



# Tuesday Takeaway

Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2023 - Election Day!

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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!

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## Academy High School teacher Lindsey Schultz named Colorado Bioscience Association Educator of the Year

Congratulations to Academy High School science teacher Lindsey Schultz for being named the Colorado Bioscience Association (CBSA) Educator of the Year! The organization selected Lindsay for her continued efforts to bring the life sciences curriculum and career awareness to her classroom.

She recently participated in the CBSA's Research Experience for Teachers, contributing to STEM projects to boost student interest. She also formed valuable connections with industry leaders to enhance workplace-relevant skills in her classroom.

The CBSA will honor Lindsay at their awards celebration on Nov. 16, at the Denver Center for the Performing Arts. [Read more about Lindsay here.](#)

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### Nutrition Services to provide annual Thanksgiving turkey meal on Thursday, Nov. 16

Savor the flavors of Thanksgiving a week early with your work family, as Nutrition Services prepares its annual Thanksgiving turkey meal on Thursday, Nov. 16, at all school locations. For just \$4.25, staff can enjoy a special meal that includes turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, a garlic knot roll, and a sugar cookie.

To secure your spot, **please RSVP to your kitchen manager by this Thursday, Nov. 9.** If you aren't sure who to contact to RVSP, email Lindsay Hull at [hulll@mapleton.us](mailto:hulll@mapleton.us). We hope you can join us as we come together to share gratitude and great food.

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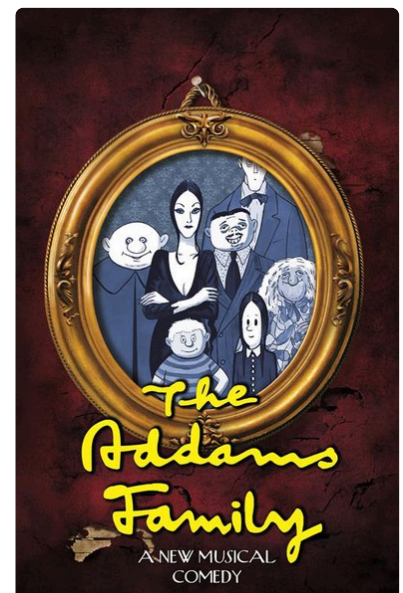
### Watch "The Addams Family," this year's district musical, at the MAC this week

"The Addams Family," this year's district musical, opens this week at the Mapleton Arts Center for three performances. Watch our talented performing arts students bring these creepy and kooky characters to life. The musical is based on the Broadway hit about the classic, ghoulish American family with an affinity for all things macabre. Performance dates and times are below.

**Thursday, Nov. 9, 7 p.m.**

**Friday, Nov. 10, 7 p.m.**

**Saturday, Nov. 11, 2 p.m.**



All Mapleton students/staff receive free admission, BUT a ticket reservation is still required. [Reserve your tickets online here](#) so you don't have to wait in line at the box office. For non-students/staff, tickets cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors (ages 65+) and children ages 6-17. Children up to 5 years old are free.

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### **Show your appreciation through "High-Five Fridays"**

Do you work with someone who deserves a shout out for a job well done? Tell us about them so we can recognize them through our "High-Five Fridays."

We just launched the program, where every week, families, students, and staff are invited to share who in the Mapleton community deserves a high-five and why. All high-five moments from the week will be shared every Friday on our district website and social media. High-fives will also be published in our monthly

family and staff newsletters.

We know 'high-five' worthy moments happen every day in Mapleton, in every school building, on every school bus, and within each department. Take a moment to show your appreciation for the ones who earned them. To share your 'high-five' celebration, email [communications@mapleton.us](mailto:communications@mapleton.us).

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### **You're invited! Special reception honoring Board President Cindy Croisant**

On Tuesday, Nov. 28, everyone is invited to join the Board of Education at a special reception honoring outgoing Board President, Cindy Croisant. Cindy has served as a passionate, dedicated, and courageous member of Mapleton's Board of Education for 16 years. During her time on the Board, Cindy was the driving force behind many transformative reforms to ensure all students achieve their dreams. Join us in thanking her for her service to Mapleton Public Schools!

#### **Reception for Cindy Croisant, Board of Education President**

**Tuesday, Nov. 28, 4:30 p.m.**

**Administration Building (7350 Broadway, Denver, 80221)**

#### **Help us welcome our new and returning Board of Education members!**

You are also invited to stay for the Board of Education meeting, where Daisy Lechman, District B, and Michelle Ramos, District D, will be sworn in for their four-year terms.

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### **Achieve Academy fourth graders learn math through Number Talks**

Achieve Academy fourth graders are learning how to understand fractions by teaching each other through "Number Talks." This method encourages students to discuss how to solve problems and

justify their thinking.

Students first work individually, then share their approaches using sentence stems like, "I can prove my strategy works because..." If they can successfully defend their process in their own words, and other students can replicate it, that increases every student's understanding.



The school has seen positive outcomes from this relatively new approach, nearly doubling elementary reading rates in the past year and increasing them to above pre-pandemic levels. Math scores in elementary and middle school math are improving significantly, too.

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## Keep our buildings pest free this season

It's getting colder outside, and some creatures will seek refuge indoors. To maintain a clean and pest-free workplace, the Operations team is asking staff to eliminate any potential food sources and identify entry points for these pests.

### You can help pest control measures by:

- Removing sources of food, water, and shelter.
- Storing food in sealed plastic or glass containers. Garbage containing food scraps should be placed in tightly covered trash cans or removed promptly.
- Getting rid of clutter, like stacks of newspapers, magazines, or cardboard, where pests can breed or hide.

Maintenance and custodial staff will regularly remove garbage from buildings, fix leaky plumbing to avoid water accumulation, and close off places where pests can enter and hide. You can read more about [pest control do's and don'ts here](#). Your attention and cooperation are greatly appreciated!

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## Teaching and Learning

### Quarter 2 math interim update

The seventh and eighth grade math interims for Quarter 2 now have a calculator available on some questions, but not all. This has been updated in the student presentation.

For high school math, the calculator has been changed to a graphing calculator since that is what is available for the P/SAT. A screenshot of what this looks like in the student presentation may [be viewed here](#).

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# Upcoming Events

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**Monday - Friday, Nov. 20-24** - Thanksgiving Break - No School for Students

**Tuesday, Nov. 28** - Board of Education Business Meeting, 4:30 p.m. - Reception, 6 p.m. - Meeting

**Wednesday, Dec. 6** - Two-hour late start - All schools

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## 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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