

MONROE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Week in Review

May 24, 2026

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Superintendent's Corner

ANDREW SHAW

SUPERINTENDENT

Welcome to another edition of **MPS Week in Review**! Please forward this to your family and friends. Anyone can sign up with the Subscribe button at the left.

GRADUATIONS: MAY 29, JUNE 3, JUNE 5

Over the next two weeks, we will recognize the achievements of our high school seniors, hold commencement ceremonies, and celebrate the Class of 2026. Monroe High School's graduation is Friday, May 29th. The Learning Bank's graduation is Wednesday, June 3rd at River Raisin National Battlefield Park. Orchard Center High School's graduation is Friday, June 5th. *Details on page 3*



MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Schools and offices are closed on Monday in observance of Memorial Day. Our Trojan Marching Band will be participating in the downtown parade at 2 p.m. Take care and enjoy the long weekend!



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MEMORIAL DAY A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

District schools and offices
are closed on **Monday, May 26, 2025**,
in observance of Memorial Day.

Please honor the men and women
who died while serving in the U.S. military
by visiting cemeteries or memorials,
watching Memorial Day programs,
and spending time with your families.

Enjoy the long weekend!

Special Events

NOTE: *Additional Graduate Events on page 3*

Monday, May 25

Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL, Offices CLOSED

Monday, May 25, 2 pm

Trojan Marching Band in Memorial Day Parade
Line-up - 1 p.m. | Parade starts at 2 p.m.

Tuesday, May 26 (raindate: June 3)

Waterloo Field Day

Tuesday, May 26, 6:30 pm, doors open at 6

Baccalaureate Service, MHS Auditorium [Livestreamed](#)

Wednesday, May 27, during school day

6th Grade Tours at Monroe Middle School

Wednesday, May 27, 6-8 p.m.

Music Open House for 4th Grade Families, Cantrick

Wednesday, May 27, 7 p.m.

MHS Choir - Summer Concert Series, St. Mary's Park

Thursday, May 28, 7 p.m.

Jazz Band - Summer Concert Series, St. Mary's Park

Thursday, May 28, 7 p.m.

5th/6th Grade Band/Orch/Choir Concert, Cantrick

Friday, May 29, 6:30 p.m.

Monroe High School Graduation - Class of 2026

Bunkelman Field [Livestreamed](#)

COMING UP:

MAY

25

**Memorial Day Observed
No School**

Schools and Offices Closed
Trojan Band in Parade, 2 pm

MAY

26

**Monroe High School
Baccalaureate Service**

Monroe H.S. Auditorium
Doors open 6, service 6:30 pm

MAY

29

**Monroe High School
Graduation Ceremony**

Bunkelman Field, 6:30 pm

JUNE

1

**Grand Opening
The Community Center**

Learning Bank new site
4 p.m.

JUNE

3

**Learning Bank
Commencement**

River Raisin National
Battlefield Park, 6 pm

JUNE

5

**Orchard Center H.S.
Graduation Ceremony**

Outdoors at OCHS, 6 pm

JUNE

10

**Half Day AND
Last Day of School**

Teachers do NOT work
in afternoon



Graduation Celebrations — Class of 2026



*Commencement for MHS and OCHS will also be livestreamed on the [MPS YouTube channel](#).

Monroe High School

Tuesday, May 26, 6:30 p.m. / MHS
Class of 2026 - Senior Baccalaureate
Religious service, not mandatory
MHS Auditorium. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 27, 8-10:30 a.m. / MHS
Senior Breakfast & Commencement Rehearsal
Mandatory! Monroe High School Commons

Friday, May 29, 6:30 p.m. / MHS
MHS Commencement Ceremony
Monroe H.S. Bunkelman Field (Stadium)
Gates open at 4:30 p.m.
Seniors report to MHS Commons by 5 p.m.

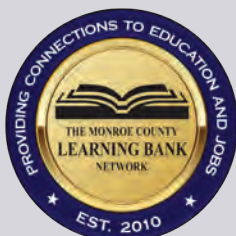


Tickets are not required for Monroe High School's outdoor Commencement Ceremony; all family and friends of graduates are welcome. Stadium seating will be general admission. *In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be indoors and tickets will be required.* Graduates will receive tickets at the Senior Breakfast — 4 for the Gym and 2 for overflow seating in the Auditorium.

Parking will be limited; carpool and arrive early. Satellite parking will be available at Monroe County Community College; shuttle buses begin at 4 p.m. Please arrive at MCCC before 5:30 p.m. to ensure you will be at MHS when Commencement begins.

The Learning Bank

Wednesday, June 3, 6 p.m. / LB
Commencement Ceremony
River Raisin National Battlefield Park
Visitor Center Theatre (333 N. Dixie Hwy)
Graduating students should report at 5:15 p.m.



4 guests per graduate;
tickets are required
for guest entry.

Orchard Center H.S.

Thursday, May 28 / OCHS
Last Day of Classes
for OCHS graduating students

Friday, May 29 / OCHS, 9 a.m.
Graduate Rehearsal/ Breakfast

Friday, May 29 / OCHS
All School Picnic / Field Day in afternoon

Friday, June 5, 6 p.m. / OCHS
Commencement Ceremony outside at Orchard
Graduating students should report by 5:30 p.m.



Congratulations



**Monroe High School
Graduation
Friday, May 29, 6:30 pm
MHS Bunkelman Field**

CLASS *of* **2026**

Custer Elementary, Senior Walk, May 27, 2 pm
Waterloo Senior Walk, May 28, 2 pm
Raisinville Senior Clap-Out, June 1, 3 pm
Arborwood Senior Walk, June 4, 2 pm
Manor Senior Clap-Out, June 5, 10:45 am



**Orchard Center H.S.
Graduation
Friday, June 5, 6 pm
OCHS - Outside**

ATTENTION: **MHS Seniors**

TECHNOLOGY SENIOR RETURNS

Return Chromebook, case, charger, and hotspots (if issued).



Seniors may return their assigned equipment to Technology at **MHS in room D213** at any time before the **Senior Breakfast on Wednesday, May 27, 2026.**

If students still need their devices, they may keep them until Senior Breakfast. However, all equipment — including the device, case, charger, and any hotspots — **MUST BE RETURNED no later than May 27th.** Tech staff will collect equipment at a table in the **Commons/Cafeteria from 7:30-11:00 a.m.**

Note: Seniors enrolled in the Early Middle College program should keep their assigned devices until they have completed the program.

Class of 2026 MHS Graduating Seniors

Make sure to take care of the following items by Wednesday, May 27th:

- *Pay ALL fines, including parking fees/violations (AP Office)
- *Pay ALL fees for any failed college classes (AP Office)
- *Return ALL books to your classroom teachers
- *Return ALL uniforms and equipment to the Athletic Office or your Coach
- *Return your Chromebooks to MHS Technology (*see graphic above*)

Any unresolved fees and/or returns will result in a HOLD being placed on your diploma. Once the fees are paid / items returned, your diploma will be available for pick-up.

Memorial Day Parade

Featuring Trojan Marching Band



The MHS Trojan Marching Band (TMB) will be part of the Memorial Parade in downtown Monroe on **Monday, May 25**.

Line-up will begin at 1 p.m., with step-off at 2 p.m.

News Highlights

In the News — Recent Articles

(Articles below appeared in the Monroe News between May 14 and May 19.)

Kathy Calloway, a special needs educator at Monroe High School, received a \$500 award through Monroe Community Credit Union's Be Local | Teach Local campaign. She was nominated by her student, **Jonathan Pietka** (5-17). The obituary for **Betty Jo Whitaker**, a 1948 MHS graduate, was published on May 18.

Sports Highlights

State tournament pairings were announced. Monroe Girls Soccer will play Belleville in the quarter-finals at Ann Arbor Huron on May 20 at 6 p.m. The Monroe-Belleville winner will play in the semi-finals on May 26 at 7 p.m.; the finals are on May 27 at 6 p.m. Monroe Baseball will play Belleville at Saline in the semi-finals on May 30 at 12:30 p.m.; the finals are at 3 p.m. Monroe Softball will play Bedford at Monroe on May 30 at noon; the finals are at 2 p.m. (5-15). Monroe placed 5th at the Monroe County Boys Golf Championships with 338. **Solomon Schramm** (80) was part of the All-County Team. The week's top performers included softball players **Olivia McMahon** (5-14), **Aly Lewis**, and **Soffia Elmer** (5-19).

Employment Opportunities at Monroe Public Schools

Join an exceptional team at **Monroe Public Schools!**

HIRING NOW

Custodial / Cleaning



Multiple positions open for variety of skills / schedules.



- ✓ Starting pay at **\$16-18/hour**
Team leader roles at **\$20-25/hour**
- ✓ Full- or part-time
- ✓ Opportunities for growth and training
- ✓ Supportive team environment

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TECHNOLOGY

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✓ **Technology - Help Desk**
Contracted Technology Support Level 1



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MONROE PARKS & RECREATION

2026 Summer Concert Series

presented by
Monroe
COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION

FAMILY FUN!

FREE LIVE MUSIC

MAY 18
Monroe High School Choirs

MAY 28
MHS Jazz Band

JUNE 4
Lonnie Stump Music

JUNE 11
Legends - Elvis, Tina & Cash

JUNE 12
Jim Gill (children's)

JUNE 18
Power Play Detroit

JUNE 25
Jake Burman & Co.

JULY 2
Sound Proof Motown Tribute

JULY 8
America 250 USAF Roots in Blue
Loranger Square 6:30 PM

JULY 9
Major Dudes - Steely Dan Tribute

JULY 16
Motown Eagles Tribute

JULY 23
Marty and the Docs (80s)

JULY 30
M125

AUGUST 13
Category 5

Live at 7PM!

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Music In the Park

RESCHEDULED

Rescheduled for
Wednesday, May 27th
@7:00pm
St. Mary's Park

Featuring MHS Choir Groups:
Treble Chorus
Concert Choir
Generations of Sound

Summer Concert Series

MHS Musical Groups — May 27 / 28

Monroe H.S. musical groups kick off the City of Monroe Parks & Recreation Summer Concert Series.

The performance of the MHS Choirs was rescheduled due to thunderstorms. The new date is **Wednesday, May 27**. The concert will feature Treble Chorus, Concert Choir, and Generations of Sound. The MHS Jazz Band takes the stage on **Thursday, May 28**.

Both concerts are **FREE** and begin at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Park. Bring a blanket or chairs to sit on.

Additional information is [online](#) on the City of Monroe website.

Jazz Music

IN THE PARK

FEATURING THE MONROE HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ BAND

THURSDAY, MAY 28
ST MARY'S PARK, MONROE, MI
7 PM



Monroe High School Trojans to the Top Honor Wall Recognizes Professional & Olympic Athletes



Monroe High School unveiled a "Trojans to the Top" Honor Wall a month ago, recognizing alumni athletes who reached the highest levels in their respective sports. The permanent installation features framed uniforms and celebrates the achievements of Monroe graduates. A special event provided an opportunity for current MHS student-athletes to listen to a Q&A panel in the auditorium, meet the athletes, take photos, get autographs, and view the newly-installed wall. **Todd Williams**, an Olympian who returned to MHS to be a varsity coach, organized the project. **Dr. Chet Hesson**, Athletic Director, emceed the Q&A session.

ABOVE: *Rosie Barnes*, whose basketball jersey was retired earlier this year, attended the event and celebrated with the Honor Wall recipients. (Pictured left to right): *Eric Wilson*, *Todd Williams*, *Carl Ford III*, *Rosie Barnes*, *Bronco McKart*, *Dr. Chet Hesson*, *Audie Cole*, and *John Minagawa-Webster*.



Monroe High School Honor Wall Athletes

Todd Williams

Two-Time Olympic Runner

One of the most accomplished American distance runners of his generation — and his dominance started early. At Monroe High School, Williams was undefeated in Michigan competition during his junior and senior seasons in both cross country and the 3200m, capturing an incredible 6 state championships. That level of sustained dominance at the state level is almost unheard of.

He carried that success to the University of Tennessee, becoming an 8-time All-American and NCAA champion, before rising to the top of U.S. distance running in the 1990s. What truly sets Williams apart is how rare his biggest achievements are: he made two U.S. Olympic teams (1992, 1996) in the 10,000 meters and won the U.S. Olympic Trials twice. A 4× USA 10,000m Champion, 2× USA Cross Country Champion, USA 3000m Indoor Champion and American record holder, Williams consistently competed with the best in the world. Undefeated in high school. Dominant in college. And at the highest level — an Olympian who won his way there twice.



Bronco McKart

World Champion Boxer

A former world champion boxer from Monroe, Michigan, whose career spanned over two decades (1992–2014). Known as “Superman,” he won the WBO light middleweight title in 1996 and finished with 56 wins, including 34 knockouts.

More than just a champion, McKart proudly represented Monroe High School and the city of Monroe throughout his career, always carrying his hometown identity into the ring. Fighters who reach the world-title level are rare but McKart stood out as one of those uncommon athletes who made it to the very top. Coming out of Monroe and rising to become a world champion is exceptionally rare, and McKart remains one of the city’s most remarkable athletic success stories.

John Minagawa-Webster

Professional Soccer Player

A former standout forward from Monroe, Michigan who rose from local fields at Monroe High School to the highest levels of the game. At Michigan State University, he became one of the top players in the Big Ten, earning First-Team All-Big Ten (2003) honors while finishing his career with 40 points in 56 starts. But what truly separates him is what came next.

Minagawa-Webster reached the professional level — an achievement attained by only a tiny fraction of college athletes — earning an opportunity with the Kansas City Wizards organization. Making it to professional soccer means rising above thousands of elite players, proving not just talent, but relentless work ethic, resilience, and mental toughness at the highest level of competition.

From Monroe High School star to Big Ten standout to professional athlete, his journey represents what is possible when dedication meets opportunity.

Audie Cole
Carl Ford III
Bronco McKart



**HONOR
WALL**

John Minagawa-Webster
Eric Wilson
Todd Williams

Monroe High School Honor Wall Athletes

Carl Ford III

National Football League

A former NFL wide receiver from Monroe, Michigan, whose path to professional football highlights both talent and perseverance. A standout at Monroe High School, he was a dynamic multi-sport athlete — excelling in football, basketball, and track, where he finished second in the state in the 400 meters. His senior football season showcased his explosiveness, accounting for over 1,100 total yards and 16 touchdowns, including three on kick returns. Ford went on to star at University of Toledo, where he developed into one of the top receivers in school history. His senior season in 2002 was dominant, recording 79 receptions for 1,062 yards and nine touchdowns, earning Second-Team All-MAC honors and finishing his college career with nearly 2,000 receiving yards. He was selected in the 7th round of the 2003 NFL Draft by the Green Bay Packers, achieving the dream of reaching the NFL. Ford spent time with multiple organizations, including the Chicago Bears, Philadelphia Eagles, and Detroit Lions, appearing in regular-season games with the Bears. Making it to the NFL — especially from a small-town program — is incredibly difficult, and Ford's journey from Monroe High School to the NFL level is a testament to elite ability, work ethic, and resilience.



Audie Cole

National Football League

Audie Cole was a standout athlete at Monroe High School, where he built his reputation as a tough, versatile playmaker before continuing his career at NC State Wolfpack. After becoming a leader in tackles at the college level, he earned his opportunity in the 2012 NFL Draft, getting selected in the 7th round by the Minnesota Vikings. What makes his story truly remarkable is that most players drafted that late never make an NFL roster — yet Cole not only made it, he stayed, contributed, and produced at the highest level. His unforgettable moment — recording back-to-back interception returns for touchdowns in an NFL game — showed exactly why he belonged. From Monroe to the NFL, his journey is a rare and powerful example of what it means to reach the absolute top in a sport where only a tiny fraction ever make it.

Eric Wilson

National Football League

A former professional football player whose journey is a powerful example of perseverance and hometown pride. A standout at Monroe High School, Wilson built his foundation there — developing not only as a dominant defensive lineman, but also a deep connection to the community that helped shape him. His continued love and pride for Monroe has always been a defining part of his story. He went on to star at the University of Michigan from 1997 to 2000, but after going undrafted in 2001, the odds were stacked heavily against him. What he did next is what makes his story truly special.

Wilson earned his way into the NFL the hard way, fighting for opportunities with the Detroit Lions and ultimately making it with the Miami Dolphins — an incredibly rare feat for an undrafted player, especially at his position. It's a testament to his toughness, grit, and refusal to quit. From Monroe High School to the NFL and beyond, Eric Wilson represents what it means to stay true to where you come from — a hometown kid who never forgot Monroe while proving he belonged among the best in the world.

TROJANS to the TOP | MONROE HIGH SCHOOL HONOR WALL



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National Football League



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Two-Time Olympic Runner

TROJANS to the TOP | MONROE HIGH SCHOOL HONOR WALL



Monroe H.S. coaching legends **Ralph Carducci** (football) and **Dave Bork** (cross country) attended the event.



The six honorees shared advice with their audience of aspiring student-athletes:

You may be the best in high school, but when you get to college, everyone was the best in their high school. You have to be committed, sacrifice, and put in the work. Get up early, put in the extra time, do the extra reps. Be the first one there, and the last one to leave. Your work ethic is what will make you stand out to coaches and recruiters.

They also cautioned the students to be careful about what they post on social media, because it can impact scholarships and opportunities.

Eric Wilson shared that he really enjoyed the team camaraderie part of football. "The beautiful part of team sports is that you come from different backgrounds, races, religions, but you're all on the same team," he said. "You put on the same jersey, leave the lockerroom, and go onto the field with the same goal."

Bronco McKart shared advice from his dad, "It's not about what you're doing right, it's about what you're doing wrong. That's where the lesson is." Bronco said, "Be humble in victory and defeat," and stressed, "If you get knocked down, you have to get back up. Move forward and stay focused."

State Qualifier Zamir Austin



Huge congratulations to Monroe High School student-athlete **Zamir Austin** on qualifying for the MHSAA State Finals in the High Jump after earning Regional Runner-Up honors!

Zamir has put together an outstanding season, consistently competing at a high level and clearing a season best of 6'4". His work ethic, competitiveness, and commitment to improving every week helped earn him a spot among the best in the state.

From day one, Zamir has continued to rise to every challenge and represent Monroe Track & Field the right way. We're proud of everything he's accomplished so far and excited to see him compete on the biggest stage.

The 2026 MHSAA Lower Peninsula Track and Field State Finals will take place on Saturday, May 30th.

Good luck, Zamir!



MONROE HIGH SCHOOL TROJANS WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MAY 25 - 31

25
MON

HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY!

26
TUES

BOYS V GOLF
REGIONALS
10:00 AM
@ POLO FIELDS GC

SOFTBALL
VS. IDA
4:00 PM
@ IDA

V BASEBALL
VS. WAITE
4:00 PM
@ MONROE

TRACK AND FIELD
MEET OF CHAMPIONS
4:30 PM
@ DEXTER

27
WED

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

28
THURS

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

29
FRI

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

30
SAT

TRACK AND FIELD
STATE FINALS
10:00 AM
@ ROCKFORD

SOFTBALL
DISTRICTS VS BEDFORD
12:00 PM
@ MONROE

BASEBALL
DISTRICTS VS BELLEVILLE
12:30 PM
@ SALINE



As this beautiful spring has shown us already, the weather is quite unpredictable, and games may be cancelled. For the most up-to-date information, check out the [Monroe Trojans Athletic Calendar](#).

ATTENTION: Current 4th Grade Students

MUSIC OPEN HOUSE



Cantrick (1008 Riverview)
Wed., May 27, 6-8 pm

**for families of students interested in
joining 5th grade band, choir, orchestra**

Cantrick's Band, Choir, and Orchestra teachers will be at the Music Open House to meet students and parents and answer questions. Also, **representatives from Meyer Music and Baroque Violin Shop will be there to help students try out different instruments** and select which they would like to play. Students will have the opportunity to rent an instrument now to be delivered at the start of the school year so we can get started right away when we come back in the fall!



5th and 6th grade Band, Choir, and Orchestra is part of students' regular school day! While there will be concerts after school, students in band, choir, and orchestra are **still able to participate in sports** and other extracurricular activities along with these music classes.

Questions?
Email the teachers!

Brett Goodman, Band, goodman@monroe.k12.mi.us

Elise Dinwoody, Choir, dinwoody@monroe.k12.mi.us

Katelyn Gilbert, Orchestra, gilbertk@monroe.k12.mi.us

Jr. Trojan Summer Sports Camps



Jr. Trojan Golf Camp

June 15 - 19

Grades 3-8 | 9:00-11:00am | \$50

Carrington Golf Course (911 St James Park Ave)

BRING GOLF CLUBS IF YOU HAVE THEM



Jr. Trojan Football Camp

June 16-17

Grades K-6 | 5:30-6:30pm | \$50

Grades 7-8 | 6:45-7:45pm | \$50

Monroe HS Bunkelman Field (901 Herr Rd)

BRING A WATER BOTTLE & CLEATS IF YOU HAVE THEM



Jr. Trojan Boys Basketball Camp

June 18-19

Grades 4-8 | 9:00am-12:00pm | \$40

Monroe HS Gymnasium (901 Herr Rd)

BRING A WATER BOTTLE



Jr. Trojan Soccer Camp

June 18

Grades K-2 | 8:30-11am | \$25

June 19

Grades 3-6 | 8:30-11am | \$25

Monroe HS Bunkelman Field (901 Herr Rd)

BRING A SOCCER BALL & WATER BOTTLE



Jr. Trojan Baseball Camp

June 25-26

Grades 1-8 | 12-2pm | \$40

Monroe HS Baseball Field (901 Herr Rd)

BRING A GLOVE, BAT, HELMET, CLEATS & WATER



Jr. Trojan Cross Country Camps

BOYS July 6-7

Grades 5-12 | 9:00-10:30am | \$25

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER:

Mark Croghan - 3x Olympian

BRING A WATER BOTTLE



GIRLS July 8-9

Grades 5-12 | 9:00-10:30am | \$25

Munson Park Hill

BRING A WATER BOTTLE



CO-ED July 13-14

Grades K-4 | 9:00-10:00am | \$25

Munson Park Hill

BRING A WATER BOTTLE



TRAIN
PLAY
REPEAT



Jr. Trojan Tennis Camp

July 15-16

Grades K-8 | 5:30-7:00pm | \$30

Monroe HS Tennis Courts (901 Herr Rd)

BRING A WATER BOTTLE & RACKET IF YOU HAVE ONE



Jr. Trojan Swimming Camp

July 20-23

Grades K-8 | 1:00-2:00pm | \$40

Monroe HS Dick Waters Pool (901 Herr Rd)

BRING SUIT, TOWEL, & GOGGLES IF YOU HAVE THEM



T-SHIRT INCLUDED

No experience necessary - All abilities welcome

Grade: 26/27 School Year

Registration Required

(Closes 2 weeks prior to each camp)

Questions? 734-265-3170

<https://monroe-public-schools-community-education.coursetorm.com/>

Camps are run by Monroe Varsity Coaches & Athletes



DISTRICT CALENDAR / UPCOMING EVENTS

May 25 - June 13, 2026

1275 N. Macomb St., Monroe, MI 48162 · (734) 265.3000

- Mon., May 25 No School | Memorial Day Observance
- Mon., May 25 Trojan Marching Band in the Memorial Day Parade
Line-up – 1 p.m. | Parade starts at 2 p.m.
- Tues., May 26 Waterloo Field Day (Raindate: June 3)
Grades 2-4, 9-10:45 a.m. | Grades Y5-1, 12:45-2:30 p.m.
- Tues., May 26 Cross Country Student Meeting, MHS Auditorium, during TFT
- Tues., May 26 Baccalaureate Service – Class of 2026, MHS Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
(religious service, not mandatory); Livestreamed on MPS YouTube channel
<https://www.youtube.com/@MonroeSchools>
- Wed., May 27 Senior Breakfast & Graduation Practice, Monroe H.S., 8-10:30 a.m.
Mandatory for MHS seniors, report to Commons
- Wed., May 27 6th Grade Tours at Monroe Middle School, 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Wed., May 27 Senior Walk at Custer Elementary, 2 p.m.
Wear cap and gown and meet at marquee sign
- Wed., May 27 Music Open House for Current 4th Grade Students, Cantrick, 6-8 p.m.
For families of students interested in joining band, choir, or orchestra
- Wed., May 27 MHS Choirs featured at Summer Concert Series, St. Mary's Park, 7 p.m.
(This was rescheduled due to thunderstorms on May 18th).
- Thurs., May 28 Last Day of Class for Graduating Juniors/Seniors at Orchard Center H.S.
- Thurs., May 28 Waterloo Senior Walk, 2 p.m.
Wear cap and gown and meet at marquee sign
- Thurs., May 28 MHS Jazz Band featured at Summer Concert Series, St. Mary's Park, 7 p.m.
- Thurs., May 28 5th & 6th Grade Band/Orchestra/Choir Concert, Cantrick, 7 p.m.
- Fri., May 29 Graduation Rehearsal & Breakfast, Orchard Center H.S., 9 a.m.
- Fri., May 29 Orchard Center High School – All School Picnic / Field Day in afternoon

Fri., May 29	Monroe High School – Class of 2026 Graduation, 6:30 p.m. Monroe High School, Bunkelman Field
Mon., June 1	Raisinville Senior Clap-Out, 3 p.m. RSVP by May 22
Mon., June 1	Learning Bank Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, 4 p.m.
Mon., June 1	Parent Meeting for MHS Cross Country, MHS Auditorium, 5 p.m.
Tues., June 2	MMS Choir Awards, MMS Cafeteria, 3-4 p.m.
Tues., June 2	Waterloo Young Fives/Kindergarten Graduation, 1:30 p.m.
Tues., June 2	Donuts with Duncan, Parent Event at Cantrick, 4-6 p.m. Meet Mr. Duncan, the new Cantrick Principal
Wed., June 3	Learning Bank Graduation, River Raisin National Battlefield Park, 6 p.m. (Graduates arrive at 5:15 p.m.) Tickets required. 4 tickets per graduate.
Thurs., June 4	Senior Walk – Arborwood alumni – Meet at Hollywood Playground, 2 p.m. Wear cap and gown. Walk through Hollywood and Cantrick.
Fri., June 5	Manor Clap Out – for Manor Seniors and 4 th grade students, 10:45 a.m.
Fri., June 5	Orchard Center H.S. Graduation Commencement, outdoors at OCHS, 6 p.m. (Graduates Arrive by 5:30 p.m.)
June 8-10	Exams for Monroe High School, grades 9-11
Mon., June 8	MHS Cross Country Summer Conditioning begins
Wed., June 10	Last Half Day of School for Students Teachers do NOT work in afternoon End of Third Trimester End of Second Semester End of Fourth Quarter
June 12 and 13	MHS & MMS Cheerleading Tryouts, Monroe H.S. Gym, June 12, 6-9 p.m.; June 13 times will be assigned at Clinic, starting at 2 p.m. Must be registered in Snap & have physical dated after 4/15; Sign up for Tryouts

Looking Ahead...

July 20 – 25	Marching Band – Away Camp, Bowling Green State University
July 27 – 31	Marching Band – Home Camp, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monroe High School
Sat., July 28	Spaghetti Dinner in support of Teresa Knox, at Waterloo, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Adults \$10 / Children \$5 / Beverages \$1
Sun., Aug. 2	Trojan Marching Band in Monroe County Fair Parade
Aug. 2 – Aug. 8	Monroe County Fair; Visit MPS Booth in Expo Center
Sat., Aug. 8	40 th Annual Monroe Soccer Alumni Games, MHS Bunkelman Field Legends Game (35+), 6-7 p.m. Graduates (34 & under), 7:15-8:30 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 13	Waterloo - Playdates with Principals, 1-2 p.m.
August 18-19	Class of 2027 Senior Parking Spots, Aug. 18, 8 am-3 pm Aug. 19, 9 -3 Designs must be pre-approved and paid for (\$35 spots & \$30 parking pass) Approval form: https://forms.gle/qnXYSk7ZzKjdfp9E8
Tues., Aug. 19	Raisinville – Playdates with Principals, 1-2 p.m.
Wed., Aug. 19	Custer – Playdates with Principals, 1-2 p.m.
Aug. 25-27	Professional Development Days for Staff – No School
Thurs., Aug. 27	Open Houses – Fall 2026 Monroe High School, Orchard Center H.S., Monroe Virtual – 4-6 p.m. Monroe Middle School, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Cantrick, 5-7 p.m. All MPS Elementary Schools, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Mon., Aug. 31	First Day of Classes (grades Y5-12)
Sept. 4-7	Labor Day Weekend – No School Friday, Sept. 4 and Mon., Sept. 7
Tues., Sept. 8	Classes Resume