

THE RAPTOR CALL

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Application For The SOAR Foundation

Deadline is January 31st

If you are interested in serving as a Board member for Mountain Island Charter School SOAR Foundation, Inc. please click [HERE](#). Submit your application prior to January 31st with service beginning July 1st.

Coaches vs. Cancer 3 Point Challenge

The MICS high school basketball team is raising money for the [Coaches vs. Cancer Campaign](#) with games played in January. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society. Come out and support our High School athletes and help them beat cancer on the court!

HT Vic Card Promotion - [Click Here](#)

Earn twice as much for your school on the purchase of any Harris Teeter brand yogurt or frozen fruit between **January 10 - January 31**. Your VIC card must be [linked](#) to Mountain Island Charter School to earn.

PTO

If you are interested in learning more about the PTO and ways to volunteer at MICS, please visit the [MICS PTO Website](#) or follow us on [Facebook](#). Next meeting is 2/1 at 8:30 am (MS/HS Bldg.)

Dear MICS Families,

Due to inclement weather, school will be in session on Monday, January 22nd. As of now, there will not be any further make-up days. Report cards will go home with students on January 29th.

Justin H. Matthews, *Executive Director*

Prospective Parent Meeting

The date has been changed to **January 29th** at 6pm (immediately following the basketball game).

Spring Auction - Friday, March 16th

The Auction committee will be putting together a huge auction event that will be held at MICS. Please sign up [HERE](#) if you would like to help plan and/or volunteer for the event. Check out our [Auction Wish List](#) or download a copy of our [Auction Donation Form](#).

2018-2019 Lottery Applications

Current students do not need to re-apply, but families wanting to bring in brothers or sisters must fill out the form and claim sibling priority. Employees bringing in their children for the first time need to register as well. Click [HERE](#) for the online application.

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Coming Events

January

- 22: School In Session / End of 2nd Quarter
- 26: Middle School Semi-Formal Dance, [Purchase Tickets](#)
- 29: Prospective Parent Information Night, 6pm. / Report Cards Sent Home
- 31: HS ONLY - Wake Forest Summer Immersion Program, 2:45 pm, C227

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LOWER SCHOOL (K-5)

Mini Cheer Camp

January 29th & 30th (3:20-4:30 pm)

Sign up for Mini Cheer
camp!

Grades K-5
January 29 & 30,
3:20-4:30

\$30 per cheerleader
Shirt and bow
included

Performance on
January 31st during
halftime of the Raptor
girls' game!
This fundraiser will
support the varsity
cheerleaders as they
travel to Orlando to
compete in a national
cheer competition!

Deadline for [permission slips](#) has been extended. Please turn in by Monday, January 22nd at the latest. Come join the MICS varsity cheerleaders on January 29th & 30th, 3:20-4:30. We will have a blast learning new cheers, chants, and a dance!

This event will support the MICS varsity cheerleaders as they head to

Disney for the National High School Cheerleading Competition. All mini cheerleaders will perform at halftime of the varsity girls' basketball game on **Wednesday, January 31st**. The game will begin at 6:00. Camp cost is **\$30 per camper** and includes a performance shirt and bow. Please send questions to coach Bayer at abayer.cheer@micharter.org.

3rd Quarter Enrichments

[Sign Up Now!](#)

MICS is offering clubs such as, Mad Science, Tumbling, Main Street Dance Works, Fencing, and Piano/ Voice lessons

Benchmarks

Friday, January 26th

Dates for our Second Quarter benchmark exams are January 26th through February 9th for grades 2 - 5. Teachers will send home dates for individual grade levels.

K-3 Concert

February 8th (K/1 @6pm; 2/3 @7pm)

Feb 8, 2018 K-3 students will perform for parents and grand friends. 6PM K/1 "Hats!" and 7PM 2/3 "Off Their Rockers". More details to come. Learn more at the lower school music [website](#).

MICS Annual Grand friends Day -

Friday, February 9th (Please [RSVP HERE](#))

Classroom Visits:

12:00 - 12:30pm: 4th & 5th Grade

12:45 - 1:15pm: Kindergarten & 1st Grade

1:30 - 2:00pm: 2nd & 3rd Grade

Refreshments and photos with Mike Strauss Studios in the gym after classroom visits.

Box Tops For Education Contest

November 6th - February 2nd



For Submit box tops in an envelope or baggie with the following information to be eligible:

- Child's Name
- Teacher's Name
- Grade Level

Top collecting class at each grade level will win a Pizza Party (date to be determined) and the classroom that turns in the most overall, will win the chance to welcome our BOXTOPS TRAVELING TROPHY to their classroom until the next contest!

3rd Grade Field Trip

January 26th

The third grade will be traveling to the Schiele Museum. The students will return to the MICS campus at 2:00 pm.

MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)

MS Dance

January 26th (6:00-8:00pm)

Deadline to purchase [tickets](#) will be on January 24th at 3:30 pm. The theme is Old Hollywood, which means glitz and glam. Ticket sales will be conducted online **only**. Food will be provided in the ticket price. Photos by [Strauss Studios](#) will be on-site! Pre-order link [HERE!](#)

Benchmark Assessments

Updated Schedule

Over the coming weeks, middle and high school students will continue taking benchmark assessments in math, English Language Arts, science and social studies. These exams will provide students with the opportunity to assess current progress according to course standards and to identify areas in need of remediation. Students enrolled in 6th-8th Math, 6th-8th English Language Arts, 8th grade Science, Biology, English II and Math I will be assessed with Case 21 benchmark assessments on the following dates (adjusted due to recent inclement weather days):

- **Math- January 16, 22-23**
- **English- January 24-26**
- **Science- January 29-31**

Please contact your child's teacher with any questions regarding benchmark assessments.

Upcoming Field Studies

6th grade: Space Camp, 2/14-2/16

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 published in May 2018.

Raptor Recognition

This year the middle school program introduced the "Raptor Recognition" program, designed to recognize students for the many ways they support and promote a positive culture at MICS. Each month, staff members recognize students who have gone above and beyond expectations in areas of academic excellence, positive character, leadership, and service to others. Raptor Recognition cards are posted in the atrium with a short description highlighting each student's contributions.

6th Grade

Addington, Kylee	Hayes, Ethan	Ostendorf, Jack
Belton, Amya	Heil, Emily	Rein, Abby
Bolling, Kiyah	Jewett, Sean	Ross, Brittany
Calvello, Jacob	Johnson, Reese	Russell, Sierra
Correggia, Macey	Jung, Taylor	Scott, Christian
Davis, Logan	Monfils, Tyler	Sisom, Katie
		Wallace, Sydney
Hagwood, Kenon		Witham, Madison
		Zielke, Calvin

7th Grade

Anthony, Jayda	McIlwain, Mekai	Taylor, Caden
Avinger, Jeremiah	McNeal, Janasia	Thrower, Austin
Barner, Faith	Midthum, Genevieve	Vang, ChengChy
Bergman, Tristen	Patton, Benjamin	Walker, Keandre
Burris, Elaja	Phillips, Reagan	
Clarkson, Jasmine	Rietter, Carson	
Dove, Autumn	Satterfield, Isaac	
Eaton, Sophia	Sneed, Hermoine	
Fields, Dwayne	Soutiere, Jordan	
Gainey, Shawn	Swinton, Farrah	
McGee, Emma	Taylor, Caden	

8th Grade

Adams, Cadence	Johnson, Brady
Barrick, Megan	Jung, Ethan
Broome, Justin	Logue, Megan
Butlak, Hannah	Lopp, John
Caldwell, Ella	Matthew, Noah
Cobb, Justin	Murillo, Noe
Correll, Jacob	Olsen, Steven
Derrick, Larkyn	Purdie, Devin
Gerland, Camden	Robbins, Jaysa
Gleeson, Amelia	Smith, Cadence
Heglar, Emma Grace	Wallace, Layla
Holland, Zoe	

HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

ACADEMICS

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ACT

February 27th

the statewide administration of the ACT for North Carolina public school students in the 11th grade. It is highly encouraged for juniors to begin their test preparation now as their ACT scores can be submitted to colleges for admission. Download a [Free Study Guide](#) from ACT.

CIAA Education Day

February 28, 2018

Will be held at the Charlotte Convention Center from 9:30 to 3:00 pm. All attendees will have the opportunity to visit the various CIAA institutions' booths and event vendors. On-site admissions will take place for **seniors only**. Students seeking on-site admission are encouraged to have the institution's minimum application requirements on hand (i.e., completed application, official transcript, letters of recommendation, personal statement, etc.) **All juniors and seniors who plan to attend will need to see Ms. Wood (Room 216) for permission slips starting Monday, November 13, 2017.**

Apprenticeship 2000 Opportunity

The goal of Apprenticeship 2000 is to offer technical career opportunities and employment after graduation to motivated high school students. The Apprenticeship 2000 program provides the following opportunities to eligible student participants:

- Employment after graduation
- Starting graduate salary \$36,400.00 (+) Benefits
- AAS Mechatronics Degree
- 8000 hour Journeyman certificate in your occupation
- Additional College for advanced degrees (company dependent)

If you're interested please go to www.apprenticeship2000.com. If you have any questions please contact College Career Counselor Robert Washington rwashington@micharter.org.

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UPCOMING COLLEGE EVENTS IN OUR REGION

Junior Night

March 1, 2018 at 7 PM in the Gymnasium

MICS Guidance Department is excited to announce the upcoming college panel planned for Junior Night on March 1st at 7 PM. There will be a representative from a NC Community College (CPC), a NC Public University (East Carolina University), a NC Private Institution (Gardner-Webb) and an Out-of-State University (University of South Carolina). The panel will share their knowledge and insight on the college admission process and post-secondary success. The event is open to all high school students and their parents, but highly encouraged for our rising senior class.

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 Karroyo@micharter.org with any questions!

Wake Forest Summer Immersion Program

January 31, 2018 at 2:45 pm (Room C227)

Wake Forest will be on campus for a face to face presentation on January 31, 2018, at 2:45PM in room C227, regarding the Wake Forest Summer Immersion Program. This program is a hands-on learning experience and is open to rising sophomores, juniors and seniors. Participating students explore a specific field of study with access to world-class faculty, researchers, and industry professionals. This year, the program is offering 15 different institutes that will give students a chance to not only experience college life but explore a potential academic or career path. The 1-week programs are offered at both the Wake Forest Campus in Winston-Salem, North Carolina and the Charlotte, North Carolina satellite campus. The program also offers full and partial need-based scholarships. **The application will go live November 1st.** For more information please visit go.wfu.edu/sip. Please contact Robert Washington for any questions rwashington@micharter.org regarding the presentation at MICS.

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and beyond expectations in areas of academic excellence, positive character, leadership, and service to others. Raptor Recognition cards are posted in the atrium with a short description highlighting each student's contributions.

9th Grade

Amick, London	Crowe, Savana	McCue, Cade
Barlett, Grant	Dennis, Adrienne	Nguyen, Minh Anh
Baxter, Kennedy	Doedderlein, Conner	Pinkney, Destiny
Bingham, Grady	Helms, Christian	Pledger, Lauren
Brice, Eja	Jett, Sydney	Pledger, Todd
Burley, Travis	Kerr, Aiden	Steward, Nyzir
Cawn, Olivia	London, Bryson	To, Nathan
Chambers, Joshua	Lucky, India	
Ciulla, Cody	McClinton, Kaylen	

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10th Grade

Artis, Jada	Gallman, Laken	Smawley, Jayson
Boyd, Jaishaun	Gibson, Joey	Solarchik, Carolyn
Bradshaw, Katie	Kilumbu, Jon	Stewart, Dheaven
Calvello, Matt	McGrew, Joshua	Vang, May
Cawn, Sophia	Mobley, Julia	Washington, Demetrius
Chesney, Davonte	Newton, Toni	Wilkins, Kyndell
Coffin, Harrison	Painter, Kelsie	Wright, Lauren
Doyle, Savanna	Perry, Aidan	Yakimenko, Vanessa
Engel, Lauren	Shore, Alex	

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11th Grade

Ashe, Jessica	Guy, Demico	Patton, Lauren
Bingham, Breanna	Hood, Aleksandra	Peterson, Isabela
Carpenter, Maddi	Johnson, Alexis	Poulos, Skylar
Correll, Aaron	Kelley, Aliyah	Selk, Amberly
Davis, Katie	Landreth, Cali	Smiley, Ethan
Dunlap, Paige	Long, Taylor	Tennant, Cooper
Gooden, Ariana	McCarthy, Samantha	Thomas, Elijah
Graham, Marcus	McDonough, Natalie	Thomas, JaQuail
Graham, Mason	Olsen, Abigail	Ward, Jonah
		Zielke, Katie

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12th Grade

Barrick, Allison	McClinton, Taylor
Broome, Jonathan	Meier, Morgan
Brown, Kennedy	Perna, Gina
Bundtzen, Brice	Reeder, Sarah
Ghassemi, Sepaher	Small, Gracie
Gresham, Jayda	Spivey, Michael
Kinley, Cole	Turner, Jarkevion
Klobchar, Ashlee	Wilson, Josie
Locklear, Carrie	Zoldowski, Evan
Mangum, Logan	

ATHLETICS - MIDDLE SCHOOL

Winter Sports Photos

January 24th

If you like to Pre-Purchase a package - please have your student bring in the [order form](#). Photos will also be online at micsphotos.com by 1/25. Action Photos are planned as well:

1/19 Wrestling

1/29 MS W M Basketball

2/2 JV W M Basketball

Workouts

All participants must have a current [NCHSAA sports physical](#) and [MICS liability waiver](#) on file with MS. Bennett.

Lacrosse: Saturdays, from 1:30-3:30 pm (TIME CHANGED).

Baseball: Work outs will go every M, W from 3:30-5 pm until Feb. 28th.

Spring Tryouts

For **baseball, softball, girls soccer, coed golf, lacrosse:** will be held **February 5th-7th**. Detailed times and locations will be added to the team pages and the Raptor Call as we get closer to the season.

Spring Athletics Parent Meeting

The mandatory parent meeting has been changed. The meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 13th from 6:00-7:00 pm** in the MICS gym for those who have kids on a roster after tryouts are completed. Attendance is required for your child to be eligible to participate. Season information, transportation, schedule management, website, fees, policies, state-required forms, and information, etc. are all covered. ***NOTE*** If you attended a 2017-18 fall or winter parent meeting then you are exempt.

Coaching Opportunities

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

Lacrosse:

- MS - Assistant Coach

Scores of the Week!

Basketball

Girls: Raptors 31

Lincoln Charter 23

Next Game: Saturday Jan. 20 vs. PLP at 10:00 am

Boys: Raptors 49

Lincoln Charter 65

Next Game: Saturday Jan. 20 vs. PLP at 11:00 am

Swim

Conference meet on Saturday, Jan. 20 at the Huntersville Aquatic Center at 8:00 am.

Wrestling

MS night at Wrestling Quad Meet - come check out the MICS Varsity Wrestling team in action on Friday, January 19th at 5:00 pm. MS students interested in wrestling next year are encouraged to come at 4:30 for a meet and greet with Coach Glaser and his wrestlers, admission is free to MICS students.

ATHLETICS - HIGH SCHOOL

Winter Sports Photos

January 24th

If you like to Pre-Purchase a package - please have your student bring in the [order form](#). Photos will also be online at micsphotos.com by 1/25. Action Photos are planned as well:

1/19 Wrestling

1/29 MS W M Basketball

2/2 JV W M Basketball

Workouts

All participants must have a current [NCHSAA sports physical](#) and [MICS liability waiver](#) on file with Mr. Steger.

Soccer: Monday's and Wednesday's from 3:00-4:30 pm and on Saturday from 10:00-12:00 pm.

Baseball: Mon/Tues/Wed at 6:00 pm.

Softball: Are held every Monday and Thursday

Spring Tryouts

For **baseball, softball, girls soccer, coed golf, track & field** will be held **February 14th-16th**. Detailed times and locations will be added to the team pages and the Raptor Call as we get closer to the season.

Coaching Opportunities

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

Baseball:

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

Volleyball:

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

Swim:

- Varsity Assistant Coach

Scores of the Week!

Basketball

JV: Raptors 56

CSD 55

Next Game: Saturday Jan. 20 vs. PLP at 10:00 am

Varsity Women: Raptors 42

CSD 36

Next Game: Saturday Jan. 20 vs. PLP at 11:00 am

Varsity Men: Raptors 82

CSD 83

Next Game: Saturday Jan. 20 vs. PLP at 11:00 am

Wrestling

encouraged to come at 4:30 for a meet and greet with Coach Glaser and his wrestlers, admission is free to MICS students.