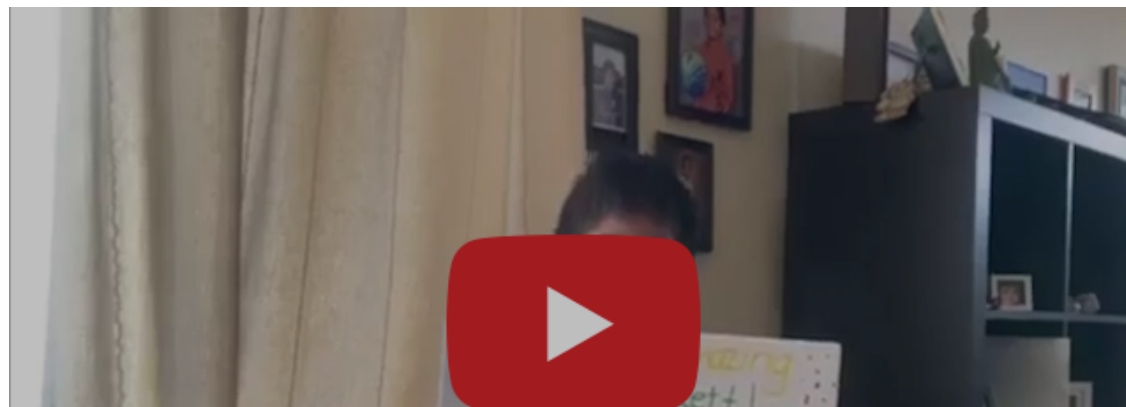
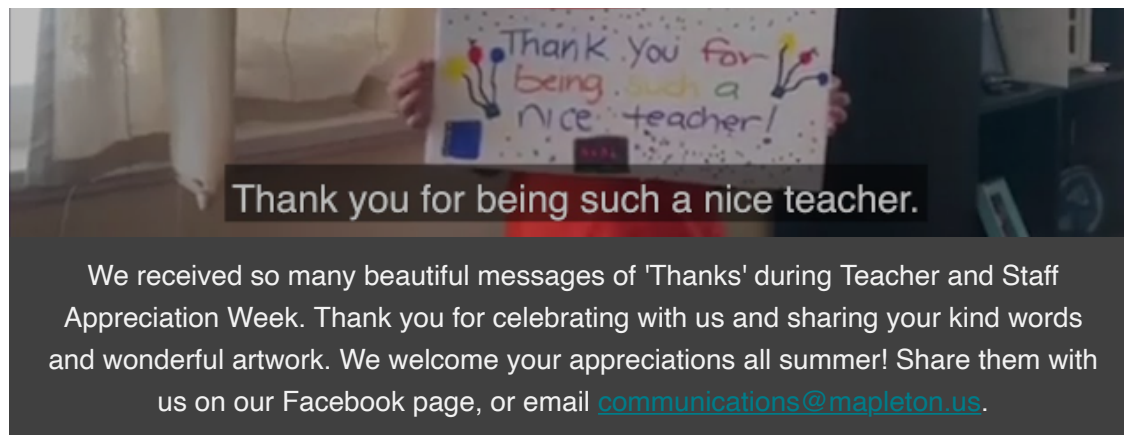




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A Message from Superintendent Ciancio

Dear Mapleton families,

As we close out this unusual school year, I want to thank you for your compassion, your support, and your partnership over the last few months. This school year was filled with everything from ribbon cuttings to remote learning, and the Mapleton community has embraced every milestone and unexpected turn with courage, with curiosity, and with confidence.

I know you have a lot of questions about our plan to welcome your family back to school in the fall. We continue to work closely with Tri-County Health Department, as well as other state health leaders to monitor the COVID-19 situation in our community. Our reopening plan is being informed by the latest guidance on precautions so we may continue to prioritize the health and wellbeing of our students, our families, and our staff. We are also asking parents/guardians to complete a brief, anonymous survey to understand the needs, interests, and concerns of our families as we move toward

reopening.

It is our intent to reopen our schools in August. With that said, we know that they will look and operate a little differently than they have in previous years. On-site modifications will be made at each school to promote social distancing, limit group gatherings, and provide for plenty of handwashing and school sanitation opportunities. We will also introduce a blended learning approach for students at each school. This will allow for seamless transitions between in-person and intermittent remote learning, should a temporary closure be deemed necessary.

Based on feedback from our families, we will be offering an additional school choice for the 2020-2021 school year: ["Mapleton Online"](#). This new school will allow students to stay virtually connected while continuing to learn from home. If you wish to choose this new option, please complete your registration as-soon-as reasonably possible. Information can be found on [our website](#).

Regardless of where your child chooses to learn this coming school year, our dedication to strong relationships, rigorous academics, and engaging learning opportunities will continue to be the 'Mapleton way.'

New August Start Date

To ensure that our teachers have the right amount of time to prep our schools for your child's return, we are moving our first day of school to **Thursday, Aug. 27. We will open our doors for all students, grades PreK-12, on Thursday, Aug. 27, and Friday, Aug. 28.**

As a part of our cautious and progressive start to the upcoming school year, students will not have school on Monday, Aug. 31, or Tuesday, Sept. 1. These two days will allow

schools to apply what they learned in the first two days back to school and make the necessary modifications and adjustments. **All students will return to school on Wednesday, Sept. 2, and the regularly scheduled student calendar will resume.** Updated calendars are now available on [our website](#).

I hope you have a safe and restful summer. To continue our commitment to your child's academic success, we are pleased to share that all students are invited to keep their iPad or Chromebook, checked out, over the summer. A list of summer learning online resources is below. If you leave the district or need to troubleshoot, repair, or return your technology, simply email helpdesk@mapleton.us to make arrangements.

Thank you for helping us end the school year stronger and more resilient than we started.

Sincerely,
Charlotte Ciancio
Superintendent of Schools

Summer learning is heating up!

Numerous studies show that just 20 minutes of reading every day can accelerate a child's reading growth. Reading 20 minutes a day introduces children to 1,800,000 words per year! Learning over the summer is a great way to minimize learning loss and help your child prepare for the upcoming school year. To support summer learning in Mapleton, we are inviting all students to keep their district-issued iPads and/or Chromebooks over the summer and take advantage of free summer learning resources.

If your child is in preschool - 2nd grade:

- [Amplify Reading](#)
- [Starfall](#) (Reading)
- [SplashMath](#)
- [Bridges Math at Home Online Games](#)

If your child is in grades 3-8:

- [Khan Academy](#) (All Subjects)
- [Prodigy](#) (Math)
- [Legends of Learning](#) (Math & Science)
- [CK12 BrainGenie](#) (math)
- [BrainChase](#) (All Subjects)
- [Bridges Math at Home Online Games](#)

If your child is in grades 9-12:

- [Khan Academy](#) (All Subjects)
- [CK12 BrainGenie](#) (Math)

All grades:

- [ColorinColorado](#) - A bilingual site for educators and families of English Language Learners
- [Scholastic Learn at Home - Day-by-Day projects to keep kids reading, thinking, and growing](#)

Social-Emotional Learning

- [PBIS 4 Resources to Support Students During the Pandemic - Supporting Families with PBIS at Home \(Version en Espanol\)](#)
- [ASSET](#)

Parent survey about fall reopening

Mapleton Public Schools is inviting parents/guardians to help plan for fall reopening. Please check your email and text messages for a link to this important survey. The survey takes just a few moments to complete and is anonymous. We appreciate your support and feedback as we look forward to a safe return to school for our students, families, and staff.

Skyview coach launches online strength and conditioning program

Coach Gary Stecklein, Global Leadership Academy P.E. teacher and Skyview Wolverine Defensive Coordinator, created a free, online strength and conditioning website to help you stretch and strengthen your mind and body over the summer. The site features daily workouts and a variety of fitness videos that include detailed, step-by-step instructions to help you stay safe, stay fit, and have fun. The site offers information and activities for all fitness levels. [Lace-up friends, we've got some warm-ups to do!](#)

Technology assistance available over the summer

To assist your summer learning needs, our Help Desk will continue to be available to assist with your technology needs. If your child is experiencing any of the following issues with

his/her device, or if you are leaving the school district and need to return your device, please email the IT Help Desk at helpdesk@mapleton.us or call the Help Desk at 303.853.1057.

- Physical repairs/damage - keys falling off, battery won't charge, the screen is cracked, etc.
- Technical issues/concerns - won't turn on, needs to refresh or reboot, etc.
- Difficulties using/navigating the device - password needs reset, log in is incorrect, needs specific apps, etc.

Please include the following information:

- Student's first and last name
- Student's school and grade
- Your contact information – home phone, cell phone, and email
- Please tell us if the device is a Chromebook or iPad
- The Asset tag number from the back or bottom of the device (looks like a barcode, begins with the letter A)
- A description of the problem

Your Help Desk request will be assigned to an IT technician who will contact you immediately to address the issue or schedule an appointment to swap out your device.



Great resources for tough times and updated resources page

We can all benefit from a little extra support every now and then. For support in any situation, visit Mapleton's new [Family Support Resources](#) page on our website.

Below please find resources for your family to help you adjust, adapt, and connect during this time.

- [What is the new Coronavirus? - Children's Hospital Colorado](#)
- [Tri-County Health Department #DoingMyPart](#)
- [Coronavirus in Colorado - Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment](#)
- [Parent/Caregiver Guide to Helping Families Cope with the Coronavirus Disease - National Association of School Psychologists](#)
- [Helping children cope with the stress of COVID-19 - World Health Organization](#)
- [CDC Mental Health and Coping](#)

Helplines

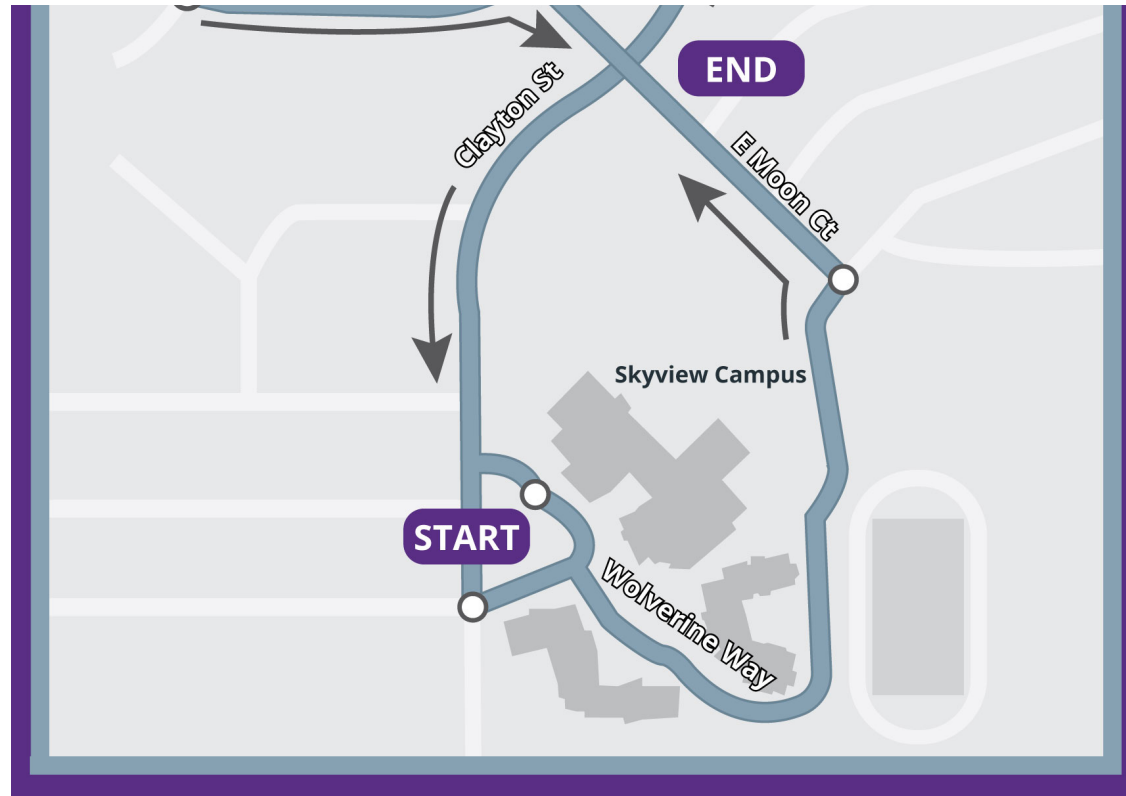
- CO HELP | 303.389.1687 or 1.877.462.2911

- Colorado Crisis Services 1-844-493-TALK (8255) OR Text to Talk 38255

District Nurses are available

Families are encouraged to continue to reach out to district nurses for children who may have health conditions and injuries. If you do not know who your district RN is, please contact your school or the Integrated Services Department, 303.853.1449.





Diploma Parade: Saturday, June 13

1 p.m. - Academy High School

2 p.m. - MESA

3 p.m. - Big Picture College & Career Academy and Mapleton Early College High School

4 p.m. - Global Leadership Academy and North Valley School for Young Adults

5 p.m. - York International School

Guests are asked to park on the side of the road anywhere along the parade route and cheer on Mapleton's graduates from their car. We ask guests to please wear a mask and observe social distancing at all times.

Diploma parade and virtual graduation celebration

Graduation is an exciting and important milestone for our students. While health concerns continue to prevent many of the traditional ways we have honored our seniors, the Board of Education remains committed to honoring and celebrating our 2020 graduates.

Public health officials continue to restrict in-person events to very small groups. Therefore, we are preparing to host a virtual graduation ceremony.

The Superintendent Student Advisory Committee, the Board of Education, and school leaders designed a meaningful ceremony with significant modifications and exciting additions to our graduation traditions.

We are partnering with a professional production company to offer a virtual graduation ceremony to recognize our graduates. **A special diploma parade is scheduled for Saturday, June 13. The virtual ceremony will debut on Friday, June 19.** [Learn more about Mapleton's graduation events.](#)

'Grab & Go' meals available in Mapleton through June 30

To continue with our commitment to providing well-balanced meals to students, Mapleton will continue to offer walk-up or drive-through 'Grab & Go' meals at three sites in Mapleton every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, through June 30.

'Grab & Go' meals include lunch for the day and breakfast for the next day. Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, Nutrition Services will provide families with multiple days' worth of meals. For example, on Monday, families can pick up meals for both Monday and Tuesday.

These meals are available to all children through age 18, regardless of what school they attend. No paperwork, proof of residence, or student identification is required. This program is for pick-up of meals only. Meals cannot be consumed on-site.

Meals may be picked up from the following locations, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, **between 11:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m.**

Global Primary Academy - 7480 N. Broadway, Denver

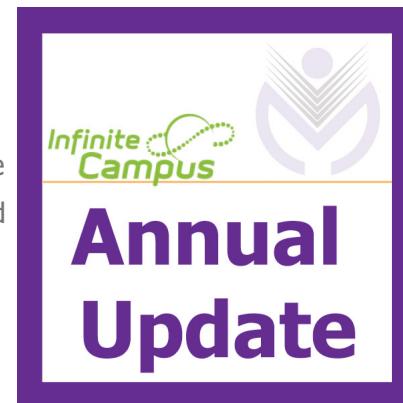
Clayton Partnership School - 8970 York St., Thornton

Welby Community School - 1200 E. 78th Ave., Denver

It's Annual Update time!

What is the Annual Update?

Formerly known as registration, the Annual Update is the online process that allows Mapleton families to verify and submit the required information and confirm each child's placement for fall. Families can complete the Annual Update from anywhere with an internet connection.



How do I complete the Annual Update?

Visit the [Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#) and login to your Infinite Campus Parent Portal account on a computer or smartphone. Once you are logged in click on **"More"** and then select **"Annual Update"**.

What if I forgot my Parent Portal Account information?

You can request an email with your account information by clicking **"forgot username"** or **"forgot password"**. Contact the main office of the school your child attends if you have questions or any problems accessing your account.

What information do I need to confirm during the Annual Update?

As a parent/guardian of a currently enrolled Mapleton student, the Annual Update process will ask you to confirm or update the following information:

- Address (Please select 'change of address' and contact your school to update your address)
- Phone numbers (home phone, cell phone, work phone)
- Email address
- Emergency contacts
- Information about your child's health conditions and/or medications
- Confirm school for the 2020-21 school year
- School Behavior Handbook
- Additional school or district policies and release

If you would like to make changes to additional information not available through the Annual Update process, please contact your child's school.

When do I need to complete the Annual Update process?

Please complete the Annual Update process as soon as possible so we can confirm your child's spot at his/her school. Completing the Annual Update is the best way to let your child's school know to save your spot as you will be returning for the 2020-21 school year.

Who do I contact for help?

If you need help along the way, please contact the main office of your child's school.

Help us improve our family newsletter! What do you want to see in the ***Learning Link***?
Email your questions or comments to Communications@mapleton.us or call 303.853.1018.

