



Good News Bulletin

DECEMBER 2025

DECEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

We are proud to announce The Students of the Month have been selected for December 2025. They are:

Freshman–Eleanor Mohr
Sophomore–Meagan Sawh
Junior –Avani Gambhirwala
Senior–Ashika Patel

The above students have met the following Criteria:

1. Must meet high academic standards in class.
2. Exhibit positive character and influence on class/school, dignity, respect, trustworthiness, responsibility, caring, and citizenship.
3. No unexcused lates of any kind for the month.
4. No discipline referrals in the last month.

Congratulations to all of you!

Band

On Saturday, December 13th, MTHS students auditioned against other high school students in the Central Jersey area. We would like to congratulate the following students on their acceptance into a Central Jersey Music Educators Association (CJMEA) ensemble:

Aarush Abhilash (11) - Symphonic Band and Percussion Ensemble

Anbini Adhimoolam (9) - Percussion Ensemble **Henry Alvarenga (10)** - Percussion Ensemble **Noelle**

Chong (12) - Wind Ensemble and Percussion Ensemble **Ava Leung (11)** - Symphonic Band **Aidan Lin**

(12) - Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Orchestra **Maia Pai (9)** - Symphonic Band **Edward Tsistinas (12)**

- Symphonic Band

Manvith Thavutam (11) - Symphonic Band and Symphonic Orchestra **Sharvil Srinivasan (9)** -

Symphonic Band and Philharmonic Orchestra

MTHS Engineering Design and Development (EDD) Honors Capstone Class Half Year Presentations (2025-26)



Half Year Presentation
MTHS CAPSTONE
Engineering Design and Development (EDD)

Date & Time
Friday December 5th '25
Cafeteria A
8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Location
Monroe Township High School
200 Schoolhouse Rd,
Monroe Township, NJ 08831



The official Mid-Year Presentations for our Honors Engineering Design and Development Class took place on **December 5th, 2025**, and they were a great success. Shortly after the success of the trial Mid-Year presentations, our students had some time to digest the feedback they were given from the alumni. After tweaking and improving their slides, our EDD students presented their final Mid-Year presentation in Cafeteria A of MTHS. The student teams chose a problem of their choice and performed extensive field research while collecting survey responses over the last couple of months in order to justify their problem.

[MTHS Mid Year Honors Capstone Presentations - Recap Video](#)

Beginning around 8:30 a.m., our teams started presenting in the following order:

- **The Asphalt Effect**
- **Rolling Remedies**
- **Countertop Conundrum**
- **Don't Go the Distance**
- **Project Protheon**
- **Project Struct-Secure**
- **Umbrella Pandemonium**



Sitting in as panel of judges were a distinguished group of engineers and alumni. Accompanying our panel, many other personnel were able to attend some of the presentations.



We had some outstanding panelists and are immensely thankful to **Monroe Board of Education Member Mrs. Gazala Bohra, President of MEF (Monroe Education Foundation) Mr. Steven Riback, Mr. Frank Bannon and Mr. John Katransky - Engineers working at Nokia Bell Labs, Software Engineer Mrs. Lavanya Komala and MTHS Alumni Shaan Jabbal (Mechanical Engineering Student at Rutgers)** for gracing the occasion, being attentive listeners, appreciating the presenters, their presentations and giving valuable feedback to support and encourage the student teams.

A special thanks to **Dr. Thomas Bennert from Rutgers CAIT (Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation at Rutgers)** who joined us remotely. We appreciate the support from our school and district administration represented by *acting superintendent Dr. Adam Layman, Dr. James Cernansky Director of School Counseling and Student Support Services and Mr. Zachary Morolda Supervisor Careers Technology Department* for being present at our teams' presentations.



Our **Principles of Engineering (POE) - 3A** class attended a few of the presentations during their block. POE is a prerequisite class to EDD, so our sophomores and juniors from this class are set to take EDD in the future.

EDD Cont'd

Beyond the numerous guests we were happy to have, we would like to give a special shout-out to our **Tech Department, Mr. Hladek and his interns.** This event would not have been successful without their support.



Overall, our Official Mid-Year Presentations were a huge success, with attendees from across the industry, and alumni, current students, and district/department advisors.

We wish our prospective engineers good luck as they transition into their prototyping and development phase! We're looking forward to seeing the final product during their **End-of-Year Presentations on June 15, 2026.**

If you would like to view the video recordings of our individual presentations, the following [link](#) contains a Google Drive folder of the recordings.



THIS MONTH IN UNIFIED

January 2026



upcoming events

- January 8th - Project FUN
- January 13th - UP Fitness
- January 20th - Project Fun
- January 27th - UP Fitness



Welcome Back

Happy New Year! We hope everyone had a wonderful winter break and got to spend time with friends and family. We are so excited to see what fun 2026 will bring us in Unified!!

Unified Basketball and Bowling

Unified Basketball and Bowling is a great program where students can get involved in some extra circulers. Athletes learn sportsmanship skills, teamwork, and the rules of each sport. While also building up confidence and obtaining physical health.

BOWLING

- 1/7 - Old Bridge
- 1/15 - Matawan
- 1/28 - Old Bridge

BASKETBALL

- 1/12 - Edison
- 1/26 - AL Johnson
- 1/30 - Ewing

Unified Art

Unified Art is a class full of colorful creativity and imagination. Students can allow their imagination come to life and express their feelings though drawing. Special shoutout to Ms. Casella for inspiring students to let their imagination run endless and creating a space where creativity truly flourishes!



Chorus

Over the past few weeks, we've had a number of students accepted into various Honors Ensembles. They'll be representing Monroe Township, and for some of them, the state of New Jersey, in performances throughout the Winter.

ACDA All-Eastern Honors Choirs

Saanvi Tatti (12)

Ivanna Samuel (12)

Kaanchi Ashar (10)

Aashna Mathur (10)

Aditi Handa (9)

CJMEA Region II Honors Choirs

Emily Cugini (12) - #8 in the Soprano 1 section

Aditi Handa (9) - #1 in the Soprano 1 section

Lishika Khanna (11) - #5 in the Alto 2 section

Kushal Potluri (11) - #6 in the Tenor 2 section

Ivanna Samuel

Gabrielle Siochi

Saanvi Tatti (12) - #2 in the Alto 1 section

Sarina Valentine (12) - #4 in the Alto 1 section

We are very proud of all of our students and their accomplishments!

