

# **The Learning Link**

Parent & Family Newsletter

## Friday, May 3, 2024

**The Learning Link** is Mapleton's biweekly newsletter for families. Do you have a story idea or a suggestion for our next issue? We'd love to hear from you! Email <u>communications@mapleton.us</u>.

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### **News from Mapleton Public Schools**

# 2023-2024 Staff, Student, and Parent/Guardian Experience Survey - we value your feedback!

Mapleton Public Schools is dedicated to creating a positive experience for all whom we serve. Our partners at Studer Education are providing an opportunity for you to share feedback anonymously using the link below.

This survey is your chance to tell us what we are doing well and what we need to work on to ensure your children achieve their dreams. The results of this survey will be used to inform strategies,

procedures, and/or programs to enhance student experiences and outcomes.

**The survey will be open through Friday, May 10.** Please take a few minutes to complete the survey linked below. Thank you for your commitment to Mapleton Public Schools.

#### Parent/Guardian Experience Survey



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#### **Student Experience Survey**

#### **Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week**

Mapleton Public Schools is joining school districts nationwide in recognizing the week of **May 6-10 as Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week.** The Board of Education issued a proclamation encouraging everyone to observe the week by taking time to recognize and acknowledge the impact educators and district staff have on our lives.

Celebrate Mapleton's irreplaceable teachers and staff by sending us a short paragraph, video, or picture of the irreplaceable staff member in your life! We will feature these messages of appreciation and gratitude on our website, in our newsletters, and on social media throughout the month of May. Send your notes of gratitude to <u>communications@mapleton.us.</u>

#### Nominate the next Teacher of the Year!

Do you know an exceptionally dedicated, knowledgeable and skilled K-12 classroom teacher? Nominate them to be the next Colorado Teacher of the Year! Anyone - students, family or community members, even fellow teachers - can nominate an amazing teacher in their life to apply. <u>Complete this brief online survey</u> with some basic information about the educator you're nominating for this award. Once a teacher is nominated, they are sent a notification and invitation to apply. The nomination deadline is Tuesday, May 28.



#### Help us say "See you later" to Superintendent Ciancio

After serving as Superintendent of Mapleton Public Schools for nearly 24 years, Superintendent Charlotte Ciancio is retiring. Join us for a special community event celebrating her time, work, and legacy in Mapleton. All are welcome!

#### Anythink York Branch to close on Friday, May 17

**Anythink York Street will close permanently at 5 p.m. Friday, May 17**. This means after Friday, May 17, students, staff, and community members will no longer be able to visit the Anythink Library on the Skyview Campus and the building will be closed.

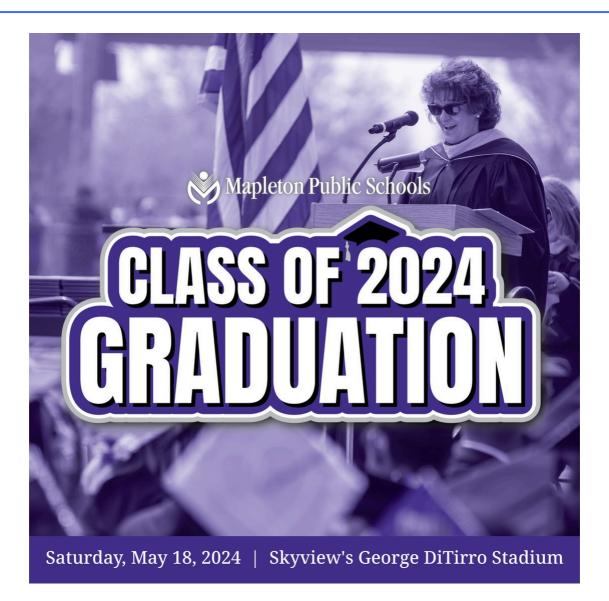
Anythink's York Street branch will be closing its doors and moving to its new location, 2211 Eppinger Blvd – just four blocks north of the Skyview Campus. The new Anythink building is scheduled to open in October 2024.

Families are encouraged to check out the temporary bookmobile service starting Tuesday, June 4: **Location:** Thornton Community Park -2300 Thornton Pkwy (North parking lot in front of Fire Station 1)

Days/Times: Tuesdays, 1-5 p.m., and Thursdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

If your child currently goes to Anythink York Street after school, this will no longer be an option after Friday, May 17. Please make plans to ensure your child is picked up from school right after

the bell. There is no after-school care or supervision on the Skyview Campus once school is released for the day. For their safety, students are not allowed to wait for friends or siblings in another school building or in another area on the Skyview Campus. If you have questions or concerns, please talk to your school director.



#### Graduation 2024

On Saturday, May 18, everyone is invited to help us celebrate our outstanding class of 2024! Graduation begins at 10 a.m. at DiTirro Stadium on the Skyview Campus.

Event details, including parking, weather updates, and a link to the live stream of the event are available on <u>Mapleton's website</u>.

#### **Mortarboard Decoration Information**

Graduates **will be allowed** to decorate the tops of their mortarboards (caps). Cap decorating is optional, and it is perfectly fine for students to not decorate their caps. Learn more about the <u>dos</u> <u>and don'ts of mortarboard decorations</u>.

#### Meet the Class of 2024

This month we will be sharing stories about our amazing seniors. <u>Visit our website</u> to meet our graduates!

#### Mapleton night at Skyzone

Mapleton Freshmen Ambassadors are pleased to announce the first ever **Mapleton Night at Sky Zone**! All **current Mapleton high school students** are invited to join us on **Tuesday, May 7, from 7-9 p.m.** for a **FREE** evening of trampoline fun.

The details:

- The event is limited to the first 200 participants to arrive.
- Students must arrange their own transportation.
- All participants must sign the waiver which is available on the Sky Zone website.
- Freshmen Ambassadors will be selling snacks and more at the event.
- Please contact Hannah Drager (<u>dragerh@mapleton.us</u>) or Kathryn Condon (<u>condonk@mapleton.us</u>) with questions.



 
 FREE for all current Mapleton high school students! Snacks & more available to purchase

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#### Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer (S-EBT) Program

Summer EBT helps families buy food during the summer months. If you qualify, you will get \$40 per child for each month when school is not in session. This amounts to up to \$120 per child. You'll receive a card pre-loaded with money in the mail.

#### You are eligible if...

- You already participate in SNAP, TANF or Medicaid
- Your child attends a school that offers the National School Lunch or School Breakfast program, and you qualify based on income.

#### How can you receive benefits?

- Make sure your school has a meal benefits form or household income application on file.
- Make sure your school has your current address and parent/guardian information.

Your family will automatically qualify if you participate in SNAP, TANF or Medicaid. EBT cards will be mailed by the Colorado Department of Human Services. For more information on student eligibility and common questions, visit the <u>Colorado Department of Human Services webpage</u>.

#### Mapleton is hiring!

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

Please check our <u>Careers page</u> for a full list of current job opportunities in Mapleton Public Schools.

#### **Helpful Links**

School Calendars What's for Lunch? Work in Mapleton

#### **Upcoming Events**

Monday, May 13 - Collaborative Day (No school for students)
Saturday, May 18 - Graduation, Class of 2024!
Monday, May 27 - Memorial Day (District Closed)
Thursday, May 30 - Last day of school! (2 hour early dismissal, all schools)



#### About Us

Mapleton Public Schools is an internationally accredited public school district located in the Thornton/North Denver area of unincorporated Adams County. We are committed to raising expectations, providing choices for learning, and removing obstacles for all students so that we can guarantee all students achieve their dreams and enthusiastically contribute to their community, country, and world.

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