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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR MONROE HIGH SCHOOL

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FYI

The cut-off for the 4th quarter finals incentive will be Friday, May 13th at 2:50 pm IF you have met the criteria for the incentive.

Seniors will get to exempt all their exams (except those courses that you cannot).

Underclassmen will get to exempt one exam (except those courses that you cannot) and you need to let your teacher know which exam you are exempting the week of May 16-20. On May 20th all underclassmen's final exemptions will be locked in.

1. NO UNEXCUSED ABSENCES OR TARDIES
2. NO OFFICE REFERRALS INCLUDING CELL PHONE VIOLATIONS
3. MUST HAVE A C+ OR BETTER IN CLASS YOU ARE EXEMPTING AND MUST NOT BE A (COLLEGE OR COLLEGE CREDIT COURSE)
4. YOU HAVE 5 DAYS AFTER AN ABSENCE TO TURN IN ANY DOCUMENTATION COVERING THE ABSENCE AND/OR TARDY

EXEMPTION CRITERIA

Monroe Chorale Choir Superior Rating

BY: NEV SIMMONS

The Chorale Choir recently participated at Lakota East High School for their state final on Saturday, the day after prom. Although it was a really short performance, they received the best score they possibly could, which is a 1. Chris Reber says, "It's special to him because Monroe choir cannot remember a previous performance that received a score as good as this at state."



Mr. Langjahr, the choir director is extremely proud of his students' performance as well. Some of the songs they sang to earn their score included Three Madrigals, If You Love Me, and Old Joe Clark. Congratulation Chorale Choir!

2022 Prom Royalty

BY: LAYLA ETTER



The first normal prom back. No Covid restrictions, no masks, no social distancing, nothing. It was amazing to be able to do this. It really brought people together, not just physically. What we really all were waiting to hear is who was voted prom king, queen, princess and prince.

On prom court for the prince was Zach Fox, Elijah Jackson, Brady Heagan, Brad Russell and Alex Bemis. For princess it was, Maria McGuire, Rylie McKinney, Malin Lara, Avary Slone and Farida Muhammad. As for seniors, on court for king was Adam Duff, Blake Leonard, Scott Newlin, Chris Reber and Balpreet Sohal. And on court for queen was Aubrey Clements, Molly Hayes, Brianna Large, Kaylee Lyninger and Vanessa Temple. The 2022 prom king and queen selected were Brianna Large and Chris Reber. The princess and prince were Rylie McKinney and Brad Russell.

When asked what it meant to them, Brianna Large said, "Life takes you to places you would have never anticipated you'd be. How you go about dealing with them, gives you your outcome. I am so thankful for the kind people in my life, you guys made the inner child in me overfilled with joy. Thank you all. Thank you Chris." And Chris said, "I'm very honored to have won both the homecoming king and prom king, and I'm thankful for everyone that has made me feel accepted, especially Bri."

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Mr. Mitchener: AP Test Preparation

BY: HOPE MUNCY

Mr. Mitchener's AP students prepared for their final exam Friday, May 6th. They have been hard at work all year thanks to Mr. Mitchener's effort and passion, in an attempt to gain college credit for their history course. The APUSH exam takes a total time of 3 hours and 15 minutes, consisting of 55 multiple choice questions, three short answer questions, one long essay question, and one data based question. Congratulations to the APUSH (and AP Gov., who tested on Monday) students for finishing out the year strong.

Mr. Brackenridge: Math Challenges

BY: GAGE SAXTON

Mr. Brackenridge is a math teacher at Monroe High School; before becoming a Hornet he also taught at Sycamore High School and Miami University. Outside of the normal curriculum for Pre-Calculus, Mr. Brackenridge likes to incorporate fun ways to review, such as regional math contests. After each math contest, he totals up the top 5 scores out of all of the Pre-Calc classes and submits them to the OHML board where they update said scores every contest. As of March 18, 2022, Monroe sits at the top of Butler County with 77 points! Other than math contests, Mr. Brackenridge is also trying to add an AP Calculus class he would call AP Calc AB. This class would be offered to all who have taken Pre-Calculus, it could also lead to college credit depending on your score on the end of year test. If you took Pre-Calc this year and enjoyed it, I'd suggest signing up for AP Calc next year.

Mrs. Bean: Bringing Science to Life

BY: EMILY FREDERICKSON & ELLA SCHWAB

Mrs. Bean is new to our district from Kings High School. She teaches freshman physical science and sophomore biology, and she is amazing at what she does. Mrs. Bean is very determined when it comes to our education, which is why she deserves this piece of recognition. Right now, in Physical Science, students are doing radioactive isotopes and nuclear decay. They will soon start building rockets. In Biology, we are currently working on our praying mantis enclosures where we feed them fruit flies. We grew grass and got things from the pond to make our enclosure fit them. We really appreciate her hard work and dedication to Monroe.



Mrs. Wolf: Hands on Greenhouse Lab

BY: PEYTON JACKSON

In Mrs. Wolf's class we are doing a greenhouse lab. On Thursday, April 28th we went outside and we were told to collect grass clippings, weeds, flowers, or anything like that to go into a beaker with water and soil. We then placed them in the greenhouse over the weekend to see what would grow in the beaker. On May 2nd we took a look in our beakers to identify if they were growing mold, bacteria or algae. After we identified what was growing we took a sample of water from our beakers and put it on a slide to go underneath the microscope. We were supposed to see what kind of organisms were growing in the beaker. In my beaker there were 3 different types of organisms growing. We will continue to take samples of the water from our beakers and test them until Friday May 6th.



From the Desk of Ms. Laforest: *College Credit Plus News (for next year)*

- If you have applied to an area college, for CCP courses, please make sure you email Mrs. Laforest and let her know once you have been accepted. dlaforest@monroelocalschools.com
- If a college has accepted you, please make sure you complete your orientation and set up an academic advising session in order to schedule your classes.
- Once you have scheduled either Summer 2022 or Fall 2022 courses, please send a screenshot of your college schedule to Mrs. Laforest ASAP.
- Remember... All athletes must have 5 solid courses in order to be eligible to participate. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact either Mr. Silverman or Mrs. Laforest.

Class of 2022 Information

Final Transcript Request 2022 Form

If you are planning to attend college in the fall, please make sure you complete the Final Transcript Request 2022 form. This was sent to you as a google form from Mrs. Laforest on April 5, 2022. If you do not complete this form, we will not be sending your final transcript to the 1 college you are planning to attend. Colleges require your final transcript prior to scheduling your fall courses. Please take care of this ASAP. If you need the form sent to you again, please contact Mrs. Laforest. You must complete this online form by May 13, 2022.

Graduation Information

A graduation information letter will be mailed home to all seniors and their families before Spring Break. Please make sure you read through all of this information. Mr. Prohaska has also been sending emails to students and parents to keep everyone informed as well as posting information on Facebook and other social media accounts.

COLOR RUN RECAP

BY: CADEN GRIFFITH



This past Sunday, May 1, 2022, the Monroe Cross Country team hosted its 4th annual 5k color run fundraiser here at the high school. There was a turnout of roughly 150 participants of all ages. Some chose to run the course, some walk, and many made it a family event. Members of the cross country team and other student athletes volunteered to throw the colored chalk at the runners. It was a beautiful day and a great event.

Student Council

Teacher Appreciation Week

Monroe Student Council showed the love to teachers and staff this week for Teacher Appreciation Week. Every day they brought around the "sunshine cart" and gave staff members their pick of snacks, drinks, school supplies and more. It was a great way to show the love to the staff that works so hard for their students every day! Happy Teacher Appreciation Week Monroe Staff! We are thankful for you!



Sports: Lacrosse Club

BY: ANDREW SHARP

Did you know Monroe High School has a lacrosse team? The team has done an amazing job this season and is currently 6-3. This is only the second season for the team, but the progress they have made on the field is amazing. The team has many talented athletes, including Elijah Jackson, Tanner Chastain and Tre Daniels. Practices are twice a week and hosted by Chad Jackson, Tony Daniels, and Ryan Vasquez. Currently the team is a club team and not an official varsity sport because the school has not yet agreed to take it on full time. Most lacrosse teams start this way because of numbers. Since it is a club team, kids from other schools are allowed to participate and they plan on doing this until the team gets enough players. Since the team is not in a division they can not be seeded for the playoffs, and although there have been a few "league games" against teams like Talawanda and Edgewood, we still basically play whoever we can. Make sure to cheer on the Hornets at their next home game on Monday, May 9th against Dayton Carroll. It's exciting to watch!



CLUB SPOTLIGHT: Multicultural Club



Monroe has introduced a new, student founded club: the Multicultural club. The club was recently founded by Natierra Simms, who has been hard at work to spread activism through our high school. The Multi Cultural

Club strives to educate Hornets on different cultures through discussions about culture, awareness months, and celebrations that take place each month. Last meeting, the club explored the Muslim event, Ramadan, through videos and games. Natierra is a junior at Monroe, as well as president of the Multicultural Club; she is advised by Mr. Terry and Mr. Allen, who assist Natierra in club ideas, as well as helping her avoid being controversial or offensive through her work.

So why should you join the club? Joining the club strengthens students' ability to avoid making microaggressions towards their peers, such as stereotype based communications. The Multicultural Club does not aim to alter your opinions in any way, rather to educate students on the world beyond Monroe borders. The club looks to educate its members on the global cultures in order to decrease and avoid unintentional and intentional bias against minorities in our school.

You too can join the Multicultural Club's pursuit of progression in Monroe on the first and third Thursdays of each month in Mr. Allen's room, where the meetings are held.



After Prom Recap

BY: TAYLOUR THOMAS



This year Monroe High School's After Prom was at The Web Extreme Entertainment hosted by Monroe Abstinence Society. The night was one truly to remember. There was laser tag, mini golf, go karting, bowling, prizes and so much more. Speaking of prizes, just walking through the door you were able to win a chance to earn a prize. Prizes ranged from gift cards, parking passes, student athlete passes, blankets, life size kick ball sets to coffee machines and flat screen tv's. After Prom was a great opportunity to have fun in an exciting and safe way. Not only were there fun prizes but there was also pizza, donuts, cookies, chips, drinks, and more. After Prom was a success where the fun didn't stop until 3 o'clock!

ONE STEP CLOSER

Seniors Receive the Caps and Gowns

BY: MAX HAMILTON

The senior class of 2022 is now ready for graduation. They received their caps and gowns earlier this week. On May 16, they will wear their caps and gowns for the annual hornet walk and on May 20, the day they walk across the stage and graduate high school.



CLASS OF 2022 GRADUATION WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY MAY 16 senior exams 7th & 8th bells Be in the auditorium at 7:40 am regular schedule -senior tailgate -graduation rehearsal -senior walk -senior picnic & field day	TUESDAY MAY 17 senior exams 3rd, 4th, & 5th bells	WEDNESDAY MAY 18 senior exams 1st & 2nd bells	THURSDAY MAY 19 exam make-ups	FRIDAY MAY 20 Be in the auditorium at 7:30 am -senior assembly pay outstanding fees GRADUATION!! report by 6:30	MONDAY MAY 23 Return your gown and receive your DIPLOMA!!
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SENIOR GRADES WILL BE COMPLETED BY FRIDAY, MAY 13TH. EXAMS ARE ONLY FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT MEET EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT:

Cameron Mann

BY: JACKSON FIELDS

- **AFTER GRADUATION:** Move to Florida in the summer and work for a year to gain in state residency then apply for college and study marine biology
- **FUTURE PLANS:** Go to college study marine biology and then become a marine biologist
- **HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A HORNET:** Since halfway through kindergarten
- **WHAT DO YOU LOVE MOST ABOUT MONROE:** The tight knit community
- **WHAT WILL YOU MISS THE MOST:** My friends and family
- **FAVORITE MONROE MEMORY:** Nerf Wars
- **BEST TEACHER YOU'VE EVER HAD:** Mrs. Holthaus



CREATIVE CORNER: Jayley Sams

BY: AVERY BLUNK

Senior Jayley Sams has been doing theatre since 6th grade, and participated in around 26 shows. After graduation she is attending Xavier University and majoring in Theatre Education. In the future, Jayley is planning on working at a high school and directing the shows there, too.

Mrs. Norsworthy has tasked her with the job of directing the Thespian Troupe One Act Plays. Jayley said about the show, "The one act play is a smaller show that is student led. We perform it at our annual thespian induction. Induction is just the ceremony where new members join the club. This is completely outside of school, it's more extracurricular like the musical or the fall play." This year the show is called "The Tree." It's a horror-comedy. Very funny, very entertaining. The opportunity will give Jayley a taste of what life will be like for her in the future.

She says, "The best part so far is seeing my vision of what this show can be in my head come to life. The actors are working so hard and they're really making this show come to life. The most difficult stuff so far is working on behind the scenes things. Like sets and lighting. I know little to nothing about how any of it works, but I've been working with Scott Newlin (my assistant director) And other adults around the school who are helping me out."



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