

MHS *weekly*

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR MONROE HIGH SCHOOL

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It's Corn! *Thanks Majors*

BY: HUDSON CAPTIO



The Majors Family Farm created a fundraiser this past summer in order to support the Monroe football program and the Monroe youth sports organizations. Their reason? Sports in Monroe have created many building blocks in their family as well as many other families and businesses locally and they wanted to give back. They decided to raise five acres of sweet corn and give it away to the community for free, accepting donations for the programs. Within the first weekend of the fundraiser starting, they COMPLETELY SOLD OUT of three acres of corn and raised over \$4,000. The Monroe football team made an effort to support the fundraiser and receive donations, working at the farm all summer. The Monroe fire department also showed their support. In the end Majors Farm ended up collecting \$20,000 with their fundraiser and they plan to expand their donation efforts for many more years to come. Thank you Majors family for supporting our students!

FYI

- PSAT forms and \$18 are due by Friday, Sept. 30th. Seats are limited, sign ASAP if you are interested.
- IF you are planning to park on campus-even for 1 period. YOU MUST PURCHASE A PARKING PASS. Passes are \$40 and all prior year school fees must be paid. Application forms are available on the Principal's Bulletin.
- Make sure to check your email and progress book daily to keep with with events and grades.
- Picture Retake Day 9/29
- 1st Quarter ends Oct. 13th
- Fall Break Oct. 14-17
- **Cap Gown Announcement Order** taken Wednesday October 5, 2022 from 7:00AM - 7:45AM

2022 Homecoming Royalty



Congratulations to Elijah Jackson & Rylie McKinney!

Homecoming Week In Review



Senior News from Mrs. Laforest

College Application Help Sessions

Each week Mrs. Laforest will be sending out sign-ups to meet with her to go over the basics of Naviance and the Common App. Please sign up and don't forget your chromebook. She will be providing sign-ups each week until the end of October!

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Day & Night Sessions

Are you wondering how you will pay for college??? Do you need financial aid, scholarships, work study and/or grants? On October 12th during the DAY Karen Heavin will be here to walk seniors through the student portion of the FAFSA. On October 12th during the EVENING Karen Heavin will be here to assist parents in completing their portion of the FAFSA. Sign-ups will be posted the week of September 12th!

Southwest Ohio Regional College Fair and Financial Aid Session

OVER 70 COLLEGES IN ATTENDANCE!
YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE ATTENDING MIAMI TO ATTEND THIS EVENT!

Financial Aid Session

When: October 18th from 6:00-6:30pm
Where: Parrish Auditorium Miami Hamilton Campus

College Fair

When: Tuesday, October 18th from 6:30-8:00pm
Where: Miami Hamilton Campus, 1601 University Blvd., Hamilton, Ohio 45011

Naviance ACT Test Prep

So how do you find it???

1. Log into your Naviance Account
2. Go to the HOME page
3. Scroll to the bottom of the HOME page
4. You will see a section called NAVIANCE TEST PREP
5. Click on this section and you will be linked to the ACT prep

CLASS OF
2023

WELCOME TO HORNNET COUNTRY

MHS has welcomed a number of new faculty and staff members this school year. Over the next few weeks, we will highlight them all.



Mr. Chris Napier joins Monroe High School this year for his 11th year of teaching. Prior to becoming a hornet, Mr. Napier taught at Hamilton High School for 4 years and Ross High School for 6. He teaches Algebra 1 with help in 2 of these classes from Mrs. Thornton. Mr. Napier says, "She is the bomb!" Mr. Napier enjoys all classes of math but he really loves teaching Algebra 1 because he believes it sets the freshman up for success in high school and in math. When looking for a position Mr. Napier credits a best friend of his from Hamilton High with making sure Monroe was a strong consideration as

BY: PENELOPE GROTE

she enjoyed her time here. The building operations, students and staff solidified his choice in accepting the job. So far, the best part of being at Monroe for him has been the welcome he has received. "I am impressed with the behavior and politeness I see from my students and how much they value learning and success in the course." Mr. Napier is most looking forward to getting to know more people in the building. We are so excited that Mr. Napier has chosen to teach at Monroe and can't wait to see what he and his students accomplish this year!



Mrs. Melissa Clemmons is another one of many new teachers at Monroe High School this year, but this isn't her first year teaching. She is entering her 7th year of teaching. She has taught 5 years at Edgewood High School and 1 year at the Butler Tech Biomedical science lab. Mrs. Clemmons is an intervention specialist and is looking forward to working with numerous students and staff members. She decided to teach at Monroe because her husband works in the district and her son will be going to Monroe schools when he is older. Overall she wants to be more involved with the community. The thing she

BY: AUSTIN SIMS & ALEX ZEPEDA

likes most about Monroe so far, and is looking forward to is to be working in the same area that she lives and having the chance to get more involved with high school. She graduated from Centerville High School and she loves to drink coffee, take walks and go on hikes. We are so excited to welcome her to the Hornet family.

THRIVE IN THE HIVE

Creative Writing

BY: THALIA GONZALEZ & CARLA ALANIS



Creative Writing is taught by Mrs. Frye. She also teaches English and Journalism. Creative writing by definition is any form of writing that expresses an author's unique voice, writing style, thoughts, and ideas in an engaging and imaginative manner. In Creative Writing class, we try to do just that. So far we've created our own characters, and written about daydreams, recreated our own stories based off of classics, and in this week's class we are writing poetry.

Creative writing is such a fun learning experience that you have to experience it for yourself. One of the hardest things to do as writers is finding our own writing process. It requires practice and time, and the writing of many stories. It is writing that takes an imaginative, embellished, or outside-the-box approach to its subject matter and taking Creative Writing can help you with that. Once was that our class is "thriving" is that we are learning to trust ourselves, and each other with our stories. Friendships have formed quickly over the sharing of our work and the "I thought I was the only one" moments that we have had. So next time you see Mrs. Frye teaching Creative Writing pop in and take a quick look at what we're learning. It may sound a different than a regular classroom, but that's the way it should be.



US Army Reserve

MADISON RICHARDS

BY: AILEEN SALINA



Senior Madison Richards has made the commitment to serve in the United States Army. Originally from Pittsburgh, she moved to Monroe her sophomore year because of her parents jobs. She was born on October 28, 2004, and she's almost 18. She is an "ordinary" teenage girl who enjoys doing being outdoors and adores nature. She cherishes the relationships in her life and is

looking forward to the next step in her journey. However, unlike many, Madison has made the decision to join the military and dedicate her life to serving our country. She said one of her reasons to enter was because of the job offers. She stated, "It's nice to have a year of academic work and it's something good for my future." She's going in as a combat medic, which she's very excited about. Her unit is in Nashville, where she has to go once a month for drills. She officially signed on August 22, 2022. The one thing that she finds hard when thinking about this change is leaving her family. She's not really worried about the mental or physical effect of it all, she's more worried about not having her support with her at all times. Thank you Madison!

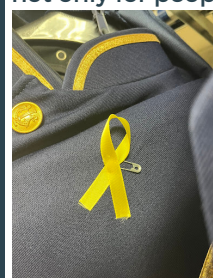
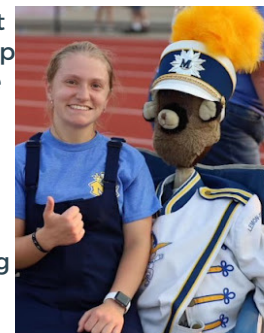
Creative Corner:

Allison Morris

BY: SARAH PERKINS

Allison Morris is a junior trumpet player in the marching band, pep band, and symphonic band. She has been playing trumpet for 6 years now, and has done many things with the Monroe band program, like performing a solo in last year's halftime show.

Allison especially loves marching band due to the challenging nature of the activity with the reward of camaraderie among her fellow bandmates. Allison has also participated in honor band, where she was amazed at how easily the band came together even though everyone was from different schools. More recently, Allison has taken on a new project: spreading awareness through the band. Allison was diagnosed with childhood cancer years ago, and was determined to spread awareness for children today through making yellow ribbons for the band to wear, in honor of September being childhood cancer awareness month. Allison, with the help of her family and friends, spent hours putting each ribbon together. When the time finally came for the band to wear the ribbons, Allison explained to the band what the ribbons meant. She also explained how important it was to spread awareness, not only for people like her, but for the children of the future. The band will continue to adorn the yellow ribbons through the month of September. In the future, Allison is considering majoring in music education, or education in general. And considering her talent, creativity, and passion on and off of the football field, she will go far in whatever path she chooses.



MHS'S Career Based Intervention Program

BY: JACOB CARLSON

The Career Based Intervention program is thriving and successful at Monroe High School. According to the MHS Future Ready Playbook (Course Catalog) "The CBI Program is designed to help students improve academic competence, graduate from high school, develop employability skills, set goals and implement a career plan, and participate in a career pathway in preparing for postsecondary education and future careers. Upon completion of this course students will earn the Ohio Means Jobs Readiness Diploma Seal."

Currently there are 25 students involved in the CBIP program. There are many types of jobs; some work they do is landscaping, warehousing or restaurants. The students work about 25 to 50 hours a week and the amount of hours they do is dependent on their job they have. Students come to school and do a couple of hours of school work, and some leave around 11:30 or 12:00 to work. CBIP helps students to make sure they have all of the classes they need. Students are able to earn the graduation seals needed for their diploma, work through classes (in the classroom or online) to earn and/or recover credit, and maintain employment.



Senior Spotlight: Karli Hammond

BY: ELLIE DOWNIE & PAYTON SAYLOR

Karli Hammond is a cheerleader you've probably seen at the football games before. She's also a younger and older sister who spends most of her time outside of school doing homework and practicing, well, cheerleading! She hopes to go to Miami, although she still isn't sure which campus, but she does know that she wants to major in primary education. She's going to miss high school though!

Some of her favorite memories are from the high school football games.

She has gone to Monroe all her life and made lifelong friends and many great relationships. Including the one she made with her favorite teacher Mrs. Gates. She says its teachers like Mrs. Gates, the ones who have real impacts that make her want to be a primary school teacher because she wants to be that person for younger kids.



HORNET STORIES:

BY: FAITH BUSSEE

Jenna Ard



Jenna Ard is the type of person that lights up the room when she walks in. Her smile is contagious, and so is her laugh. Jenna is a junior here at Monroe and is also one of the varsity cheerleaders. She also has a sweet spot for country music. Country music has always been her favorite, and she believes it receives too much hate nowadays. Her favorite country artists right now are Morgan Wallen and Dustin Lynch.

Jenna also loves attending live music concerts because something about the atmosphere makes her feel at home. She loves the positive energy, and how kind everyone is around her. However, she hasn't been to a concert in almost three years and is hoping to go to one soon. Jenna is also a huge fan of the tv sitcom, Gilmore Girls. Every fall she rewatches the show and it always brings back good memories. She says "I've loved it for years, and it's always been a comfort show. It never fails to make me laugh no matter how I'm feeling." Her favorite character is Luke, because he's kind, super funny, and relatable. Things that make her smile are what matter to her most!

Girls Soccer: Like Mother, Like Daughter

BY: ZOE JOHNSON & KALEAH DISHER



Ms. Williams and her daughter Sarah Deaton are a dynamic duo. On the soccer field, Ms. Williams is the head coach of the girls varsity team and Sarah plays the position of forward. Off of the field they are best friends. Now you might wonder how practice and the games go when the mother is the coach and her daughter is on the team, but they seem to handle it really well. Sarah admits that they both have had their moments of frustrations, but in the end she knows that her mom has the best intentions for her and she knows it's going to help her play better. Sarah truly does love playing soccer for her mom; she said it's something special to the both of them and they enjoy sharing the experience together. After all, Ms. Williams clearly knows what she is talking about, having been named SWBL coach of the year and leading the Hornets to a league title multiple times over her past 19 years as a varsity soccer coach (9 at Lebanon). She doesn't always fill the role of coach for Sarah however; sometimes she gets to be the mom cheering from the sidelines. When Sarah isn't in a Hornet uniform, she plays for Kings Hammer Academy. This summer she had the privilege of playing at Nationals in Orlando, Florida at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. She was invited to play two age groups up and she even scored a goal. As for this season with the Hornets though, they both have different goals. Sarah's expectations, are for the team to have the best chemistry possible, and Ms. Williams wants to win league and state and to continue to build the legacy and good reputation of the Lady Hornets Soccer Program.



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