

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Week in Review

June 7, 2025

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BOARD AGENDA
June 9, 2025
Work Session - 5:30 pm



BOARD AGENDA
June 10, 2025
Work Session - 5:30 pm



BOARD AGENDA
June 10, 2025
Board Meeting - 7 pm



Board Meetings
Live Streaming



use this link to view the 7 pm meeting

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- * Speech & Language Teacher
.5 FTE - Arborwood North
- * Secretary - 12 month
Athletic Department
- * Boys Varsity Golf Coach
- * Boiler Operator/HVAC Technician
- * Contracted Custodial Trainer
- * Contracted Custodians

Superintendent's Corner

ANDREW SHAW

SUPERINTENDENT



Welcome to another edition of **MPS Week in Review**! Please forward this to your family and friends. Anyone can sign up with the Subscribe button at the left.



CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES

Last night we celebrated Orchard Center High School's Class of 2025 at Commencement. There will be a full-page ad in the Sunday, June 8 issue of *Monroe News* featuring OCHS graduates. Watch for two very special Graduation editions of *Week in Review* — one for OCHS and one for Monroe High School. The Learning Bank Graduation is at River Raisin National Battlefield Park on Thursday, June 12, at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday is also the last day of school with a half-day dismissal. Check the calendar inside for a list of final-week special events. Take care, have a fantastic final week, and congratulations to all!



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Thursday, June 12, 2025 is the LAST day of school, with a HALF-DAY dismissal schedule. Please note Kids Club will close at noon. There will be no buses from schools to Kids Club in the afternoon.



LAST HALF DAY

JUNE 12

Monroe Public Schools families are reminded that students are scheduled for the **LAST HALF DAY of classes on **Thursday, June 12, 2025.****

Kids Club closes at 12 noon.

No buses from schools to Kids Club in afternoon.

Half Day Dismissal Times	
Monroe High School	10:30 a.m.
Orchard Center High School	10:59 a.m.
Monroe Virtual School (7-12)	10:59 a.m.
Monroe Middle School	11:09 a.m.
Arborwood North	11:58 a.m.
Arborwood South	12:03 p.m.
Custer 1	12:03 p.m.
Custer 2	11:58 a.m.
Manor	11:58 a.m.
Raisinville	11:58 a.m.

Special Events

Saturday, June 7, 3-4 p.m.

Custer 6th Grade Graduation

Held at Monroe Middle School

Monday, June 9

Custer Kindergarten Graduation

Reed / Varos-Yorkey / Lassey, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Hess / Powlesland / Klingelhafer, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Monday, June 9, 10 a.m.

Manor 6th Grade Graduation

Monday, June 9, 1 p.m.

Manor Kindergarten Graduation

Tuesday, June 10, 1:15 p.m.

Raisinville Kindergarten Graduation

Tuesday, June 10, 1:30 p.m.

Custer Young Fives Slide into Kindergarten

Wednesday, June 11, 9:15 a.m.

Raisinville 6th Grade Graduation

Wednesday, June 11, 11 a.m.

Waterloo Senior Class Photo

by Waterloo marquee sign

Wednesday, June 11, 1:30 p.m.

Arborwood Kindergarten Slide into 1st Grade

Wednesday, June 11, 4:30-6 p.m.

Arborwood 6th Grade Dance

Thursday, June 12

Last Half Day of School for Students

Teachers do NOT work in afternoon

End of 3rd Trimester/2nd Semester/4th Quarter

Thursday, June 12, 11 a.m.

Raisinville Clap Out for Seniors

Thursday, June 12, 11 a.m.

Manor Senior Walkthrough/6th Grade Clapout

Thursday, June 12, 5-7 p.m.

Sideline Cheer Tryouts for Grades 7-12

Monroe High School Gym

Thursday, June 12, 6:30 p.m.

Learning Bank Graduation

River Raisin National Battlefield Park Visitor Ctr.

Students should arrive by 5:30 p.m.

COMING UP:



Half Day AND
Last Day of School
Teachers do NOT work
in afternoon



Learning Bank
Commencement
River Raisin National
Battlefield Park, 6:30 pm



Summer Meals
7-Day Meal Bundles begin
Raisinville, 10 am -12
Future weeks on Thursdays
Summer Meal [survey](#)

Senior Walk - Throughs - 2025

MPS elementary schools invite 2025 graduating seniors to participate in Walk-Throughs at their alma maters!

Please wear your cap and gown.

Wednesday, May 28 | 1 p.m. - **Arborwood**

Wednesday, May 28 | 2:30 p.m. - **Custer**

Thursday, June 12 | 11 a.m. - **Manor**

Thursday, June 12 | 11 a.m. - **Raisinville**

Senior Group Photo - 2025

Thursday, June 11 | 11 a.m. - **Waterloo**

Please wear cap and gown and meet at Waterloo sign.



5/6 Trojans: Music Sign-Ups

If you missed the Music Open House on May 28, you may still sign up your fourth or fifth grade student who will attend the Monroe 5/6 Building to participate in Band, Choir or Orchestra. Please complete this form: <https://bit.ly/mps56music>



Sideline Cheer Tryouts:

June 12/13



Sideline Cheer Try-outs for grades 7-12 will be held in the Monroe High School Gym on Thursday, June 12, 5-7 p.m. Times for June 13 will be assigned.

If you are planning to tryout for Middle School or High School Cheer, make sure to use the Final Forms link below to register for cheer and upload an up-to-date physical to be able to participate in the clinic and tryouts:



<https://monroe-mi.finalforms.com>

For questions or additional info, email:
monroecompetitivecheer@gmail.com

News Highlights

In the News — Recent Articles

(Articles below appeared in the Monroe News between May 29 and June 4.)

The *Monroe News* featured Monroe High School fashion design teacher **Sandy Kern**, who is retiring after 37 years, as their front page lead story (5-30). Another article profiled eight teachers retiring from Monroe Public Schools – **Russell Columbus, Amy Pabin, Amy Rakoczy, Tina Shepard, Michele Sims, Cindy Strickland, Holly VanKlingeren**, and **Melissa Woodfill**. The printed paper featured headshots, but the online version shared photos submitted by our teachers (5-30). The Monroe High School graduation ceremony was celebrated on the front page on June 3.

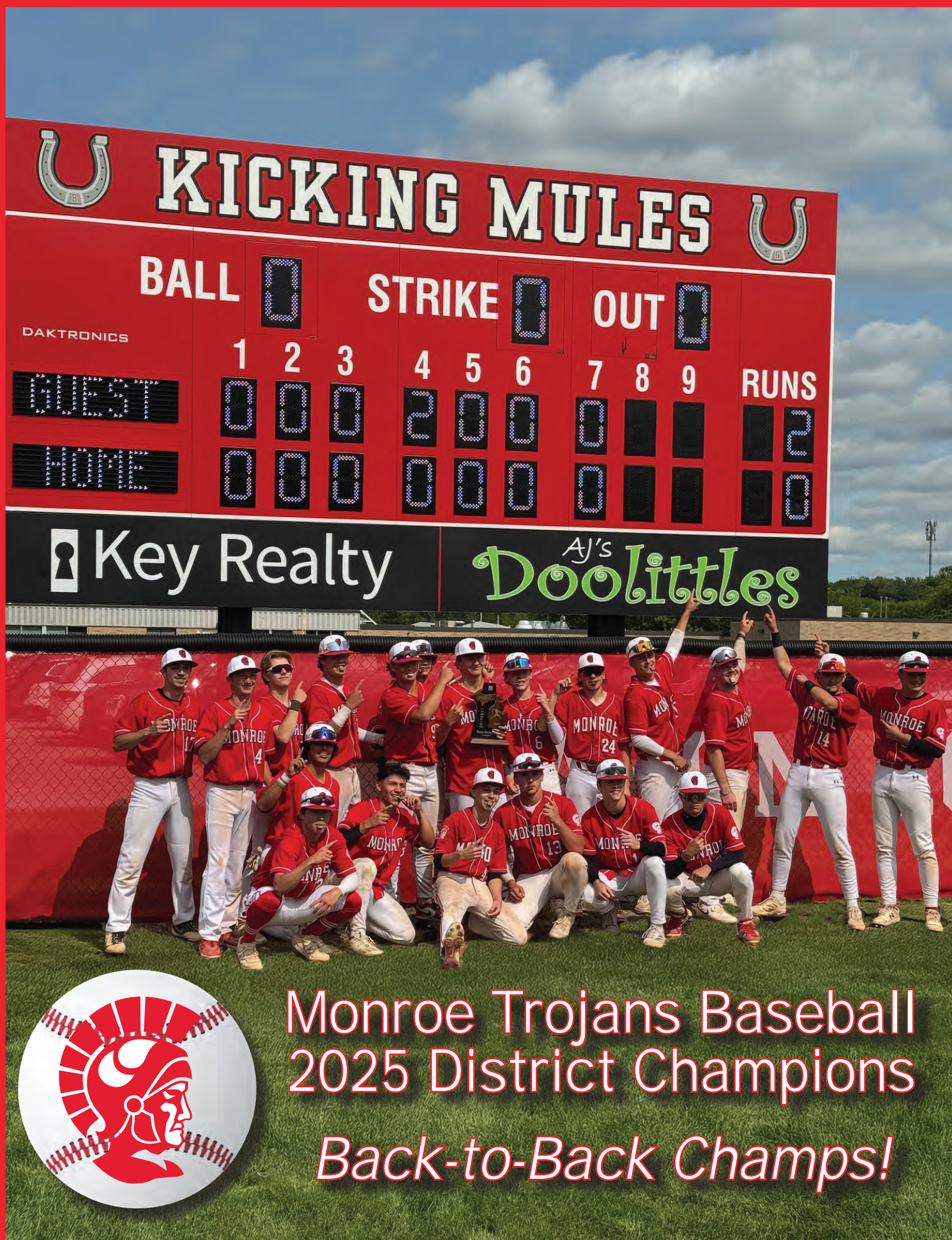
Sports Highlights

Girls soccer tournament coverage included the Trojan ladies winning their district semi-final (5-29) and district title (6-2), and a region preview (6-3). Baseball tournament coverage included a district preview (5-30), the Trojans winning the district title (6-2), and a region preview (6-4). A softball district preview ran on May 30.



Monroe Trojans Girls Soccer 2025 District Champions

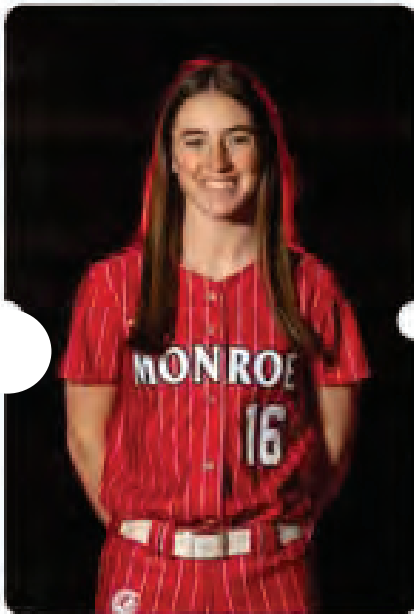




Monroe Trojans Baseball
2025 District Champions
Back-to-Back Champs!

ALL-DISTRICT HONORS

Congratulations to these 2025 SOFTBALL honorees!



Maci Willey

1st Team
All-District



Avery Leach

1st Team
All-District



Aly Lewis

1st Team
All-District

SPORTS PHYSICALS

Friday, July 18, 2025 | 1-5 p.m.
Family Medical Residency Center
650 Stewart Road

Physicians from the Family Medicine Residency Center will be available for Walk-in Physicals for all sports for the 2025-2026 season.

Physicals will be \$20.
Payment will be collected at the time of service.



Final Exams

Monroe High School

Monroe High School students will take their Second Semester Exams **Tuesday, June 10 - Thursday, June 12.**

Tuesday and Wednesday are full-day schedules. Thursday is a half-day with dismissal at 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, June 10

1st Hour	7:23 - 7:52
2nd Hour	7:57 - 8:26
3rd Hour	8:31 - 9:00
4th Hour	9:05 - 9:34
5th Hour	9:39 - 10:08
6th Hour	10:13 - 10:42
TFT	10:47 - 12:35
A Lunch	10:47 - 11:13
B Lunch	11:28 - 11:54
C Lunch	12:09 - 12:35
1st Hour Exam	12:40 - 2:11

Wednesday, June 11

2nd Hour Exam	7:23 - 8:54
3rd Hour Exam	8:59 - 10:30
TFT	10:35 - 12:35
A Lunch	10:35 - 11:01
B Lunch	11:22 - 11:48
C Lunch	12:09 - 12:35
4th Hour Exam	12:40 - 2:11

Thursday, June 12

5th Hour Exam	7:23 - 8:54
6th Hour Exam	8:59 - 10:30

Elementary Tech Return

ATTENTION: Y5 - Grade 5

TECHNOLOGY DEVICE RETURNS

Y5 - Grade 5 need to return Chromebook or iPad, case, charger, and hotspots (if issued).



All students in Young Fives through Fifth Grade (Y5-5) need to turn in their technology devices and accessories to their teachers on or before **Thursday, June 12, 2025.**

Sixth graders will take their devices and chargers home with them for the summer.

Students enrolled in Summer School will be given access to school devices for their educational needs.



Birthday Celebration

Raisinville Principal **Scott Hoppert** received the royal treatment from his staff and students on Thursday, June 6, 2025, in honor of his 60th Birthday.

Classroom doors throughout the building were decorated to celebrate the beloved school leader.

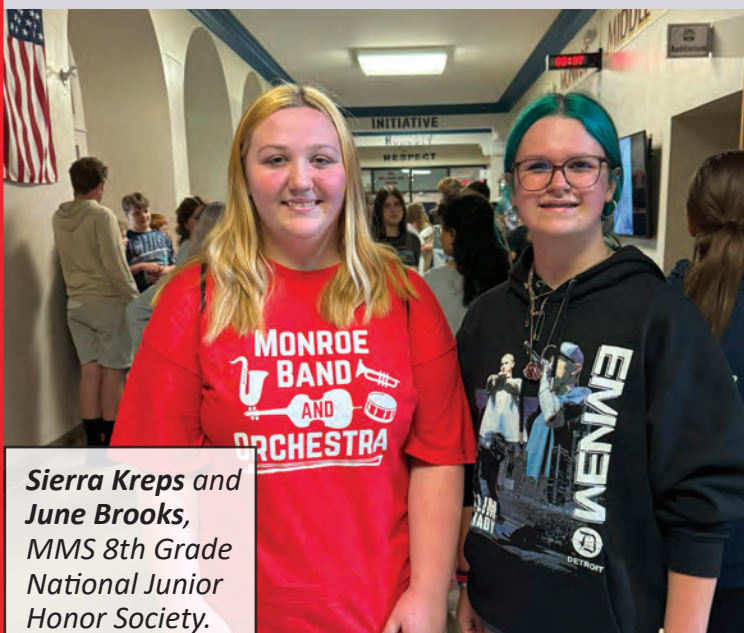


Monroe Middle School 6th Grade Tours



Opportunities Await At Monroe Middle School

Sixth grade students from each of the district's elementary schools visited Monroe Middle School in May. The tours were led by MMS National Junior Honor Society members, offering a fun and informative transitional event. The sixth graders had the opportunity to learn about academic and extracurricular opportunities that await them in seventh grade, as well as to become more familiar with the school and campus.



Sierra Kreps and June Brooks,
MMS 8th Grade
National Junior
Honor Society.



Andrew Duncan,
MMS Principal;
Angela Tedora,
Assistant Principal;
Therapy Dog **Buddy,**
Monroe Public Safety.

MMS



SPORTS



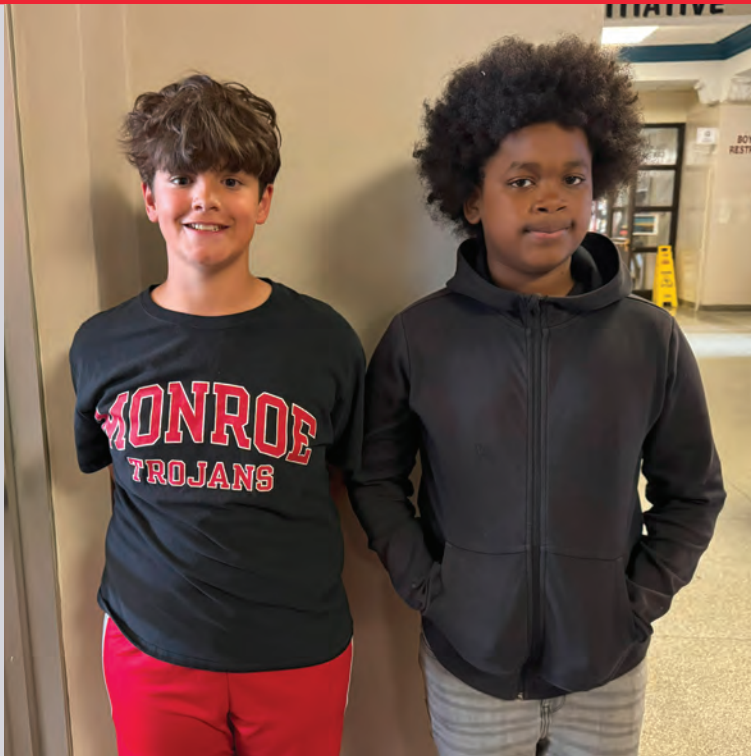
MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS:

Kyle Reed, Director of Middle School Athletics and Community Education Sports, shares information about MMS athletic programs. Middle school sports include Football, Soccer, Volleyball, Cross Country, Swimming, Basketball, Wrestling, Track and Field, Baseball, Softball, and Cheerleading.



MIDDLE SCHOOL SUPPORT STAFF:

Laney Salenbien, Restorative Behavior Technician; **Jennifer Smith**, Administrative Assistant; and **Tricia Mainzinger**, McKinney-Vinto Liaison, were among those greeting the sixth grade students.



FUTURE MMS TROJANS:

Sixth graders **Ricky Heil**, **Allen Torres**, **Emma Nussbaum**, and **Madison Cuykendall** toured MMS. Ricky said he really enjoyed the experience. Allen appreciated the information about opportunities in sports and math, and Emma is looking forward to volleyball.



Monroe Middle School 6th Grade Tours



National Junior Honor Society eighth graders **Avery Kinsey** and **Harper Loveland** led tours.



MIDDLE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA:

MMS students can learn to play the violin, viola, cello, and bass in MMS Orchestra.

*Pictured are eighth grade violinists **Alex Sierra** and **Trenton Grant** with Orchestra Director **Montana Crawford**.*



MMS



MUSIC



MMS CHOIRS:

*MMS Choir students practice under the direction of **Elise Dinwoody**.*

SIXTH GRADE SURVEY:

Sixth grade families are asked to complete this survey from Monroe Middle School to ensure the scheduling for your child is correct for the 2020-2026 school year:

<https://forms.gle/L38G2TCetxS2zPi5A>

MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND:

MMS students can learn to play the flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, baritone/euphonium, and percussion instruments in MMS Band.

*Pictured (left) are seventh grade band members **Madison Shook**, bass clarinet; **Raiana Peoples**, guitar, and **Matalee Johnson**, trombone.*





MUSIC & MACKINAC

Monroe Middle School Choirs

The Monroe Middle School Choirs enjoyed a wonderful trip to Mackinac Island in mid-May!

The young singers had a clinic with **Gabriela Hristova**, Associate Professor of Music in the Department of Fine and Performing Arts, from the University of Michigan-Flint. The group stayed at Mission Point Resort, took a horse-drawn carriage tour around the island, explored Fort Mackinac, and had brunch at the Grand Hotel. MMS Choirs are directed by **Elise Dinwoody**.



Photos provided by Elise Dinwoody

MMS Choirs at Mackinac Island



Monroe Middle School choir students stayed at Mission Point Resort and enjoyed beautiful weather during their Mackinac Island trip.



GRAND HOTEL

Brunch at the Grand Hotel provided the group with a tasty and memorable meal.



Learning Bank

Commencement - June 12th

The Learning Bank Commencement celebrating adult students who have passed the High School Equivalency Test and earned their GED will be held at the River Raisin National Battlefield Park on **Thursday, June 12, at 6:30 p.m.**

Battlefield Park

We were delighted to hold the 2025 Young Entrepreneur Showcaswe at River Raisin National Battlefield Park. They will be holding the Grand Opening of their Education Center on June 21; please save the date. A variety of festivities are planned June 20-22. More information is available on their [website](#).



HIRING NOW

Custodians - Full-time

Join an exceptional team at Monroe Public Schools!



Custodians (full-time)
\$16-\$20 / hour
 based on experience / schedule

- ✓ Work in teams
- ✓ Opportunities to advance
- ✓ Discounts on childcare
- ✓ Attendance bonus
- ✓ Flexible shifts in summer
- ✓ Access to technology and training

Click on Employment Opportunities @ www.monroe.k12.mi.us for additional information and application process details.



Summer Football Camp

Monroe High School

901 Herr Rd Monroe MI

Saturday June 28th

5:30pm-7:30pm

All incoming 3rd - 6th graders

Please bring a good attitude, water and wear cleats

Lets get to work and have some FUN!!!

*Camp is Open to All League Competitors

Football Camp - June 28

This is a FREE camp. All incoming 3rd-6th graders are welcome. Reminder: Tackle Football registration closes June 20th.

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS and SODEXO are partnering with MEET UP & EAT UP

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and
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SUMMER MEALS 25 *for* KIDS *and* TEENS

ages 18 and under

JUNE 18 - AUGUST 7

THURSDAYS* Except Week 1
(Wednesday, June 18)

10 AM - 12:00 PM

RAISINVILLE

2300 N. Raisinville Rd.

Seeking volunteers to
help with distribution.

Parents & guardians
can pick up meals.

Must be in line **by NOON**
to receive service.

First come, first serve basis.

**7-DAY
MEAL
BAGS**

**PICK UP MEALS
for MULTIPLE DAYS**

Up to 7 days worth of meals
(breakfast & lunch) at once

Wed., June 18
Thurs., June 26
Thurs., July 3
Thurs., July 10

Thurs., July 17
Thurs., July 24
Thurs., July 31
Thurs., August 7

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Healthy food
to fuel your summer.



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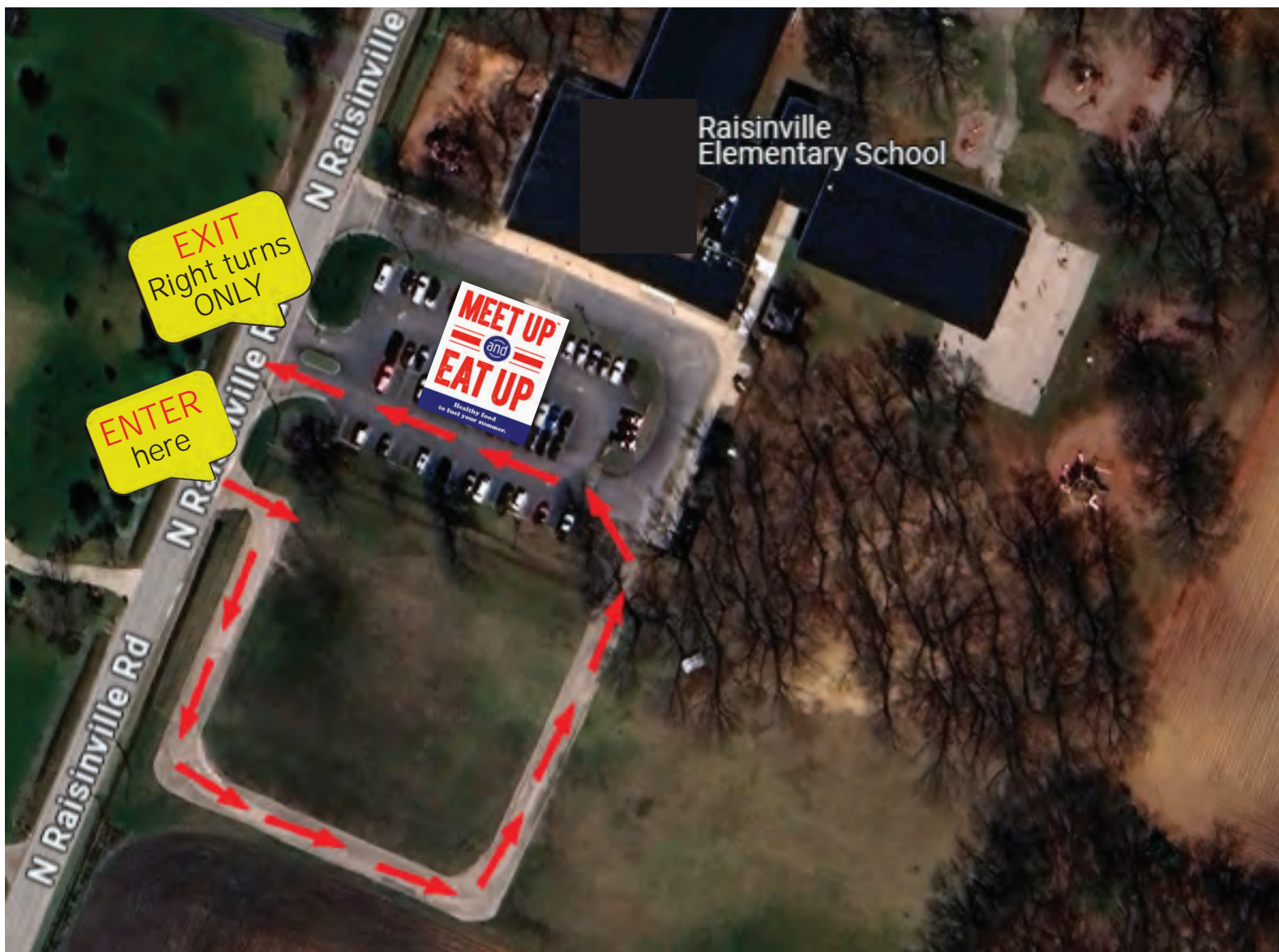
No enrollment required for meals.
FREE & available to ALL households.

*First week pick-up moved to
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18
due to Juneteenth holiday

Please use **PICK-UP LOOP and ASSIST STAFF**

To minimize traffic and wait time, please use the Pick-up Loop,
exit your vehicle when it is your turn, and assist staff
by loading your meals. **THANK YOU!**





Pick-Up Loop for Summer Meals at Raisinville

To provide a smoother pick-up experience for everyone, Raisinville's parent pick-up loop will be used for summer meal bundle pick-ups. Meals will be distributed the first week on **Wednesday, June 18** (due to Juneteenth holiday), and then on **Thursdays** for the remainder of the summer meal schedule, **June 26-August 8, 2025, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

As shown above, vehicles should enter the driveway to the right of the parking lot. Please exit your vehicle and assist staff by loading your meals. Please turn right out of the lot. Thank you!

****Please help us plan the quantity of meals needed by completing this [ONLINE MEAL SURVEY](#).****



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[ONLINE MEAL SURVEY](#)



Q and A

**7-DAY
MEAL
BAGS**

SUMMER MEALS 25*

*For KIDS and TEENS — ages 18 and under

Q. When will the 7-Day Meal Bags be distributed?

Meals will be distributed the first week on **Wednesday, June 18, 2025** (due to Juneteenth holiday), and then on **Thursdays** for the remainder of the 2025 summer meal schedule, **June 26 - August 8, 2025, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

Q. Do you need proof of residency? NO

Q. Do you need to have kids enrolled in MPS? NO

Q. Do you need your children present during pickup? NO

Q. Can I pick up meals for my home school student, step kids, or nieces? YES

Q. Where is the location? Raisinville Elementary at 2300 Raisinville Road

Q. Why is this not offered at a more central location? This is the site/location approved by the state.

Q. How can I volunteer? Call Food Services at **734-265-3120**. Thank you!

Q. Can you please have enough food and not run out? Please take the [SURVEY](#) to help us plan accordingly. It is based on a first come first serve basis.



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Healthy food
for kids & their families



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QUALITY OF LIFE SERVICES

SUMMER MEALS 25

for KIDS and TEENS

ages 18
and under

BREAKFAST
10:15-11:00 AM

LUNCH
12:00 - 1:00 PM

TOT LOTS & PARKS

FREE MEALS
served at these
Tot Lot sites and
City of Monroe
Parks



MONDAY - THURSDAY
JUNE 23 - JULY 25

St. Mary's Park
111 W. Elm Ave., Monroe

Munson Park
2770 N. Custer Rd., Monroe

Greenwood Park
Greenwood Ave., Monroe

MONDAY - FRIDAY
JUNE 23 - AUG. 8*

*NO meals July 4

Labor Park
1101 E. 2nd St., Monroe

Father Cairns Park
802 W. Eighth St., Monroe

No enrollment required for meals. Meals must be eaten on site.

**MEET UP
and
EAT UP**

Healthy food
to start your summer.



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COMMUNITY COLLEGE
to provide



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SUMMER MEALS 25

for KIDS and TEENS

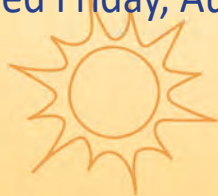
BREAKFAST
8:45 - 9:45 AM

LUNCH
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

MONDAY - THURSDAY
JUNE 16 - AUGUST 7*

*NO meals June 30 - July 4.
Meals also served Friday, Aug. 1.

served at **MCCC BUILDINGS**
F, H, S, T, Z



Meals provided FREE for ages 18 years & under.

No enrollment required for meals. Meals must be eaten on site.

