



PTA eBlast



Week of April 3, 2016

Happening This Week

April 6 - PTA Meeting

April 7 - Grizzly Gathering at Freddy's Frozen Custard and Steakburgers

Lunch menu for [April](#)

Maple Grove school [calendar](#)

Upcoming Events

April 10 - Elvis Arvada Movie Experience

April 15 - Staff Appreciation Breakfast

April 20 - Early Release Day

April 21 - Science Fair

April 22 - 1st/3rd grade Musical Performance

April 29 - Day Without Hate

News

Experience Parties

Although the Gala is over, there is still time to get in on an experience party or 2! These are always lots of fun and there is something for everyone - you can purchase tickets to an experience party [here](#).

The first experience party is on Sunday, April 10 at 10am at the Elvis Arvada movie theater. Come watch Star Wars: The Force Awakens with your friends from school!! We have rented out a theatre at Elvis Arvada Cinema for a private movie showing for Maple Grove students and their families. The showing will be Sunday April 10 at 10am and the cost is \$10 per person. Up to 100 people. All ticket sales will go to Maple Grove. Donated by the Wilson and Wither families. Please purchase tickets [HERE](#).

Maple Grove Gala Art

The Student Art print created specially for the 2016 Gala is still available for purchase! This is a one of a kind print, made especially for the families of Maple Grove. This is an incredible print - buy it [HERE!](#)

Gala Sponsor Portraits

Many of us are familiar with Tania Peterman's photography. She is a talented photographer here in our community. You can view some of her fabulous photography on her website here: www.tpetermanphoto.com. Tania has generously donated her time and services and will be taking outdoor portraits of Maple Grove students for a sponsor composite in the front hallway.

If you would like your child's portrait in the hallway, your children who currently attend Maple Grove will be photographed for only \$40. Siblings will be photographed together. For this price your children(s) picture will be included on the hallway composite and you will also receive a digital copy of the picture.

If you are interested, you can purchase your portrait session [HERE](#).

Tania will be at the school on April 6th, and will be pulling students out of class for a quick, but fun photo. You will be emailed a reminder. She will have one back up date on April 8.

Day Without Hate

Day Without Hate is a student led, grassroots organization that promotes nonviolence, unity, and respect in our schools. Students across Colorado and the nation have taken this incredibly positive day to their communities to say that we will not tolerate violence or hate, and we will reach out to friends and acquaintances and say, "We're all in this together."

Several parents were interested in purchasing the Day Without Hate t-shirts but might have missed the purchasing window(it was very short notice).

Families are welcome to purchase shirts directly from the Day Without Hate Website at this address - <http://daywithouthate.org/shirts.html>. Additionally, there will only be a VERY FEW amount of extras available in April when the order arrives as well.

This year, Day Without Hate is April 29th. Students will be doing activities all week, with a final project on the 29th. Please join Maple Grove in this important event by purchasing a T Shirt for your student to wear on April 29th.

Please contact Christy Belmear at cbelmear@jeffco.k12.co.us for any further information.

Staff Appreciation Breakfast

The next staff appreciation breakfast will be on Friday, April 15. There are only 2 left this school year!! Please help make this breakfast extra special by signing up [HERE](#). Thanks!

Activities and Events

Science Fair

This is the last week to turn in your registration for the Science Fair!

The fair is scheduled for Thursday, April 21. There are several different parts to the day of the fair. In the morning, participants will have time to explain their experiment to a community scientist. In the afternoon, classes will have the opportunity to view all of the experiments. To cap it all off, in the evening there will be an opportunity for family and friends to view the experiments and honor our participants with a brief awards ceremony.

To participate fill out the [Registration Form](#) and return it to your teacher or email it to Heather Gutherless at heather.gutherless@gmail.com. This form and more information about the fair is available on the [PTA website](#).

1st/3rd Grade School Musical Performance

1st and 3rd grade will be displaying their musical talents on Friday, April 22 in a spectacular performance!

1st Grade Performance will be from 4:30 - 5:00. The theme of the 1st grade performance is "I Like School". This performance features songs about all of the fun things they have been learning in their 1st grade class this year.

3rd Grade Performance will be from 5:15 - 6:00. The theme of the 3rd grade performance is "Child of the World". This performance contains songs and speaking parts about the characteristics that it takes to be a good citizen in our society.

Colorado Writing Project Kids Camp at Maple Grove

Calling all young writers in grades 2-6! What makes writing sing? Why do they call it a poetry jam? Join us for a joyful exploration of the powerful (yet oh so concise) genre of free verse poetry. (Absolutely no rhyming required.)

\$225 per camper includes all writing supplies, a mentor text to keep, a t-shirt, and an anthology of the camp's published work. On our last day (June 17th), we will host a sharing celebration with families. Teacher (and fellow poet): Amy Ellerman (Instructional Coach at MG).

June 6-17: 9:00-11:30 Monday-Friday

Register at www.coloradowritingproject.org.

For questions, please contact Karen Hartman at kj_hartman@comcast.net or Amy Ellerman at aellerma@jeffco.k12.co.us. Thank you!

Camp Invention Summer Camp

Camp Invention is returning to Maple Grove this year!

For one week in June kids of all ages (for children entering grades 1 through 6) and abilities can come spend their days with other kids exploring the lives of giant insects, constructing a DIY solar-powered cricket and discovering the science of slime, demolition, electronic sound, giant squid and coding!

Program Dates: 6/20/2016 - 6/24/2016

Program Length: 5 Days

Program Times: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Cost: \$235

Sessions will be taught by Maple Grove teachers.

Learn more by visiting www.campinvention.org

OR call 800-968-4332

After School Activities

TALK TO THE CAMERA – MINI-MOVIE

3-2-1 ACTION!! Want to make a movie? Are you ready to be the writer, director AND movie star! It begins with a great idea, a written script, a cast of characters, a filming session, then "That's a wrap!"

All news broadcasts, talk shows and movies will be edited and sent to families at the end of the session.

WHEN: Thursdays 2:30-3:45 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19

WHERE: MAPLE GROVE

WHO: Grades 3-6

COST: \$100 *siblings get \$20 off their total amount.* Sign up with a friend & you each receive \$10 off.

HOW: Register at www.talktothecamera.com

We accept Visa, MasterCard, Paypal, and checks. Please make checks payable to Talk to the Camera.

For further information please contact Audrey Walters or Jenny Gilbert at info@talktothecamera.com or 720-217-9551.

Spring Creative Workshops

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.

Wednesdays: 2:30 – 3:30 (In the Art Room) - All Grades

Mini Session #III - 4/20, 27, 5/4, 11 - \$80

Register for Sessions #II & #III for a Discount - \$192 - (Save \$8)

You can print off a registration form [HERE](#).

Ways to Help

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 are selling \$10 gift cards which 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.

Longmont Dairy Fundraiser

Start saving you Longmont Dairy bottle caps!! Longmont Dairy will pay our school 5 cents for every cap. The collection box for Longmont Dairy bottle caps is located in the PTA area in the office.

See Marcie Coolidge at coolmarcie@me.com with questions.

Library MakerSpace

The library is collecting supplies for our makerspace. No need to purchase, just send in any extras or unused items you already have. Items will be collected in the library. There is a Library MakerSpace link on the MG [homepage](#) if you would like to contribute. Thank you!!!

Please contact Amy Stahura with any questions astahura@jeffco.k12.co.us

Grizzly Gatherings

The upcoming grizzly gatherings are:

Thursday, April 7 - Freddy's Frozen Custard and Steakburgers

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](#).

For more details on the WatchDOGS, go [here](#) or send an email to watchdogs.maplegrove@gmail.com. Woof!

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 share in the newsletter, please send it to Betsy Angelino at betsyant@comcast.net.



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