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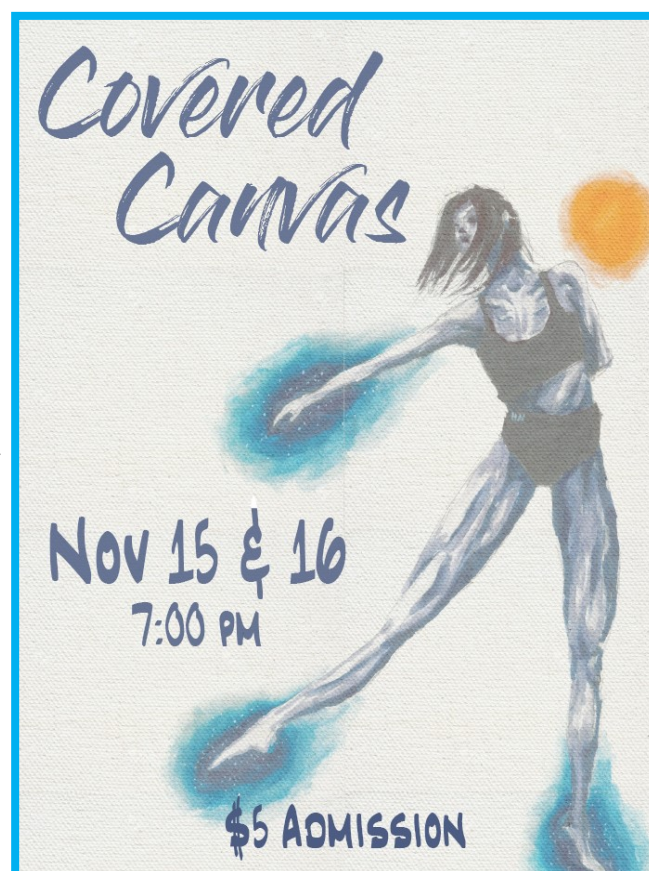


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Dear CATA Family,

- ◆ **The Performing Arts Academy Presents** the Dance and Art departments annual collaboration concert "**Covered Canvas**" on 11/15 & 11/16 at 7:00 pm in the theatre. Tickets are \$5.00 at the door and there will be a silent auction of the artwork created after the show. Tickets are \$5 at the door and you can reserve your seats ahead of time
- ◆ **International Thespian Society Decades' Night:** The event is at 6 PM in the Theatre on Tuesday, November 19 at 7 PM. Tickets are \$5 at the door. This is a fundraiser for ITS and our students will perform a decade specific song.
- ◆ **ASVAB:** The ASVAB is a Career Interest Inventory (put together by the military, but you do not have to be interested in the military to take this inventory) and will be given at CATA on Friday, December 6 during 1st and 2nd block. If students are interesting in taking this assessment please see Ms. Lawson by Tuesday, November 26.
- ◆ by [clicking here](#).
- ◆ The **Union County Christmas Bureau** is accepting applications for holiday assistance. They are located at the new Union County Human Services building, 2330 Concord Ave, Monroe, NC 28110. The hours for application are 9:00am-3:00pm, Monday through Friday. You will need proof of ID, Income information, social security cards for the family, and proof of address. The deadline to apply for the Christmas Bureau is November 22nd.
- ◆ **Athletic Sports Passes** are still a good deal: **Season Passes** are on sale online: Students - \$25.00, Adults - \$50.00 Good for admission to **ALL** regular season **HOME** games for the remainder of the year.
- ◆ **Yearbooks** are \$75.00 until 11/30 when the price increases to \$85.00. Send check or cash to Ms. Christensen in The Den or order online at [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com) (search for CATA).
- ◆ The **Fall Senior Letter** is on our website. Senior students and parents please [click here](#) for the letter.
- ◆ **Senior Shirts, Signs, & Passes:** There are a limited number of senior t-shirts available for \$10. Senior passes are still available for \$20 and we have extra senior signs for \$20. Please see Ms. Christensen in the Den if you are interested.
- ◆ **UCPS Student Code of Conduct Policy** at this [link](#)
- ◆ **Attendance procedures and new attendance policy:** Click [here](#).



Please take time to read over this newsletter. The Cougar Chronicle, in addition to our website, will be the main form of communication from school to home. At CATA we will continue to work toward Leading the Way so that your child can lead the way in the future!

Go Cougars!  
Ms. Merritt

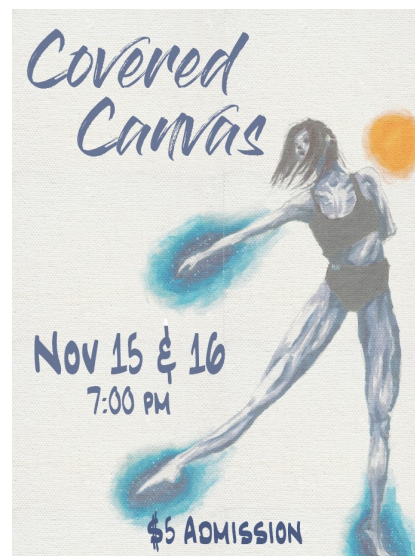


## Performing Arts Events & Information & School Events

### New Performing Arts Committee of the PTSO Website

<https://cataperformingarts.org/>

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Many of our student life organizations are listed on our website. [Click here](#).

- ♦ Do you want to join **CATA's GSA**? **That** stands for: **Gay Straight Alliance**. We will be holding an interest meeting on November 20th after school in room 208. Have questions? See Ms. Foreman or check out our Instagram at @CATA.gsa



Mr. Jay Bolder, Our Assistant Band Director, Jazz Band Director, and Part Time Band Teacher was inducted into the North Carolina Band Masters Hall of Fame!  
**Congratulations Mr. Bolder!**

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ADMISSION IS FREE!!!

# FALL ROBOTICS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2019  
COMPETITION STARTS AT 8:30AM



UNION COUNTY AGRICULTURAL & EVENTS CENTER

3230-D PRESSON RD  
MONROE, NC 28112

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MIDDLE SCHOOL &  
HIGH SCHOOL DIVISIONS



## *Around CATA*

**Friday, November 15**—Covered Canvas Dance Concert, 7 PM, Theater ; FCA Meeting, Rm. 403 (Inuwa), 8:00 AM; Maker Club, Rm. 612. 3:45 (Humphries)

**Saturday, November 16**—Covered Canvas Dance Concert, 7 PM, Theater ; UCPS Robotics Competition, 8:30 AM, Union County AG Center

**Monday, November 18**—Knitting for Good, 3:30 PM, Rm. 617 (Watts); Yearbook Club, 3:30 PM, Rm. 102 (Pentecost), Fashion Club 3:40, Rm. 616 (Casey)

**Tuesday, November 19**—End of Grading Period; International Thespian Society Decades Night 6:00 PM, Theatre ; Shooting Sports Rm. 102, 3:30 PM (Pentecost)

**Wednesday, November 20**—Art Club, Rm. 102 (Pentecost) Site Based Team Meetings, 3:45, Media Conference

**Thursday, November 21**—Realign YCI, Rm. 605, 8:00 AM (Cross) Speech & Debate, Media Center, 3:30; (Thompson) HOSA, 8:15 AM, Rm. 600 (Turner); Travel Club, 3:30, Rm. 102 (Pentecost), Hands Helping Others, 3:45, Rm. 527 (Hinson)

**Friday, November 22**—FCA Meeting, Rm. 403 (Inuwa), 8:00 AM; Maker Club, Rm. 612. 3:45 (Humphries); NHS Officer Meeting, Rm. 609 (Thompson)

**Saturday, November 23**—Huntington Blitz, 10:00 AM (Theatre)

**Sunday, November 24**—Monroe Christmas Parade, 2 PM

### Upcoming Events– November

11/25—Poetry Out Loud School Competition, 2 PM, Theatre

11/26—Report Cards

11/27 to 11/29—NO SCHOOL—Thanksgiving Break

### Upcoming Events– December and January

12/2—PTSO Meeting, Media Conference, 5:30 PM

12/5 & 12/6—ASVAB Testing

12/12—Progress Reports

12/12—CATA Band Winter Concert, 7 PM, Theatre

12/16 & 12/17—Winter Choir Concert, 7 PM, Theatre

12/18—Site Based Committee Meeting, 3:45, Media Conference

12/18—Smash Brothers Tournament, 5 PM, Media Center

12/19—Winter Collaborative, 7 PM, Theater

12/20—Student Council Basketball Tournament, Gym, 4th block

### **12/23 to 1/3—NO School Winter Break**

### **1/6—First day back from Winter Break**

1/6—PTSO Meeting, 5:30 PM, Media Conference

1/9—District Wide Poetry Out Loud Contest, 4 PM, Theatre

1/10—First Block Exam Review during first block

1/13—First Block Exams, Second Block Review

1/14—Second Block Exams, Third Block Review

1/15—Third Bloc, Exams, Fourth Block Review

1/16—Fourth Block Exams, Community Building

1/17—Make-up Exams

1/17—End of Grading Period



**1/20—NO School, Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday**

**1/21—NO School, Teacher Workday**

**1/22—First Day of the Second Semester**

1/22—Site Based Mtg, 3:45, Media Conference

1/22 to 1/28—Schedule Corrections

1/28—Report Cards

1/30-Future Prep SAT Class, 4:00, Rm. 401





## College and Career Corner

### Class Information from the Guidance Counselors

#### Attention Seniors Class of 2020

**Graduation is on Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 1:00 PM at the Winthrop Coliseum in Rock Hill, SC**

**The Fall Senior Letter is on our website. Senior students & parents [click here](#)**

**Sign up for College Visits [Click Here](#)**  
**Dates for College Visits are posted in this Newsletter on the Around CATA Page**

**Scholarship Spotlight– Click [HERE](#) for more scholarships**

**ACT**—All juniors will be taking the ACT on 2/25/20, a college entrance exam. In order to best prepare all juniors will work on ACT preparation during Cougar Time two times per week.

**SAT**—All juniors will be taking the SAT on 3/25/20.



**CENTRAL ACADEMY**  
of TECHNOLOGY and ARTS

### SAT Review/College Prep Class

#### *Why Invest in a SAT Review/College Prep Class?*

*The SAT can be just as important to Admissions Officers as your overall GPA.*

*The SAT can help to determine how much financial assistance may be available to you through grants and scholarships?*

*Due to ease of online application, more students are applying to more colleges than ever before, making the process more competitive.*

#### CLASS SCHEDULE (Prepping for the March 14<sup>th</sup> / 25<sup>th</sup> SAT)

Central Academy of Technology and Arts  
600 Brewer Drive  
Monroe, NC 28112

| Lesson #      | Dates     | Time               |
|---------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Math #1       | Thu, 1/30 | 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM  |
| Math #2       | Thu, 2/6  | 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM  |
| Math #3       | Thu, 2/13 | 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM  |
| Practice Test | Sat, 2/15 | 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM |
| Verbal #1     | Thu, 2/20 | 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM  |
| Verbal #2     | Thu, 2/27 | 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM  |
| Verbal #3     | Thu, 3/5  | 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM  |

- Content Review focusing on all areas of the test
- Proven strategies for each question type
- Full Length Practice Test proctored like the Real Thing!
- Course uses the Official SAT Study Guide published by CollegeBoard (the company that makes the SAT)
- Students will learn about the College Admissions process, how to craft a Curriculum Vitae, and more!

**All This for **ONLY \$199\*!****

(UCPS Students Receive \$100 off the Regular Tuition of \$299)

For Questions, or to Enroll, call 704-307-8975

or visit [www.futureprep.com](http://www.futureprep.com)

Like Us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/futureprep>

**Future Prep SAT Review/College Prep Class:** The new class will begin on Thursday, 1/30 beginning at 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm. The cost is \$199. Please see flier in this edition for more details. Click on the flier to register.

**[Counseling Twitter @CATA\\_Counseling](#)**

**[Counseling Instagram @CATA.counseling](#)**

### CATA Guidance Department

A high school guidance department can help your student with a LOT during high school—counseling during a problem/or stress, college planning, career/college questions, interview skills, problem solving with classes/teachers, friendship/social issues. Counselors also help with scheduling and what courses to take. Counselors are available to answer parent questions as well.

Please see the list of counselors by academy:

**[Ashley Lawson](#):** Medical Science, Transportation & Guidance Department Chairperson

**[Ashley Cole](#):** Pre-Engineering and Performing Arts (theatre & dance)

**[Sarah Goodwin](#):** Information Systems (Cybersecurity, Computer Engineering, Software & Game Design) and Music Production & Recording Arts



# COUGAR ATHLETICS

If you have questions about athletics or want to volunteer to help with athletics, please send an email to Athletic Director, [Coach Jay Niessner](#). Make sure to follow all of CATA's athletic teams on Twitter: [@CATA\\_Athletics](#)

## Last Week's Results:

Women's Basketball – Season Starts – 11/19

Men's Basketball – Season Starts – 11/19

Wrestling – Season Starts 11/22

Indoor Track & Field – Season Starts

Swimming – Season Starts – 11/18

## Upcoming Events:

### **Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>:**

AWAY – Men's Basketball – Concord Jamboree

### **Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>:**

AWAY – Indoor Track & Field – Harding High – 3:30 pm

### **Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>:**

HOME – Basketball vs. Christ the King – 5:00 pm

### **Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>:**

AWAY – Basketball @ Albemarle – 5:00 pm

### **Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>:**

AWAY – Basketball @ Lincoln Charter – 5:00 pm

HOME – Wrestling – Tri – Match – 6:00 pm

AWAY – Swimming – Stanly County YMCA – Albemarle – 6:00 pm

### **Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>:**

AWAY – Basketball @ Carolina International School – 6:00 pm

### **Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>:**

AWAY – Wrestling @ Lake Norman Duals – All Day Event



## News & Information:

**Season Passes** are on sale online: Students - \$25.00, Adults - \$50.00 Good for admission to **ALL** regular season **HOME** games

### **Spring Sports:**

Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Spring Sports

Mandatory Parent Night – 6:30 pm ,

Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> – Start of Spring Sports,

Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> – Spring Sports Pictures – After School – Location TBD

### Winter Sports Coaches Contact s

**Cheerleading** – Ashley Lawson – [Ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:Ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Indoor Track & Field** – Kim Inuwa – [kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Women's Basketball** – Kevin Allran – [kevin.allran@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:kevin.allran@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Men's Basketball** – Sam Smithson – [Samuel.smithson@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:Samuel.smithson@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Swimming** – Sally Goodwin – [sarah.goodwin@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:sarah.goodwin@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Wrestling** – Mike Jacobus – [mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us)

### Spring Sports Contact Information:

**Baseball** – Matt Garcia – [matthew.garcia@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:matthew.garcia@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Men's Golf** – Mike Jacobus – [mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Men's Tennis** – Terry Lewis – [soldbyterrylewis@gmail.com](mailto:soldbyterrylewis@gmail.com)

**Softball** – Aaron Hammers – [aaron.hammers@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:aaron.hammers@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Track & Field** – Kim Inuwa – [kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:kimberly.inuwa@ucps.k12.nc.us)

**Women's Soccer** – Jay Niessner – [jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us](mailto:jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us)



## Cougar Pride & Media Center News (The DEN)

### Cougar Pride - Way to go!!!

- ◆ Our Performing Arts students participated in the NCTC Play Festival this past weekend performing "The Great Gatsby" and "August Osage County." Our Performing Arts teachers and students were recognized as follows:

- Festival Spirit Award
- Theatre Arts Award: Excellence in Overall Production and Design
- Excellence in Design & Production: Music Composition to Qasim El-Amin
- Excellence in Design & Production: Stage Management to Ellie Chickoree
- Excellence in Acting to Jackson Randall
- Excellence in Acting to Zelda Gyampoh

**Thank you to all of our Performing Arts Teachers and Students for participating and performing two memorable and fantastic shows for our school and commu-**



## The Den Digest

November is...

- National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) - <https://www.nanowrimo.org/>
- Military Family Month—"The observance recognizes the commitment and dedication these families make to their service members." <https://nationaldaycalendar.com/military-family-month-november/>

**Need help with research?** Learn how to search the many databases available to students. Stop by The Den today to get help.

We just got a new shipment of books! Lots of great titles so come in and check out what we have to offer.

**Stop by The Den today!** We are your go-to place for checking out books, magazines, a quiet place to read, supplies to work on projects in our space, and help with research/citing sources.

Visit our website for many resources: <https://sites.google.com/a/ucps.k12.nc.us/cata-media-center/>

We have a special section just on Evaluating News Resources:

<https://sites.google.com/a/ucps.k12.nc.us/cata-media-center/online-resources/identifying-fake-news>



## *Yearbooks, Spirt Wear, Senior T-Shirts & Parking Passes*

### 2019-2020 Yearbooks

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**BUY**  **YOUR**  
*Yearbook*



### **ATTENTION SENIORS!**

There are a limited number of senior t-shirts available for purchase. See Ms. Christensen in The Den if you would like to buy one. The cost is \$10.00 and you can pay by cash or a check made out to the PTSO.

### Parking Passes

- ALL past due student fees must be paid before you are permitted to purchase a parking pass—this includes the 2016-2017 AND 2017-2018 technology fees, media center fees, cafeteria, and any fees owed to CATA.
- ALL Students, **MUST** print and bring ALL required documents with you along with the cash (exact amount) or check for **\$40** made payable to Central Academy of Technology & Arts. Any incomplete application packets will delay the process and you **canNOT** reserve your parking spot until all documents and check are turned in. Please make sure to have your parent sign the registration forms. They are available on the CATA web-site under "Students". [Click here for the link.](#)
- All remaining sports will be sold in number order.
- **If you pay with cash, you MUST have exact change.**



Parking passes are not guaranteed available throughout the school year. Once we sell out we will start a waiting list. Students obtaining their license during the school year are not guaranteed a spot, and may have to wait until the following year to drive. We will have a waitlist for those students bringing in all appropriate documentation.

### **CATA COUGAR SPIRIT WEAR**

**CATA Spirit Wear will be on sale online.  
Our Band Boosters sell Cougar Spirit Wear!**

**Click [here](#) to purchase online.**

Please call or text Mickie Carter at 980-257-4174