

The Learning Link

Parent & Family Newsletter



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April 2023

The *Learning Link* is Mapleton's monthly family newsletter. Do you have a story idea or a

suggestion for our next issue? We'd love to hear from you!

Email communications@mapleton.us.

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News from Mapleton Public Schools

Community Conversation - Monday, Apr. 24

Mapleton's Board of Education invites you to join them for the last virtual Community Conversation of the school year.

The virtual Community Conversation will be held on **Monday, April 24, from 6-6:30 p.m.**

Topics include school safety, social-emotional learning, construction updates, and enrollment and Universal Preschool information.

Join the virtual Community

Conversation here – <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82213488420>

Help shape the conversation by submitting your questions prior to the event. Email your topic ideas, questions, and comments to communications@mapleton.us.

Community Conversations **Virtual Town Hall**





You're invited - Valley View Innovation School Open House

Beginning in the fall of 2023, Valley View Innovation School will specialize in supporting students who are identified as Gifted and Talented or are ready for advanced and accelerated learning. Valley View Innovation School will support students with personalized instruction, social-emotional learning, and innovative classroom engagement strategies. Driven by each student's curiosity and complex questions, projects will come to life in one of six Immersion Studios – robotics, technology, culinary arts, art, music, and science.

You and your family are invited to learn more about Valley View Innovation School at our **Open House event on Thursday, April 27**. Visit us between **4:30-6:30 p.m.** to see our Innovation Studios in action and explore our Parkour-inspired gym as you discover our gifted and talented program inspired by you!

Valley View Innovation School, a PK-8 school, is now enrolling preschool through fourth grade for the 2023-24 school year. This school will grow up with your child as a new grade level will be added each year. For more information contact Julianne Hazah, Director of Valley View Innovation School, HazahJ@mapleton.us, 303.853.1922.

Back to Broadway!

The Mapleton's Administration Building, located at 7350 Broadway, Denver, 80221, is ready to reopen! All central administrative teams will move back into the Broadway Building during the last week of April. The building has been closed since September after flooding caused extensive damage to drywall and carpeting.

Families needing Technology support (Chrome books, iPads, chargers, etc.) are now asked to visit the IT team at the Broadway office. For more information call the Office of the Superintendent, at 303.853.1015.

Send us a note about your Mapleton "Irreplaceable"

Help us honor Mapleton's
"irreplaceables," the staff who help our
students achieve their dreams, by telling
us why they are so special.

We will share your special messages of
staff appreciation and gratitude on our
website, in our newsletters, and on
social media platforms throughout the
month of May.



Please send a small paragraph, short video, or a picture celebrating the "irreplaceable" in
your life to communications@mapleton.us.



ANNUAL UPDATE

Are you ready for the 2023-24 school year?



- ***Update contact information***
- ***Request a new school for a current student***
- ***Confirm school placement for a current student for the upcoming school year***

To do: Complete your family's Annual Update!

The Annual Update is the online process that allows Mapleton families to verify and submit important information to their school.

Using the online [**Infinite Campus Parent Portal Annual Update**](#) tool, you can easily update your family's information from anywhere with an internet connection. You can:

- Update your contact information (home address, phone numbers, emails, etc.).
- Request a new school for a current student.
- Confirm school placement for a current student for the upcoming school year.

How do I complete the Annual Update?

Visit Infinite Campus and log in to the [Parent Portal account](#) on a computer or smartphone. Once you have logged into the Infinite Campus Parent Portal, select the 'More' button in the bottom left corner.

On the next screen, select Online Registration. Follow the prompts to complete your Annual Update and make your school selections for the upcoming school year.

Día del Niño - Sunday, Apr. 30

The Denver Art Museum is celebrating the 21st annual Día del Niño (Children's Day) on Sunday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Every visitor will enjoy free general admission, bilingual activities, hands-on art-making, and other fun and engaging crafts and experiences!

Share in this global celebration with music and dance performances from groups like Academia Ballet Folklórico Nezahualcoyotl, Celtic Steps Irish Dance, Feel the Beat, and more, representing countries all around the world!

Additionally, The Denver Preschool Program (DPP) will bring in celebrity guest readers to read *How Do Dinosaurs Go to School?* by Jane Yolen, in both English and Spanish.

Complimentary copies of the book in English and Spanish will be given to each child who attends the book reading, while supplies last.

For more details on this event, including a full list of performances as the date of the event gets closer, visit the Denver Art Museum [website](#)!

Get ready for Graduation 2023!

We are a month out from Mapleton's 2023 graduation celebration. Below is more information about all graduation activities. All days, times, and locations are subject to change due to weather.

Friday, May 19:

- 7:30 a.m. | Scholarship Breakfast (Awards ceremony for graduates receiving a scholarship)
- 10:30 a.m. | Graduation practice (Mandatory for graduating seniors)
- 12:30 p.m. | Senior BBQ

Graduation day - Saturday, May 20:

- 8 a.m. | Suggested arrival time for graduating seniors
- 10 a.m. | Graduation at DiTirro Stadium

Graduation Parking:

Parking details will be posted on Mapleton's website.

For more information visit www.mapleton.us.

Mapleton is hiring!

Mapleton Public Schools (Adams County District 1) is dedicated to attracting and retaining high-quality teachers, administrators, and support staff and is committed to providing focused professional development programs and competitive compensation packages to its employees.

Please follow the [link](#) for a full list of current job opportunities in Mapleton Public Schools.

Upcoming Late Start Days

- **Wednesday, May 3**

On a Late Start Day:

- Classes begin exactly two hours after the normal start time. Bus pick-up times are also delayed by two hours.
 - All zero-hour classes are canceled.
 - All full-day and half-day funded preschool classes are canceled. Employee care and tuition-based childcare will be open.
 - All staff report at the normal time.
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More good news from Mapleton!

Visit www.mapleton.us to learn more about:

- [Camp 2027 Pre-Collegiate Summer Camp](#)
- [York International School juniors debate in New York City!](#)
- [North Valley students honored at the State Capitol](#)
- [District Art Show celebrates talented student artists in grades K-12](#)

Upcoming Events:

Friday, April 21 – Teacher Trade Day (No school for students)

Wednesday, May 3 – 2-Hour Late Start (All Schools)

Monday, May 15 – Collaborative Day (No School for Students)

Saturday, May 20 – Graduation, starts at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, May 26 – Last Day of School (All Schools, 2-Hour early dismissal)

