

# COMMUNITY *Monroe Public Schools* EDUCATION

## Winter / Spring

### ENROLL TODAY!



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**Our programs offer opportunities for emotional, physical, social growth and learning.  
We offer enrichment and recreational programs for preschool through adulthood.**



# NEEDLECRAFTS

## ADVANCED SWEDISH

### WEAVING

MMS Room 103

*Spring* - 4 Tuesdays

April 14, 21, 28 & May 5

6-8pm \$50

If you enjoy Swedish Weaving, then you will appreciate the advanced class. The instructor will provide a pattern and you will create your choice of several projects. You can choose a blanket, a craft bag, using Swedish Weaving panels, a set of place mats or even a purse. You must choose prior to class start (instructor will contact you for color choice). Bring a \$30 lab fee to be paid to the instructor to cover materials. Weaving needles will be supplied and available to purchase for an additional fee if desired.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Andrea Johnson



### KNITTING -

### INTERMEDIATE

MMS Room 103

*Spring* - 4 Tuesdays

March 3, 10, 17 & 24

6-8pm \$50

Now that you have learned the 2 stitches needed for knitting a piece, let's go farther. Learn how to make cables, abbreviations used in patterns, special stitches and more. Bring your yarn and needles (any size) and we will make swatches.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Andrea Johnson

### KNITTING - BEGINNING

MMS Room 103

*Winter* - 4 Tuesdays

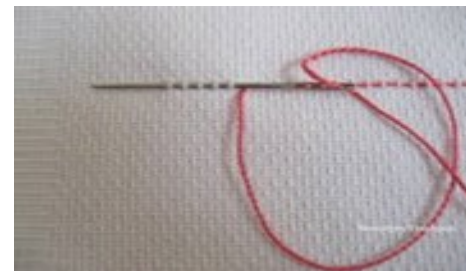
Jan 13, 20, 27 & Feb 3

6-8pm \$50

Let's have fun knitting! With only two stitches to learn, you will be knitting dishcloths and scarves that you see at craft shows. You will also learn how to read and follow a knitting pattern. Bring a pair of size US 8 and/or US 9 knitting needles (10 inch in length) and several balls of any color "Lily Sugar-n-Cream" yarn to the first class. Additional yarn and materials that will be needed will be discussed in class. All instructions and patterns are written for right hand knitting.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Andrea Johnson



### SWEDISH WEAVING

MMS Room 103

*Winter* - 4 Tuesdays Feb 10,

17, 24 & March 3

6-8pm \$50

To begin a Swedish weave project, all you need is yarn, weaving needle, a pattern and monk's cloth. That is it! It is so easy to learn and simple to do which makes it the best needlecraft ever! Students will create a table runner approximately 60 L x 22 W. Bring a \$17 lab fee to be paid to instructor to cover materials. Weaving needles will be supplied and available to purchase for an additional fee if desired.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Andrea Johnson

### BEGINNING CROCHET

Knit-Picky & Hooked

2121 N. Monroe St.

Unit 130 In the Mall

*Winter* - 4 Mondays

Jan 12, 26 Feb 9 & 23

5:30-7:30pm \$50

*Spring* - 4 Mondays

March 16, 23 April 13, 20

5:30-7:30pm \$50

Let's dive into the world of crochet! Bring in an "I" Hook & a 4-weight cotton yarn. (Both can be purchased at Knit-Picky & Hooked). We will start with the basics & work at each person's own pace!

LIMIT 8

Inst: Jill Koenema Laura Benes

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Arts & crafts offer numerous benefits to the community

- Promotes wellbeing & fosters social connections, while simulating creativity
- These activities can be therapeutic & provide opportunities for relaxation & emotional expression.

## ARTS & CRAFTS

### 3D CHERRY BLOSSOM

### PAINTING AND CRAFT

MMS Room 101

*Winter* - Tuesday

February 24 6-8pm \$15

Learn Watercolor techniques to paint the background for a craft project. The art of rolling strips of paper makes a 3D cherry blossom tree. All materials will be provided. This class is for ages 10 years old and up. Please bring a \$5 lab fee to be paid to the instructor.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Britney PUNCHES



### WOODEN STRING ART

MMS Room 101

*Winter* - Tuesday

March 10 6-8pm \$15

This class is offered to students 15 years and older. It uses finishing nails and a piece of wood to make a cut flower design. Then you will use string to wrap around and cross the nails to fill the design. Please bring a hammer and a \$10 lab fee to be paid to the instructor.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Britney PUNCHES



### SPRINGTIME SUNSET

### PAINTING

MMS Room 101

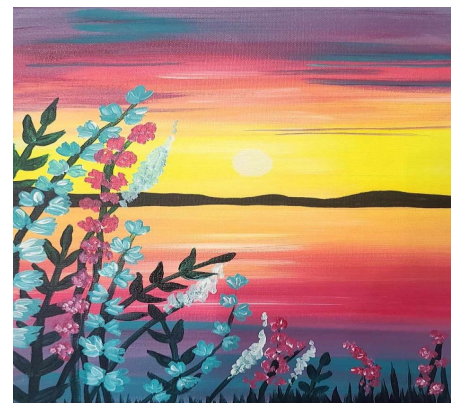
*Spring* - Tuesday

March 24 6-8pm \$15

Sign up for this class and learn to use acrylic paints and various painting tools to make a beautiful springtime sunset picture. All materials will be provided. This is an adult class. Please bring a \$5 lab fee to be paid to the instructor.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Britney PUNCHES



### DAISY AND LADY BUG

### PAINTING FOR KIDS

MMS Room 101

*Spring* - Tuesday

April 14 6-8pm \$15

This class is for kids 8 and up. Come and learn basic brushwork and techniques with acrylic paint to make a beautiful scene with lady bugs and daisy. All materials will be provided. Please bring a \$5 lab fee to be paid to the instructor.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Britney PUNCHES



### RED, WHITE AND BLUE

### BANDANA WREATH

MMS Room 101

*Spring* - Tuesday

May 12 6-8pm \$15

This class uses red, white and blue bandanas to make a colorful wreath using knots. This class is for ages 8 and up. All materials will be provided. Please bring a \$10 lab fee to be paid to the instructor.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Britney PUNCHES



### TURTLES ON THE BEACH

### PAINTING

MMS Room 101

*Spring* - Tuesday

April 28 6-8pm \$15

This class is offered to teens and up. You will learn techniques using acrylic paint to create a lovely summer painting with turtles on a beach. All materials will be provided. Please bring a \$5 lab fee to be paid to the instructor.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Britney PUNCHES



### PLASTIC CANVAS HOT AIR

### BALLOON

MMS Room 101

*Spring* - Tuesday

May 26 6-8pm \$15

This hot air balloon craft is for all ages 15 and up. You will be using plastic canvas, plastic sewing needles and yarn to make this adorable Hot Air Balloon yard art.

All materials will be provided. Please bring a \$10 lab fee to be paid to the instructor.

LIMIT 10

Inst: Britney PUNCHES



**YOUTH CULLINARY  
ARTS COOKING CLASS**

MMS Cafeteria / Kitchen

Winter – Level 1

(New Students)

5 Tuesdays Only 4-5:30pm

January 27 – February 24

\$30

LIMIT 10

Winter – Level 2

(Students who have already completed 2 classes & are approved by instructor to take level 2)

5 Wednesdays Only

4-5:30pm

January 28 – February 25

\$30

LIMIT 10

Spring – Level 1

(New Students)

5 Tuesdays Only 4-5:30pm

April 7 – May 5 \$30

LIMIT 10

Spring – Level 2

(Students who have already completed 2 classes & are approved by instructor to take level 2)

5 Wednesdays Only

4-5:30pm

April 8 – May 6 \$30

LIMIT 10

Inst: MPS Sodexo

Children will learn the art of cooking with skilled instructors. All supplies will be provided. Level 2 uses real knives and follow more interactive recipes. Learning food language and terms will be taught. Classes fill quickly!!



**WATER FITNESS**

**AQUA FIT**

MMS Pool

Winter - 7 Mondays

Jan 12 6:30-7:30pm \$50

Winter - 14 Mon & Wed

Jan 12,14 6:30-7:30pm \$100

Spring - 7 Mondays

April 13 6:30-7:30pm \$50

Spring - 14 Mon & Weds

April 13,15 6:30-7:30pm \$100

The new & improved Aqua Fit combines methods of aerobics, Pilates, and Tai Chi to create a well-rounded water-resistant workout. Using a combination of movements performed in both the shallow and deep end of the pool, we will strengthen and tone the entire body while moving to the beat of energizing music. Try this class one or two times a week. Please bring foam hand weights to class. Ages 16 & up **NO CLASS 1/19 & 2/16 Winter, 5/25 Spring**

LIMIT 20

Inst: Debra Break

**PARENT/TOT SWIM**

MMS Pool

Spring 5 Tuesdays

April 14, 21, 28 May 5 & 12

5-6:00pm \$50

This class will teach your child to love the water. By accompanying your child in the water, you will allow them to feel safe & secure while giving them respect for it. Spend time with your tot while having fun teaching them a valuable lesson. 6 months to 4 years old.

LIMIT 12

Inst: Paula Hudson



**SWIMMING LESSONS**

MMS Pool

Mondays & Wednesdays

5:15-6:15pm

March 2, 4, 9, 11,16,18,23&25

8 Classes - \$60

Swimmers will be divided into groups based on their experience. This will be determined on the first day of class. Bubble blowers will learn floating, bubbles, bobs, kicking, & streamline. Advanced swimmers will learn freestyle & backstroke fundamentals. They will also begin learning starts & turns. Ages 4 & up Adults Welcome

\*More advanced swimmers check out Monroe Swim Club!

LIMIT 25

Inst: Erin Downen



**WATER AEROBICS**

MMS Pool

Winter - 7 Tuesdays

Jan 13 6:30 - 7:30pm \$50

16 Tuesdays & Thursdays

Starts: \$100

Spring - 8 Tuesdays April 7

6:30 – 7:30pm \$50

Spring - 16 Tuesdays &

Thursdays April 7 & 9

6:30 – 7:30pm \$100

This one-hour workout is great! Concentrating on muscle toning, core strength/balance and cardio. Be prepared to sweat. Working out in a pool adds resistance while you are toning and developing cardiorespiratory fitness. Please bring an exercise band to class along with a sense of humor. Foam hand weights are optional. Ages 16 and older.

LIMIT 20

Inst: Sharon Vanderpool



**PADI OPEN WATER**

**SCUBA DIVERS INC.**

Call 734-971-7770 for pricing and registration or

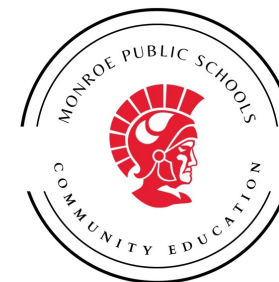
email [staff@diversinc.com](mailto:staff@diversinc.com)

Diving is a journey that is unique to each person and can be a lifetime gift that you give to yourself. This class will start you on your journey with a combination of online training, classroom time and pool training at MMS. All necessary equipment is provided, either as an included item or as a rental. Payment of fees will be coordinated directly with Divers Incorporated. Classes meet Online in a Zoom classroom one night from 7-8:30 p.m. and then two separate nights in the MMS pool from 7:30-9:45pm. Ages 10 and older.

Runs Jan 5 - May 29

NOTE: DATES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

Inst: The Instructors of Divers a PADI Five Star Dive Center



**DID YOU KNOW?**

Cooking & Swimming offer numerous benefits to the mind & body by:

- Reduces stress & anxiety
- Improves mood
- Enhances cognitive function

**PADI TRY SCUBA  
DIVING EXPERIENCE**

**DIVERS INC.**

Call to register (734) 971-7770

or email [staff@diversinc.com](mailto:staff@diversinc.com)

Do you want to try scuba? Then this one-time class is for you! You will learn about the equipment, a few dive techniques, and we will give you a chance to learn to breathe underwater in the pool. All equipment is provided, so you just need to bring a swimsuit and towel. The program includes a lecture, video presentation, equipment fitting, pool session, and a credit towards the price of the full scuba course just for participating. Bring a friend for FREE! Classes meet in the MMS pool from 7:45-9:45pm. Ages 10 and older.

Runs Aug 25-Dec 19

NOTE: DATES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

Inst: The Instructors of Divers Inc. a PADI Five Star Dive



**DOG TRAINING**

**CANINE GOOD**

**CITIZEN/THERAPY**

**DOG PREP**

Hollywood GYM

Winter - 6 Mondays

7:15- 8:15pm

Jan 26 Feb 2,9,23 Mar 2,9

\$130 (per dog)

Spring - 6 Mondays

7:15 - 8:15pm

April 13,20,27 May 4,11,18

The AKC Canine Good Citizen test is the foundation for therapy dog training. This class is based on teaching & training dogs with their handlers through positive reinforcement.

We will prepare for evaluation & assessment for therapy dog work. Please bring health records and your pet on a 6-foot lead to class.

The evaluation and certification for the AKC title will be a separate fee.

**Retractable leads not allowed.**

LIMIT 10

Inst: Tina Gere



**PUPPYTRAINING/  
GOOD MANNERS**

Hollywood GYM

Winter - 6 Mondays 6-7pm 6-7pm

Jan 26 Feb 2,9,23 Mar 2,9

\$130 (per dog)

Spring - 6 Mondays 6-7pm

April 13,20,27 May 4,11,18

The AKC S.T.A.R.™ Puppy Program rewards responsible owners who take the time to train and socialize their new puppies. This program is the puppy level of the AKC's well-known Canine Good Citizen® program. "S.T.A.R." stands for Socialization, Training, Activity and a Responsible owner, all of the things a puppy needs to have a good life. This class is for any puppy, breed or mix under 12 months. Please bring health records with puppy on a 6-foot lead to first class.

**Retractable leads not allowed.**

LIMIT 10

Inst: Tina Gere

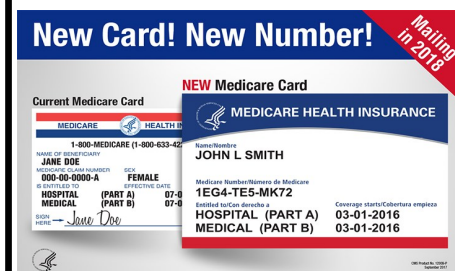
# SPECIAL CLASSES

## ABC'S OF MEDICARE

On-line  
**2 Tuesdays 7:00-8:00pm**  
*Winter - Feb 10*  
**1 Class - FREE**  
*Spring - May 5*  
**1 Class - FREE**

This free informational session explains the ABC's regarding your rights and options with Medicare. We will add more detailed information on prescription medications for Medicare Seniors. This class is not affiliated with CMS or the federal government and is run by a non-profit agency called Sociably Secure. NOTE: This will be taught on-line only, a link will be emailed to all students prior to the start date which will allow you access to the class.

LIMIT 10  
 Inst: Cheryl & Jonathan Shores, RPH



## DRIVERS EDUCATION

### CLASSES Official Driving School MHS Room A127

See website for offerings  
 Class Description:  
 With over 45 years of excellence in drivers' education, Official Driving School offers both in person and virtual classes. Our highly certified instructors offering testing at Monroe High School. Segments 1 & 2 are

offered, and class schedules can be viewed on their website listed below. For more information, call (248) 548-8000. <https://officialdrivingschool.com>



## CLUB CARDIO DANCE

### FITNESS

**428 S. Monroe Street (Suite 207)**  
*Winter - 4 Saturdays*  
**Session 1: Jan 10,17, 24, 31**  
**Session 2: Feb 7, 14, 21, 28**  
**9:30-10:30am \$60**  
*Spring - 4 Saturdays*  
**Session 1: April 11, 18, 25**  
**May 2**  
**Sessions 2: May 9, 16, 23, 30**  
**9:30-10:30am \$60**

Club Cardio dance fitness offers a way to jumpstart a healthy lifestyle while learning and dancing in a positive environment. Torch calories and tone muscles by combining dance and fitness moves to high-energy hits. Club Cardio is a judgment-free zone and is perfect for participants with no prior dance experience. Try something new and shake it to a healthier and happier you!

LIMIT 10  
 Inst: Carley Stranyak



## KIDS POWER KARATE

### PKSA MONROE

**1511 N. Telegraph Road Monroe MI**  
*Spring - 6 Mondays*  
**April 13,20,27 & May 4,11, 18**  
**7-7:45pm \$45**

The Kids Power Karate Program offers traditional martial arts training to children ages 7-12 & emphasizes self-defense, physical fitness, conflict resolution, teamwork, & anti-kidnapping techniques. This program is designed specifically for children & teaches prevention first. It does not promote active aggressiveness, but teaches children to respect themselves, others, & the skills they learn. This introductory program to traditional Tang Soo Do has been commended by many communities, law enforcement personnel, teachers, & parents for the positive impact it has on children.

It is a 20-year proven program that is positive, fun, exciting and educational. Wear loose fitting clothing.

A parent or legal guardian must be present on the day of the first class to sign a waiver.  
 LIMIT 10

Inst: Ashley Currier  
 PSKA Monroe

## LITTLE NINJAS

### KARATE

#### PKSA MONROE

**1511 N. Telegraph Road Monroe MI**  
*Spring - 6 Mondays*  
**April 13,20,27 May 4,11,18**  
**6:15-6:45pm**  
**\$40**

Kids Power Karate offers traditional martial arts training to children ages 4 - 6 & emphasizes self-defense, physical fitness, conflict resolution, teamwork & anti-kidnapping techniques. This program is designed specifically for children and teaches prevention first. It does not promote active aggressiveness, but teaches children to respect themselves, others and the skills they learn. This introductory program to traditional Tang Soo Do has been commended by many communities, law enforcement personnel, teachers and parents for the positive impact it has on children. It is a 20-year proven program that is positive, fun, exciting and educational. Wear loose fitting clothing. A responsible adult must remain in attendance during class.

LIMIT 10  
 Inst: Ashley Currier  
 PSKA Monroe

## KIDS JIU JITSU

**Monroe Jiu Jitsu**  
**11 E Second St Monroe Michigan**  
**8 Mondays and Wednesdays**  
**4:45pm - 5:15pm**  
**Cost: \$110 per month**

All kids are welcome to Monroe Jiu Jitsu to learn tips, techniques and strategies to help them become stronger, more

confident and to better their ability to stick up for themselves if needed. From the beginner to the advanced all kids (ages 10 and up) are welcome to join. \*No uniform required but once your child starts training consistently purchasing a Gi will be recommended.  
 Inst: Todd Williams



## WOMAN'S SELF DEFENSE

**Monroe Jiu Jitsu**  
**11 E Second St Monroe Michigan**  
**Tuesdays 5:45pm - 6:45pm**  
**Cost: \$110 per month**

Join us ladies, at Monroe Jiu Jitsu to learn tips, techniques and strategies to help you become safer if you ever find yourself in a dangerous situation. During each hour class the instructor will cover basic information that will assist you in many self-defense scenarios. From the beginner to the advanced all women (ages 12 and up) are welcome to join. \*No uniform required but once you start training consistently purchasing a Gi is recommended. For more information, please go to [MonroeJiuJitsu.com](http://MonroeJiuJitsu.com)

Inst: Lindsay Williams

# MUSIC

## DRUM LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS

**WHITE ROOM MUSIC**  
**58 N. Roessler St.**  
**Session 1 - classes start the week of January 5**  
**3-9pm (6 weeks)**  
**Session 2 - classes start the week of March 16**  
**3-9pm (6 weeks)**  
**Classes are private 1/2-hour sessions (days/time vary)**  
**\$30/lesson.**

Learn the fundamentals of playing drums in the style of your choice; be it rock, blues, country or jazz. In addition to learning basic drumbeats & fills, the student will also learn to read notation & be taught to recognize and play different types of counts. An excellent class that you will really enjoy! Come and give that rock star inside of you a chance to shine  
 Inst: Curt Clawson

## PRIVATE PIANO LESSONS

**Session 1 - classes start week of January 5 @ instructor's home (6 weeks)**  
**Session 2 - classes start week of March 16 @ instructor's home (6 weeks)**  
**Classes are private 1-hour sessions (day/times vary)**  
**\$30/lesson**

This one hour of private instruction time will teach you the basics of reading and playing music. Books & materials may be purchased from the instructor. Classes are scheduled on the hour. The instructor will call & set up a day & time. Ages 8 years & older.  
 Inst: Sara Kopmanis

## CHILDCARE & EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION SERVICES

### ALL-DAY CHILDCARE

#### Riverside Early Learning Center

Ages 3-12 years old  
6:30am-6:00pm

Fully Licensed, CPR &  
First Aid Certified Staff

### RAINBOW PRESCHOOL

Tuition Based Program for  
3 & 4 years old

Riverside Early Learning Center  
77 N. Roessler Street  
Monroe, MI 48162



### Did you know?

MPS Community Education offers several special events through the school year?  
Be on the lookout for more information about these fun community opportunities!

**Turkey Trot** - K-6th grade held at Cantrick

**Mother Son Bowling** - K-12th grade held at Monroe Sports Center

**Daddy Daughter Dance** - K-12th grade held at MHS

**Swim Safe Monroe** - All 3rd grades who attend MPS

**Jr Trojan Summer Sports Camps** - Open to the entire community

## MPS SCHOOL LOCATIONS

**CANTRICK:** 1008 RIVERVIEW AVE, MONROE, MI 48162

**CUSTER I:** 5003 W. ALBAIN RD, MONROE, MI 48161

**CUSTER II:** 5001 W. ALBAIN RD, MONROE, MI 48161

**HOLLYWOOD:** 1135 RIVERVIEW AVE, MONROE, MI 48162

**MANOR:** 1731 W. LORAIN ST, MONROE, MI 48162

**MONROE HIGH SCHOOL (MHS):** 901 HERR RD, MONROE, MI 48161

**MONROE MIDDLE SCHOOL (MMS):** 503 WASHINGTON ST, MONROE, MI 48161

**RAISINVILLE:** 2300 N. RAISINVILLE RD, MONROE, MI 48162

**RIVERSIDE EARLY LEARNING CENTER:** 77 N. ROESSLER ST, MONROE, MI 48162

**WATERLOO:** 1933 S. CUSTER RD, MONROE, MI 48161

## FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay up to date on all announcements and upcoming events



Facebook: @MPScommunityed



Instagram: monroecommunityed

# YOUTH CLUBS-JR TROJANS-INTRAMURALS

NEW this Spring:



Sports programming designed to create opportunities for MPS 6-8th graders to learn & develop sport specific skills. Clinics will be offered at Cantrick, right after school (3:15-4:30pm) 2 days a week. These 4 week seasons are fundamental focused, & include skilled instruction in a fun learning environment, for only \$25! More information will be sent soon!

- Flag Football
- Baseball
- Softball



**DID YOU KNOW?**

Active kids experience a wide range of benefits

- Improved physical & mental health
- Better academic performance
- Reduces risks for diseases
- Aids in social skill development

## Clubs

Sport	Season	Grades	Coach	Cost	Dates
Monroe Swim Club	Fall / Winter	All Ages	Erin Downen	\$150	9/16/25 - 3/21/26
Monroe Swim Club	Summer	All Ages	Erin Downen	\$150	5/18/26 - 7/24/26
Monroe Wrestling Club	Fall / Winter	All Ages	Brian Shotwell	\$150	9/16/25 - 3/21/26
Monroe Wrestling Club	Summer	All Ages	Brian Shotwell	\$150	5/18/26 - 7/24/26
Monroe Bowling Club	All	4th - 8th	Gary Pendleton	\$55	<a href="mailto:mhsbowling2023@yahoo.com">mhsbowling2023@yahoo.com</a>
Monroe Pom Club	Spring	3rd - 8th	Shannon Salgado	\$50	5/10/26 - 5/31/26
Monroe Distance Club	Summer	All Ages	Todd Williams	\$100	6/15/26 - 8/26/26

## Jr Trojans

Sport	Season	Grades	Coach	Cost	Dates
Tackle Football	Fall	3rd - 6th	Josh Jones	\$135	Fall 2026
Cheer	Fall	3rd - 6th	Shannon Salgado	\$50	Fall 2026

## Intramurals

Sport	Season	Grades	Coach	Cost	Dates
Flag Football	Fall	Y5 - 3rd	Co Ed	\$45	Fall 2026
Soccer	Winter	Y5 - 6th	Co Ed	\$45	1/17/26 - 2 /28/26
Jr NBA Basketball	ALL	Y5 - 12th	Co Ed	\$135	Year Round
Volleyball	Fall	3rd - 6th	Girls	\$45	Fall 2026



**REGISTER NOW**



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(734) 265-3170 Community Education Office



MPS Administration Building  
1275 N. Macomb St  
Monroe, MI 48162

(PARKING LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE BUILDING—ENTER DOOR C)

## JR TROJAN SUMMER CAMPS

**WHAT:** MHS Varsity Coaches & Athletes share their LOVE for sports

**WHO:** Monroe Community Youth (not just MPS students!)

**WHEN:** SUMMER 2026

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR OUR FLYER—AVAILABLE SPRING 2026

### MPS Important Dates

**2026 - 2027**

Spring Break 2026

**3/28/2026 - 4/6/2026**

Christmas Break 2026

**12/19/2026 - 1/4/2027**

**We are interested in  
ADDING NEW CLASSES**

Become an instructor & share  
your talents with others.

Call Us for more information!

Phone: (734)265-3170

### **REFUND POLICY**

Refunds for multi-season classes that are paid by cash or check are prorated, less a \$5 processing fee. All Credit Card refunds are subject to the processing fees charged by our online registration service. No refunds are given to students who miss a one-night class. Full refunds will be given for any class cancelled by MPS.