



Mapleton Public Schools

The background of the header section is a photograph of an old, sepia-toned map. Overlaid on the map are various drafting tools, including a large metal compass and a straightedge. The map shows lines, dots, and some handwritten text like 'weg', 'Seg', '2293', and 'Kürzester Damp'.

The Tuesday Takeaway

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

The *Tuesday Takeaway* is designed to be a quick-hit-style newsletter with stories most pertinent to employees at the top and stories including student celebrations toward the middle. If you scroll toward the bottom, you will find information relevant to specific employee groups, such as important updates from Teaching and Learning for teachers.

If you have an idea for a story, like one about your school, students, or department, [please send it our way!](#) We'll do our best to fit them in an upcoming issue.

[Past issues of the Takeaway are available on our website.](#)



Way to go, GIA!

Congratulations to Global Intermediate Academy for being the first school to achieve 100% family completion of the Annual Update!

As a reward for their dedication, GIA will proudly showcase the official Annual Update trophy in the main office for the next year. A huge thank you to the GIA staff and families! All Mapleton families are encouraged to [complete the Annual Update](#) as soon as possible to prepare for the upcoming school year.

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Tuesday Tech Tip of the Week

Welcome to **Tech Tip Tuesday**, where every Tuesday, we spotlight handy tech tips and tools designed to streamline your workflow.

Scheduling computer reboots

- Prevent unplanned computer reboots and the potential for data loss or system crash by scheduling time to update your computer when prompted with updates. Make sure your computer is plugged into and power source and do not interrupt the update once it is started.
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Mapleton News

Kids First Health Care opens Alto Community Clinic in Westminster

There is a great new resource available near Mapleton! Kids First Health Care just opened its new Alto Community Clinic in Westminster. The clinic offers high-quality medical and mental health services for children and young adults, from birth to age 21, as well as Medicaid and CHP+ enrollment support and resource navigation assistance.

Location: 3075 W. 71st Ave., Westminster, CO 80030

Appointments: Call 303-428-4384

For more information, visit [Kids First Health Care](#).



Come watch this year's District spring play "Radium Girls"

[Tickets are now on sale](#) for this year's District spring play, "Radium Girls," running April 3-5 at the Mapleton Arts Center.

This powerful drama tells the true story of young women in the 1920s who painted watch dials with radium, unaware of its deadly effects. As they begin to suffer mysterious illnesses, they fight against corporate greed and corruption in their battle for justice. "Radium Girls" is a gripping tale of resilience, courage, and the cost of speaking the truth.

Showtimes:

- Thursday, April 3, at 7 p.m.
- Friday, April 4, at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, April 5, at 2 p.m.

Admission:

Mapleton students/staff: FREE

Adults and non-Mapleton student tickets: \$12

Seniors 55+: \$8

Get your tickets got "Radium Girls"

Girls' Flag Football coming to Mapleton this fall



Mapleton Public Schools' Skyview Wolverines Athletics Department is excited to announce that Girls' Flag Football will be offered as a fall sport beginning this August, replacing Girls' Softball. This decision comes as enthusiasm for Girls' Flag Football grows, while interest and participation in Girls' Softball continues to decline.

"This exciting change responds to our students and expands opportunities for competition," said Athletics Director Pat Weir. The Colorado High School Activities Association (CHSAA) officially sanctioned the sport in 2024 after a successful pilot program.

Students interested in softball can join teams in neighboring districts. Fall sports registration, including flag football details, will be available in July at www.mapleton.us.

Help choose the next Mapleton Reads books!

Mapleton Reads is a cherished tradition that brings our community together through the joy of reading! Each year, we select books for elementary, middle, and high school readers, creating a shared literary experience across all ages. Through engaging discussions and shared learning, we celebrate the power of stories to connect and inspire us.

Now, we need your help! What books do you recommend for this year's **Mapleton Reads**? Share your suggestions and be part of this wonderful tradition! [Submit your recommendations using this form.](#)

Mapleton Arts Center reservations for the 2025-26 school year are now available

If your school wants to reserve the Mapleton Arts Center (MAC) for any events, please contact Mapleton Art Center Manager [Greg Piotraschke](#) *no later than April 15*. Reservations could include times during the school day, after school, and weekends. After April 15, availability is limited, as groups outside of Mapleton can begin making their reservations for the school year.



Contact [Greg Piotraschke](#) at ext. 4871.

Teaching and Learning

Educator Effectiveness training requirement

Colorado administrators renewing an initial or professional license must now complete additional training in Observation and Feedback, as mandated by Senate Bill 22-070.

The requirement took effect on Aug. 1, 2024, and consists of two phases. **Part I** is an asynchronous online module offered through the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) and must be completed first. **Part II** can be taken through either CDE or Mapleton Public Schools, which is an approved provider. Administrators must complete both training parts to renew their licenses.

Part I Training – 4-Hour Online Asynchronous Modules

[CDE E-Train Part I Registration](#)

Part II Training – Options

1. CDE 8-Hour In-Person Training [CDE Part Training Dates](#)
2. Mapleton In-Person Training – Three sessions (*All sessions will be held in the Trail Ridge Training Room at the Broadway Building from 4-6 p.m.*)
 1. Wednesday, April 23
 2. Wednesday, April 30
 3. Wednesday, May 7

If you are interested in attending the Mapleton Observation and Feedback Training, or you have additional questions, please email Educator Pathway Coordinator [Toni Booth](#) to reserve your place. Just a reminder that you will not be able to renew your administrative license without this training.

***Reminder: This training is required for license renewal.**

Interim Quarter 3 District results

Below are the District's Interim Quarter 3 results for ELA and math. Interims serve as a bridge between formative and summative assessments and can provide valuable information for data-driven instruction. The interims serve as a snapshot of progress against a set of uniform standards within the quarter. Results can also be found in EduClimber.

What should we do with this data? How can this data be used to inform instructional practice? Some possible questions to ask are below.

- How might this information guide our IDT work? MTSS?
- What was the data for my school as compared to the district data overall?
- We analyzed our school data. What were our highest leverage grade level gaps? Was there a pattern across grade levels?
- What opportunities do we have for reteach? Is guided discourse or modeling most appropriate for closing the highest leverage grade level gap? What targeted supports might be needed?

ELA Interim 3 2024-2025				
Grade	Does Not Yet Meet	Approach	Meets	Avg. % Correct
3	62%	29%	8%	44
4	41%	39%	20%	52
5	64%	33%	4%	42
6	49%	44%	7%	47
7	50%	35%	15%	50
8	42%	42%	17%	51
9	47%	43%	10%	49
10	31%	39%	30%	58
11	55%	35%	11%	47

Math Interim 3 2024-2025				
Grade	Does Not Yet Meet	Approach	Meets	Avg. % Correct
3	69%	24%	7%	39
4	62%	33%	16%	45
5	61%	24%	14%	45
6	78%	17%	5%	36
7	89%	11%	0%	32
8	84%	14%	2%	32
Alg 1	66%	26%	8%	40
Geom	66%	26%	8%	39
Alg 2	43%	35%	22%	55

The Interim 4 Testing Window is May 7-16, with makeups running May 19-21. Interim 4 this year is optional for high school only. It is required for grades 3-8.

Grades 3-8 Interim and Curricular Resource Math Alignment Work Group update

A small group of grade 3-8 math teachers recently met to improve the alignment between interim assessments and curricular resources (Bridges and enVisions). As a result, updates will be made to the Quarter 4 interims this year, with revised review links available by the second week of April. Additionally, Quarters 1-3 will be updated for the 2025-26 school year.

To ensure stronger alignment, pacing guides may also be adjusted, with any changes shared for next year once finalized. Thank you to the team for their hard work on this important task! For questions, contact Assessment & Data Specialist [Veronica Shea](#), at ext. 1064, or any team member below:

Grades 3-5:

- [Taylor Strupp](#), Monterey Community School
- [Meagan Ackerman](#), Adventure Elementary
- [Jordan Smith](#), Clayton Partnership School

Grades 6-8:

- [Gabby Hernandez](#), Global Intermediate Academy
- [Jivan Smith-Shively](#), Clayton Partnership School
- [Ashley Hult](#), Mapleton Online

Mapleton Education Foundation

Support our students and teachers by catching Mapleton Appreciation Weekend with the Colorado Rockies!

Join the Colorado Rockies and the Mapleton Education Foundation for Mapleton Appreciation Weekend May 9-11, at the ballpark. Every ticket sold contributes to the Foundation's crucial work for Mapleton students and teachers. If you can't make one of those games, there will be two more chances to support the cause on Friday, May 23, and Sunday, May 25. Don't miss out on the opportunity to enjoy America's favorite pastime while making a difference in your local community.



For more information on these upcoming events, visit the [MEF's website](#).

Points of Pride

Two Mapleton seniors awarded prestigious Boettcher Scholarships

We are beyond thrilled to announce that Lizbeth HP., from Mapleton Expeditionary School of the Arts, and Dana RA., from Mapleton Early Career Prep, have been named Boettcher Foundation Scholarship recipients! The Boettcher Scholarship is one of Colorado's most competitive and prestigious awards, recognizing students' academic excellence, leadership, and service. This life-



changing opportunity provides full tuition and funding to attend any in-state college or university of their choice!

Lizbeth will attend The University of Colorado Boulder in the fall, where she plans to study Elementary Education. This year, Lizbeth has excelled in Mapleton's Career and Technical Education (CTE) Teaching for Tomorrow teacher prep program, further fueling her passion for education.

Dana will attend Colorado College in Colorado Springs, where she plans to study Pre-Nursing. She also did the math and discovered there was only a 2% chance of a district having a Boettcher Scholar—and an incredible 0.02% chance of having two in one district!

We couldn't be prouder of these two exceptional students. Please join us in celebrating their incredible achievements and bright futures!



Academy High School introduces Phlebotomy Certification Course

Academy High School launched its new Phlebotomy Certification course this spring, giving students hands-on experience in blood collection to prepare them for healthcare careers. Part of the school's Career and Technical Education Health Science Pathway, students practice on simulators before advancing to live venipunctures under supervision. The course builds both technical skills and professional communication, ensuring students are ready for certification once they graduate high school.



Read more [about the class here](#).

Congratulations to this year's District Science Fair winners!

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the 2025 District Science Fair! Our K-12 students explored big scientific questions, presenting projects judged on clarity, understanding, and scientific rigor.

Congratulations to our winners:

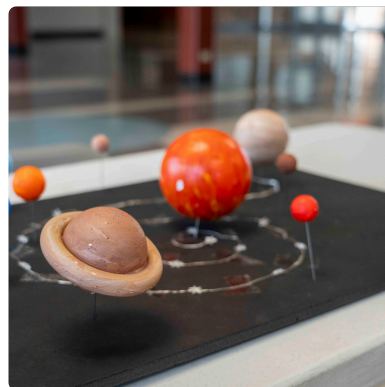
K-2nd Grade: *Cupcake Conundrum* – Emma Lynn G. (Monterey Community School)

3-5th Grade: *Electrolysis of Water* – Honaleya J. (Welby Community School of the Arts)

Group Winner: *Elevador Hidraulico* – Naail AC., Michelle RS., Fernando CC. (Monterey Community School)

6-8th Grade: *How Asthma Affects Exercise* – Diem S. & Aliviah J. (Trailside Academy)

9-12th Grade: *Lemon Battery* – Tino R. & Angel A. (Academy High School)



We are so proud of all our participants for their curiosity, innovation, and dedication to science!



Here are this week's "High Fives"

Brandi Greenbaum, Monterey Community School

"Brandi Greenbaum is one of the many hearts of Monterey Community School. As a dedicated 5th-grade teacher, she pours her love, energy, and passion into everything she does for her students. Her classroom is a place where every child feels seen, valued, and inspired to grow—not just academically, but as a kind and confident individual. Brandi goes above and beyond in her teaching and in the countless ways she supports the entire school community. Whether she's busting a dance move on the dance floor at special events,

cheering on her fellow staff, or finding creative ways to bring joy and learning together, all feel Brandi's impact. Monterey is truly a better place because of her unwavering commitment, bright spirit, and genuine love for what she does."

Submitted by Monterey Community Culture Team

Rachel Ross, Human Resources

"Rachel is great at listening and making you feel comfortable. She has a very calming approach to all matters. She is a great fit to the Mapleton family."

Submitted by Business Services

Taylor Nelson, Monterey Community School

"Taylor is an incredibly dedicated and talented music teacher who goes above and beyond for his students and colleagues. His enthusiasm and passion for music must make a huge impact on everyone around him. From engaging his students with relevant music and musicians, to creating an environment where their voices and choices matter, it's clear he's fostering a love for music in a unique and interactive way.

And it's even more impressive that he also coaches staff for district singing competitions and leads them to success! It really shows how much he invests in the community and the people he works with. Taylor seems like an inspiring figure who truly makes a difference in the lives of his students and peers."

Submitted by Monterey Community Culture Team

Kevin Ruskusky, Monterey Community School

"Kevin brightens up our hallways here at Monterey with his positive attitude and smile. He is always the first to strike up a conversation and ask how you are doing. Kevin treats his students with the same kindness he treats the staff, and even on the toughest of days, he finds a way to remain smiling. Way to go Kevin!!! "

Submitted by Monterey Community Culture Team

Marissa Mallery, Monterey Community School

"Marissa has such a positive attitude and chooses to see the best in her students. We are so grateful to have her smile and amazing teaching skills here at Monterey!"

Submitted by Monterey Community Culture Team

Rhonda Ronczka, Monterey Community School

"Rhonda has a love for this community like none I have ever seen! It is clear that her passion is to help others and lend a helping hand whenever she can. Rhonda is one of the most selfless individuals I have met and is critical to the growth of the students and staff at Monterey."

Submitted by Monterey Community Culture Team

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

Upcoming Events

Thursday-Saturday, April 3-5 - District Spring Play "Radium Girls"

Wednesday, April 9 - Board Study Session, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 15 - DAAC Meeting, 4:30-6 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16 - District Art Show

Wednesday, April 23 - Board Business Meeting, 6 p.m.

Friday, May 2 - Awards for Excellence, 5 p.m.

[Skyview Wolverines Athletics Calendar](#)

[District Performing Arts Calendar](#)



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.

Email: communications@mapleton.us

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