

# James Howard Monroe Newsletter

James Howard Monroe  
Middle School

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## Welcome Back! A letter from Bryan Buck, Principal

I would like to welcome you to the 2022-23 school year at James Howard Monroe Middle School. We are excited about starting the year and we are looking forward to a terrific year with all our students, staff and families. We would like to welcome some new staff members to Monroe this year.

- Erin Hand - LLC Assistant
- Jennifer Leadaman - Reading
- Lisa Metz - 8th Grade Science
- Deanna Mulay - Multilingual Teacher
- Hannah Spicer - 7th Grade ELA
- Sarah Ta — Multilingual Instructional Coach

## Schedule Pick-up/Locker Move—In will be Thursday, August 11th.

- 6th graders - 8:00 AM -11:00 AM
- 7th & 8th graders - 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- If you have ordered a school supply kit through the PTA, they will be available at schedule pick up.
- Chromebooks will also be distributed to incoming 6th graders and new students.

I look forward to having a positive relationship with you and your family. I want you to know that my door is open for questions, comments or concerns. This year we will be continuing to communicate important information, events and successes through our bi-monthly newsletter as well as the Blackboard Connect email and phone system.

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### BUS INFORMATION:

- Please call the Monroe office if your student is NOT riding the bus this year.
- Bus schedule is on the Monroe website

**If your student is absent from school**, please do not email the teacher. Please call the Monroe attendance line at **630-682-2290** and leave a detailed message.

Thank you!

### PE UNIFORMS:

To purchase a PE Uniform, please go to [www.cusd200peuniforms.com](http://www.cusd200peuniforms.com). Online orders can be picked up at schedule pick up on August 11.

You can also purchase in person at Wheaton Sports Center Monday-Friday 11am-7pm and Sat/Sun 11am-4pm. Questions? Please email [cusd200peuniform@gmail.com](mailto:cusd200peuniform@gmail.com)

## Community Unit School District 200 2022 - 2023 Student Calendar

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July 2022						
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31						
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August 2022						
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11	Student Attendance Days					

September 2022						
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20	Student Attendance Days					

October 2022						
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20	Student Attendance Days					

November 2022						
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27	28	29	30			
15	Student Attendance Days					

December 2022						
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31
16	Student Attendance Days					

1st Semester: **82**

Board Approval: 12/8/21

Revision Board Approval: 4/13/22

**August 15** - No School All Grades - Institute Day,  
**August 16** - No School - Teacher Work Day  
**August 17** - First Day of School for Grades 1-12, Full Day of Classes  
**August 18** - First Day of School for Early Childhood & Kindergarten, Regular Schedule Grades 1-12  
**September 5** - No School - Labor Day  
**September 23** - No School All Grades - Institute Day  
**October 10** - No School All Grades - Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day  
**November 7** - No School All Grades, 6-12 Institute Day/EC-5 Teacher Work Day  
**November 8** - No School - Election Day  
**November 21-25** - No School - Thanksgiving Recess  
**December 22** - End of Semester 1 - Finals Complete  
**December 23 – January 6** - No School - Winter Break  
**January 9** - No School All Grades - 6-12 Teacher Work Day /EC-5 Institute Day  
**January 16** - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School All Grades

**February 20** - No School All Grades - Presidents' Day  
**March 3** - No School All Grades - Institute Day  
**March 27-March 31** - No School All Grades - Spring Break  
**April 7** - No School All Grades  
**May 27** - High School Graduations  
**May 29** - No School All Grades - Memorial Day  
**June 1** - Last Day of School, assuming no need for emergency days  
**June 8** - Last possible day of school if all emergency days are used

Elementary Schools (K-5)	
Trimester Ends	Report Cards
1st Trimester - 11/4/22	11/18/22
2nd Trimester - 2/28/23	3/10/23
3rd Trimester - 6/1/23	6/1/23

Middle Schools (6-8)	
Quarter Ends	Report Cards
1st Quarter - 10/20/22	10/28/22
2nd Quarter - 1/13/23	1/20/23
3rd Quarter - 3/21/23	4/4/23
4th Quarter - 6/1/23	6/1/23

High Schools (9-12)	
Semester Ends	Report Cards
1st Semester - 12/22/22	1/9/23
2nd Semester - 6/1/23	6/1/23

Legend	
Institute Day/ Teacher Work Day	i / w
Non-Attendance day for students	-
Emergency Day, for cancellations	-

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January 2023						
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29	30	31				
15	Student Attendance Days					

February 2023						
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19	Student Attendance Days					

March 2023						
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17	Student Attendance Days					

April 2023						
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19	Student Attendance Days					

May 2023						
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22	Student Attendance Days					

June 2023						
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
1	Student Attendance Days					

2nd Semester: **93**

Student Attendance Days **175**

## A letter from the PTA President and PTA Briefs:

Welcome to a new year at Monroe!! The PTA is so grateful for your support! Look out for information being sent soon regarding becoming a member and information on different ways you can support our school!!

Thank You,

**Monroe Middle School**

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## Monroe PTA Calendar of Events

### PTA Meeting dates for the 2022-23 year:

PTA meetings will be held on Tuesday evenings starting at 7:00PM

September 20

November 15

January 17

March 14

May 15

## Monroe Middle School - School Procedures

### **ATTENDANCE /EARLY DISMISSAL OR LATE ARRIVAL:**

If your student is absent, please call the attendance office 630-682-2290 **before** 8:00 a.m. to report the absence. When a student needs to be dismissed early from school for a doctor's appointment, orthodontist appointment, etc., please call the attendance office before 8:00 a.m., at 630-682-2290. The student will then receive a pass to give to his/her teacher indicating the appropriate dismissal time. All students must sign themselves in and out in the main office before leaving the building.

### **VISITORS:**

Any visitors to the school **must** sign in and show ID at the main office.

### **IMPORTANT ASBESTOS NOTICE:**

Monroe Middle School contains some asbestos containing building materials. These materials are inspected and maintained under a management plan as required by the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). A copy of the management plans is available at the school for inspection.

### **CELL PHONE PROCEDURE:**

Appropriate use of cell phones:  
Permitted Before School until the 7:55 AM Bell, then off and away for the remainder of the day.

Teachers may allow cell phones during class for instructional purpose.

After school, at 3:00 PM, cell phones will be permitted.

After school activities, cell phone use must be approved by the supervisor.

Inappropriate use of cell phones:  
If your phone is out and being used without permission

The teacher will provide a warning and will call your parents.

Office referral, Mrs. Thomas or Mr. Crespo will call your parent.

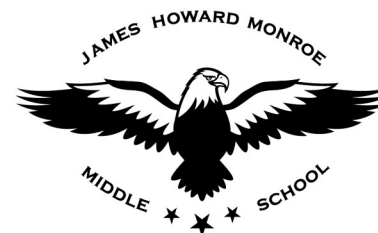
Detention and/or parent required to pick up the phone from school may occur.

### **FORGOTTEN ITEMS:**

Forgotten lunches can be placed in the appropriate grade level bins and larger items on the "forgotten items" table located in the main vestibule.

### **VACATIONS:**

Vacations during the school year are discouraged. Even the most conscientious efforts of students and teachers are no substitute for daily attendance. If students must take a vacation during the school year, they need to notify the office at least one week prior to the absence. They should plan to do work before leaving or during the vacation. Students should arrange to come in before or after school to make up tests or lab work.



### **FROM THE MONROE HEALTH OFFICE:**

Welcome back to the 2022-2023 school year. The school building is now open. This is a reminder from Health Services that health requirements of a physical and immunizations for incoming 6th grade students are due by the first day of school. Please drop off the paperwork any time during our office hours. A list of the health requirements and the forms can be found on both the district and school websites under the "Health Services" heading. 6th grade students will also need documentation of a dental exam. Exclusion day is the day after Labor Day (Tuesday, September 6th). If we don't have the physical and required immunizations by that date, your child will be excluded from school until we receive the required paperwork. Please call the health office or email [monroehelloffice@cusd200.org](mailto:monroehelloffice@cusd200.org) if you need some resources or have any questions. Thank you and we look forward to having your new student as a Monroe Eagle!

JoAnn Monahan: Certified School nurse

Kira Goetz: Staff Nurse

Stina Anderson: Staff Nurse

Samantha Sullivan: Staff Nurse

Cathy McCurdy: Health Aide

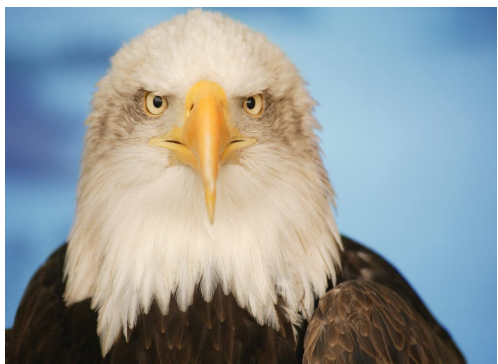


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# GO EAGLES!



## Important Upcoming Dates

- August 11 Schedule Pick Up: 6th grade: 8am-11am  
7th-8th grade: 12pm-3pm
- August 15 Institute Day, No School, All Grades
- August 16 Teacher Work Day—No School
- August 17 **First Day of School**
- August 23 School Picture Day
- August 23 Cross Country Informational Meeting 3-4pm
- August 24 Cross Country Practice starts 3-4pm
- August 24 Volleyball Tryouts, grades 7 and 8
- August 25 Curriculum Night 7-8:30
- August 25 Volleyball Tryouts, grade 7 and 8
- August 26 Volleyball Tryouts, grade 7 and 8
  
- September 5 **Labor Day No School**
- September 23 **Institute Day, No School All Grades**

**Monroe Clubs/Activities:** Updates to clubs and activities will be made after the first week of school.

## Fall Sports Information

### Girls Volleyball Tryout Information:

7th & 8th Grade Girls Volleyball Tryouts:

- **Wednesday, August 24th, Thursday, August 25th and Friday, August 26th.**

- **7th Grade: 3-4:30pm and 8th Grade: 4:30-6pm**

- All 7th/8th graders must have a sports physical on file with Mr. McCormack in order to try out. This can be dropped off at the Monroe front office before school begins (please write your athlete's name and "To Mr. McCormack" on a sealed envelope). It can also be turned in in-person at the first day of tryouts to the volleyball coaches or Mr. McCormack.

- Sports physicals are good for 13 months until they expire. The date of the examination needs to be showing on the form.

- There is a \$125 fee to participate unless your child is on free or reduced lunch. Then there is a lesser fee

### Cross Country:

6-8 Grade Cross Country - Informational Meeting

- **Tuesday, August 23rd from 3-4pm**

- **First day of practice: Wednesday, August 24, 3:00-4:00**

-6th graders do not need a sports physical to start practice (their 6th grade school physical replaces it).

-7th & 8th graders must have a sports physical on file with Mr. McCormack in order to participate. This can be dropped off at the Monroe front office before school begins (please write your athlete's name and "To Mr. McCormack" on a sealed envelope). It can also be turned in in-person at the first day of practice to the XC coaches or Mr. McCormack.

-7th & 8th Graders without a current sports physical will not be able to start practice! Sports physicals are good for 13 months until they expire. The date of the examination needs to be showing on the form.

### Fall Intramurals:

- 6th Grade Basketball: 8/25-9/23 (M/T/W/F, 7-7:45am)

- 6-8 Grade Volleyball: 8/29-9/22 (M/T/W/Th, 3:00-4:00pm)

- 6-8 Grade Soccer: 8/29-9/22 (M/T/W/Th, 3:00-4:00pm)

- 6-8 Grade Flag Football: 8/29-9/22(M,T/W/Th, 3:00-4:00pm)