



Mapleton Public School

The Learning Link

Parent & Family Newsletter



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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.



This school year we are using **#WeAreMapleton** to show and celebrate everything that makes Mapleton a great place to learn, discover, and succeed! Show us how you achieve your dreams in Mapleton by sharing your school success stories with **#WeAreMapleton**

Each week we will feature a special **#WeAreMapleton** story on our website and social media...will it be yours?

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News from Mapleton Public Schools

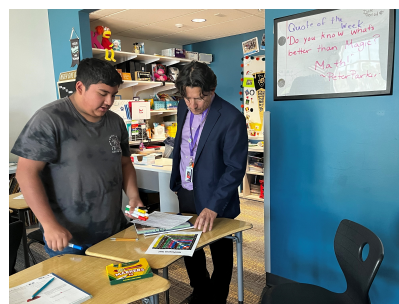
Board places \$9 million mill levy override on November ballot

In response to the recommendations and requests from our families and community members, Mapleton's Board of Education is asking voters to support a \$9 million mill levy override on the November 2022 ballot. The board voted unanimously in favor of the measure during a regularly scheduled business meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 23. If passed, it will support safety and security improvements, enhanced career and technical opportunities for students, and building maintenance and replacements. Read more [on our website](#).

Learn more and view concept renderings online - [Building Mapleton's Future](#)

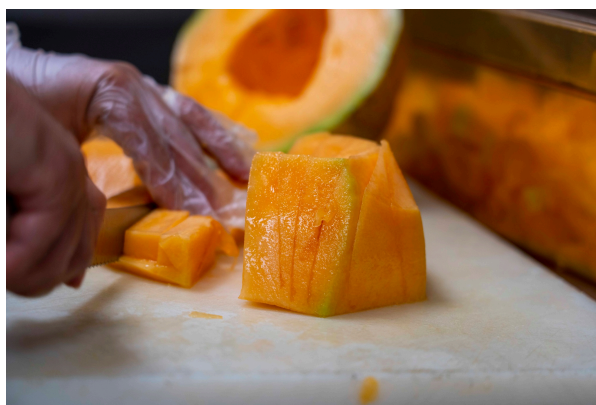
Culture Coaches to support caring communities in Mapleton

Supporting and sustaining a positive school culture is incredibly important, which is why Mapleton welcomed nine Culture Coaches this year to bolster social-emotional wellness and academic success for all our students. They bring a wealth of knowledge and a diverse range of experiences to their positions and will continue receiving training in areas such as cognitive coaching, crisis prevention, and data-driven instruction. Read more about the Culture Coach program [here](#).



More than a Meal and Nutrition Services updates

There is still time to submit your family's meal benefit application! Unlike the last two years, the USDA is requiring families to complete a [Meal Benefits Application](#) to determine free and reduced meal eligibility. And as you know, each application is worth so much more than a meal.



Families can also receive perks like school-related fee waivers and discounted utility

services, while their child's school can secure funds for classroom resources or before and after school enrichment activities.

Another great reason to join us for lunch!

Mapleton Public Schools was selected by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) as a recipient of the Local Food Program Grant, a program that strengthens farm-to-school connections and supports Colorado food producers. Mapleton received \$30,000 to use toward the purchase of locally grown fruits and vegetables, including watermelons, peaches, romaine lettuce, tomatoes, carrots, and cucumbers.

The Local Food Program is a pilot program in its second year that aims to provide Colorado children access to nutritious, high-quality, local food so they can excel in the classroom.

What's for lunch? [Check it out on Mealviewer!](#)

National Voter Registration Day is Tuesday, Sept. 20!

National Voter Registration Day seeks to create broad awareness of voter registration opportunities to reach tens of thousands of voters who may not register otherwise.

According to U.S. Census data from 2020, as many as 1 in 4 eligible Americans are not registered to vote. Every year, millions of Americans find themselves unable to vote because they miss a registration deadline, don't update their registration, or aren't sure how to register. National Voter Registration Day wants to make sure everyone has the opportunity to vote.

Register to vote, check your voter registration status or learn more about Colorado elections [here](#).



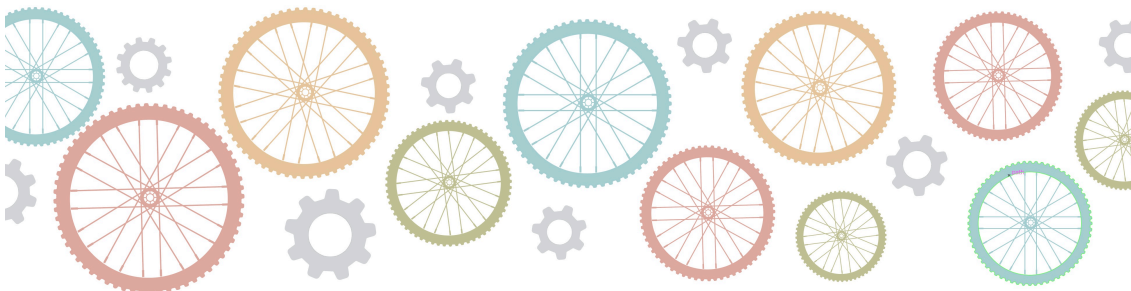
Now enrolling - FREE half-day preschool (children 3 and 4 years of age)

We're building a love of learning in Mapleton!

- Safe, supportive schools
- Expert teachers
- Learning, laughter, and limitless fun!

[Enroll online](#), or call 303.853.1784

Tell your friends and neighbors!



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You're Invited!

18th Annual Mapleton Education Foundation Gala

Please join us on Friday, Sept. 30, in celebration of the Mapleton Education Foundation's 18th Annual Gala. We are looking forward to an in-person event at the Westin Hotel in Westminster. The event begins at 5:30 p.m., dinner and the program at 7 p.m.

Since its founding in 1992, the Foundation has played a key role in the success of Mapleton's small-by-design schools of choice. Each year, the Foundation supports more than 130 students in achieving their post-secondary dreams. This year, the gala will assure every kindergarten student in Mapleton has the opportunity to build both confidence and coordination on a Strider bike. Funds raised will go toward the purchase of Strider bikes and helmets for each school serving our youngest learners.

Keynote announcement!

The Mapleton Education Foundation is pleased to announce Mr. Paul Barringer as our keynote speaker for the 18th annual gala. Mr. Barringer, perhaps better known as "Coach B," has deep roots in Mapleton as a graduate, a teacher, a coach, and a parent. A natural motivator and an inspirational educator, Coach B has helped generations of Mapleton students realize their potential and overcome challenges in the classroom and on the court. We hope you will join us on Friday, Sept. 30, at the Westin Westminster to hear about how his relationship-focused approach to this work has built quality connections and yielded life-changing results for the community he serves.

[Tickets and information](#)

More good news from Mapleton!

Visit www.mapleton.us to learn more about:

- [The new District tennis courts at Monterey](#)
- [Shakespeare in the Parking Lot at PASB](#)
- [MEC Prep Alumni Panel](#)
- [District Calendar of Upcoming Events](#)



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