



Monroe High School

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Dear MHS Family:

It is with deep regret that I inform you that Gracie Ella Czarnik passed away unexpectedly on Friday, August 11th, 2017. Gracie would have been a sophomore and was looking forward to being a Trojan mentor for our incoming freshmen, and pursuing a medical career in pediatrics in order to help children. She was also a volunteer for Project Unify which is a program for students with special needs.

Please let Gracie's legacy inspire you to help others as she so naturally did. This is one of the greatest tributes you could give her.

Gracie's friends are planning a candle light memorial service at 9:00 pm on Wednesday, August 16, 2017, at the MHS football field. There will also be an opportunity to contribute to a memorial. In the event of inclement weather, the service will be in the auditorium.

Details for other services and memorials can be found at [Gracie Czarnik Obituary and Legacy](#) .

Gracie's family would like you to know how much they appreciate and are thankful for the overwhelming outpouring of support and love from you.

As we try to take in the enormity of Gracie's death, each of us will grieve in our own way. Please be reminded that we have counselors and social workers available to support students and their families, as needed, in the Student Services suite which is located at the top of the stairs in the commons from now until school starts. If possible, please call 734-265-3433 so they can be expecting you. There is no timeline for grief so please know that these support resources are available throughout the school year. If, as a parent, you would like information as to how to support your child, please call the Student Services office, during school hours, at 734-265-3433, at which time we will direct you to possible resources.

The National Association of School Psychologists also offers many helpful suggestions as to how to deal with the death of a class mate and friend. [NASP - Addressing Grief](#).

Please continue to keep Gracie's family in your thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

Sandy Kreps

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