👯👯
Wear the same thing as your Best Friend or Squad

Wacky Tacky Wednesday 🌀
Tacky Day

Throwback Thursday 📺🌟
Dress from any decade

COLOR WARS FRIDAY 🌈

Freshman: MAROON
Sophomore: NAVY
Junior: TEAL
Seniors: BLACK

Staff: PINK
HSRG #CATAWEEK
ON IG AND TWITTER

Creating with Pre-Engineering

Meet the Teachers

Mr. Buczkowski was a Digital Hardware Engineer for 17 years designing high speed multiprocessor computers. He has been teaching Technology to 6,7 and 8 graders for 11 years at the Lockport City school District Middle/Junior High schools. This is his first year teaching at CATA. He is dual certified in NY State in both Technology and Business/Marketing. He attended the University of Dayton and earned a BS in Bio-Engineering, the University of Buffalo and earned an MBA in Operations Management, and Buffalo State College and earned his Teacher Certification. Major Projects in pre-engineering this year include learning Inventor Drawing in IED with design and building of an Automata Box, learning various manufacturing processes and integrating robotic process controls into a manufacturing simulation model, integrating the RAT Rod project into the course where ever possible, and involving robotics knowledge to better help robotics club. Planned field trips include taking the CIM classes to Vangurad Pai Li to observe and learn about actual manufacturing process controls at their factory in Monroe and looking for other authentic experiences to show our future engineers the possibilities to use their skills



Mr. Shear has been teaching for 18 years at the Union County Career Center, then continued when the school became CATA. He has certifications as an NCCR master trainer, and ETA International C.E.T. He attended CPCC, Southwestern NC, and NC A&T. Major Projects in pre-engineering this year EDD students will work on the electric bike.

Mr. Recher has been a teacher for four years at CATA. He is certifications include Engineering Intern, NC Teaching License, PLTW (IED, CEA, POE), NC Commercial Driver Education School Instructor, Construction Inspector, Nuclear Density Gauge Certification, Work Zone Safety, Highway Flagman, HAZWOPER 40-Hour Training, and ArcInfo-GIS. He attended the University of Nevada Las Vegas, Arizona State University, and St. Joseph of Arimathea Anglican Theological College. Major Projects in pre-engineering this year are: Drafting 1 – Candy House contest; Drafting 2 – Scale Model of a house design; CEA – Design project to repurpose an abandoned building to a library, and POE – bridge design contest

Our **Pre-Engineering** students are leading the way in creating a better future for us all!

YOUR CATA PTSO

Your 2017-2018 Cougar Council Executive Officers are:

President - Teri Tucker

Vice President - Emily Watts

Secretary - Michelle Schrader

Treasurer - Ann Helms

Click on this page if you,
have an interest in serving
on the CATA PTSO

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.

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amazonsmile
You shop. Amazon gives.
<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/26-1542614>

Harris Teeter
Neighborhood Food & Pharmacy
together in education
Re-Link: 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 next general PTSO meeting is November 6 at 6:30 PM in the Media Center .

Click [here](#) to view important PTSO information, minutes, and agendas.



CATA Performing Arts

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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 Myrahledbetter@gmail.com to participate.



Annual Car Show

Saturday, November 11, 2017

9am - 1pm




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

704-254-6502
myrahledbetter@gmail.com

**FREE
ADMISSION!**

SAVE THE DATE!

Central Academy of Technology & Arts is proud to announce that we are hosting our Car Show on November 11th. This car show is an exciting family fun event that will feature all classes of cars, trucks, motorcycles, tractors and more! Families will enjoy a fun and exciting event that will be a major fundraiser for the school.

Car clubs and car enthusiasts - this is your opportunity to showcase your cars and show your support for your local school. There are several different ways that you can participate in this great event. Whether you would like to register to display your car or have it judged, be a sponsor for the event, a vendor displaying your services and products, or would be willing to make a monetary donation or items for the raffle - we have an opportunity for you to participate! Please make plans now to attend this great event!

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR SPONSORS AND VENDORS!
DON'T MISS THIS GREAT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY!**

We will have Special Recognition of our Military during this Veteran's Day Event!

October is National Bullying Prevention Month

This campaign is observed nation-wide during the month of October to unite communities to educate and raise awareness of bullying prevention. Stopbullying.gov relays that Bullying is unwanted, aggressive behavior among school aged children that involves a real or perceived power imbalance. **The behavior is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time.** Bullying includes actions such as making threats, spreading rumors, attacking someone physically or verbally, and excluding someone from a group on purpose. The ramifications of bullying incidents can be devastating that leave psychological scars that can last a life time.

Our CATA family will be participating in the observation of National Bullying Prevention Month by continuing to cultivate a climate of respect. The week of October 23-27, CATA will celebrate **#UHaveaVoice Week (Cougars Cultivating a Culture of Respect)**. As we roll out our fun activities and contests, our mission is to empower our students to lead lives of integrity as they recognize that they can empower one another to have a voice....for respect.

CENTRAL ACADEMY OF TECHNOLOGY & ARTS

Car Show

Saturday, November 11, 2017

REGISTRATION

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

Awards Ceremony - 1pm

**CAR SHOW CLASSES**

CHEVROLET

FORD

ALL GM

MOPAR/DODGE

IMPORT

TRUCK/SUV

MOTORCYCLES

OTHER

STUDENTS' CHOICE

TEACHER'S CHOICE

BEST OF SHOW

Judged Cars - \$20 Pre-Registration prior to Nov. 1st
\$25 after Nov 2 and at event
Non-Judged Display Cars - \$10

Military receive 50% off registration

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
600 Brewer Drive

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Class _____ ☐ Judged ☐ Display

The undersigned acknowledges that Central Academy of Technology and Arts (CATA) and the Union County Public Schools (UCPS) will not be liable of accident, incident, or loss to any participant.

Signature: _____

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

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

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

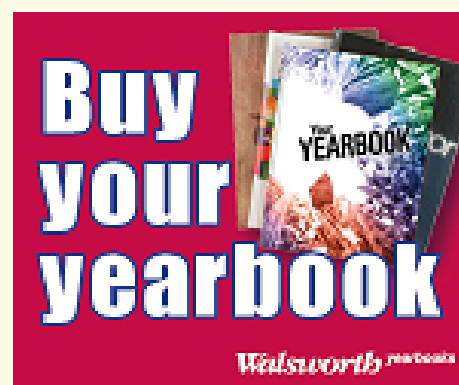
Full page - \$295.00, up to 9 photos.

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

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

Click on the yearbook ad to go the purchase site.



Student Parking Passes

Parking passes are not guaranteed 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 [here](#) 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. [Click here!](#)



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.



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 Secretary-

andrea.nahum@ucps.k12.nc.us

Mr. Smith- Data Manager-

william.smith@ucps.k12.nc.us

Mrs. Riley- ISS and Absence Recovery Coordi-

nator- karen.riley@ucps.k12.nc.us

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_Counseling

Cheerleading @CATACougarCheer

UCPS @UCPS_MonroeNC

Cougar Concessions



SignUpGenius

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.k12.nc.us. All concession funds support the entire athletic department.

Link: <https://goo.gl/KBLcxz>

Math Tutoring: We will have a general Math Lab Tutoring with Mr. Broome on Monday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:30 starting this coming Monday in room 519.

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.