Greetings Maple View Families:

We just finished our first Spirit Week of the year which included a Spirit Assembly. This is always a great deal of fun for both students and staff. We had tremendous engagement with many students fully participating all week. The is just one of the many ways that we try to help students to connect to their school.

**Picture retakes will be on Thursday October 18<sup>th</sup> in the morning**. If you want your student to have picture retakes just have them bring their first pictures in and we will make sure they get down for retakes.

What do all of these names have in common? Brody Harrison, Emilee Kaiser, Emily Newton, Colby Phillips, Abram Rude. They were all drawn as **BEARS Buck** winners this week. Congratulations on being recognized for showing BEARS behavior!

Last year's meal benefits for free/reduced-price meals will expire on Monday, October 15. Please be sure to submit a NEW application for SY2018-19 as soon as possible.

Students pay FULL PRICE unless a NEW application was approved for meal benefits in the current school year. <u>Tahoma-FreeandReducedPriceApplication-v2.pdf</u>

The flu clinic is next week, on 10/17 from 3:30 pm to 7:30 pm at Glacier Park Elementary School in the cafeteria. This clinic is open to all Tahoma School District faculty, staff, students and their families (children 4 years of age and older). Please note that students under the age of 18 will need a Patient Consent Form signed by a parent or guardian. Please complete one for each person and bring the forms with you to the event. Forms will also be available at the clinic. All participants will be asked to provide their health insurance information (card) to receive an immunization. WSVNA will electronically bill the insurance plan for your flu shot. They bill almost all insurance plans, but are not able to accept Cigna. Flu shots are considered preventive care and normally are not subject to deductibles or co-pays. Students 18 years and under without current health insurance coverage will be offered a flu shot at no cost. Adults without current insurance coverage may pay the \$40.00 immunization fee for standard Quadrivalent with cash or check. https://www.tahomasd.us/for\_families/health\_and\_safety/flu\_shot\_clinic\_forms

Interested in helping out? PTA is a great way to connect with the school. Please check out the current volunteer opportunities. <u>PTANewsletter1011.pdf</u> PTA is also selling South Sound coupon books as a fundraiser. Please show your support for the great things PTA does for us by supporting them! <u>couponbookorderform.pdf</u>

Fall sports are heading into the home stretch so I would encourage you to get out and see a game or match in the next couple of weeks as they will wrap up this first season by the end of this month.

We are in a beautiful stretch of weather for this time of year, I hope that you have the opportunity to get out this weekend and enjoy it. Have a great week. Go Bears!

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