



Mapleton Public Schools

Pathways to Success Graduation and Beyond 2024-25

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Mission Statement

The mission of Mapleton Public Schools, an innovative, diverse and deeply rooted learning community, passionately committed to the uniqueness and potential of each student, is to guarantee that all students can achieve their dreams and contribute enthusiastically to their community, country and world through an education system characterized by:

- An unyielding commitment to academic success and personal growth;
- Learning opportunities that empower students to develop their talents and pursue their interests;
- Highly skilled, compassionate staff who believe they make the difference in each student's life;
- Small, safe, family-like environments of unwavering support where relationships ensure personal achievement; and
- A resourceful and responsive community working together to ensure that no obstacle shall impede a student's success.



A District of Choice

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. Located in one of the fastest-growing counties in Colorado, Mapleton covers 25 square miles and serves suburban, rural, and light industrial communities.

At Mapleton Public Schools, we believe school choice is the first step toward academic success. As a district of choice, there are no “neighborhood schools.” You choose your school; we provide the transportation.

Our application for enrollment requests families to select their top three school choices. All applications are reviewed carefully to ensure school placements are made with fidelity and with the needs and interests of the student in mind. In some situations, availability at a school may be limited, based on space, an opening at the desired grade level, and capacity, the District’s ability to uphold our obligation to meet the service needs and accommodations of a student. Almost all students are placed in their first-choice school.

Mapleton offers a robust menu of schools that are small by design. To learn more about our schools, visit **www.mapleton.us** and select the School Finder tab to discover our schools based on location, grade levels served, school models, programs, and more.

Our Schools

Art Immersion Path

Mapleton Public Schools offers an EL art immersion path for grades PK-12. At Welby Community School for the Arts, academic standards are enhanced with engaging artistic experiences, and student learning is enriched through visual arts, music, dance, and performing arts. The Performing Arts School on Broadway pairs rigorous academics with performing arts through an educational approach rooted in innovation, imagination, and intention. Mapleton Expeditionary School of the Arts is recognized for its emphasis on the visual arts. From animation to advertising, photography to pottery, the visual arts are woven into the delivery of all content standards.

[Welby Community School of the Arts \(PreK-6\)](#)
1200 E. 78th Ave., Denver, CO 80229 | 303.853.1700
EL, Visual and Performing Arts

[Performing Arts School on Broadway \(7-12\)](#)
7350 Broadway, Ste. 200, Denver 80221 | 303.853.1691
EL, Performing Arts

[Mapleton Expeditionary School of the Arts \(9-12\)](#)
8980 York St., Thornton, CO 80229 | 303.853.1270
EL, Visual Arts

Big Picture

The Big Picture model compels students to experience a college-preparatory environment balancing classes, seminars, independent learning, and real-world learning through professional internships and access to college courses.

[Mapleton Early Career High School \(9-12\)](#)
8980 York St., Thornton, CO 80229 | 303.853.1960

Dual Language

As a Dual Language Immersion school, Adventure Elementary provides an educational experience that values intellectual rigor, respect, and inclusion for the diversity of abilities and cultures, biliteracy, and service to our community

[Adventure Elementary \(PreK-6\)](#)
7725 Conifer Rd., Denver, CO 80221 | 303.853.1410

EL Learning

EL Education promotes active classrooms that are alive with discovery, problem-solving, challenges, and collaboration. Expert staff introduce students to rigorous and relevant content and encourage students to take ownership of their learning. Learning comes to life through community-based expeditions, which are long-term, in-depth studies that offer real-world connections and inspire higher levels of academic achievement. Strong community partnerships help students become active learners and leaders where they live.

International Focus

International leadership prepares students to become active, caring, lifelong learners and to make practical connections between their studies and the real world.

[Achieve Academy \(K-8\)](#)

9100 Poze Blvd., Thornton, CO 80229 | 303.853.1300
Leadership

[Explore PreK-8](#)

10310 York St. Thornton, CO 80229 | 303.853.1170

[Trailside Academy \(PreK-8\)](#)

2300 W. 67th Pl., Denver, CO 80221 | 303.853.3040

[Global Primary Academy \(PreK-3\)](#)

7480 Broadway, Denver, CO 80221 | 303.853.1900

[Global Intermediate Academy \(4-8\)](#)

7480 Broadway, Denver, CO 80221 | 303.853.1930

[Global Leadership Academy \(9-12\)](#)

7480 Broadway, Denver, CO 80221 | 303.853.1930

[York International School \(K-12\)](#)

9200 York St., Thornton, CO 80229 | 303.853.1600

Leadership

This school empowers students with the leadership and life skills they need to thrive in the 21st century. Monterey is based on principles and practices of personal, interpersonal, and organizational effectiveness, and upon the powerful premise that every child possesses unique strengths and has the ability to be a leader.

[Monterey Community School \(K-8\)](#)

2201 McElwain Blvd., Denver, CO 80229 | 303.853.1360

Online 1-12

Mapleton Online is for students who thrive in an online learning environment, but still want the support of a small, safe, family-like Mapleton school.

[Mapleton Online 1-12](#)

7350 Broadway, Denver 80221 | 303.853.1202

Preschool

Mapleton is pleased to offer extensive early childhood education programming. Several district schools have a preschool program. Preschool on Poze serves toddlers and 3 and 4 year old students.

[Preschool on Poze](#)

2410 Poze Blvd., Thornton 80229 | 303.853.1571

Project-Based/Gifted and Talented

Valley View Innovation School offers a differentiated Project-Based Learning model designed specifically to support and nurture students who are identified as gifted or are ready for advanced/accelerated classes.

[Valley View Innovation School \(PreK-8\)](#)

6951 Fox Way, Denver 80221 | 303.853.1561

School for Young Adults

North Valley School for Young Adults offers students ages 17-21 who are credit deficient a new educational pathway to success by providing an opportunity to get back on track and earn a high school diploma.

[North Valley School for Young Adults \(17-21\)](#)

8990 York St., Thornton, CO 80229 | 303.853.1790

STEM

Students develop powerful problem-solving and critical-thinking skills through STEM coursework. At the high school level, students participate in engineering and biomedical courses. At the K-8 level, students explore STEM through and nature and conservation science.

[Academy High School \(9-12\)](#)

8970 York St., Thornton, CO 80229 | 303.853.1730
STEM

[Meadow Community School \(K-8\)](#)

9150 Monroe St., Thornton, CO 80229 | 303.853.1500
Nature and Science

University Partnership

As a partnership school, Clayton welcomes student-teachers from several colleges and universities to learn from some of our district's most successful teachers and to provide additional support to all students at all grade levels.

[Clayton Partnership School \(K-8\)](#)

8970 York St., Thornton, CO 80229
303.853.1460

Learn more
about our small-
by-design schools!
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High School Pathways

Accessing a Pathway

What are Pathways to High School Completion and Post-Secondary Opportunities?

There are many ways to earn a high school diploma and prepare for college and a career. The most common path is attending a traditional four-year public high school. But this option doesn't always work for every student. Some may want to embark on a post-secondary opportunity, some have fallen behind on credits or want to add job training or work experience with their education. In this guide, learn about the different pathways to graduation and beyond in Mapleton Public Schools.

How to Choose the Best Pathway for You

You have the right to enroll in public education until age 21 or you earn a diploma. Your educational goals are important! But with so many choices, it can be hard to know which will be the best fit for you and your life. For assistance, students, parents/guardians may contact:

- High School Directors and Assistant Directors
- Post Secondary Options Coaches: Every Mapleton high school has at least one Post Secondary Options Coach to help students find success in high school and beyond. Contact the PSOC at your school, or the last school you attended for more information about high school pathways.
- Teachers



Types of Pathways

Traditional Pathways

Attend a 4 year district high school and earn a high school diploma receiving credit in Core academic and Elective credits.

Adaptive High School (HS) Path Options for earning a high school diploma that meet individual needs and can include options that accommodate a job schedule.	Attend a district school (North Valley, Mapleton Online) “Choice” Alternative Education Programs.
	Complete a high school diploma.
	Modify high school class schedule to be able to accommodate work needs.
High School + Career Training Options to earn a high school diploma while learning job skills.	CTE -Colorado Career & Technical Education opportunities at each High School. Earn an industry certification as a high school student.
HS + College Options to earn a high school diploma and college credits at the same time	Get ahead on college credits as a high school student. Dual credit, dual enrollment, AP courses, concurrent enrollment with Front Range Community College.
	Attend Front Range Community College before completing high school to earn high school diploma and college credit.

Non-Traditional Pathways: Adaptive High School Path

North Valley School for Young Adults	Alternative Pathway This Alternative Pathway follows the ACE School Performance Framework.	Offerings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Credit Recovery • Faster pace (full credit in half the time) • Can potentially modify schedule to meet work needs.
Mapleton Online	Virtual Pathway This is a virtual education pathway for students in grades 1-12. For students in grades 9-12, they can attend synchronous (live) or asynchronous (on-demand) classes depending on the grade level and need. Students that are best suited for the online school are self-directed and motivated learners, need a flexible schedule, and excel when taking online classes.	Offerings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traditional Path • Credit Recovery options • Can potentially modify schedule to meet work needs.

High School and College Pathway

Gateway to College	Gateway to College at Front Range Community College works with youth who have dropped out of high school or are behind in their high school credits for their age. The program aims to help students achieve their high school diploma, with the opportunity to earn college credit, while creating a direct path for a successful future.	Offerings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High school diploma • College credit • Attend School on the Front Range Community College campus
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Career and Technical Education Pathways

Expanding Mapleton's Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathways is a priority of Mapleton's Board of Education. This effort is made possible thanks to the 2022 community-supported Mill Levy. Additional CTE pathways will give Mapleton students more opportunities to develop the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to be successful and workforce ready after high school.

School	CTE Pathway	Industry Credentials
Academy High School	Health Sciences or Traditional This pathway gives students the foundation knowledge to be successful in a wide range of medical careers. The Academy CTE Health Science Pathway provides biology and anatomy foundational knowledge to support students interested in earning industry credentials in several career pathways including nurse practitioner positions, dental hygienist positions, and physical therapy aid positions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EKG - CET Technician • Phlebotomist • Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) • National Health Science Certification
Global Leadership Academy	Business Management Pathway or Traditional This pathway will give students opportunities to cultivate an entrepreneurial mindset and develop skills to build and manage their own businesses. With a focus on building project management and leadership skills, students will engage in digital marketing, customer relationship management, sales, and small business management projects.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) • Tax Help Colorado

Mapleton Early Career Prep (Internship-based school)	Career Exploration Pathway Student opportunities in this pathway are created in collaboration with educators, business representatives, and community stakeholders and create locally responsive, relevant work-based, and school-based learning experiences. Students demonstrate competency in Postsecondary Workforce Readiness (PWR), which leads to technical skill attainment in any chosen occupation with a focus on high-wage occupations or high-skill in high-demand industries that promote self-sufficiency.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students create individual career plans that may incorporate credentials from the Career Development Incentive Program Approved Program List
Mapleton Expeditionary School of the Arts	Digital Media and Communications Pathway or Traditional This pathway will prepare students for computer careers. Participating students will be Colorado Technology Student Association (TSA) members. Involvement in TSA benefits teachers and students in helping relate class activities to local and national technology-oriented competitive events.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FRCC Fundamentals of Multimedia Technology Adobe Certified Professional: Graphic Design & Illustrations Using Adobe Illustrator Adobe XD Credential
Performing Arts School on Broadway	Technical Theater Pathway or Traditional The technical theater pathway puts students in the heart of the action in the studio, on the stage, or even in the sound booth. Using the sophisticated performance rooms and professional production equipment located in the Mapleton Arts Center, students hone their skills in theatrical production.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OSHA 10 hour General Industry Training Department of Labor
York International School	Engineering and Technology Pathway or Traditional This pathway will prepare students for engineering and technology careers. Participating students will be members of the Colorado Technology Student Association, a national non-profit devoted exclusively to the needs of students with a dedicated interest in technology.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IT Specialist: Python Autodesk Certified User (ACU)
ALL SCHOOLS	Teaching for Tomorrow - Teaching Pathway This pathway is designed to give high school students interested in a career in education a head start. Participating students will be members of the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America. This career and technical student organization (CTSO) supports students enrolled in Family and Consumer Sciences education programs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student leaders in this pathway will attend the State Leadership Conference in Denver each April. EDU courses can also earn English 11 or English 12 credit



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: My student isn't interested in the CTE pathway offered at their school. Can my child attend the school without participating in the CTE program?

A: Yes. CTE pathways are additional choices for students within a school. The traditional option is still available. Please note, students cannot join a CTE program at another Mapleton high school. The only CTE program available to all Mapleton students, regardless of school enrollment, is Teaching for Tomorrow, the Teaching Pathway.

Q: My student chose to attend a school, but we have determined it isn't the right fit. Can my student transfer to a different Mapleton school?

A: Yes. Transferring is always an option; however, please keep in mind that each high school offers different classes at different times and may not be offering the courses on your child's current schedule. Please work with your current school director to identify the best school transfer plan.

Have a question? Email Communications@mapleton.us!



Name of Program:	
Description:	
This pathway is for students who:	Address:
Schedule and Transportation Options:	Learning Supports:
Student Supports:	Career Readiness Supports:
Contact Person:	Learn more:

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