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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

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News from Mapleton Public Schools

K-12 Remote learning day - Friday, March 5

Thanks to our partners at COVIDCheck

Colorado and North Suburban Medical Center, more than 500 staff members received their first vaccine on Friday, Feb. 12! We are excited to share that all Mapleton staff interested in receiving the COVID-19 vaccine will have the opportunity to do so this month.

Per vaccine requirements, a majority of Mapleton's staff are scheduled to receive the second dose of the vaccine on Friday, March 5. To support the health and wellness of our staff and ensure minimal disruptions to student learning, **Friday, March 5, will be a remote learning day for all schools and all grades, K-12.**

Preschool will remain a non-student contact day and preschool students will not participate in remote learning. Parent/teacher conferences will continue as scheduled.

As a remote learning day, attendance will be taken, and students will be expected to log onto Canvas on time and participate in class, small group interactions, and complete independent work. Updated calendars reflecting the remote learning day on Friday, March 5, are available on our website. If you have any questions please contact your school director.

Nutrition Services will be offering grab-and-go meals at all schools on Friday, March 5, from 8:45-9:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The food boxes will include three days' worth of breakfast, lunch, and supper and are available for free to all children under 18 years of age.

Thank you for your continued support of Mapleton Public Schools.

Mapleton in the news!

More than 530 Mapleton staff received the vaccine at a special event on Friday, Feb. 12, at North Suburban Medical Center. Select the links below to read and watch more about it!

- [Colorado Sun - Colorado teachers get coronavirus vaccine](#)
- [CBS - A vaccine clinic today in Thronton almost vaccinated the entire Mapleton school district](#)
- [CBS - Mapleton staff receives vaccine](#)

Skyview Wolverines Season C Announcement

The safety of our students and staff continues to be our top priority. It is our intent that Skyview Athletes will be participating in Season C sports. Season C includes boys' soccer, football, and girls' volleyball. At this time, only varsity teams will compete.

Recent data trends are promising, and we are seeing significant declines in incidence rates and positivity rates in our community. Knowing that data could change, a **final decision will be announced no later than the week of Feb 22.**

[Read more about the schedule, safety measures, and sports registration.](#)

Get in the spirit with Season C sports apparel!

- [Football](#)
- [Soccer](#)
- [Volleyball](#)

All shops close for orders on Wednesday, Feb. 24.

Construction Celebration Day at Monterey Community School

New and returning Monterey families are invited to stop by the new south parking lot anytime between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Friday, March 5, to sign a wall that will be included in Monterey's renovation. Students will also be able to vote for the school's new mascot. Please be sure to wear a mask or face covering, practice social distancing, and observe other health and safety measures as we mark this special moment in Monterey history! Monterey will reopen in August. The Monterey team is looking forward to seeing familiar faces and welcoming new families. Seats are available in all grades K-8! Enroll today!

Date: Friday, March 5

Time: 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Location: Monterey Community School, new south parking lot

Community Conversations

Be heard! Join us for our third virtual Community Conversation to share, discover, and be heard!

Mapleton's first two virtual Community conversations were some of the most well-attended community events in Mapleton history!

Don't miss your chance to join the conversation.

Our next Community Conversation will be held on Tuesday, March 16, at 6 p.m. [Register in advance and we'll send you a reminder right before the conversation.](#)

This conversation will take place almost one year to the day schools closed and the district swiftly embraced a remote learning platform due to the pandemic. During this conversation, we will share a special video of gratitude celebrating how far we have come, as well as reflections and appreciations submitted prior to the event.

[Click here to share your reflection and/or appreciation.](#)

We will also be discussing summer programming, construction projects, and Project LIFT – our academic improvement initiative focused on instruction and leadership. [Learn more online, and don't forget to register!](#)

MEF scholarship applications are now available!

As a Mapleton senior, you have access to more than \$150,000 in scholarships through the Mapleton Education Foundation. Scholarships are available to assist students in paying for post-secondary education at the college or university, community college, or technical school of their choice. The application is currently open, applications are due by Friday, March 5 at 4:30 p.m. Scholarship opportunities range from general to specific.

[MEF Scholarship Application](#)

[MEF Application Guide](#)

Student Spotlight

York International School senior selected for a nationally-recognized dental program

Congratulations to York International School senior, Jasnoor K., for being accepted to the highly selective BA/BS-DDS Program at the University of Colorado Denver and CU School of Dental medicine at Anschutz Medical Campus! Jasnoor is one of only five Colorado students selected into the nationally recognized dental institution. She will have access to state-of-the-art tools and resources necessary to fulfilling her dream of becoming a dentist.

"As a dentist, I see myself fulfilling my goal as someone who facilitates dental care to keep others healthy," Jasnoor says. "I want to thank my family, friends, teachers, and anyone who has supported me in such an amazing high school journey."

After shadowing several physicians while attending York International School, Jasnoor knew she wanted to become a dentist. "I have been at York since Kindergarten, and it has been an amazing experience to see myself and others grow."

Students organize virtual storytime

Mapleton's high school Student Ambassadors recorded themselves reading their favorite children's books to share with the community. In a typical year, our student ambassadors would be busy planning district events and finding opportunities to connect with and mentor younger Mapleton students. To keep our community safe and healthy, our Student Ambassadors focused their efforts on ways to make virtual connections. Enjoy the stories! Thank you to teachers Elyse Houck, Greer Sabin, Megan Decker, and Michelle Sauer for helping coordinate this amazing project!

[Student Ambassadors virtual storytime](#)

Resources for Mapleton families

Mapleton's Integrated Services team maintains a comprehensive list of community resources and services available to families.

The list is available online and is organized by subject, including crisis support, clothing resources, food banks, health care, housing resources, suicide prevention, and more.

[Resources for families](#)

Free COVID testing through COVIDCheck Colorado

The CDPHE is partnering with COVIDCheck Colorado to provide free COVID-19 testing at several locations throughout the Denver-metro area. This service is available to everyone. If you, your child, or other family members are showing any [symptoms](#), we strongly encourage you to get tested. [Click here to schedule a test](#). As a reminder, our schools are not testing sites if your child has symptoms.

The Colorado Spirit

Program provides support for feelings of worry, hopelessness, anger, loss, isolation and disconnection that many individuals are experiencing as a result of the **COVID 19 pandemic**. Through the provision of virtual community-based outreach and psychoeducational services, their mission is to empower **Adams County residents**.

Colorado Spirit is different from other programs in that Community Reach Center staff has the flexibility to meet the community where they are in dealing with the pandemic.

Colorado Spirit is:

- Completely free
- Confidential
- Available at your convenience
- Bridging the gap between needs and resources in the Adams County community

For other questions or concerns email [**ColoradoSpirit@CommunityReachCenter.org**](mailto:ColoradoSpirit@CommunityReachCenter.org)

View or download the [Colorado Spirit](#) flier-English

View or download the [Colorado Spirit](#) flier-Spanish

