

# Annual Notices:

**Non-Discrimination Notification:** The School District's policy on non-discrimination assures that Maple River Schools does not discriminate in their program offerings on the grounds of race, religion, national origin, gender, age, sex, disability, marital status, or status in regard to public assistance. The District also has a policy that prohibits religious, racial and sexual harassment and violence by students and staff against any student or staff member. If someone feels that there has been a violation of one of these policies, a procedure has been established for dealing with and resolving the complaint. Additional information and forms may be obtained from the Superintendent's Office.

**Vocational Opportunities Annual Notification:** Maple River School District offers a variety of vocational opportunities through the Agricultural Science, Ag Technology, and Business Education Departments. The purpose of this notice is to inform students, parents, employees and the general public that these opportunities are offered regardless of race, color, national origin, sex or disability. Admission in the specific courses is determined by grade level, and in some cases, completion of prerequisite courses. A listing of program offerings and career and educational technology course descriptions is included in Maple River Secondary School's 2024-25 Registration Book which is available on the high school website under the Guidance Office Link.

*The District has designated the following individuals to coordinate compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972.*

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**Directory Information:** According to State Statute 13.32 Subd. 5, Maple River School District has the right to publish directory information for your child(ren) who attends our school. On occasion, your student's directory information will be used and published. This includes photos of your child(ren) that may be posted to the district website or social media accounts, engaged in educational activities. If you do not agree with this statute, you may submit in writing to Maple River Schools (mr-info@isd2135.org) your intentions to opt out of the directory. If you have questions about this, you may refer to the state statute or you may call the school at any time.

**Student Data Privacy:** Maple River Schools uses a variety of digital tools to support student learning. Technology vendors and software is utilized to support work as we help all students develop the skills necessary to succeed in an ever-changing world. We have an inventory of our curriculum, testing, and assessment tools posted at [isd2135.k12.mn.us/Page/4217](https://isd2135.k12.mn.us/Page/4217) and include an outline of the student data elements within each tool. This list is maintained and communicated annually to all families at the start of the school year. Please reach out to Dee Stencil for additional questions regarding specific digital tools used in classrooms.

**Lead in Drinking Water Notification 2024-25:** Maple River Public Schools ISD #2135 in coordination with the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) and the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) has implemented the **Model Plan to Test for Lead in Early Care and Education Settings** <https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/schools/modelplan.html> per **Minnesota Statutes, 121A.335 Lead in School Drinking Water** <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=121A.335>

Per the MDH & MDE *Model Plan*, during the 2023-2024 school year, the district performed lead in drinking water testing of one hundred sixty five (165) individual drinking fountains as well as sinks/fixtures throughout the K-12 building and *Eagles Nest Day Care*. Laboratory analysis report records confirmed eight (8) sinks/fixtures resulted in lead in drinking water levels above the MDH/MDE guideline of 5.0 parts per billion (ppb).

As required in the *Model Plan* the district has removed from service, the sinks/fixtures with lead in drinking water levels at or exceeding 5.0 ppb. The district is actively working with a licensed plumber to replace the noted fixtures. Once replaced, the newly installed fixtures will be retested to confirm lead in drinking water levels are below 5.0 ppb.

If you have questions relating to lead in drinking water or would like to review the district Lead in Drinking Water Plan, laboratory reports, or have questions, please contact Nicole Quiram at 507-524-3918.

**Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Annual Notification 2024-25:** Maple River Public Schools ISD #2135 in coordination with the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have developed an Indoor Air Quality management plan. A function of the IAQ management plan includes this following yearly correspondence to all district residents on the status of IAQ issues within the district.

The plan is reviewed annually. As part of the plan, IAQ related activities such as building walkthroughs, ventilation inspections and staff surveys are conducted in order to monitor and manage indoor conditions within our facilities.

Throughout the upcoming year, ISD #2135 will continue to respond to IAQ concerns in a proactive manner to ensure the health and safety of students, staff, and building visitors. If you have questions relating to IAQ or would like to review the district IAQ management plan, please contact Nicole Quiram at 507-524-3918.

**Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Notification Notice Concerning Use of Pesticides 2024-25:** All Minnesota schools are required to inform parents/guardians and school employees that they may request to be notified prior to pesticide applications on school property. Pesticides include chemicals which are used to control insects, weeds, rodents or other pests as defined by the law. (M.S. 123G.575, Subd. 9)

Pests having the potential to sting, bite, contaminate, cause property damage, spread disease, cause asthma and/or trigger an allergic reaction. Therefore, we attempt to minimize their impact on students, staff and other building visitors. Our district utilizes the service of a licensed, professional pest control firm for the prevention and control of pests in and around district buildings and grounds. All pest control materials are chosen and applied according to Federal Law.

Because long-term health effects on children from the application of such pesticides or the class of chemicals to which they belong may not be fully understood, the district requires the least amount and least toxic pesticides available be used.

An estimated schedule of interior pest control inspections and possible treatments is available for review or copying at the district office. A similar estimated schedule is available for applications to school grounds of herbicides and other materials. Parents may receive, at their expense, notification of pesticide application prior to their use should they be deemed necessary on unscheduled days if specifically requested.

Any questions you may have regarding the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program or practices should be directed to Nicole Quiram at 507-524-3918.