

# Redhawk Parent Newsletter

9/8/2020-9/11/2020

## From the Desk of Mrs. Batchelor:

Redhawks we are SO excited to welcome you back to school! Whether attending one day a week or studying with us virtually, we are ready for a great 2020-2021 school year.

Parents, please call the school and make sure your information is updated with us. It is imperative that the communication lines are open for your student to be successful.

We look forward to serving our community and a successful 2020-2021 school year.

## Important Reminders:

- **Monday, 9/7/20 is Labor Day. There will be no school in person or virtually.**
- If your student would like to purchase a yearbook from last year, they may purchase one from Ms. Neal for \$35. For questions, please contact [kylee.neal@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:kylee.neal@ucps.k12.nc.us)
- Please be sure to have your student check their Canvas page and email each day! It is very important for each student to be up to date on our latest announcements.
- If your student needs school supplies, snack packs, or care kits, please contact Mitzi Webb at [Mitzi.Webb@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:Mitzi.Webb@ucps.k12.nc.us)
- **Free & Reduced Lunch Link:** <https://www.lunchapplication.com/>.
- **Here comes the bus information:**  
<https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/cms/lib/NC01910453/Centricity/Domain/3321/HCTB%20parent%20letter.pdf>

## Academic Announcements:

- All 9th graders in Foundations of Math should have the 1st unit complete and will be taking the first unit test on Friday, September 11th.

## Drivers Education Announcements:

**The NEXT Driver Ed class will begin in October:**

- Registration begins on Sept. 14 through Sept. 25
- Class Begins Sept. 30 through Oct. 17 (Exit ticket must be printed by Oct. 18).
- The final test will be online Oct. 20 and 21 from 3:30 – 8:30 (You must complete in 2 hours).
- Makeup test is Oct. 22, 3:30 – 8:30.

**ALL PAPER WORK will be turned in at the eye check on Oct. 26, 2020 in room E111 at 3:15pm. Please see Mr. Wilson for more information or contact him at [terry.wilson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:terry.wilson@ucps.k12.nc.us)**

## Band Announcements:

**Calling all Musicians!!**

If you are still interested in becoming a member of the award winning "Red Storm" Marching Band here at Monroe High School, there is still time for you to sign up!

Just go to or type this link in your browser: <https://forms.gle/mGn2f8FdPK6LmMEt5>

You can also contact Mr. Sturdivant via email at [alan.sturdivant@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:alan.sturdivant@ucps.k12.nc.us). Also- be sure to follow us on social media platforms.

## Health Reminders

1. It is important to notify the school if a student test positive for Covid19 or if they were possibly exposed to a positive person. Our school nurse will contact parents and provide a return to school date.
2. This year there is a new NC immunization requirement for 12th grade students that requires a second meningococcal vaccination. Please contact your provider and provide documentation.

## Student Parking Announcements:

- Parking Permit (purchased during 1st semester) \$25
- Parking Permit (purchased during 2nd semester, but before last 6 weeks) \$15
- Parking Permit (purchased during last 6 weeks of school) \$10

**To pick up a parking form, please visit the front office.**

## Athletic Announcements:

- **Football**, for the month of September, starting on September 1st, will do workouts on Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday from 3:45pm-5:15pm.
- **Volleyball** will be running workouts once a week through October on Tuesdays. There will be 2 sessions each day. If your student is interested, they can contact Monica Smalls at [monica.smalls@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:monica.smalls@ucps.k12.nc.us) to sign up for a session
- Is your student is interested in **cross country**? Have them complete the interest form below. Questions? Contact Michael Engelhard (9th grade counselor) at [michael.engelhard@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:michael.engelhard@ucps.k12.nc.us) for more information.  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScVoM4Q2ogZwiDqoylOhQE0y262hy\\_\\_pvR5zYjW4e8KQnXq4w/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScVoM4Q2ogZwiDqoylOhQE0y262hy__pvR5zYjW4e8KQnXq4w/viewform)
- Is your student interested in joining **cheerleading** for the 2020-2021 school year? Have them complete the interest form below. Questions? Contact Karon Thomason at [karon.thomason@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:karon.thomason@ucps.k12.nc.us).  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScqwxDxBX8cqWXWFAXuZwu17Kp2LSNWyaOxd9qjifQDqClpdQ/viewform>

All athletes must be registered in Family ID to participate in athletics. The link to register can be found on the Monroe Athletics webpage. If you have previously registered, you would just need to update your old registration for the current school year. All athletes must also have a current athletic physical, which must be on our approved 20/21 form. The form can also be found on our Monroe Athletics webpage or in the main office.

## Plan B: Assigned Face to Face Instruction Days

### Days Assigned by Last Name:

A-D- Monday

E-K- Tuesday

L-Q- Wednesday

R-Z- Thursday

*Friday is a remote learning day. All students should still be logging in and completing work daily on Fridays.*

### Bell Schedule:

8:10am-9:50am: First Block

9:55am-11:25am- Second Block

11:30am-1:30pm- Third Block

1:30pm-3:05pm- Fourth Block

## Meet our Assistant Principals & Counselors!

### Assistant Principals:

Elizabeth Smith- 12th Grade

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Dexter Days- 11th Grade





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Elkin Lenis- 10th Grade

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Johnny Sowell- 9th Grade

[johnny.sowell@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:johnny.sowell@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Counselors:**

Megan Spurlock- 12th Grade

[megan.spurlock@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:megan.spurlock@ucps.k12.nc.us)

Tia Drake- 11th Grade

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Stephanie Hunter- Brown- 10th Grade

[stephanie.hunter-brown@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:stephanie.hunter-brown@ucps.k12.nc.us)

Michael Engelhard- 9th Grade (A-K)

[michael.engelhard@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:michael.engelhard@ucps.k12.nc.us)

Teia Coleman- 9th Grade (L-Z)

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Mitzi Webb- Dropout Prevention Counselor

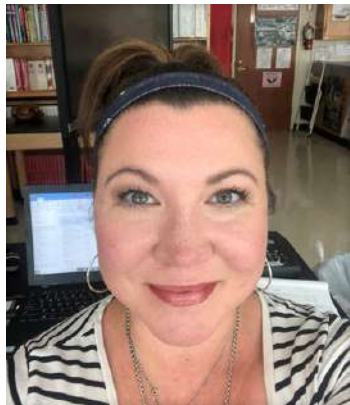
[mitzi.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:mitzi.webb@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Remember to visit the MHS Counselor Canvas Page! Your School Counselors are here for you!**

**If you need to contact your counselor please use this link: [Counselor Contact](#)**

**New to Monroe High School:**





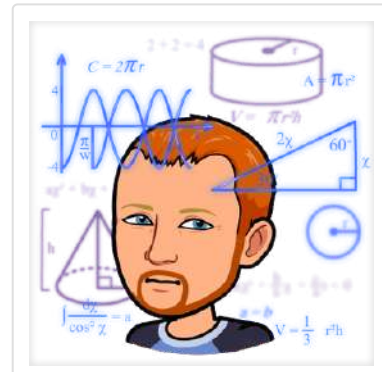
## Jennifer Ritz- Culinary Teacher

I am Jennifer Ritz, the new Foods and Nutrition teacher. I am very excited to be at Monroe high school and to be working with such a caring staff. This is my 16th year teaching and I absolutely love it! My husband and I have two kids that we are so proud of. Their activities keep us running around but we wouldn't have it any other way. I enjoy trying new restaurants, food trucks, and walking the trails with my dogs. I will be glad when it's safe to venture out to the restaurants again.



## Madison Lewis- Physical Education Teacher

I recently graduated from Appalachian State University with a degree in education #RollNeers! I currently teach Team Sports, Health & Physical Education and Fit for Life. I love ALL sports and plan on coaching here at Monroe!



## Odell Boger- Math Teacher

My name is Odell Boger. I am from Charlotte, North Carolina. I grew up on a dairy farm. I majored in Math from UNC Charlotte and I also graduated with my Masters in Business Administration of Finance. I teach math and have been in education over 5 years. I have taught high school and middle school. My goal for this year at Monroe High is to create literacy and fundamentals of the concepts of math within the classroom.



## Kelly Hunter- CTE Teacher

I was born and raised in Miami, Florida. I graduated from Bethune-Cookman University in Daytona Beach, Florida with a degree in business. I moved to NC in 2014 and have been teaching for 11 years. My passion is guiding students to find their career paths, gifts, and talents.



## Jennifer Spaulding- Speech Language Pathologist

I am the speech therapist at MHS this year. I am a year 2000 graduation from MHS and I attended Appalachian State University.



## Beth Knight- Social Studies Teacher

My name is Ms. Knight and I am a graduate from Western Carolina University! Go Cats! I grew up in Union County and graduated from Piedmont High School. I've started teaching Civics and Economics and American History I at Monroe High School and I am loving getting to know everyone here. I love to teach history because I think it is one of the best tools to use to teach empathy. In this world, we all need a little more kindness. In my free time I love to go find new coffee shops, go to the mountains, walks around different parks, and travel any chance I get! I recently got engaged two weeks ago and will hopefully be getting married next summer. I am so thankful and excited to be at Monroe High School!

**Technology Tutorials for Students**



# Union County Public Schools 2020-2021 Academic Calendar

Approved by the Board of Education on 6/29/2020

## Legend

- Early Release
- Required Teacher Workday
- Optional Teacher Workday
- Holiday
- Annual Leave (AL) Day
- Remote Learning (RL) Day

★ First and Last Day of School

Students do not attend school on AL Days, Holidays, or Teacher Workdays.

Remote Learning Days are days in which instruction will take place outside of the traditional school setting. Students are expected to participate in content specific lessons/activities from home.

178 Instructional Days

215 Calendar Days

## Make-up Days:

Saturdays and/or extended school days may be used for make-up as determined appropriate by the Superintendent.  
Remote learning days may be adjusted or additional days added at Superintendent's and BOE's discretion.

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November 2020						
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Elementary - 9 Weeks	
End of Grading Period	Report Card Dates
10/22/2020	10/29/2020
1/15/2021	1/26/2021
3/19/2021	3/26/2021
05/28/2021	

Secondary - 6 Weeks	
End of Grading Period	Report Card Dates
9/25/2020	10/2/2020
11/6/2020	11/13/2020
12/21/2020	1/8/2021
2/12/2021	2/19/2021
3/31/2021	4/14/2021
5/28/2021	



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