



PTA eBlast



Week of September 18, 2016

Happening This Week

September 18 - Farmer's 5000 Elementary School Challenge (5K Race)

September 20 - Special PTA Meeting

September 23 - Start of the Grizzly Reading Challenge

September 23 - Early Release Day

September 23 - Grizzly Gathering at Racca's

Lunch menu for [September](#)

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Upcoming Events

October 2 - Grizzly Growl

October 10-13 - Parent Teacher Conferences

October 14 - No School

News

READ, RUN, and PARTY!

The Maple Grove PTA is involved in lots of activities and fundraisers and sometimes all of the announcements and calls for participation may seem overwhelming. The opportunities PTA provides for our students are diverse and plentiful; they enrich our student's lives with afterschool activities and support in-school upgrades. Amazingly, all the many events and services PTA supports are mainly funded by three yearly fundraisers. These fundraisers ask for Maple Grove families to participate in just THREE valuable endeavors yearly, in order to raise money to support the plethora of PTA offerings. All we ask is that you Read, Run, and Party!

READ - Grizzly Reading Challenge – September 23-30

Information for this fundraiser came home in this week's Friday Folders. Look for

two due dates (September 23 for postcards and September 30 for reading logs).

RUN – Grizzly Growl – Sunday, October 2, 2016

This fun event can be run or walked! Whether you're challenging yourself for a PR on this easy, flat course, or walking with your kids for a healthy, fun morning, everyone can participate! Sign up [HERE](#).

PARTY – Maple Grove Gala – Spring 2017

Look for more information on this next spring, with many opportunities to get involved by donating, attending, and bidding on auction items – a good time is always had by all!

Grizzly Gathering at Racca's

Come to [Racca's](#) at the Colorado Mills Mall on Friday, September 23 for the first Grizzly Gathering of the year.

Racca's is generously donating **20% of all sales for the entire day!** This is an early release day so you can take the kids out for lunch after school or get a big group together for a fun Friday night dinner. This is our first Grizzly Gathering at Racca's so let's aim for a HUGE turnout!!

Click [HERE](#) for the flyer. 20% of the sales are derived from the flyers - either printed or electronic, don't forget to bring one!

Questions? Contact Missy Pugh melissa.a.pugh@gmail.com or Heather Mourer heathermourer@icloud.com.

Groovin' Grizzlies Choir

Any Maple Grove 3rd, 4th, 5th, or 6th grader who loves to sing, practice and perform, and can commit to weekly practices is welcome to join the Groovin' Grizzlies choir experience.

Practices will be held Thursdays beginning promptly after school at 2:30 to 3:30 in the music room. The first practice will begin Thursday, September 22, 2016. Make sure to get a permission form and contract, which must be returned to Mrs Padilla not later than Thursday, September 22nd. Here's to a fantastic 2016-2017 year of music making!

Questions? Contact Mrs Padilla at hvaniwaa@jeffco.k12.co.us

Special PTA Meeting

Please join the PTA for a special PTA Meeting on Tuesday, September 20 at 6pm in the library at Maple Grove to vote on the 3A & 3B Bond and Mill Levy ballot issue. PTA will hold a meeting on this night for the purpose of a general vote on these matters. Maple Grove PTA can endorse this measure if there is a majority vote of approval for endorsement from the general PTA membership.

If you have not signed dup for PTA membership and would like to participate in this vote, it's not too late - sign up [HERE](#).

On August 2, 2016, the Jeffco School Board voted unanimously to place a \$535 million bond and \$33 million mill levy override on the November 2016 ballot. These measures will provide operating dollars and capital funds to invest in our children's learning environments, and will cost Jeffco homeowners \$4.12 a month for every

\$100,000 in home value.

For more information about 3A & 3B ballot issues please go [HERE](#).

Helping Children Grieve

Helping Children Grieve is a free presentation for adults helping kids grieve at Lutheran Medical Center on Tuesday, September 27th 6-7:30 pm OR Wednesday, September 28th from 2-3:30pm. Families need to only attend one. Please contact Becky Cort at 303-403-7284 and indicate the session date.

Activities and Events

Grizzly Growl

It's that time again - the Grizzly Growl is on **Sunday, October 2**. We hope to see you out there enjoying our scenic course and family-friendly atmosphere all while supporting the Maple Grove PTA. A 1K fun run and costume contest add to the enjoyable atmosphere surrounding this school event.

Register [NOW](#) for this fun family event!

This fun 5K would not be possible without the involvement of our Maple Grove community. If you would like to help, please sign up [HERE](#). Thanks!

Questions? Contact Lindsey Fleener at lindseyfleener@gmail.com.

Grizzly Reading Challenge

Packets came home in Friday folders this week!

Please help your child set a goal for their reading the week of 9/23. Then help them complete the five post cards. Those are due back to school this week.

Reading is from 9/23 – 9/29. Reading logs must be turned in 9/30.

If your child:

- 1) Turns in the completed post cards
- 2) Reads
- 3) Turns in the reading log

Then **they will receive a Maple Grove Water Bottle AND \$10 in Book Fair Bucks** to spend at the Book Fair in December. The class with the most participation will receive a Jamba Juice Party!

After School Activities

PREP Fall Classes

KINDER / 1st GRADE SPANISH

This is a fun introduction to Spanish. Kids learn the basics (greetings, numbers, colors, animals) through interactive games and repetition.

Mondays October 17th–November 14th 2:30–3:30pm \$45/Student K–1st Grade

Visit <http://www.prepenrichment.com> to register.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

This introductory class will get kids used to the movement of sign language. They will learn the alphabet, greetings, and simple communications.

Thursdays October 20th–November 17th 2:30–3:45pm \$45/Student Grades 3–6

Visit <http://www.prepenrichment.com> to register.

AbraKadoodle

The themes of this semester's AbraKadoodle class is: By Land, By Sea, By Air. In this class, students will learn about deserts and mountains, beaches and waves, and outer space and clouds.

What: 9 week class for grades K-5

When: Tuesday, September 20 - November 15

Cost: \$120

Time: 2:35-3:50

Questions? Contact kbohall@abrakadoodle.com or 303-982-2917. You can register [HERE](#).

Pottery & Ceramic WorkShops

Join us in this FUN adventure of exploring the fascinating & exciting world of Creative Ceramic Arts. We have a great time creating sculptures, pots, & creatures out of clay.

Monday - 2:30-3:30(Art Room) - All Grades

Session #II October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 28, December 5 - \$122

Wednesday - 2:30-3:30(Art Room) - All Grades

Session #II October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 30, December 7 - \$122

Click [HERE](#) for a printable registration.

For more info or to register on-line email creativeworkshops@comcast.net or call 720-329-7572.

Parent Power

Grizzly Growl

The Grizzly Growl will be here before we know it!

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Questions? Contact Lindsey Fleener at lindseyfleener@gmail.com.

WatchDOGS

In search of new WatchDOGS (Dads Of Great Students) for Maple Grove!

If you've been a WatchDOG before (or just want to jump right in), go [here](#) to sign up for a day. Instructions are in the lower left hand corner of the calendar. If you want a primer/refresher on what to do as WatchDOG, try [this](#).

There will be an information session on September 15 at 7pm. Pizza will be served!

New and veteran Dads are welcome to a trend to learn more about this program.

Questions? Send an email to watchdogs.maplegrove@gmail.com. Woof!

Fundraising Opportunities

Amazon Smile

Do you shop at Amazon? If you do, then you can easily make money for Maple Grove by doing the shopping you were already planning to do! It's simple, just click on this link <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/84-6047706> and choose Maple Grove as your charity. It's that easy!

Orange Theory Give Back Program

Attention OT lovers! You can have money donated to Maple Grove and all you need to do is show up and sweat! Orange Theory will donate \$5 a month to Maple Grove for every person who joins as a premier unlimited member. For more information, click [HERE](#). Questions? Call 720-307-5007.

King Soopers Cards

Do you shop at King Soopers? If so, why not have 5% of your purchases come directly back to the school. We will be selling \$5 gift cards throughout the year. These cards can be reloaded over and over again for any amount up to \$500. Once you load money on this card then 5% of every purchase goes directly to Maple Grove! This is such an easy way to raise money for our school! Please contact Jessica Tsuo at jessicatsuo@gmail.com if you would like one.

Box Tops for Education

Box tops are coming in and the fall contest is on! Please continue to submit your box tops on a regular basis, as they are collected and counted weekly. Turn them into your teacher & be sure to mark your grade or teacher with your submissions. You may also turn them in to the PTA area in the front office.

The contest deadline is Friday, October 28.

For a list of products that contain box tops, check out this handy link:

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/participating-products>.

Stay tuned for leaderboard updates in future eBlasts! See coolmarcie@me.com with questions.

Milkcaps for Moolah

The milk cap box is more than 3/4 full... the school will receive 5 cents per cap and a full box = \$75-90 to Maple Grove!

Keep saving and turning in your Longmont Dairy Milk Caps!

Additional information can be found at our website: www.maplegrovepta.org

If you're interested in getting your information into the PTA weekly eblast, please send it to Jessica Tsuo by **Friday at 6pm** at jessicatsuo@gmail.com.

We love hearing about all the wonderful activities and events occurring at Maple Grove and seeing pictures in the monthly newsletter. If you have something to include in the newsletter or have any pictures from school events that you would like to share, please send them to Betsy Angelino at betsyfanton@comcast.net.



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