

THE RAPTOR CALL



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Amazon Smile Promotion - 3x your im-



pact! From March 12-31, Amazon is tri-

pling the donation rate on your first smile.amazon.com purchase! Go to smile.amazon.com/ch/80-0467949 and Amazon donates to Mountain Island Charter School Inc.

Thank you to **Maultsby Realty Group** for another donation to our EC Department and supporting our school. Contact Maultsby Realty for more info on the cash for classrooms program and how you can help our teachers!



Smart Snack Options Available March

5th! The MICS lunch program will begin offering Smart Snacks to students during their standard lunch time. Each item is only \$1 and complies with National Lunch Program requirements for snack nutrition. Some items will only be available after all students have received a lunch tray. Students can buy snacks using cash or the available funds in their Paypams account. Smart Snacks cannot be purchased using a negative lunch account. Fund your account today at www.paypams.com! **Due to the delivery schedule ice cream will not be available until Wednesday.** [USDA Disclosure Statement](#)

Dear MICS Families,



Second floor deck almost done-be on the lookout as here comes the 2nd floor (classrooms for grades 3-5).



Bridge at halfway point!

Justin H. Matthews, Executive Director

Spring Auction - Friday, March 16th (Doors open at 6:00 pm)

Online bidding for grade level baskets and other select items opens on **March 13th**. Watch for details regarding how to register and bid online. We are still accepting items for the auction! Please send your items (tax-deductible) in to Lisa McConnell as soon as possible and make sure to include an [auction donation form](#). [Reserve](#) your child's spot! Please sign up if you would like to [volunteer](#) to help with the Spring Auction Event! **Exciting more items have been added!**

- Concert Tickets
- Tailgating with the Pantherfan Tailgating Club
- 1st Hardhat Tour of the New Lower School Building
- Denver Escapes



Spring Photos by [Strauss Studios](#) - March 20th & March 21st

We are excited for Spring Photos! For the third year in row, we will be offering Sibling photos and Individual Photos!!

MARCH 20TH - SIBLINGS TUESDAY (All Grades)

March 20th - INDIVIDUALS (Middle/High Students) March 21st - INDIVIDUALS (K-5 Students)
* Sibling photos by [appointment](#) only. **\$20 Reservation Required for Sibling Session (will be credited to packages; CD, Condor, Harrier, or Merlin ONLY)**
* Individual photos - BY GRADE [Order Form](#) must be filled out - no payment required
* Siblings will have photos taken together and individually (wooded areas on campus)

*** Limited Space ***

[LOWER SCHOOL](#) [MIDDLE SCHOOL](#) [HIGH SCHOOL](#) [MS ATHLETICS](#) [HS ATHLETICS](#)

Coming Events

March
8: Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night, 5-8pm
7-9: 8th Grade Field Study - Washington, DC
16: Spring Auction, MICS Gym. 6:00 pm

LOWER SCHOOL (K-5)

IN THE KNOW

Spring Parties

Spring parties will be held for **grades 3-5** on Wednesday, March 28th and for **grades K-2** on Thursday, March 29th from 1:30 - 2:30 pm.



Dr. Seuss' Birthday

The first grade class enjoyed some green eggs and ham in celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday!



Last Call for Lower School Yearbooks!

We only have a limited supply left, so reserve yours today, before it's too late! Visit yearbookforever.com and select our Lower School Book for \$45.00.



Boxtops Sweepstakes



Are you feeling lucky? Boxtops for Education is offering the Lucky Charms Lucky #7 Sweeps which will give 7 schools the chance to win 5000 bonus boxtops! This sweepstakes ends 4/1/18 so [enter daily](#) by following the link and may the luck of the Irish be with ya!

MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)

CAMPUS VISIT REMINDERS

We appreciate parental involvement in their child's education, so please be sure to observe the following protocols when visiting campus to make your visit a positive and efficient process. Thank you!

- All guests must sign in **with valid photo ID** at the office upon arrival to the campus. This also applies to student sign-out.
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8th Grade Celebrates Black History Month

If you happen to visit the 8th grade hallway, be sure to check out our students' writing projects recognizing Black History Month in February. See below for a snapshot of their work!



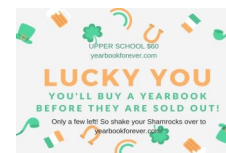
High School Information Session

March 28, 6pm

MICS Gym Please be aware of an upcoming high school information session geared towards parents and students entering the high school at MICS in 2018-2019. The presentation will provide attendees with an overview of high school academic and extracurricular programs, including practical information for parents regarding course scheduling, academic credits, college preparation and more. We look forward to seeing you there!

Last Call for Upper School Yearbooks!

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8th Grade Leadership Project

8th grade students are beginning their Leadership Projects, a multi-step project that allows each student to immerse themselves into a potential future career. The project will take place over the next few months and entails students researching, shadowing, creating a poster board, and presenting a career in which they are interested. We look forward to having our school community witness their hard work on Tuesday, May 1st, as students present their projects.

Upcoming Field Studies

7th grade: Savannah, 4/19-4/20

8th grade: Washington, D.C., 3/7-3/9

American Citizenship Award

Eligible students should meet or exceed 50 verifiable hours of community service contributions, accumulated from July 1, 2017 to May 18, 2018. Directions for student nomination will be publicized in May 2018.

HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

Key Club Induction Ceremony

The High School was pleased to conduct the induction of new members this morning into the MICS Key Club. Supported by representatives from our local Kiwanis chapter, this event celebrated the values of service and leadership inherent in Key Club.

Students inducted as members are listed below:

Jennifer Arriaga-Osorio	Savanna Ghassemi	Trinity Owens
Yanet Arriaga-Osorio	Sepaher Ghassemi	Gina Perna
Alayna Ballinger	Joey Gibson	Sebastian Perna
Madison Baxter	Sharonna Gilliam	Megan Pickett
Kyndavee Bichara	Ben Gosey	Destiney Pinkney
Harper Bond	Mason Graham	Alexandra Pompei
Aubree Boyd	Annie Griggs	Blake Robertson
Bryce Brachten	Demico Guy	Ryan Rudd
Katie Bradshaw	Zach Hannay	Gracie Small
Jared Brew-Thompson	Khyah Hardnett	Charlie Smith
Jonathan Broome	Jasmine Harney	Audrey Solarchick
Arianna Summey-Brown	Jake Hawkins	Carolyn Solarchick
Kennedy Brown	Cameron Hill	Michael Spivey
Cameron Brown	Sydney Jett	Bailey Stallings
Katie Bruce	Hailee Klobchar	Max Sudderth
Adam Bui	Kaitlin Knight	Kimberlee Summerville
Madeline Carpenter	Claire LeHew	Caroline Taylor
Jacky Chavez-Cruz	Jacob Locklear	Sydney Taylor
Jacob Charles	Allison McClure	Cooper Tennant
Olivia Cawn	Robbie McClure	Tabby Tomlinson
Gabrielle Coble	Patrick McRee	Jonah Tincher
Brian Corrigan	Cooper Mitchem	Hannah Thomas
Savana Crowe	Julia Mobley	Mckenzie Webster
McKenna Crumme	Audrie Morrow	Jessica Washington
Anna Davis	Manuel Murillo	Anna Winkler
Katie Davis	Peyton Neal	Vanessa Yakimenko
Julian Doe	Minh Ann Nguyen	Lillie Zielke
Kenley Easter	Evan Normand	
Laken Gallman	Maksym Novytsky	



Officers of the Key Club:

President: **Allison McClure**

Vice President: **Savanna Ghassemi**

Secretary: **Gracie Small**

Treasurer: **Gina Perna**

Editor: **Madeleine Carpenter**

Webmaster Designer: **Trinity Owens**



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SENIORS ONLY

Cap and Gown Photo Information

March 14th

Times - During School Hours (time will be given to student by school)

Cap and Gown Photos will not be in the yearbook

1. Pre-Order your Package and save \$10 on Gold, Silver, & Bronze Packages - [CLICK HERE](#)
2. Order online - www.micsphotos.com
3. Bring order form and payment on 3/14

DEADLINE TO PRE-ORDER is 3/13

Photo Order form for Cap and Gown Photos is attached.

Have student bring in form with check on day of photos or review the "5 Easy Ways to order" information on form

NOTES:

- All students will have the photos taken on the GRAY and BLUE backgrounds.
- Photos will be posted online at www.micsphotos.com by 3/20
- Orders ready within two weeks
- Online pricing will vary from order form
- No Make-up days will be provided at the school. Please contact us directly for Photo appointment
- A Group picture will be taken on 3/14
- MEN:** Best to wear tie underneath cap and gown
- WOMEN:** Try on your Cap and Gown with your selected under-shirt to ensure matching

*****OPEN CAP AND GOWN CONTENTS - STEAM AS NECESSARY BEFORE PHOTOS ARE TAKEN*****

PROM

April 21st, 2018

Attention Juniors and Seniors: Prom 2018 is coming and will be here before you know it! This year, it will be held on April 21st from 7 pm - 11 pm at the Birkdale Golf Club. The theme will be "A Magical Night" based off of Arabian Nights. Ticket sales will start at \$65 on February 19th and may be purchased online by clicking [HERE](#). The price will go up to \$85 on April 2nd so don't delay! Lastly, the ticket sales will stop at 11:59 pm on April 16th. We really hope you are able to join us for this magical night. Underclassman are welcome by invitation only.

ACADEMICS

Sophomore College Trip - Wingate University

March 15, 2018

On Thursday, March 15th 2018, 10th grade students will have the opportunity to participate in a field trip to Wingate University. To participate students must have passed at least 5 of 6 classes 1st semester. If you have been suspended for more than 2 days this school year you are not eligible to participate. The cost of the trip is \$20. This covers the cost of transportation by charter bus. Lunch is being provided by Wingate University. We will leave MICS at 7:45am and will return around 1:30pm.

Online registration (with payment of \$20 + 1.50 service charge) will open 7:00 am on Tuesday, February 20th. REGISTRATION WILL BE ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS UNTIL ALL SPACES HAVE BEEN FILLED. Wingate will allow us to bring 80 students. Click [HERE](#) to complete the registration. Please contact Ms. Honore at mhonore@micharter.org to be added to the waitlist once all spots have been filled.

UNC Charlotte Passport Program

March 7th at 2:45 pm, Room C227

Join us on March 7th at 2:45pm in room C227 to learn more about the Passport Program. The UNC Charlotte Passport Coordinator, Jordan Bullington will share details about the program, the selection process, and what to expect as a Passport student. The Passport Program is UNC Charlotte's distinctive transfer program for academically qualified freshman. Qualified applicants are selected by UNC Charlotte for this competitive program based on their academic background including performance in high school coursework and competitive scores on either the SAT or ACT standardized tests. These students begin their college career at Central Piedmont Community College where they will receive targeted academic advising, student support services, and student life opportunities on both campuses to ensure a seamless and successful transition to UNC Charlotte.

The North Carolina Child Support Council Scholarship

Deadline is April 20, 2018

The North Carolina Child Support Council will award (3) \$1,000.00 scholarships (\$500 per semester) to 3 seniors in the state of North Carolina. Criteria is as follows:

1. At least one parent must be a member of the North Carolina Child Support Council or a client of the Child Support Program (through either Child Support services or Clerk of Court services).
2. Applicant must be a resident of North Carolina and a graduating high school senior.
3. Applicant must have been accepted by a North Carolina school of higher learning: a College, University, Community College or Technical School. Applicant needs to attach a copy of the acceptance letter.
4. Applicant must have maintained an overall C average or above during his/her high school career.

The North Carolina Child Support Council Scholarship Application is attached for seniors who will enter a North Carolina school of higher learning in the fall of 2018. ***All [applications](#) must be postmarked by April 20, 2018***

UPCOMING COLLEGE EVENTS IN OUR REGION

Upcoming College Rep Visits

Wednesday, March 14th @ 2:45pm in Room 227 - UNC - Asheville

Friday, March 16th @ 2:45pm in Room 227- Elon University

Wednesday, March 21st @ 2:45pm in Room 227 - Grand Canyon University (Arizona)

High school students wishing to learn more about these colleges/universities are encouraged to attend. College representatives will share details about programs and majors they offer, their application process, and what to expect as an admitted student.

MICS College Fair

MICS will be hosting a college fair on campus for current 9th, 10th and 11th grade students. College representatives will be available to meet one-on-one with students, answer questions and provide college brochures and business cards. Parents are also welcome to attend with their student.

Please review the [college fair checklist](#) prior to the event. See Ms. Honore' if you have any questions.

Wednesday April 11th, 2018

2:30pm-3:30pm

MICS Auxiliary Gym

Participating Colleges:

Auburn University
CPCC (Career & College Promise)
East Carolina University
Gardner-Webb University
High Point University
Johnson and Wales University
UNC- Asheville
UNC- Charlotte
College of Engineering
University of Alabama
University of Georgia
Winthrop University
Wofford College
Wells Fargo - Financial Aid Information

National College Fair in Charlotte

March 18, 2018 12 PM-4 PM at the Park Expo and Conference Center

Free and open to the public, NACAC (National Association for College Admission Counseling) College fairs connect you to hundreds of colleges and universities in one location. Learn more and register at www.nacacfairs.org/charlotte [College Fair Checklist](#) - click on the checklist to help you get the most out of your visit.

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SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

2018 Education Tour to Scotland, Ireland, & London

There are a few spots left for the Summer 2018 Educational Tour to Scotland, Ireland, & London. You can enroll online [here](#) Please contact Mrs. Arroyo at Karrovo@micharter.org with any questions!

ATHLETICS - MIDDLE SCHOOL

MS Fall Tryouts

Tryouts for Fall sports will be held on Wednesday, August 1st AND Thursday, August 2nd. Practices will begin on Friday, August 3rd. Please mark your calendars and schedule your vacations appropriately.

2018 Spring Booster Passes

Prices reduced! Get your booster passes for all spring home game events! You may fill out this [form](#) or purchase your pass online at micsstore.com. Check out the [schedule](#) for all upcoming games.

Scores of the Week!

Lacrosse

Southlake Christian 8

Raptors 1

⇒ *Raptor goal scored by Austin McConnell.*

ATHLETICS - HIGH SCHOOL

2018 Spring Booster Passes

Prices reduced! Get your booster passes for all spring home game events! You may fill out this [form](#) or purchase your pass online at micsstore.com.

Scores of the Week!

Women's Soccer

Varsity: Thomas Jefferson 3

Raptors 5

⇒ Goals scored by Laken Gallman (3), Jacky Chavez-Cruz (1), and Audrey Solarchik (1).

Varsity: Lincoln Charter 4

Raptors 0

Varsity Golf

Congratulations to the team for placing 3rd in the PAC-7 Golf Tournament. Our top 4 golfers were within 4 strokes of each other which demonstrates the competitiveness and strength of our team!

HS Lacrosse

The high school program has partnered with the Gaston County Patriots. We have several MICS students playing on the team.

Lacrosse: Queen's Grant 6

GCP 15

Coaching Opportunities

The following coaching positions are available. Please contact Matt Steger at msteger@micharter.org for details.

Volleyball:

- JV Women's Head Coach
- Varsity Women's Assistant Coach