

Dear Monroe Families-

Happy Summer Break! Even though it's been a challenging year there's lots to celebrate and be thankful for at Monroe. I hope you're encouraged as you read about how our students, staff, families, and community engaged over the course of the year:

- Served hundreds of individuals through our food pantry- *thanks parent volunteers, Site Council, Willakenzie Community Church, Sheldon HS, Buena Vista, and those that donated!*
- Welcomed incoming 6th grade students and parents through YouTube videos and live Zoom Q&A sessions- *thanks parents and Ms. Tilson!*
- Welcomed our new secretary, Stephanie Perez- *welcome to Oregon!*
- Facilitated the handout and return of nearly 300 iPads for Distance Learning for All- *thanks school and district staff!*
- Celebrated 8th graders through a wonderful Zoom session and walk-thru ceremony- *thanks parent volunteers and Monroe staff! Special thanks to Mr. Hadley for making the video.*
- Handed out goodie bags to outgoing 8th graders- *thanks DQ, Papas Pizza, and Dutch Brothers!*
- Honored students and staff through social media during the pandemic (Model Mustang and MonRole Model)- *thanks social media team, Anna and Stephanie!*
- Launched a Monroe YouTube page as a way for students and families to access information and stay connected- *thanks Secretary Stephanie Perez!*
- Found creative ways to connect with students during Distance Learning for All (Loom, Zoom, Flipgrade, Google Hangouts)- *thanks technology!*
- Contacted hundreds of students and families via phone call, email, and text messaging- *thanks Classified support staff!*
- Supported families through wraparound supports and resources- *thanks Carrie, Mollie, and Stephanie!*
- Distributed over 300 to-go lunches at the Monroe distribution site- *thanks Classified support staff!!*
- Delivered coffee and donuts to every teacher during Distance Learning for All- *thanks Ekklesia Eugene Church and office staff!*
- Set up a drive-thru pastry and coffee station for our Classified Staff during Distance Learning for All- *thanks Harvest Community Church!*
- Celebrated ACE Award nominees from Monroe as we had the most nominations of any middle school- *Congratulations teachers: Mr. Nansel, Ms. Karotko, Mr. Reveal, and Mr. Hadley. Congratulations classified staff: Ms. Blair, Ms. Wellman (Anna), and Ms. Smith (Mollie). Congratulations parent volunteers: Leah Detzler, April Colgrove, and Tobey Ritchie. Lastly, congratulations to the 2019-2020 ACE Eugene 4J Teacher of the Year, **Ms. Kronser!!!***
- Rolled out new Monroe "merch-" *thanks for the input and feedback students and staff!*
- Raised over \$3,000 from Mary Poppins- *thanks students, directors, and families!*
- Celebrated and promoted diversity through the Unity Assembly- *thanks students, staff, and guest speakers!*
- Engaged in conversations with community members about their careers over cookies! We had over 400 students attend Cookies & Convos- *thank you community members for sharing with our students!*
- Installed a new filtered water station- *thanks EWEB and 4J! The plan is to have more around campus!*

- Painted new murals and installed a new sign at the front entrance- *thanks 4J facilities and Ms. Kronser's Advanced Art Class & Club!*
- Established a new partnership with the UofO to discuss and implement restorative practices- *thanks UofO!*
- Provided tutoring and homework support for over 300 students through The Homework Center- *thanks UofO and Lane CC students!*
- Established 8 school clubs- *thanks Monroe Staff and community volunteers!*
- Supported over 30 students every Wednesday during Mentor Lunch- *thanks Mentor Lunch Coordinators and volunteers in the community for making it the biggest middle school program in 4J!*
- Started an intramural program where over 200 students participated- *thanks Intramural Coordinator and parent volunteers!*
- Highlighted over 20 students in the Talent Show- *thanks Talent Show and Custodial Team!*
- Provided 35 Thanksgiving baskets to families in our community- *thanks Harvest Church, Ekklesia Eugene Church, and Office Staff!*
- Provided teacher supply baskets to every teacher- *thanks The Hope Project!*
- Honored students through Student of the Month Assemblies- *thanks Monroe Staff!*
- Kept the school clean and welcoming before, during, and after Distance Learning for All- *thanks Custodial Team!*
- Launched new healthy and delicious meals made in-house- *thanks Kitchen Team!*
- Provided granola in every classroom- *thanks Food for Lane County and Monroe Snack Committee!*
- Honored staff through the Crystal Apple Staff of the Month- *thanks Horace Mann Insurance!*
- Implemented Fri-YAY (college, Sheldon, Monroe, team gear on Friday's)- *thanks Office Staff!*
- Wrote over 1,000 student Mustang Shout Outs as a way to positively acknowledge students- *thanks Monroe staff!*
- And so much more!!!

As you can see, our community has lots to be proud of. I hope it's a great summer and that you find encouragement and opportunities in the midst of everything that we're going through. Lastly, please see below for reminders, opportunities, and links to resources. Take care, stay safe, and stay healthy- we hope to see you in the Fall...GO MUSTANGS!!!

Office Closed	The Office is closed for the summer. Please check the website for updates.
Unclaimed Items	All student items unclaimed during the iPad, textbook, locker cleanout process will be donated.
Sheldon Region Food Pantry	June 20th, July 18th, August 15th, 2-4 PM @ Willakenzie Community Church. 3040 Willakenzie Rd, Eugene 97401

4J Resources over the Summer	Please call the 4J Wraparound Team at 541-790-7717 . They will be checking the phone weekly and will get back to people within a few days.
Links to Local Resources	Spanish (https://www.smores.com/jytpc) English (https://www.smores.com/4dhva)