



One-7 Academy Supply Drive

One-7 Academy will be collecting items for their supply drive beginning the week of April 23rd. **Lower School:** Clorox Wipes; **Middle School:** Paper Towels; **High School:** Copy Paper. LS please drop off your items to your classroom teachers, MS/HS drop off to your English teachers.

Teacher Appreciation

Teacher appreciation will be held the week of May 7th. [Flyers](#) went home this week in Thursday Folders.

Monday: Handwritten note

Tuesday: School supply donation

Wednesday: Sweet treat and a special drink

Thursday: Donate a book to the classroom (book fair is open next week)!

Friday: Favorite Thing

Fashion Show

Please join us for a night of fun Fashion Show 2018 following the talent show on May 8th. We will go on around 8-8:30. There are some amazing pieces for this year's theme Art of Asia and you won't want to miss it.



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Dear MICS Families,

Transportation Update: 2018-2019 School year

Thanks to the diligent efforts of the SOAR foundation and PTO to fundraise in support of our school programs combined with the school's recent Phase III financing, we are now able to offer 6 buses with a total of 12 AM/PM routes into our school community and at a significantly lower cost. Bus 6 will service the Denver/Stanley area and Pick up and drop off will be located at the Denver Walmart (route 16 and Hwy. 73). Price for 2018-2019 riders will drop to \$150 per rider per year. Registration begins next week for all bus routes and seats are first come, first served.

Justin H. Matthews, *Executive Director*

2018 Regional Optimist Club Oratorical Contest

Congratulations to MICS 7th graders Sophia Eaton and Christopher Dunevant who both won first place in the 2018 Regional Optimist Club Oratorical Contest on Saturday, April 14th. Both students competed against the top speakers from 5 area schools across the region. This year's theme was "What Are My Roots of Optimism?" Sophia and Christopher have been invited to represent our region in the N.C. State Optimist Club Oratorical Contest to be held on Saturday, April 28th in Blowing Rock, NC. Congratulations to these two 7th grade students and good luck at the next level of the competition!

Spring Book Fair - Sign Up Volunteer [HERE!](#)

The book fair will be here Monday, April 23 – Friday, April 27th. Shopping hours will be 7:45a – 3:30p M-Th & 7:45a – Noon on Friday. It will be **Paws-itively Purr-fect!** Funds will benefit our new library and teacher classrooms. *Students will preview Friday, April 20th or Monday, April 23rd. **NEW digital payment option for students: eWallet!** Now you can send your child to shop the fair cash-free! Visit our [Book Fair Homepage](#) to learn more and to create an account. If you are unable to attend the Fair in person, we invite you to visit us online at our [Book Fair Homepage](#) or scholastic.com/fair. Our Online Fair is available from April 11 to April 28.

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Coming Events

- April
- 23:** Spring Book Fair Opens, 7:45-3:30 pm (M-Th); 7:45-Noon (Fri)
- 27:** MS Dance, 6-8 pm
- May
- 7-11:** Staff Appreciation Week and Arts Week

LOWER SCHOOL (K-5)

UPCOMING



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The Talent Showcase for Lower School students will be held at MICS on Thursday, May 24 at 1:35 PM. Students must audition for the performance with a video of the act and send to Mrs. Clarkson (iclarkson@micharter.org) no later than Wednesday April 25 by 3:20 PM. Each person must fill out an [AUDITION FORM](#), even if you are a part of a group. Anyone unable to send in a video may sign up for limited slots for an in-person audition on Monday April 23 and Tuesday April 24 7:30-8:10 AM. Sign up here <http://bit.ly/LSTalentshow>. Participants will be announced via email by Friday April 27, 2018. All participants are REQUIRED to attend the Wednesday dress rehearsal after school until 5PM in the gym on May 23. Every act MUST BE LESS than 3 minutes from start to stop, or Mrs. Clarkson will help edit the song.

Lacrosse Athletic Development Program - If you are interested in your child participating follow this [link](#) to the Google form below to answer a few questions. Please visit the MICS website, Athletics tab, [K-5 Athletic Development Program](#). Check out MI Lacrosse and the great things they are doing in our community <http://www.milacrosse.org>.

MICS Summer Day Camp

Sign up for MICS summer camps [HERE!](#)

MOUNTAIN ISLAND CHARTER SCHOOL
SUMMER DAY CAMP 2018

SUMMER CAMP

Cost:
\$150 per week for the first child (10% discount for additional siblings). Price includes 4 field trips per week and supplies.

For Ages
K-8th

June 11-August 20
Daily
7:30 am to 6:00 pm

Camp Includes:
Crafts
Games
Free Play
Fun with their friends
Four (4) Field Trips Each Week
Splash Pad • Movies • Skating • Putt-Putt
Bowling • Lazy 5 • Pool • Dan Nichols Park
Island Ice / Fun Inflatables

Contact Caalan Sykes at csykes@micharter.org • www.micharter.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)

Middle School Spring Dance – April 27

The Middle School Spring dance for grades 6-8 will be on Friday, April 27 from 6-8 PM in the MICS Gym. Tickets are \$5.00 each plus a small online processing fee and may be purchased until end of day Wednesday, April 25, 2018. Please click [HERE!](#) **Tickets will not be sold at the door.** In order to make each dance successful, we rely on parent volunteers to assist in setting-up, monitoring, and breaking down the event. If you are available to volunteer for the Neon Dance on Friday, April 27th, please sign-up [HERE](#). Strauss Studios will be on-site taking photos during this event. You can pre-purchase individual photos or a USB (that includes all the photos your child is in). **The photos and USB will be delivered back to school the following week.** Cash, check, or credit will be accepted on-site as well.

- 5x7 (\$10 each)
- USB (\$20 each; includes all photos of your child)
- USB + 5x7 (\$25 includes all photos of your child and a 5x7)

Pre-order link - <https://straussstudios.squarespace.com/>

**if you preorder prints your child will be able to select their favorite pose during the dance; otherwise photographer choice.* Photos online about 48hrs after event for purchase - www.micsphotos.com

MS Student Government Fundraiser Supporting Wounded Warriors

The Middle School is hosting its second annual Penny Wars Fundraiser, a fun and competitive way that students can raise money for a worthy cause. Last year, our Middle School students raised over \$2,000 for the American Heart Association. This year, Student Council members have chosen to coordinate with their Winter service project in which they sent cards to veterans overseas, by selecting the Wounded Warriors Foundation, an organization that helps honor and empower veterans and service members with physical and mental injuries.

How it works: Each grade level will have a designated jug for which students can bring in monetary donations (coins or bills), *but there's a catch* - pennies and dollar bills ADD money to the grade level count while silver coins (nickels, dimes, quarters) SUBTRACT money from the grade level count. For example: If an 8th grade student brings in \$5 worth of pennies, they will earn 500 points for their grade level, BUT if a 7th grade student were to put \$2 worth of quarters into the 8th grade jug, they would subtract 200 points, leaving the 8th grade with only 300 points. Students can bring in money to the designated grade-level teacher through Thursday, April 26th. The winning grade level will be announced at the Neon Dance and will earn a Field Day and a treat from

Island Ice later this school year.

Middle School/High School Benchmarks - April 10-27

Final week of comprehensive benchmark assessment Benchmark exams to be administered:

Math - April 23-April 25

Makeups - April 26-27

Drivers Education Update

Please be aware that the driver's education class to be offered at MICS this summer has reached maximum enrollment. While only one class will be offered at our site, this course is available at various locations to eligible students. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to search for driver's education classes in your area.

8th Grade Leadership Project

8th grade students have been working hard on their Leadership Projects and will be presenting them to their classmates and school community on Tuesday, May 1st. In order to effectively assess our students' projects, we need approved parent and community volunteers to come in and assist our team as judges. If you would be available from 7:45-9:15 am on Tuesday, May 1st to grade student projects, please sign up by clicking [HERE](#).

If you or your company would be willing to host an 8th grade student that indicates interest in your career field, we encourage you to sign up as a potential "job shadowing" site (click [HERE](#)). Please contact Lauren Whitley (lwhitley@micharter.org), 8th Grade Social Studies Teacher, if you have any questions.

Please be aware that top performing students on the 8th Grade Leadership Project are eligible to run as a pre-finalist for the Pledger Leadership award. This award recognizes 8th grade students that demonstrate positive leadership exemplified by our school's founding chairperson, Kelly Pledger. The student that receives this award for the 2017-2018 school year will serve as the 9th grade Freshman Student Representative in the 2018-2019 school year and will have a voting seat in the High School Student Government. Thank you for your support of this student initiative.

Congratulations to those who made the Middle School Talent

Show this year! The featured acts will be performing on May 8 at 7PM. Admission is free and open to all. Immediately following is the Fashion Show! The whole event is a great night!

HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

UPCOMING

PHOTOGRAPHY DURING PROM: 7pm - 9pm - Formals. *All packages will be delivered back to school the following Monday*

SPECIAL Online Pricing - ORDER BY FRIDAY 4/21 - Save \$\$

\$20 - (1) 5x7

\$30 - (1) USB of your child's photos

\$35 - (1) 5x7 and (1) USB of images

\$50 - (2) 5x7) and (2) USB of images

MOST POPULAR PACKAGE

You can pre-order using this link - <https://straussstudios.squarespace.com/micsphotocd/mics-photo-cd>

Use the NOTES area for your ORDER REQUEST

4/21 Day of Prom Pricing

\$30 - (1) 5x7 (while supplies last)

\$40 - (1) USB of your child's photos

\$45 - (1) 5x7 and (1) USB of images

\$60 - (2) 5x7s and (2) USB of images

MOST POPULAR PACKAGE

Cash or Credit will be accepted on-site. Photos will be posted online at micsphotos.com

TESTING

High School Benchmarks - April 10-27

Final week of comprehensive benchmark assessment Benchmark exams to be administered:

Math - April 23-April 25

Makeups - April 26-27

Math III Field Test - April 24-27

Students enrolled in Math III will be administered a Math III field test on April 24-April 27. This test will provide NCDPI with feed-

back supporting the construction of future Math III assessments aligned to NC math standards.

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2017-2018 End of Year Exam Schedule

Please click [HERE](#) to view the 2017-2018 End of Year Exam Schedule.

EVENTS

Cap and Gown Photos

Photos ONLINE! <https://straussstudios.pixieset.com/mics2018-capandgown/>. [Order form.](#)

SCHOLARSHIPS

Attention Seniors - Scholarship Opportunity

Board Members of "The Heart of Dylan Foundation" have established a scholarship of \$1,000.00. It will be awarded to a student who best meets the criteria below: *Kind *Helpful *Brave *Overcome a Challenge in their life *Shows Perseverance *Compassionate *Good Character *A desire to succeed even when it doesn't come easy *Displays School Spirit *Someone who may have the desire but not limited to work in Special Education, Music, Dance or the Food Industry. Interested candidates should complete the attached application and return to the front office by 2:30 on May 11, 2018. For questions, please contact Mrs. Tracy Lynn at tlynn1@carolina.rr.com. Interested candidates should complete the [application](#) by May 11th.

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 Karroyo@micharter.org with any questions!

You're invited to come join Mrs. Arroyo and Mrs. Belus to learn about the Australia, New Zealand, and the Cook Islands trip taking place during Summer of 2020! The meeting will be held in the Mrs. Belus' room (C134) at 2:30pm on Thursday, May 3rd, 2018. At the meeting you will learn more about the trip's destination, the cost and what's included, and how you can sign up, if interested. If you cannot make the meeting but are interested in learning more, please email Mrs. Arroyo at karroyo@micharter.org to learn about next steps! You can RSVP here <https://mountainislandssouthpac.eventbrite.com/>

For High School Juniors: NC State College of Textiles holds four one-week sessions of [Summer Textile Exploration Program](#) (STEP) each summer. Participants live on-campus, learn about their [degree programs](#), the admissions process, [scholarship opportunities](#) and work on a project related to one of their majors. The program cost is \$250 for each participant; limited financial aid is available. **Applications due May 1, 2018.** To learn more about STEP please visit the College of Textiles [website](#). If you have questions, please contact Shannon Tart - sdtart2@ncsu.edu

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.

If you are interested in your child participating follow this [link](#) to the Google form below to answer a few questions.

Detailed information about the season, number of practices, games, and what's included will be posted on the MICS website, Athletics tab, [K-5 Athletic Development Program](#).

Scores of the Week!

Baseball

Raptors 13 Langtree Charter 7
St. Mark's 7 Raptors 15

Lacrosse

Davidson Day 15
Raptors 1

⇒ Raptor goal scored by Austin McConnell.

Soccer

Raptors 0 Langtree Charter 0
St. Mark's 4 Raptors 3

⇒ Raptor goals scored by Sandy Osterndorf, Hilary Schmitz, and Hannah Butlak.

Softball

Langtree Charter 5 Raptors 15
Raptors 21 Southlake Christian 7

Golf

Raptors 203
CSD 161

Check out MI Lacrosse and the great things they are doing in our community <http://www.milacrosse.org>.

Coaching Opportunities

The following coaching positions are available. Please contact Leah Bennett at lbennett@micharter.org for details.

Basketball:

- Boys Basketball Head and Assistant Coach
- 6th Grade Boys Basketball Head and Assistant Coach

Co-Ed Swimming:

- Assistant Coach

Cheer (MS & JV):

- Assistant Coach

Wrestling:

- Head and Assistant Coach

Softball:

- Assistant Coach

Soccer:

- Girls Soccer Head and Assistant Coach

Lacrosse:

- Head and Assistant Coach

Lacrosse Athletic Development Program - We are excited to announce that MI Lacrosse is interested in growing their partnership with the MICS Athletic Department by helping to offer Lacrosse within the Lower School Athletic Development Program. We would like to know if your child would be interested in participating next Spring, playing as a Raptor with their friends and classmates. Our LS Basketball program has had much success, with over 350 MICS students participating over the past 5 seasons.

ATHLETICS - HIGH SCHOOL

SENIOR RECOGNITION

Golf

Thank you and congratulations to Seniors, **Tyler Cobb** and **Jonathan Broome**. What a great honor to have you two as part of the strong foundation for Raptor Athletics. MICS and the Golf Team applaud your leadership and teamwork.



Track & Field

Thank you and congratulations to Seniors, **Kynda Bichara** and **Khalia Byers**. Kynda has qualified for the regionals in 4 events already. (4x100 meter relay, 4x200 meter relay, 4x400 meter relay and 100 meter dash. Khalia has qualified for the regionals in 4 events already. (4x100 meter relay, 4x200 meter relay, 4x400 meter relay and Triple Jump)



Scores of the Week!

Baseball

Varsity:

Raptors 7

Langtree 4

Women's Soccer

Raptors 4

Queen's Grant 1

⇒ Raptor goals scored by Laken Gallman (2) and Carolyn Solarchik (2).

Varsity Softball

Raptors 13

PLP 2

Langtree 3

Raptors 3

⇒ Lawson Gerland lead the offense with 3 hits and Savanna Doyle had 2 hits. Chloe Hatzopoulos was the winning pitcher and also hit 2 home runs and knocked in 7 runs.

⇒ Chloe Hatzopoulos had 2 hits including a home run, Savanna Doyle collected 2 hits and Lawson Gerland and Sara Winkler had one hit each to lead the offense. Lauren Engel was the winning pitcher.

HS Cheer Tryouts – Tryouts for the 2018-19 MS Cheer team will

be held on May 14th, 15th and 16th 4:30-6:00 pm in the MICS gym. You must attend BOTH days in order to be considered for the teams, These tryouts are open to MICS students who will be in 6th-8th grade for the 2018-19 school year.

All MICS players MUST have an approved [NCHSAA SPORTS PHYSICALS](#) (to be completed by a physician) and a [MINOR LIABILITY WAIVER](#) in order to be eligible to try out for a Fall, Winter or Spring sport prior to the first day of tryouts, no exceptions. If a player has played a previous sport, the player must have an updated NCHSAA sports physical and minor liability waiver prior to the first day of tryouts.

Physicals and waivers are good for one full year (395 days). For example, if your player has had a physical completed on August 30, 2016, it is good until September 30, 2017. (*Boy Scouts, Little League, or Well Check Exams are not accepted in place of an NCHSAA sports physical*).