



PTA eBlast



Week of September 25, 2016

Happening This Week

September 28 - School Board Forum at WRHS

Lunch menu for [September](#)

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Maple Grove school [calendar](#)

Upcoming Events

October 2 - Grizzly Growl

October 10-13 - Parent Teacher Conferences

October 14 - No School

News

PTA Endorses 3A & 3B

Following an unanimous vote at the September 20 PTA meeting, the Maple Grove PTA voted to endorse the 3A & 3B Bond and Mill Levy ballot measure!

For more information about the 3A & 3B Bond and Mill Levy ballot measure, please go [HERE](#).

Grizzly Reading Challenge

Didn't get your post cards in on time?

No worries! Deadline extended to Monday 9/26 so don't forget to bring them in!

Reading started Friday - remember to read every day and log your minutes.

Logs are due in Friday!

Grizzly Reading Donation/Buyout Instructions

For those wishing to make a donation for the Grizzly Reading Challenge, please visit <http://www.maplegrovepta.org>. It's on the main page and very easy to donate!

For those wishing to use the BUYOUT option, the tab is on the **LEFT** side of <http://www.maplegrovepta.org>. Hover your mouse of the Grizzly Reading Challenge tab and the buyout option will appear.

For more information, click [HERE](#).

School Board Fall Forums

JeffCo Public Schools Board of Education members are hosting community forums this fall. The meetings are an opportunity for public dialogue with board members about current happenings in our school district. Updates on topics such as JeffCo 2020, budget, and the bond/mill ballot initiative will be presented, with plenty of time for discussion.

Please plan to attend one of these meetings:

September 28 - Wheat Ridge High School library, 6-7pm

October 10 - Bear Creek High School library, 6-7pm

October 11 - Columbine High School library, 6-7pm

October 17 - Pomona High School library, 6-7pm

October 25 - Evergreen Firehouse, 6-7pm

JeffCo Association for Gifted Children(JAGC) Meeting

The GT Department, in collaboration with JAGC, is hosting an evening for parents with James Webb, Ph.D. and founder of SENG (Supporting Emotional Need of Gifted Children) on September 26th at 6:30 in the JeffCo Board Room.

Staff and parents are encouraged to attend.

Questions? Contact Guy Naimach at guy@nostalgichomes.com or Rebekah Brown at bekahbekahbekahekah@hotmail.com.

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.

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!

A Word From Our Principal

If your student comes to school the back way via Braun Street in the morning, please instruct them to travel tight to the right side of the road, whether walking or biking, and then cross the road carefully opposite the path across the bridge. We are trying to restrict traffic, but the kids (and sometimes adults) have been all over the road, contributing to a dangerous situation. Thank you.

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!

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.

STEM Lab

The STEM lab needs a couple of parents to help inventory and organize the Science/STEM lab. If you are interested please contact Mrs Ligrani at

tligrani@jeffco.k12.co.us. Thanks!

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 Caps for Moola box has been filled and on its way for redemption! Longmont Dairy will reward Maple Grove with approximately \$65-\$85! We receive 5 cents per milk cap & the dairy will weigh the caps vs counting them and will we know an exact total soon. Thank you for collecting your milk caps and keep up the good work!

It would be fantastic to fill another box by the end of the calendar year! Questions? Contact Marcie at coolmarcie@me.com.

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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