

Tuesday Takeaway

Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2024

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!

Mapleton featured in Colorado Parent Magazine

Check it out!

Colorado Parent Magazine featured Mapleton Public Schools as the Face of Public Education in the Denver metro area! View the [article here](#).

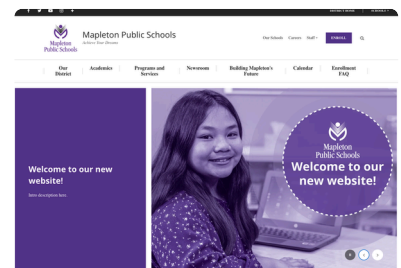


New Mapleton website launches soon!

It's coming!

Mapleton's new website launches on Wednesday, Jan. 24!

That's right! Mapleton's new, creative, accessible, and mobile-friendly site debuts at the end of this month. Hosted by Finalsite, Mapleton's new online experience includes more intuitive navigation, mobile-friendly pages and features, and AudioEye, an industry-leading accessibility compliance technology to ensure equal access to the website.



Almost a full year in the making, the new site's design used data and community input to help improve organization, use fewer headers, create better drop-down menu organization, and avoid website clutter.

We can't wait to show you the site! Training schedules will be available later this month.

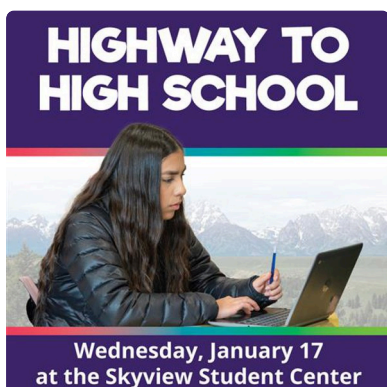
School tours begin Jan. 16 ahead of enrollment

Don't forget that, starting Tuesday, Jan. 16, all our schools will begin offering school tours to prospective families. This is your chance to put your best foot forward and show students what is special and unique about your school and why they should attend. Prospective families are invited to stop by anytime during each open house event to see classrooms and gathering spaces, meet school directors and teachers, and maybe even talk to current students.



Enrollment/Annual Update opens Wednesday, Jan. 17!

You can view the [calendar of school tours and open house events here](#).



Preschool and Kindergarten Discovery Fairs, Highway to High School coming up, too

We're also hosting some other enrollment events for our youngest and slightly older students. Read more below.

Preschool and Kindergarten Discovery Fairs

To help families learn more about preschool and kindergarten in Mapleton, the district is hosting two Discovery Fairs. At the Discovery Fairs, families can learn more about Mapleton's schools, meet school directors and teachers, and receive enrollment assistance.

- **Wednesday, January 17, 5-7 p.m., Skyview Student Center on the Skyview Campus (8990 York St., Thornton, 80229)**
- **Wednesday, Jan. 24, 4-6 p.m., John Dewey Student Center on the Global Campus (7480 Broadway, Bldg. 2, Denver, 80221)**

Mapleton 8th graders! Get ready for Highway to High School!

On Wednesday, Jan. 17, we invite 8th graders to the Skyview Campus for the Highway to High School Showcase. This event provides an opportunity for 8th graders to interact with students and teachers from Mapleton's high schools, gaining insights into school programs, CTE pathways, and the overall high school experience.

Buses will be transporting students to and from the Skyview Student Center. The schedule is below:

Explore PK-8

Departure: 8:45 a.m.

Return: 10:00 a.m.

Monterey Community School

Departure: 9:45 a.m.

Return: 11:00 a.m.

Trailside Academy

Departure: 10:30 a.m.

Return: 12:00 p.m.

Achieve Academy

Departure: 11:30 a.m.

Return: 1:00 p.m.

Meadow Community School

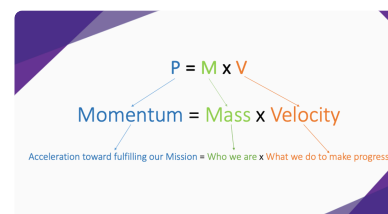
Departure: 12:30 p.m.

Return: 1:45 p.m.

Clayton Partnership School: 1:45-2:35 p.m. (walk)

Listening and Learning Tour

Senior Deputy Superintendent Mike Crawford is launching a Listening and Learning tour to hear from as many families, students, staff, and community members as possible prior to taking over as Superintendent on July 1, 2024. Input gathered from the Listening and Learning tour will be used to inform *Mapleton Momentum*, a collaboratively created two-year plan for improvement.



Why Momentum?

The formula for momentum is $P = M \times V$, where P is Momentum, M is Mass and V is Velocity. To determine Mapleton's Momentum, or that which carries the district forward, the information gathered during the Listening and Learning tour will be used to write Mapleton's unique formula for momentum, where **P** is **Mapleton's acceleration toward fulfilling the district's mission**, **M** is **who we are**, and **V** is **what we do to make progress**.

Mapleton Momentum will serve as Mike's entry plan as Superintendent, and as the pre-work for Mapleton's next Strategic Plan, to be implemented in 2026.

Please note the following important dates:

Employee Input

Mapleton Education Association

- Tuesday, Jan. 16, 4:30 p.m. MEA Rep Meeting

School Staff – Open Focus Groups

- Wednesday, Feb. 7, 7:30-8:30 a.m. | Skyview Campus (Late Start Day)
- Wednesday, Feb. 7, 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Skyview Campus
- Wednesday, March 6, 7:30-8:30 a.m. | Broadway Campus (Late Start Day)
- Wednesday, March 6, 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Broadway Campus

Operations – Focus Group

- Friday, Feb. 23, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Central Administration – Focus Group

- February 16, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Student Input

High School Student Ambassadors

- Thursday, Jan. 18
- Thursday, Feb. 15

Middle School “walk and talks”

- Wednesday, Feb. 21, 7:30-11 a.m. (Trailside, Achieve, Explore)
- Wednesday, April 10, 7:30-11:30 a.m. (Monterey, Clayton, Meadow, York)

Family/Community Input

School SAAC Meetings

- Directors: Please send Laura Milani your meeting schedule.

District Accountability/Advisory Meetings

- Tuesday, Feb. 20, 4:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 26, 4:30 p.m.

Community Ambassador Meeting

- Thursday, Feb. 1

Survey Suite - Studor Education (Third Party Consultant)

- Family and Student Surveys (available in English and Spanish), Staff Survey, School and Department Leader Survey
 - Dates TBD
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Meadow Community School

GROUND BREAKING



Join us!

Please join us as we break ground at the site of the new Meadow Community School! The Meadow Community School rebuild is made possible by generous community support and funds from Colorado's Building Excellent Schools Today grant program. The new building will serve grades preschool through eighth grade and highlight the school's nature and science model. We hope to see you there!

Tuesday, January 23 | 2:30 p.m.



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'Tis the season to walk like a penguin

Watch your footing! The ice and snow we woke up to yesterday could linger throughout the rest of the week due to temperatures remaining close to or below freezing. Additionally, there are several chances for snowfall this week and into next week.

Please remember to:

- Wear appropriate footwear, with grooves and lots of tread. Work and dress shoes should be carried into the building separately. Avoid wearing cowboy boots, high heels, or other footwear that does not have the appropriate tread.
- Take the best route. Follow the clearest route to your entrance, even if it is not the most direct one. Obey posted signs.
- Avoid carrying items. Your hands should be empty so that your arms are free for stabilization. Do not overload your arms as you would during the warmer months.
- Remember to Walk Like a Penguin and watch the video on tips on how to prevent falls and injury.



Faculty regalia orders due by Thursday, Feb. 1

Graduation 2024 will be here before you know it. High school faculty, make sure you're dressed right for the occasion by ordering your regalia from Jostens by Thursday, Feb. 1. You can use [this link](#) to order and pay for your hoods and gowns. After Feb. 1, Jostens won't be able to accommodate orders, due to the custom nature of faculty regalia.



A limited number of gowns will be available to borrow the morning of the graduation ceremony. Hood will not be available to borrow.



Start the new year off by giving a colleague a "High Five"

In this new year's glow, let gratitude thrive,
Submit your "high fives" to keep spirits alive.
For Mapleton's stars, each coworker dear,
A collective cheer for making our journey clear.

If you know someone who deserves a "High Five," submit your appreciation using [this form](#).

[Submit a High Five!](#)

Integrated Services

Olweus Bullying Prevention - Monthly Theme and Tier 1 Resources

The Olweus theme for January is **Relationships**. [Check out the resources here!](#)

Bullying prevention supplies available:

1. Postcards (and stamps) for positive notes home
2. Small blank journals for gratitude journaling
3. Small encouragement cards for admin to write notes to staff (or staff to each other)

Please ask for other things you might need to help you in your efforts to promote a positive classroom and school climate.

Olweus Funds

[Click here to apply for Olweus funds](#) for your bullying prevention efforts this school year.

If you want some ideas on how to spend your funds, please contact your district Bullying Prevention Coordinator, [Jacqueline Ewing](#) 303.853.1019.

Teaching and Learning

District-Approved Curriculum Unit Assessment Calendar: JANUARY

To support the use of the data between the Interim Assessments, below are the District-Approved Curriculum Unit Assessments that support classroom instruction and can provide information for future planning at IDT meetings. The assessment dates are based on the curriculum resource pacing guides and might be administered in January.

Content Area	Approximate Assessment Date	Unit/Topic Assessment
K-6 Reading DIBELS	2 x during the month	DIBELS Progress Monitoring for Students at "Below" or "Well Below" on DIBELS Benchmark
K-5 ELA Benchmark	Jan 19	Unit 5
K-8 ELA EL Reading	Jan 12	Module 2: Unit 3
K-5 Math Bridges	Jan 26	Unit 5
6 th grade ELA Into Literature	Jan 12	Unit 3
7 th grade ELA Into Literature	Jan 19	Unit 3
8 th grade ELA Into Literature	Jan 12	Unit 3
6 th grade Math enVisions	Jan 16	Topic 4
7 th grade Math enVisions	Jan 24	Topic 4
8 th grade Math enVisions	Jan 25	Topic 4
6 th grade Science Inspire	Working through Unit 3 Module 1	Unit 3 Module 1 Assessment (Feb 8)
7 th grade Science Inspire	Jan 19	Unit 2: Module 2
8 th grade Science Inspire	Jan 31	Unit 2: Module 3
Earth Science	Jan 18 & 30	Chapters 12 & 13
Biology	Jan 16 & 24	Chapters 14 & 15
Chemistry	Jan 19	Investigation 9
Physics	Jan 16 & 25	Chapters 13 & 14
Algebra 1	Jan 12 & 30	Unit 2: Topic 4 & Unit 3: Topic 1
Algebra 2	Jan 19	Unit 3: Topic 1
Geometry	Jan 19	Unit 2: Topic 3

ACCESS test preparation for students

Find test preparation resources for ACCESS Online and ACCESS Paper on the [ACCESS Test Practice and Sample Items](#) webpage. On the page, you'll find things like sample items for ACCESS

Online, ACCESS Paper and the ACCESS braille accommodation, as well as resources to help prepare students for testing with test demos and test practice items.

A word from WIDA: Before your students take ACCESS Online, make sure you and your students are familiar with the new look and feel of the DRC INSIGHT Secure Student Browser. Review the resources on the ACCESS Test Practice and Sample Items webpage to ensure that students are ready to show all that they can do on the assessment. Learn more by watching [DRC Technical Enhancements for 2023-2024](#), a recorded webinar in the WIDA Secure Portal.

CogAT Universal Screening (2nd and 6th Grades)

Mapleton will administer the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) for all second and sixth grade students Feb. 1-29 as part of our annual universal screening for the gifted and talented (GT) program. In addition, any other referred K-12 students are invited to participate, as long as this is coordinated through each school's GT Leads.

This week, second and sixth grade teachers and GT Leads will receive a calendar invitation for the training session to be held online, via TEAMS, with the necessary instructional documents attached. The training will take place on Thursday, Jan. 18, from 4:30-6 p.m.

It is a district expectation that all second and sixth grade classroom teachers will be the primary test administrators for their classes because they know their students best and how to maintain positive classroom management.

All training session participants will receive extra duty pay for their attendance. For any questions, please contact [Brad Russell](#), ext.1905.

Upcoming Events

Monday, Jan. 15 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)

Tuesday, Jan. 16 - DAAC, 4:-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 7 - 2-hour late start - All Schools



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.

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