

# Tuesday Takeaway

Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2023

The *Tuesday Takeaway* is a weekly e-newsletter distributed to all Mapleton staff. This quick-hit-style newsletter contains the news you need for the week ahead!



## Welcome to preschool!

Yesterday was the first day of preschool for the 2023-24 school year. From learning to share with others to recognizing letters of the alphabet, there are so many "firsts" on the way for our youngest learners! We are thrilled to be by their side as they begin their educational journey in Mapleton!

To help even more children join Mapleton preschools, staff is inviting interested families of 3-or-4-year-olds to come to the **Preschool on Poze on Wednesday, Aug. 23, from 1-5 p.m.** to receive in-



person preschool enrollment support.



## Mapleton Performing Arts receives nearly 50 donated instruments

From clarinets to violins, Mapleton music students now have many more tools to do what they love. On Saturday, Aug. 12, the nonprofit Bringing Music to Life gifted Mapleton with nearly 50 donated instruments through its annual instrument drive.

Mapleton applied for instruments because it needed to replace more than a quarter of its inventory, which was no longer in useable, playable condition due to wear and tear. That made it harder for instructors to teach, and potentially less appealing for students to learn. [Read more here.](#)

## Mondays are made for Mapleton Purple!

Don't forget, Mapleton Mondays are back! Staff can show their district pride by wearing a Mapleton purple or a Mapleton/Skyview logo shirt every Monday. And if they do, they can also wear professional jeans.



## Help the district save money by using communal appliances

Help Mapleton become a leader in fostering a culture of energy efficiency. Colorado just became the fourth state nationwide to require energy performance tracking of a building over time, which is called benchmarking. This can help save money on utility costs and ensure the buildings operate most efficiently. All Mapleton

schools meet the size threshold to measure their buildings' energy use and report it annually to the state. To show our commitment to sustainability, we are asking that staff keep certain appliances out of classrooms, and instead use well-equipped break and business rooms.

### Items that should not be located in classrooms:

- Coffee Pots
- Microwaves
- Refrigerators (exception: science)
- Individual Printers
- Popcorn Machines
- Toasters

## Nutrition Services is ready for catering requests

Nutrition Services chef, Pete Monnier, is here for your catering needs! You can find the catering menu and order form [here](#). You can also download the Afterschool Care Snack form [here](#), and the

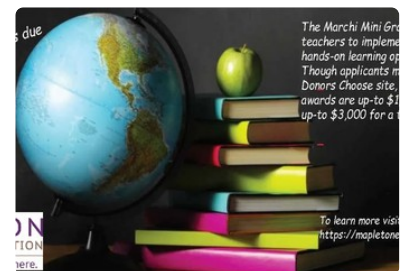
field trip request form [here](#). Please note that Nutrition Services needs at least a two-week minimum notice to accommodate your request, whether it be catering, field trips, or after-school snacks. For more information, please reach out to [Lindsay Hull](#) at ext. 1126



## Mapleton Education Foundation

### Apply for Marchi Mini-Grants by Oct. 10

A reminder that applications are now open for the 2023 Marchi Mini-Grant Program, offering teachers a chance to secure funds for creative, standards-aligned, hands-on classroom projects. The Mapleton Education Foundation awards up to \$1,500 for an individual instructor or up to \$3,000 for a team application. This program, which started in 2013, honors the memory of Lisa Marchi, a former dedicated Mapleton educator, known for her unwavering support for teachers and students. The Mapleton Education Foundation Board of Directors selects projects for Marchi Innovation funding, with winners notified by the end of October. The deadline for applications is October 10. [Apply here](#).



## Teaching and Learning

### Department seeks teachers for demonstration classrooms

Mapleton Public Schools will be identifying demonstration classrooms across grade levels and content areas to continue to deepen the district's instructional infrastructure. The purpose is to provide models for teachers that illustrates components of best instruction, and to support educators in elevating their craft through observation, feedback, and reflection. Opportunities will be provided across Mapleton where teachers can observe best practices in action.

Teaching and Learning is seeking teachers who want to open their classrooms to become demonstration classrooms. These teachers should have a belief that they can change learning outcomes for students through strong and rigorous instructional practices. The characteristics of a teacher in a demonstration classrooms value learning, are reflective, and want to grow their practice to ensure access for every student.

If you are interested in applying to be a demonstration classroom, please complete the application on the [Mapleton jobs site](#) and complete this internal [form](#) by Friday, Sep. 1, 2023. Upon completion of the application, a team will review your application, gather School Director input, conduct a classroom observation, and review a unit plan.



Please see the [Mapleton jobs site](#) for details on requirements of role and compensation.

If you have questions about Demonstration Classrooms, please reach out to [Allyson Mallory](#), Director of Teaching and Learning, ext. 1014, or [Karla Gruenwald](#), Director of Teaching and Learning, ext.1021, in Teaching and Learning.

## Upcoming Events

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**Monday, Sep. 4** – Labor Day - All schools and district offices closed

**Thursday, Sep. 7** – Campus POW/MIA 9/11 Ceremony, DiTirro Stadium, 10-10:45 a.m.

**Friday, Sep. 15** – District Homecoming! All schools will dismiss two hours early.

**Tuesday, Sep 19** - DAAC meeting, 4:30 p.m.



### Tuesday Takeaway Call for Submissions

Let's brag about it! Is something happening in your school that you would love to highlight or "show off?" We know you are awesome, so let's celebrate it! Please submit a paragraph and pictures detailing your good news to [communications@mapleton.us](mailto:communications@mapleton.us).

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