

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Week in Review

May 3, 2025

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES



HIRING FOR 2025-2026 School Year

- * Technology Teacher - Raisinville (Y5-4)
- * Elementary Art Teacher - Waterloo & Arborwood N (Y5-4)
- * 5th & 6th Grade Classroom Teachers - Arborwood South
- * Generation E (Entrepreneurship) Teacher - Arborwood South (5-6)
- * English Language Arts (ELA) Teacher - Monroe Middle (7-8)
- * Career Exploration Teacher - Monroe Middle (7-8)
- * School Social Workers
4 openings
 - Monroe Middle School
 - Custer 1 Elementary
 - Manor Elementary
 - Raisinville Elementary
- * Special Education Teachers -
2 openings at secondary level



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.

THE COMMUNITY IS INVITED — PLEASE JOIN US!

The community is invited to join us at two special events this week — the Kindness Walk and the Young Entrepreneur Showcase!

Our Kindness Walk is on Saturday, May 10. Participants in this FREE community event may choose between 2 options this year — a 5K Fun Run at 8:30 a.m. *OR* a 1.4-mile Kindness Walk at 9 a.m. Both options begin at Loranger Square and feature prompts focused on kindness and empathy. Our MPS Student Board of Delegates have created 30-second videos about the Kindness Walk. Watch here:

- [High School Video](#)
- [Middle School Video](#)
- [Elementary Video](#)



Registration is required. [SIGN UP here!](#)

The Young Entrepreneur Showcase is on Wednesday, May 7, **at the River Raisin National Battlefield Park Visitor Center**. The event is co-hosted with the Generation E Institute (GenE). The Opening Ceremony is at 5:30 p.m. Young Entrepreneurs will sell their products and services from 6-7 p.m. Awards are at 7:15.

We wish our seniors a wonderful Prom! Watch for a very special Decision Day issue of *Week In Review* on Wednesday morning. Take care, and we hope to see you at the Showcase and Walk!



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To provide additional rest for our high school students...

Post-Prom Special Late Start Schedule Monday, May 5, 2025 (for grades 9-12)



Monroe
High School
9:30 a.m.



Orchard Center
High School
9:45 a.m.



High school bus pick-up times will be approximately 2 hours later than usual.

MAY

5

Special Post-Prom
Late Start, gr. 9-12 ONLY

Monroe HS, 9:30 a.m.
Orchard Center HS, 9:45 a.m.

MAY

7

2-Hour Late Start
Teacher Professional
Development in AM



Late Start MAY 7

Monroe Public
Schools families
are reminded that
students have
a scheduled
2-Hour Late Start
on **Wednesday,**
May 7, 2025
for Teacher
Professional
Development.

Kids Club at Riverside
opens 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
(normal time).

Rainbow Preschool
runs 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Lunch will be served.

2-Hour Late Start Times

Monroe High School	9:23 a.m.
Orchard Center High School	9:43 a.m.
Monroe Virtual School (7-12)	10:07 a.m.
Monroe Middle School	9:53 a.m.
Arborwood North	10:38 a.m.
Arborwood South	10:43 a.m.
Custer 1	10:43 a.m.
Custer 2	10:38 a.m.
Manor	10:38 a.m.
Raisinville	10:38 a.m.

Special Events*

*Events during school day require ICHAT background checks in advance.

Sunday, May 4, 6-10 p.m.

Monroe High School Prom, Toledo Zoo

Monday, May 5

Special Post-Prom Late Start, grades 9-12 ONLY
Monroe High School - 9:30 a.m.

Orchard Center High School, 9:45 a.m.

May 5 - 9

School Family Appreciation Week
Thank You for Your Service!

May 5 - 9 (See schedule inside this issue)

Kindness Spirit Week Theme Days
District-Wide Cereal Drive

Tuesday, May 6, 4-6 p.m.

Orchard Center HS Parent-Teacher Conferences

Tuesday, May 6, 5:30 p.m.

6th Grade Spring Mingle Open House
Monroe Middle School

Tuesday, May 6, 6:30 p.m.

Custer Concert, 1st Grade Level



Wednesday, May 7

****2-Hour Late Start****

Teacher professional development in morning

Wednesday, May 7, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Young Entrepreneur Showcase
River Raisin National Battlefield Park
See itinerary inside this issue

Thursday, May 8, 6-7:30 p.m.

Custer Family Game Night

Friday, May 9, all day

MMS 8th Grade Band & 7th/8th Orchestra
at Trills & Thrills

Saturday, May 10

Kindness Walk, downtown, Loranger Square
Fun Run, 8:30 a.m. | Walk 9 a.m.
FREE Community Event | Register [here](#)

Saturday, May 10, 11 a.m.

3V3 Soccer Tournament for Make-A-Wish
Hosted by MHS National Honor Society
MHS Bunkelman Field | \$25 each, Register [here](#)

SCHOOL FAMILY APPRECIATION WEEK



Monroe Public Schools • May 5 - 9, 2025

MON. Administrators & Exempt Staff
TUES. Teachers
WED. Custodial / Maintenance /
Food Service / Bus Drivers
THURS. Assistants / Kids Club / Preschool
FRI. Secretaries & Support Staff

monroe
one team. one family.

The district held its annual Employee Recognition Celebration on May 1. Pictured below are Monroe High School attendees.

News Highlights

In the News — Recent Articles

(Articles below appeared in the Monroe News between May 24 and May 30.)

Monroe Public Schools is making plans to sell approximately three acres of property on LaPlaisance Road to Habitat Monroe. A formal purchase agreement is expected to be shared at the May Board of Education meeting (4-30). **Shellie Metz**, a seventh grade science teacher at Monroe Middle School, was a winner of a Directions Cares for Classrooms winter grant and will purchase science items for hands-on learning (4-27).

Sports Highlights

Teegan Simmons was first in both the shot put and discus and **Zamir Austin** was the champ in the high jump during an SEC Red meet featuring Monroe, Bedford, and Pioneer (4-24). **Alyssa Sroka** had three hits, including a pair of doubles, and drove three runs to lead the Trojans to a 20-4 softball win over Adrian (4-25). **Emily Eshenroder** and **Briley Lechner** scored three goals each as the Trojans set a school record for goals in a girls soccer game during a 15-0 win over Ypsilanti Lincoln (4-28). **Carson Liedel** and **Bryce Lechner** combined on a no-hitter with 12 strikeouts in a 9-0 baseball win over Ypsilanti Lincoln.



Young Entrepreneur Showcase Itinerary

River Raisin National Battlefield Park

Itinerary for Wednesday, May 7th

- 5:00 Set-up of businesses must be completed by 5:00 p.m. Young Entrepreneurs should be dressed for success!
- 5:30 **Opening Ceremony** featuring our Keynote Speakers – **Deb Staelgraeve and Sarah Staelgraeve** – will begin in the Theater.
- 6:00 **Young Entrepreneurs will deliver their product pitch, engage with judges and shoppers, and sell their products and services.**
- 7:00 Purchasing of products and services ends. Young Entrepreneurs will check out with a staff member or community volunteer.
- 7:15 **Awards Ceremony** will begin in the Theater



Important Information for Students and Families

- Dinner will be provided and delivered to each Young Entrepreneurs at their table. Food items will also be available for guests to purchase (**CASH only**).
- At check-out, Young Entrepreneurs will donate 10% of their profit to one of two charitable organizations – **American Cancer Society** and **Humane Society**.
- Each entrepreneur will receive a certificate and medallion as a keepsake.

Information for our guests

- If you need to make change for larger bills, please visit our bank (*see map for location*).
- If you have any questions, please go to the Event Registration Check-In Table.

Keynote Speakers



Sarah Staelgraeve and Deb Staelgraeve, our 2025 Keynote Speakers.

Deb Staelgraeve & Sarah Staelgraeve

Deb Staelgraeve grew up in the floral industry. Her grandparents started North Monroe Greenhouse in 1939, and when Deb was 8 years old, she began working in the family business planting plants into flats. She also started making corsages next to her grandma at that time. By the time she was 13, Deb was working in the office answering phones and doing the billing.

Her family sold the business in 2007, and Deb opened her own shop Deb's Floral Design in 2008. Today in her shop, both of her daughters work with her. The youngest – Sarah, who graduated from MHS in 2015 – has hopes of continuing on the business which would make it a 4th generation florist.

Deb is also a City of Monroe Councilwoman, Treasurer for the Kiwanis Club of Monroe, on the Board of Monroe Community Mental Health, and a Director on the Monroe County Business Alliance, as well as a huge community supporter.

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS



Rain or
Shine!

Join us on Saturday

May 10, 2025

5k Fun Run starts:

8:30 a.m.

Kindness Walk starts:

9:00 a.m.

All participants require registration!

register:



Scan Code or
[Click Here](#)

Kindness Walk:

Begin 1.4-mile walk at Loranger Square throughout beautiful downtown Monroe, looping back to the square!

5k Fun Run:

The 5k Fun Run starts at Loranger Square, crosses River Raisin, loops behind the IHM, and returns back to Loranger Square.

Parking:

Parking will be available at most public lots downtown, excluding lots off of Loranger Square, as it will be closed off.

Be kind. Everyone is fighting a battle you know nothing about.



cultivating empathy and creating a Community of Kindness

KINDNESS WALK

Please join us on May 10!

Register NOW for this FREE community event!



There will be **TWO options**. Both begin in Loranger Square.

5K FUN RUN - 8:30 AM: Runners will see prompts along the route that are intended to provide reflection points as they enjoy their run.

KINDNESS WALK - 9:00 AM: Attendees can choose to take a 1.4-mile walk through the City of Monroe and engage in thought-provoking conversation prompts centered on kindness and empathy.

The event will conclude with FREE breakfast, music, swag, and above all, an experience that leaves everyone involved with a sense of community, belonging, and empathy for one another.

On Saturday, May 10th, Monroe Public Schools will host our 2nd Annual *Walk a Mile in Their Shoes Kindness Walk!*

We are grateful for the partnership of many local businesses, who will also be taking part in a special way!

Last year was a huge success, and we believe it will be an even bigger success this year! We invite you to join us and be a part of this growing tradition!

[Sign up here!](#)

SPIRIT WEEK THEME DAYS

MAY 5-9

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MON.	PJ Day	<i>We Dream of Kindness</i>
TUES.	Crazy Sock Day	<i>Putting Our Best Foot Forward</i>
WED.	Twin Day	<i>Be Kind to a Friend</i>
THURS.	Crazy Hair Day	<i>Go Crazy for Kindness</i>
FRI.	Decade (Eras) Day	<i>Kindness is Timeless</i>



Spirit Week theme days are planned May 5 - 9, to create awareness.

Spirit Week Theme Dress Days

Mon. 5/5 - PJ Day

We Dream of Kindness

Tues. 5/6 - Crazy Sock Day

Putting Our Best Foot Forward

Wed. 5/7 - Twin Day

Be Kind to a Friend

Thurs. 5/8 - Crazy Hair Day

Go Crazy for Kindness

Fri. 5/9 - Decade (Eras) Day

Kindness is Timeless

Cereal Drive Stamp Out Hunger

MPS is partnering with United Way to support their mission of 100 Acts of Kindness in honor of their 100th Anniversary! Part of this work includes supporting the United States Postal Service Stamp Out Hunger canned food drive. To support both efforts, United Way volunteers will be picking up all cereal boxes collected by MPS students and will ensure they are included in the total donations collected by our postal workers!

MAY 5 - 9, 2025

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

CEREAL DRIVE

Donations accepted
at all MPS schools.



In support of Stamp Out Hunger and 100 Acts of Kindness

SEC Honors All-Academic

Every year, the Southeastern Conference (SEC) recognizes the Top 5 graduating seniors in all Michigan SEC high schools as SEC All-Academic. Students are eligible based on G.P.A. and S.A.T. score.

Congratulations to our Monroe High School SEC All-Academic recipients who were honored on April 23 at the SEC banquet!

SEATED: Jack Drougel, Maci Willey, Caroline Wozniak, Rayyan Peracha

NOT PICTURED: Aedan Prahm did not attend.



Photos provided by Mandi Bomia



MONROE HIGH SCHOOL TROJANS

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MAY 5 - MAY 10, 2025

5 MON	6 TUE	7 WED	8 THU	9 FRI	10 SAT
JV GOLF @ BEDFORD/BEDFORD HILLS GC 8:30AM	JV SOFTBALL VS ERIE MASON HS 4:30PM	V SOFTBALL @ IDA HS DH 4:00/6:00PM	TRACK @ BEDFORD HS SEC CHAMPIONSHIP TBA	NO EVENTS SCHEDULED	V SOCCER @ SMCC TOURNEY TBA
V BASEBALL/V SOFTBALL @ SKYLINE HS DH 4:00/6:00PM		JV SOFTBALL VS IDA HS DH 4:00/6:00PM	V TENNIS @ BEDFORD HS 4:00PM		V TENNIS @ AIRPORT HS 8:00AM
JV BASEBALL VS SKYLINE HS DH 4:00/6:00PM		V TENNIS VS SMCC 4:00PM	JV TENNIS VS BEDFORD HS 4:00PM		V SOFTBALL @ GRASS LAKE HS TOURNAMENT 10:00AM
V TENNIS VS AA HURON HS 4:00PM		V BASEBALL VS SKYLINE HS 4:30PM	JV SOFTBALL @ BEDFORD HS 4:30PM		TRACK THROWERS @ MIDLAND HS 10:00AM
TENNIS @ AA HURON HS 4:00PM		JV BASEBALL @ SKYLINE HS 4:30PM	JV/V SOCCER VS SEEDED ROUND ROBIN 5:30/7:00PM		JV BASEBALL @ L'ANSE CREVE SE DH 4:00/6:00PM
					V BASEBALL @ L'ANSE CREVE SE DH 6:30/8:30PM

Athletic events are subject to change. Visit monroetrojans.com for the most up-to-date information.

SEC ALL-ACADEMIC AWARD

Southeastern Conference Honors Student-Athletes



Every year, the Southeastern Conference (SEC) recognizes the Top 5 graduating seniors in all Michigan SEC high schools as SEC All-Academic. Students are eligible based on G.P.A. and S.A.T. score. Monroe High School honorees are pictured.

Jack Drougel

2024 Michigan Math and Science Scholar at UM-Ann Arbor
AP Scholar with Distinction
AP Scholar
Make It Happen Award (two-time winner)
Monroe H.S. Varsity Tennis Most Valuable Player - 2024

Future Plans:

University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Physics & Climate /
Space Science & Engineering
(dual degree)



Rayyan Peracha

AP Scholar
Microsoft Certifications
(Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
Make It Happen Award
(two-time winner)
Perfect Attendance - 2023

Future Plans:

University of Michigan
Political Science



Aedan Prahm

Trojan Marching Band
Wind Ensemble
Make It Happen Award

Future Plans:

University of Toledo
Accounting



Maci Willey

Class Secretary
Varsity Softball
Varsity Basketball
MHS Athletic Office Intern
National Honor Society

Future Plans:

Aquinas College
Environmental Science
Committed to play
collegiate Softball for Saints



Caroline Wozniak

Daughters of the American
Revolution Good Citizen Award
2022 MCEA Academic
All-Star Award
Class President
Ski & Snowboard Club - President
National Honor Society

Future Plans:

University of Michigan
Psychology



Monroe High School Honors Employers & Employees at Work Based Learning Co-op Breakfast

At a breakfast on May 2nd, Monroe High School celebrated the students who completed work based learning co-ops and the employers who provided training stations during the 2024-2025 school year.

The ceremony was led by **Anne Knabusch**, Co-Op Coordinator, and **Leah Morelli**, Career & Technical Education Director. Each student received an individual certificate for completion of their co-op experience. Co-op of the Year (in four areas) and the Irene Betz Scholarship were special recognitions.



Anne Knabusch, Co-Op Coordinator; **Ella Hensley**, Marketing Co-Op Student of the Year; **Alaina Leicht**, Health Occupations Co-op Student of the Year; **Zoe Leach**, Irene Betz Scholarship; **Samantha Spain**, Business Services & Technology Co-Op Student of the Year; **Rielyn Reed**, Trade & Industrial Technology Co-Op Student of the Year; **Leah Morelli**, MPS Career & Technical Education Director.

2025 Co-op Award Recipients

Alaina Leicht – Health Occupations Co-op of the Year
Rielyn Reed - Trade & Industrial Tech Co-op of the Year
Samantha Spain – Business Services & Tech Co-op of the Year
Ella Hensley – Marketing Co-op of the Year
Zoe Leach – Irene Betz Scholarship Award





IRENE BETZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Zoe Leach was the recipient of the \$600 Irene Betz Memorial Scholarship Award which recognizes an outstanding student who has made significant contributions to their community. Zoe completed her co-op at Dr. Abdul Kabir's Office and is pictured with **Jessica Miller**, Office Manager. Zoe will attend the University of Kentucky to study nursing and plans to eventually build a career as a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist.



MARKETING

Ella Hensley received the Marketing Co-op of the Year Award. **Brittany Dewilde**, Assistant Manager, and **Kathryn Cafuk**, Store Manager, at Wingstop, said Ella will be joining the management team after graduation. Ella will be attending Eastern Michigan University for paralegal studies.

MHS CTE Work Based Learning Co-Op Awards



HEALTH OCCUPATIONS

Alaina Lecht, pictured with Co-Op Coordinator **Anne Knabusch**, received the Health Occupations Co-op of the Year Award. She is a junior in the Health Occupations program. Alaina was nominated by pharmacist **Eric Nagel** at Yinger Pharmacy and will continue to co-op there next year.



BUSINESS SERVICES & TECH

Samantha Spain, the Business Services & Technology Co-op Student of the Year, worked at BND Enterprises, and is pictured with owner **Doug Dale**. Samantha plans to attend Central Texas College, a community college in Killeen, Texas, and transfer to a four-year college to study engineering.



TRADE & INDUSTRIAL TECH

Rielynn Reed, the Outstanding Trade & Industrial Technology Co-Op Student, will attend Monroe County Community College for childcare or dental studies, and will continue to work at Monroe Public Schools Childcare next year. Rielynn is pictured with **Paula Kipf**, Director of MPS Childcare & Preschool.

MHS CTE Work Based Learning Co-Op Breakfast

Special thanks are extended to the employers who provided Co-op Training Stations for Monroe High School's career technical education (CTE) students for 2024-2025.

"Work-based learning is a critical component of our education system," Principal **Steve Pollzzie** stated. "It provides students with practical skills and experience that will prepare them for their future careers. I am incredibly proud of the hard work and dedication that our students have shown in their respective fields, and I am grateful to our community partners for providing valuable opportunities to our students."

2024-2025 MHS Co-Op Student Employees

BND Enterprises	Samantha Spain
Bright Angels Child Daycare	Olivia Harmon
Buffalo Wild Wings	Joshua Sutton
Calder Dairy Farm	Ryan Swope
Culver's	Michael Butler
Dairy Queen – Monroe Treats	Evrytt Johnson, Natalie Maurer, Brooklynn Moore
DFH Construction, LLC	Cole Steckmeyer
Dr. Abdul Kabir's Office	Zoe Leach
HomeTown Pharmacy	Kyleigh Geiman
Indian River Holdings II, Inc.	Rowan Stamper
Leo's Coney Island	Rowan Westerlund
Level Up Training	Emily Eshenroder, Avery Leach
MHS Athletic Office	Cayman Herrera, Hayven Neddo, Maci Willey
MHS Counseling Center	Savannah Alamo, Ava Proffitt
MHS CTE Office	Gunner Wilson
MHS Main Office	Aubree Semeniuk, Olivia Venier
Monroe Family YMCA	Alexandria Younglove
Monroe Pediatrics	Kayleigh Blancarte, Breanna Lawson
Monroe Public Schools Childcare	Rielyn Reed
Olga's Kitchen	Brooklyn Boylan
Pet Supplies Plus	Bella Boyd
Phoenix Theaters	Julia Maurice
Taco Bell	Analicia Leroux
Tailored Threads	Savannah Johnson
TJ Maxx	Tana Jarvis
Tony Cannoli	Gavin Segrest
Walmart	Cole Smith
Wingstop	Ella Hensley
Yinger Pharmacy Shoppe	Alaina Leicht



STATE CONFERENCE



*MHS State Competitors — **Bee Herrera**,
Jamey Sierra, **Belle Arnold***

Future Health Professionals State Leadership Conference

Kari Arnold and **Stevie Cousino** took three Monroe High School health occupations students to the HOSA State Leadership Conference this month:

Belle Arnold- Health Career Photography
Bee Herrera – Behavioral Health
Jamey Sierra – Nutrition

These students qualified at the HOSA future health professions regional competition and represented MHS in Traverse City.

Congratulations to senior **Belle Arnold** who was a finalist and finished 4th in the state. Her event consisted of photographing 3 different Healthcare Careers, writing papers about each of them, and giving an oral presentation to the judges.



Photos provided by Kari Arnold

*MHS state finalist **Belle Arnold** (right) with her proud mother and health occupations teacher **Kari Arnold**.*



Superintendent **Andrew Shaw** (far right) with retirees **Amy Rakoczy, Holly VanKlinger**, Monroe Middle School; **Sandy Kern, Cindy Strickland**, Monroe High School; **Tina Shepard, Michele Sims**, Raisinville Elementary.

Retirees

CUSTER ELEMENTARY

Donna Drouillard, Assistant, 23 years

RAISINVILLE

Amy Pabin, Teacher, 20 years

Tina Shepard, Teacher, 23 years

Michele Sims, Teacher, 30 years

MONROE MIDDLE

Amy Rakoczy, Teacher, 31 years

Holly VanKlinger, Teacher, 26 years

MONROE HIGH SCHOOL

Holly Carr-Marshall, Secretary, 19 years

Russell Columbus, Teacher, 25 years

Sandy Kern, Teacher, 37 years

Cindy Strickland, Teacher, 37 years

Melissa Woodfill, Teacher, 24 years

FENMOOR OPERATIONS

Donald Bussell, Custodian, 28 years

Jeff Compore, Maintenance, 37 years

2025 Staff Celebration

The May 1st event celebrated retirees and recognized employees for years of service and dedication to our community.



Raisinville retirees **Michele Sims** and **Tina Shepard** were recognized by Principal **Scott Hoppert**, who presented each of them with a "Complimentasaurus."

Normally the dinosaur, wrapped in the school's Marigold Medal, travels from person to person. They were given one to keep, and heard compliments from their peers read aloud.

Our staff contributions are what make our school system so successful.
Thank you for making a difference!

30 Years of Service

Brown, Andrew, Teacher
Complo, Danielle, Exempt
Cramer, Melissa, Teacher
Gee, Terrie, Assistant
Huffman, Cheryl, Teacher
Jay, Julie, Assistant
Knight, Doug, Teacher
McCloskey, Scott, Teacher
Pocs, Darren, Teacher
Warnke, Lisa, Teacher

25 Years of Service

Boyce, Marcie, Teacher
Brown, Cynthia, Teacher
Columbus, Russell, Teacher
Gregurich, Catherine, Sodexo
McBroom, Amy, Teacher
Pifer, Barb, Sodexo
Rausch, Eric, Teacher
Sneider, Angela, Teacher
Sorg, Tina, Teacher
Turner, Elizabeth, Teacher
Varos-Yorkey, Suzanne, Teacher

20 Years of Service

Dec, Elizabeth, Teacher
Mignano, Sherry, Teacher
Prewitt, Paula, Clerical
Reed, Jennifer, Teacher
Zorn, Glenn, Teacher

15 Years of Service

Blair, Ed, HES Facilities
Fields, Janet, Assistant
Madej, Rose, Edustaff
Marcero, Lavina, Edustaff
Moore, Tamela, Exempt
Runyon, Crystal, Edustaff
Schink, Allison, Assistant
Stutsman, Jaimie, Assistant
Wentz, Kerryann, Assistant
Zamorski, Bryan, Teacher

*View additional staff
recognitions online:*

[Staff Celebration Program](#)

10 Years of Service

Bloniarz, Renata, Edustaff
Carr, Melinda, Clerical
Chmiel, Linda, Teacher
Halleck, Sherry, Edustaff
Johnson, Stephen, Teacher
Mazur, Hollie, Teacher
Neaves, Tara, Teacher
Rzepa, Carlie, Teacher
Russeau, Christine, Assistant
Schaffer, Keri, Assistant
Scherer, Zachary, Exempt
Trombley, Travis, Teacher
Varner, Gene, Edustaff
Waldecker, Resa, Teacher



*District,
union, and
building
leaders
recognized
honorees and
milestone
employees.*



Get the **SCOOP** on
MONROE MIDDLE SCHOOL

at our
**6TH GRADE
SPRING
MINGLE**

- ★ Meet the Principal and Other Staff Members
- ★ Ask Scheduling Questions
- ★ Learn about MMS Curriculum
- ★ Learn about Music Programs
- ★ Learn about Sports Offerings and Requirements
- ★ Listen to FAQ with the Deans
- ★ Get your Required Middle School-Age Vaccinations
- ★ Eat Ice Cream and MORE

JOIN US

**6
MAY**

**MMS
AUDITORIUM**

**5:30
PM**

PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY 5/2/2025



SPOTLIGHT: Kindergarten Registration

Register NOW! Appointments begin May 5!

Complete your pre-registration for Kindergarten and Young Fives online.
Visit our [Student Registration](#) page to begin the process.

Monroe Public Schools

Welcomes Kindergarten & Young Fives
Classes of 2038 and 2039



REGISTER for the 2025-2026 school year: www.monroe.k12.mi.us



Arborwood
May 8, 12, 13



Custer
May 5, 13, 14



Manor
May 8, 13



Raisinville
May 6, 13



Waterloo
May 5, 13, 14

Registration begins online.

Scan the QR code
to begin the process
to register your child
for kindergarten.



Get started registering your child for Kindergarten and Young Fives...

1. PRE-REGISTER ONLINE

Go to www.monroe.k12.mi.us and select Student Registration or scan the QR code to get started. Create an account for Monroe Public Schools' online registration. Check the website for registration help or for a list of required documents. If you need assistance, call **734.265.3000**.

2. MAKE APPOINTMENT

After completing and submitting your online registration, and receiving a confirmation, you will receive a call from your home school within a week to schedule your in-person registration appointment for your child.

3. COME TO APPOINTMENT

All students should attend their scheduled registration appointment. Your child will have the opportunity for hearing and vision screenings, take a kindergarten readiness screener, and receive a welcome gift.

MHS NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY
PARTNERS WITH MAKE-A-WISH
FOR A CHARITY

3 V 3 SOCCER TOURNAMENT

DATE **MAY
10**



Boys & Girls-6th grade and up.
Must be able to show proof of age
Adult Co-ed- 18+

Venue

MHS Bunkleman Field

901 Herr Rd. Monroe, Mi. 48162

TIME TBD BASED ON REGISTRATION

Admission **\$25/EA**

Registration Link

[https://gofan.co/event/3527639?
schoolId=MI10028_2](https://gofan.co/event/3527639?schoolId=MI10028_2)

More info : drouillardj@monroe.k12.mi.us



DISTRICT CALENDAR / UPCOMING EVENTS

May 3 – September 2, 2025

1275 N. Macomb St., Monroe, MI 48162 · (734) 265.3000

- Sun., May 4 MHS Prom, Toledo Zoo, 6-10 p.m.
- Mon., May 5 Special Post-Prom Late Start for High School Students (grades 9-12)
Monroe High School – 9:30 a.m. / Orchard Center H.S. – 9:45 a.m.
- May 5-9 School Family Appreciation Week – Thank You for Your Service
- Monday, May 5 – Administrators & Exempt Employees
 - Tuesday, May 6 – Teachers
 - Wednesday, May 7 – Custodial/Maintenance, Bus Drivers, Food Services
 - Thursday, May 8 – Assistants, Kids Club, Preschool
 - Friday, May 9 – Secretaries and all other Support Personnel
- May 5-9 Kindness Walk Week – Spirit Week Theme Days:
- Monday, May 5 – PJ Day: *We Dream of Kindness*
 - Tuesday, May 6 – Crazy Socks Day: *Putting Our Best Foot Forward*
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 - Thursday, May 8 – Crazy Hair Day: *Go Crazy for Kindness*
 - Friday, May 9 – Decade (Eras) Day: *Kindness is Timeless*
- District-Wide Cereal Drive in support of Stamp Out Hunger and United Way's 100 Acts of Kindness (donate at any school)
- Tues., May 6 Orchard Center H.S. Parent-Teacher Conferences, 4-6 p.m.
- Tues., May 6 6th Grade Spring Mingle Open House, Monroe Middle School, 5:30 p.m.
- Tues., May 6 Custer Concert, 1st Grade Level, 6:30 p.m.
- Wed., May 7 2-Hour Late Start (Teacher professional development in morning)
- Wed., May 7 Young Entrepreneur Showcase, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Co-hosted by Generation E Institute and Monroe Public Schools
River Raisin National Battlefield Park Visitor Center
Young Entrepreneurs must have table set up & be dressed/ready at 5 p.m.
Opening Ceremony including keynote – 5:30 p.m.
Products & Services available for sale to public – 6-7 p.m.
Awards Ceremony – 7:15 p.m.

Thurs., May 8	Custer Family Game Night, 6-7:30 p.m.
Fri., May 9	MMS 8 th Grade Band & 7 th /8 th Orchestra at Trills & Thrills, all day
Sat., May 10	Kindness Walk, downtown, Loranger Square Fun Run – 8:30 a.m. / Walk – 9 a.m. FREE community event. All participants must register. Sign up here
Sat., May 10	3 V 3 Soccer Tournament for Make-A-Wish Hosted by MHS National Honor Society Monroe HS Bunkelman Field, 11 a.m. \$25 each Register here
May 12-16	Wish Week (a week of fundraiser benefitting Make-A-Wish) Hosted at Monroe High School, sponsored by National Honor Society
May 12-14	6 th Grade Students Visit Monroe Middle School
Mon., May 12	Custer Concert, Kindergarten, 6:30 p.m.
Tues., May 13	MMS Spring Band Concert, 7 p.m.
Wed., May 14	Raisinville Career Day, Raisinville Gym, 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Wed., May 14	Senior Awards Night, MHS Auditorium, 7 p.m.
Thurs., May 15	Spring Band Concert, 7 p.m. Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble
Fri., May 16	Raisinville Field Day (during school)
Fri., May 16	Monroe High School Drama Club Banquet & Senior Awards, 2:30 p.m. MHS Auditorium
Fri., May 16	Transportation Show, Arborwood, 6-8 p.m.
Sat., May 17	MHS Choirs at Trills & Thrills, Cedar Point, all day Arrival time at MHS, 5:10 a.m. / Performance – 7:20 a.m.
Mon., May 19	MMS Parochial School Open House, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Tues., May 20	MMS Spring Choir Concert, 7 p.m.
Tues., May 20	Instrumental Music Awards Night, 7 p.m. Band & Orchestra Seniors
Wed., May 21	Orchestra Concert (grades 6-12), 7 p.m.
Thurs., May 22	Jazz Band Concert at St. Mary's Park, 6 p.m.
Thurs., May 22	MHS Choirs - Spring Pops Concert, MHS Auditorium, 6 p.m.
Thurs., May 22	Last Day for MHS Seniors
Thurs., May 22	Senior Sunset, MHS Front Lawn, 7-9 p.m.

Mon., May 26	No School / Memorial Day
Mon., May 26	Trojan Marching Band in Memorial Day Parade Line-up – 1 p.m. / Parade starts at 2 p.m.
Tues., May 27	Baccalaureate Service, MHS Auditorium, 6:30-8 p.m. religious service, not mandatory
Wed., May 28	MHS Senior Breakfast & Graduation Practice, 8-10:30 a.m. Mandatory for seniors; report to Commons
Wed., May 28	Choir Awards, MHS Commons, 5:30-7 p.m.
Thurs., May 29	Last Day of Classes for Graduating OCHS Juniors/Seniors
Thurs., May 29	Raisinville – MMS Transition Team Visit
Thurs., May 29	MHS Choirs at Music in the Park, St. Mary's Park, 7-8:30 p.m.
Fri., May 30	OCHS Graduation Rehearsal / Breakfast – A.M. – Time TBA
Fri., May 30	OCHS All-School Picnic, beginning at lunch
Fri., May 30	MHS Class of 2025 – Graduation Commencement, 6:30 p.m. Bunkelman Field
Tues., June 3	MMS Choir Awards, 3 p.m.
Thurs., June 5	Custer Concert, 5 th Grade Level, 6:30 p.m.
Fri., June 6	OCHS Graduation Commencement, 6 p.m. Outdoors at Orchard; students should arrive by 5:30 p.m.
Tues., June 10	Raisinville Kindergarten Graduation, Time TBA
Tues., June 10	Raisinville Cozy Reading Camp, Time TBA
Wed., June 11	Raisinville 6 th Grade Graduation, Time TBA
Thurs., June 12	Last Half Day of School for Students / Teachers do NOT work in afternoon End of Third Trimester / Second Semester / Fourth Quarter
Thurs., June 12	Learning Bank Graduation – Time TBA Raisin River National Battlefield Park Visitor Center
Wed., Aug. 13	Playdates with Principals: Arborwood North 10-11 a.m. / Waterloo 1-2 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 14	Playdates with Principals: Raisinville 10-11 a.m. / Custer 1-2 p.m.
August 26-27	Teacher Inservice Days No Students
Mon., Sept. 1	Labor Day No School
Tues., Sept. 2	First Day – Full Day for Students