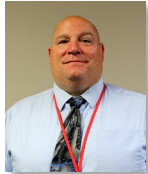




School District of Monroe Winter 2022-2023

A MESSAGE FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT



Rodney Figueroa
District Administrator

The late summer and fall have been a very productive time for students and staff involved in the many extracurricular activities offered in Monroe. Their dedication paid off in big ways and is a great source of pride within the school district and greater community. Extra-curricular activities are an extension of the learning environment and are heavily focused on individual student interests, problem solving skills, time management, self improvement, competitive thinking, and of course, team work. Our students are able to have experiences in areas they are interested in and be part of something bigger than any one of them. It is a real world experience with real results. In addition to the high achievements experienced, we had many All-State Academic award winners.

The One Act Play titled, "The Play That Goes Wrong - High School Edition", qualified for and competed at the State competition on the UW Whitewater campus November 19 and knocked it out of the park! The Monroe team earned a Critics Choice Gold Award, Best Ensemble, Best Technical Theater, Best Director, and Best Acting awards were earned by Ashton Klemm, Owen Klemm, Bella Davis, and Simon Carus. I was able to attend the full two act play performed in the PAC and it was very near if not on par with many professional theater productions I have viewed. I would strongly encourage anyone hungry for top-quality theater to watch for and attend our productions. They are among the best in the state as was affirmed at UW Whitewater in November.

The Cheesemaker Football Team capped an undefeated season with a 35-13 win at Camp Randall Stadium in Madison for the WIAA Division 3 State Championship on November 18. In addition to 18 all-conference team selections, Isaac Bunker, Tucker Markham, Sean Rufenacht, and Keatin Sweeney earned All-Region honors. Keatin was also named Rock Valley Conference Back of the Year, joining Head Coach Toby Golembiewski and Assistant Coach Tom Witt as Rock Valley Conference Coaches of the Year. Isaac Bunker was named the State's Top Offensive Lineman as the Joe Thomas Award Winner; in addition to earning Top Offensive Lineman of the year for the Rock Valley Conference. Eight Seniors also earned Academic All-State honors. A group of motivated, focused,

intelligent student-athletes being coached and prepared to perform at their highest levels over their time in the program provided the opportunity for this success and an attitude driven formula they can each apply to achieve success in the future.

The Boys and Girls Cross Country teams each qualified for the WIAA State Cross Country meet in Wisconsin Rapids on October 29. Both teams were Badger Conference Champions and our State competitors earned Academic All-State Honors. This talented group trained and competed as a team and by the end were peaking at their most competitive level. Steady improvement through the season produced some of the best results in the state.

Our Monroe-New Glarus Swim team was a very competitive unit throughout the season and qualified 4 events for the WIAA State Swim Meet in Waukesha on November 11th. The team is young and posted Personal Best times for each event they competed in this season. Congratulations, ladies!

The Girls Tennis program continues to grow in participation and competitiveness with over 30 student-athletes involved. Our Dance and Cheer teams lead our fan and student sections and were very entertaining during the fall season. Boys Soccer and Girls Volleyball worked through tough seasons against some very talented conference and non-conference opponents. The band and chorus concerts are happening after I write this, but I expect they will put on high quality and memorable performances going into the holiday season.

Monroe extracurricular activities have something for everyone and I strongly recommend taking in a winter sporting event, concert, or musical. We have amazing young people with amazing talents in our schools.

Community support for the referendum was outstanding and the Board of Education intends to build a high school educational complex which improves opportunities for many generations of Monroe students and families. The design planning and bid packet work will begin in the next few months. Updates to Abraham Lincoln Elementary and construction of a new high school on a new campus will be communicated during the planning and construction phases, more to come.

Our best for their best. Fig





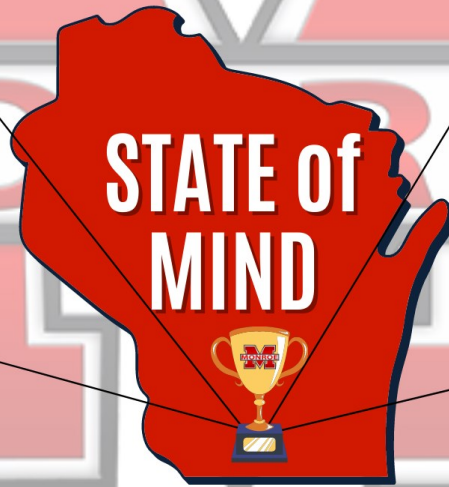
**BOYS AND GIRLS
CROSS COUNTRY**



MHS ONE ACT CAST AND CREW



WIAA D3 STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPS



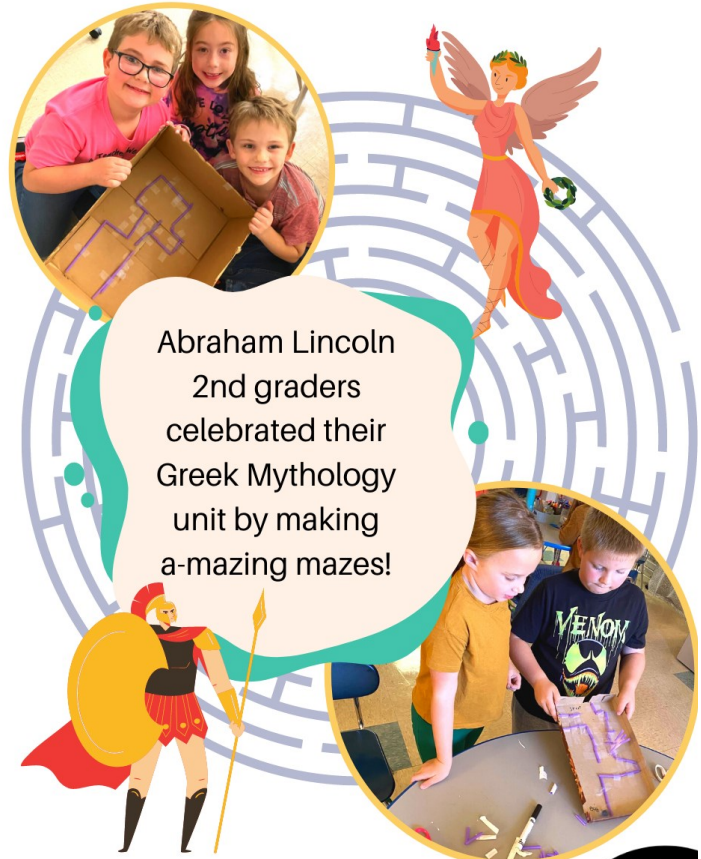
MONROE - NEW GLARUS SWIM

It has been a standout year for Monroe High School students in both sports and the arts! Our Cheesemaker football team went undefeated this season and took a trip to Camp Randall, bringing home the golden ball. Our Boys and Girls Cross Country teams both made it state, setting some spectacular PRs in the process. M-NG Swim had a fabulous season that took the team to Waukesha for the State Meet where they finished 13 out of 35 teams and the 200 Free Relay team set a school record! And the cast and crew of "The Play That Goes Wrong" One Act advanced to the State competition where they brought home 8 awards including Critics Choice.



On Veterans Day, Monroe Middle School staff member, Angela McKay, was surprised with a Quilt of Valor. She was joined by her family for the presentation.

Angela has been a long-time substitute teacher in the School District of Monroe and served 8 years in the United States Navy. She joined our staff as an Instructional Aide earlier this year. The Quilt of Valor is a handmade quilt that is awarded to a Service Member or Veteran who has been touched by war. Thank you to Angela and Veterans everywhere for their service.



Abraham Lincoln
2nd graders
celebrated their
Greek Mythology
unit by making
a-mazing mazes!





Parkside Community Day



On Monday, November 11th, Parkside students celebrated their annual Community Day. Every year, students in each grade level K-5 complete a community service project to give back, spread kindness, and say thank you to our community. This year, 5th Graders went to Aster Assisted Living to visit residents and make a gratitude tree together for their lobby. Grades K-4 completed thank you notes for veterans and community helpers, decorated boxes and prepared games for Box of Balloons, and made cards to spread holiday cheer to community members.



MHS Performing Arts Center
March 3rd and 4th at 7pm
March 5th at 2pm



MMS Auditorium
March 9th and 10th at 7pm
March 11th at 1pm



Northside Food Drive

Northside's theme for November was "Begin with the End in Mind." Students learned how to set goals and the steps it takes to accomplish them. As a school, they set a goal to donate as much food as possible to the Green County Food Pantry. The students are excited about being leaders in our community and seeing what they can accomplish when they work together!



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The School District of Monroe's school closing information is posted to the district webpage and district Facebook page minutes after a decision to close or dismiss early is made. Parents and guardians of current students will also receive an automated phone call from our Skylert messaging system.

The district contacts the following TV and radio stations when these events occur:

RADIO

WBGR FM 93.7 (Monroe)
WEKZ FM 95.5/AM 1260 (Monroe)

TELEVISION

WISC CBS 3 (Madison)
WMTV NBC 15 (Madison)
WKOW ABC 27 (Madison)

School District of Monroe Calendar

- Dec 16th and 17th -** MHS Theatre "A Holiday Extravaganza" 7pm in the MHS PAC
- December 19th -** Parkside 1st and 2nd Grade Concert 6:30pm in the MHS PAC
- December 21st -** MHS Choir Concert 7pm in the MHS PAC
- December 21st -** MMS Senior Holiday Party 8:30am-10:30am
- Dec 23rd - Jan 2nd -** Winter Break
- January 5th -** District Spelling Bee
- January 16th -** No School
- February 24th -** Asynchronous learning MMS and MHS, No School for Parkside, Northside, and Abraham Lincoln
- March 20th - 24th -** Spring Break



ATTENTION NON-RESIDENTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MONROE

This newsletter is provided to all residents of the School District of Monroe. The most affordable process used to circulate this newsletter throughout the district is to use saturation mailing. It is costly to avoid a few non-residents from receiving our newsletter. We apologize for your inconvenience but wish to provide important information to all residents. Thank you.

