



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.

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YORK INTERNATIONAL PK-12 SCHOOL



Save the dates!

"Final Four" Facilities Task Force in-person meetings

The "Final Four" is a conversation focused on



the repair and/or replacement of the remaining four buildings that have served us well over the years but have received modest upgrades and improvements. These buildings include:



- [Achieve Academy \(K-8\)](#)
- [Meadow Community School \(K-8\)](#)
- [Preschool on Poze \(Preschool\)](#)
- [York International School \(K-12\)](#)

When we started on our Facilities Master Plan in 2006, nearly every facility was more than 50 years old, had significant infrastructure problems, and had exceeded useful life.

With the 2010 and 2016 bond programs, along with multiple grants through the Building Excellent Schools Today program, we have been very fortunate to have the opportunity to renovate or rebuild almost every school building in the district!

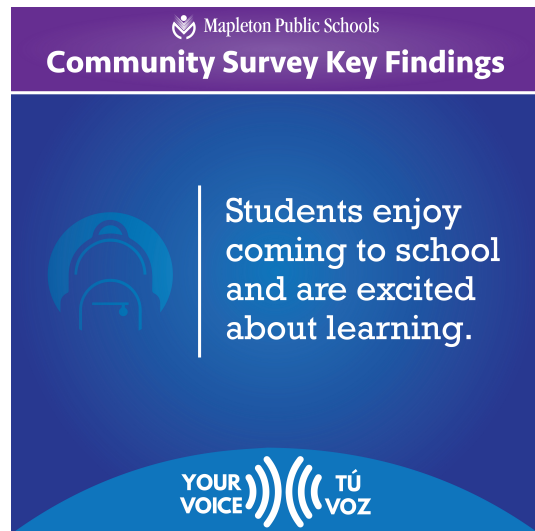
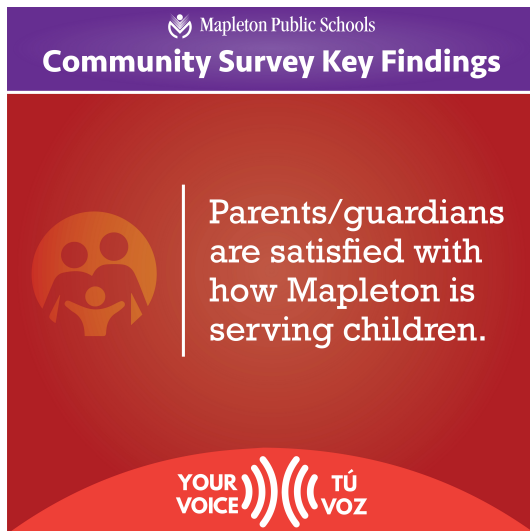
We are now looking at Mapleton's "Final Four" facilities. Please join us as a member of our Final Four Task Force to help us consider all options when it comes to making these buildings more consistent with the newer building, while also assuring our schools remain safer and more functional for generations to come. As a part of the task force, you will work alongside other Mapleton families, Mapleton staff, and design and construction teams to discuss current facility issues, explore possible solutions, and make final recommendations regarding our final four buildings.

Upcoming Final Four site-based meetings:

The following school-based meetings will be held in person.

- **Preschool on Poze:** Monday, April 11, 5:30-6:15 p.m.
- **Meadow Community School:** Wednesday, April 13, 5:30-6:15 p.m.
- **Explore PreK-8:** Monday, April 18, 5:30-6:15 p.m.
- **York International School:** Tuesday, April 19, 5:30-6:15 p.m.
- **Achieve Academy:** Wednesday, April 25, 5:30-6:15 p.m.

[Check out a recording of the first Task Force meeting and view early building design concepts!](#)



Community survey results

In late 2021, Mapleton Public Schools retained Corona Insights to conduct a survey of employees, students, and parents/guardians. The goal of this research was to examine the opinions and perceptions of the school district within our community by measuring satisfaction and identifying areas for potential improvement.

The surveys were designed to collect the following information:

- How do Mapleton Public Schools employees rate the district's performance in a variety of areas related to employment and provision of services to the community, and what can Mapleton do to improve employee happiness and success?
- What is the student experience at Mapleton Public Schools, and what are priorities for improvement?
- How do parents and guardians rate the district's performance relative to their child(ren)'s education?

[View the survey results online.](#)

Appreciate an 'irreplaceable' in Mapleton!

Mapleton's "irreplaceables" are the people who help Mapleton's students achieve their dreams every day. They serve in many positions, from teachers to bus drivers, office staff to kitchen



staff, custodians, health assistants, IT technicians, and more. To show appreciation, we are asking you (yes, you!) to share a message of gratitude about a Mapleton irreplaceable in your life.

Please send a small paragraph, short

video, or a picture celebrating our “irreplaceables” to communications@mapleton.us!



Check out a few of the appreciations shared this month! [Find all appreciations online.](#)

I Matter - free behavioral health sessions for youth

I Matter, funded by the Colorado Department of Human Services, Office of Behavioral Health, provides up to three free behavioral health sessions for youth in Colorado.

Colorado House Bill 21-1258 established this temporary behavioral health services program to provide access to mental health and substance use disorder services for youth, including addressing needs that may have resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic. The program is open to youth 18 years of age or younger or 21 years of age or younger if receiving special education services.

Learn more at <https://imattercolorado.org/>.



SAY **YES** to your **PROM DRESS**

Mapleton's Free Prom Dress Event

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 4:30 - 6 P.M.

Bring a family member or friend to this FREE special event.

Brand new and gently used prom gowns,
men's formal wear, formal jewelry, handbags,
raffles to hair and nail salons, and more!

LOCATION

Skyview Campus Student Center
8990 York St., Thornton, CO 80229



SCHEDULE A TIME

Scan the QR Code
to sign-up for a
time slot!

PLEASE CONTACT ELISE KERSEY FOR MORE INFORMATION AT 303-853-1033 OR KERSEYE@MAPLETON.US.



Scan the QR Code to register for the live stream!

Community Conversation

Virtual Town Hall Meeting

Monday, May 2 | 6 – 6:30 p.m.

We're gearing up to host our final virtual Community Conversation of the school year!

Sneak peek at the lineup:



A look ahead to the 2022-23 school year



End of year celebrations



Updates from the Final Four Task Force

Virtual Community Conversation Town Hall

[Reserve your virtual seat](#) at our upcoming virtual Community Conversation! During this conversation, we'll share updates from the Final Four Task Force and offer a look ahead to the 2022-23 school year.

[Question? Comment?](#) Share it before the meeting so we can answer it during the live conversation!

[Save your spot today!](#)

Upcoming COVID vaccination clinics

All COVID vaccination clinics in Mapleton are:

- Open to anyone 5 years of age and older (first and second dose, as well as boosters)
- Located on the Skyview Campus, 8990 York St., Thornton, 80229
- Open from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Walk-in only, no appointment necessary

Upcoming dates:

- **Saturday, April 2**
- **Saturday, April 23**
- **Saturday, May 14**



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