

THE RAPTOR CALL

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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.

Talent Show (Grades K-5)

The talent show for grades K-5 will be held on **Thursday, May 24th** at 1:35 pm in the MICS gym.

Band 2018-2019

Any students who are planning to take Band for the first time next school year need to sign up for a time to do Mouth-piece Testing to determine which instrument they will play. Please complete the form [here](#). Any questions regarding Band can be directed to Mrs. Goolsby at sgoolsby@micharter.org.

2017-18 End of Year Exam Schedule

Please click [HERE!](#)

2018-2019 School Year

LS Schedule (K-5) - 8:20-3:20 pm

MS/HS Bell Schedule (6-12) - click [HERE](#) (7:30-2:30 pm)

2018-19 School Calendar - click [HERE](#)

Bus Transportation - sign up [HERE](#)

Dear MICS Families,

Annual Family Survey

Each year our school distributes a survey to our families in order to gauge how well we are meeting your educational needs and to identify growth areas to improve upon in future years. Please complete one survey for each child in the Lower School (K-5), Middle School (6-8) and the High School (9-12). As you complete the survey, if you feel that you cannot mark either "Always" or "Often" in a specific area, please call me at the school to arrange a time where we can sit down and discuss any concerns you may have. Thanks in advance for your thoughtful feedback as we continually work to improve our programs!

[Lower School](#)

[Middle School](#)

[High School](#)

Justin H. Matthews, *Executive Director*

Congratulations to our 2017 - 2018 MICS Math Olympiad Teams!

What a fantastic year they've had competing both nationally & internationally to build their problem solving strategies and achieve success with their ability to solve difficult math problems. We'd like to recognize our top three Olympians at each grade level:

G7/8 Coach: Mr. Serra

1st Place: Caleb Luckadoo
1st Place: Christopher Dunevant
3rd Place: Jackson Pompei

G5 Coaches - Ms. Thomasson & Ms. Munday

1st Place: Peyton Pompei
2nd Place: Judson Jones
3rd Place: Carson Leaphart, Angelina Peterson Kira Smith

G6 Coaches: Ms. Simonette & Ms. Munday

1st Place: Taylor Jung
2nd Place: Jacob Hershberger
3rd Place: Makenna Butlak

G4 Coaches - Ms. Mantooth & Ms. Munday

1st Place: Patrick Blanchette
2nd Place: AnnaCate Blackburn, Cheyenne Painter
3rd Place: Alexia Hatzopoulos

Many thanks to the teachers who served as coaches this year. Also, a nod of appreciation to MICS school leadership for providing funding to sponsor these four Math Olympiad teams.

- **Mrs. Munday**

Proctors Needed for EOY Testing

Please help us complete the 2017-2018 school year by serving as a proctor during our 3-12 End of Grade/Course Testing. Beginning May 25 through June 8, we are in need of volunteers willing to spend a few hours each day to assist in monitoring exam administration. In order to proctor, you must be at least 18 years old and pass the volunteer background screening. You are encouraged to come on more than one day, as we are in need of 45 proctors for each of the first four days of testing. We will continue to take volunteers until the last day of testing. To sign up and complete the **brief training online**, please [CLICK HERE](#) at your earliest convenience.

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Coming Events

May

22: Spring Concert Chorus & Band, 4/5th Grade: 6pm and MS/HS: 7pm

24: Lower School Talent Show, MICS Gym, 1:35 pm

LOWER SCHOOL (K-5)

TALENT SHOW (K-5)

The talent show for grades K-5 will be held on Thursday, May 24th at 1:35 pm in the MICS gym.

Spring Band & Chorus Concert

The Spring Band & Chorus Concert will take place on **Tuesday, May 22nd in the MICS Gym**. The Lower School Concert (4th and 5th grades) will begin at 6:00pm, and the Middle and High School Concert will begin at 7:00pm. The performance is required for middle and high school Band and Chorus students and is strongly encouraged for Lower School students. Involved students should check with Mrs. Goolsby and Mrs. Clarkson for more details. We look forward to seeing you there!

Band

Attention 4th grade families! Rising 5th grade students need to select their music class for next school year. Please complete the form [here](#). Any questions regarding Band can be directed to Mrs. Goolsby at sgoolsby@micharter.org and questions regarding Chorus can be directed to Mrs. Clarkson at jclarkson@micharter.org.

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!](#)



MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)

UPCOMING

8th Grade Students and Families,

You are invited to attend the 8th Grade Bridging Ceremony, taking place on **Thursday, June 7, at 7:00pm** in MICS Gymnasium. We look forward to seeing all 8th grade students rising into the 9th grade at this special event.

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American Citizenship Award

Mountain Island Charter School would like to recognize students in grades 6-12 that have demonstrated exemplary citizenship in the 2017-2018 school year through the awarding of the American Citizenship Award. To celebrate their contributions, students that demonstrate positive character and have completed extensive community service are eligible for recognition by the awarding of this nationally recognized award at our end of year ceremonies on Thursday, June 7, 2018.

Per the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) and the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), eligible students consistently:

- Participate in school and/or community service.
- Show a positive attitude toward classmates, school, and community.
- Display an understanding and appreciation of civic responsibility.
- Possess strength of character and the courage to do what is right.
- Promote citizenship with their school or community through other activities.

Community service contributions should meet or exceed 50 verifiable hours, accumulated from July 1, 2017, to present. If your child meets these criteria, please complete the self nomination form by clicking [HERE](#). All nominations must be received by end of day Friday, May 18. Thank you for allowing us to recognize your child's accomplishments this year.

2017-2018 End of Year Exam Schedule

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HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

UPCOMING

- **High School Honors Ceremony - Thursday, June 7, 11:00am-12:00pm (MICS Gym):** This event is a student assembly for grades 9-12. Students will be recognized for 4th quarter Honor Roll, American Citizenship Awards, and other school level awards.
- **Senior Awards Ceremony - Thursday, June 7, 8:00-9:30pm (MICS Gym):** This event will be exclusively for seniors and their invited guests. It will include recognition of academic achievement, college acceptance and scholarships earned. The program will also include the presentation of commendations such as honors medallions and Presidential Achievement/Excellence Awards, as well as the announcement of this year's Raptor Legends and Senior Hall of Fame.
- **Graduation rehearsal - Friday, June 8, 11:00am**
- **Class of 2018 Graduation - Friday, June 8, 7:30pm (Raptor Stadium):** Beginning this school year, in order to provide all participants with a safe and enjoyable experience, friends and family must present a ticket to attend this special event. Graduating seniors will be allowed to purchase up to 10 tickets per student at \$1 for each ticket. Seniors will be notified when tickets are ready for purchase, and tickets will be purchased directly from Ms. Stallings at that time. Thank you for your understanding and support of this recently updated procedure.

Student guidelines for graduation:

- Students are to wear professional dress under gown (Males: Shirt/tie/slacks; Females: Professional dress/slacks).
- Decorated mortarboards must meet all applicable school guidelines and be approved by Ms. Stallings or Mr. Byrum.
- Students should arrive no later than 6:30pm to the MICS Gym on Friday, June 8.

- Student technology is to be silent and away during the graduation ceremony.

In order to safely accommodate the needs of students that have more than ten family members and friends that they wish to attend graduation, we will conduct ticket purchasing in phases. The first phase of ticket purchases will conclude on May 31, during which time students must purchase their tickets (up to 10 per student). On June 1, any unclaimed tickets will be made available for purchase (up to five per student, first-come first-served) from June 1-June 4. Should additional tickets remain unclaimed as of June 4, they will be available while supplies last beginning at the start of day, June 5.

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2018 Graduation Photos

To view the flyer: [2018 Graduation Flyer](#)

Pre-Order Direct Link - <https://straussstudios.squarespace.com/micsphotocd/mics-photo-cd>

PRIOR to 6/8

\$35 DVD Video

\$50 DVD + Plus Photo Download of your Child

ON and AFTER 6/8

\$45 DVD Video

\$75 DVD + Plus Photo Download of your Child

Also can be found on www.micsphotos.com

2017-2018 End of Year Exam Schedule

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UPCOMING COLLEGE EVENTS IN OUR REGION

Admission representatives from Brandies University, Case Western Reserve University, New York University and the University of Rochester will present an information session for prospective students and their family members. Learn about academic and student life, admission and financial aid processes, and participate in Q&A.

Register at [HERE!](#)

Monday, May 21 at 7PM

Charlotte Marriott SouthPark

[2200 Rexford Rd. Charlotte 28211](#)

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Registration is now open - Summer 2020: Travel with MICS to Australia, New Zealand and The Cook Islands in the summer of 2020. Registration is now open through May 11 for students (and parents, if interested). If you were unable to attend the interest meeting, please view the tour website at: [EF Tours](#) (eftours.com/2134416EZ) or contact Mrs. Kristin Arroyo at Karroyo@micharter.org with further questions.

Summer 2019: Travel with MICS to Switzerland, France and Italy in the summer of 2019. There are a few spots remaining for students (and parents, if interested) to accompany us for 13 days as we are guided through these three magnificent countries. If you would like further information, please view the tour website at [EF Tours](#) (eftours.com/2008801mu) or contact Mrs. Monica Belus at mbelus@micharter.org with any questions.

ATHLETICS - MIDDLE SCHOOL

Congratulations to the following MICS players for being selected by their coaches as a PCAC All Star. All Stars are chosen based on athletic skill, teamwork, leadership, hard work and leading by example.

Girls Soccer

Hannah Butlak

Joi McGrew

Sandy Osterndorf

Lily Johnson

Golf

Kola Abudu

Jude Tremblay

Baseball

Leonard Hadley

Tanner Leeson

Evan Borman

Softball

Kaylan Brown

Camden Gerland

Elizabeth Knutson

Ellie Hatzopoulos

Scores of the Week!

Soccer (Round 1 & Semi-Finals)

Raptors 1 Raptors 0
St. Mark's 0 Lincoln Charter 7
⇒ Raptor goal scored by Joi McGrew

Softball (Round 1 & Semi-Finals)

Sugar Creek 0 Raptors 3
Raptors 17 Lincoln Charter 13

Baseball (Round 1 & Semi-Finals)

St. Mark's 8 Raptors 4
Raptors 11 CSD 14

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.

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. 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](#).

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

ATHLETICS - HIGH SCHOOL

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*).

Dance Team Tryouts

May 22nd and May 24th from 3:15-5:00.

HS Fall Tryouts

Tryouts for Fall sports will be held on **Monday, July 30th** AND **Tuesday, July 31st**. Please mark your calendars and schedule your vacations appropriately.

Scores of the Week!

Women's Soccer (*Seeded 15th in NC 1A State Playoffs*)

East Wilkes 0

Raptors 8

⇒ *Raptor goals scored by Carolyn Solarchik (4), Laken Gallman (4) and Madison Baxter (1).*

Varsity Softball (*Seeded 22nd in NC 1A State Playoffs*)

Raptors 2

Uwharrie County 3

Varsity Baseball (*Seeded 23rd in NC 1A State Playoffs*)

Raptors 6

Rosman HS 5

Coaching Opportunities

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

Football:

- Varsity Defensive Line Coach
- Varsity Safety's Coach
- Varsity Quarterback Coach

Volleyball:

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

Cheer:

- JV Assistant Coach

Swim:

- Varsity Assistant Coach

Track & Field:

- Varsity Assistant Coach