

March 15, 2019

Greetings Maple View Families:

Hello again from Maple View. I would like to start today with a reminder that this coming Monday, March 18th, we will begin our extended-day schedule. School will begin at 7:50 and will end at 2:40. All bus schedules will adjust by ten minutes both morning and evening. This will help us make up three of the missed snow days from last month. All clubs, sports and activities will adjust by ten minutes as well.

We've reached 100 BEARS Buck Winners this year – fantastic job! Here are this week's winners:

Sophia Espino

Gracie Gathu

Jonah Gilman

Rebecca Peters

Callen Sholberg

Registration for next year will begin this week with our current 6th and 7th grade students meeting with the counselors and registering for classes. This will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday. Students will bring home their registrations for signatures. Any questions can be sent to the counselors for clarification. 6th grade students will register through their science classes and 7th grade through social studies.

The League Choir contest is this Thursday. Ms. Meline will be taking her 7th and 8th grade students to compete. Watch for information coming home with your student for details.

The bleachers have been repaired so we are scheduled to have our MLK assembly during Stretch on Wednesday. As you know, our bleachers were not usable for about two months this winter forcing us to cancel three assemblies that we are now in the process of making up. Our leadership students are working hard to make this a meaningful program for our students.

Sixth grade indoor soccer will begin on Tuesday, March 19th, before school.

The spring musical Cinderella will open on Friday March 22nd at 7:00 PM in the auxiliary gym at Maple View. This is a joint effort between Maple View and Summit Trail. Students have been rehearsing for the past three months. Shows are: March 22, 7:00 PM; March 23rd, 2:00 and 7:00 PM; March 29th 7:00 PM and March 30th, 2:00 and 7:00 PM. I would encourage you to come out and see this production. Our students always do an outstanding job with the musical.

This is a busy time of year with lots of work going on for the current year and plans beginning to take shape for next year as well. Our current 8th grade students and our incoming 6th grade students will be registering in the weeks to come. More details on that next time.

The Tahoma High School PTA is now selling tickets to the annual father-daughter ball, which will be from 6-9 p.m. on Saturday, March 23 at Tahoma High School. The theme is “Love you to the moon and back,” and the event includes dancing, a photograph, keepsake and light snacks. For those who pre-register, tickets are \$40 for one parent/guardian with one daughter, and \$15 for each additional daughter. The cost at the door will be \$50 for one parent/guardian with one daughter, and \$15 for each additional daughter. To pre-register visit: <https://thsptaadb.brownpapertickets.com> or mail checks to THS PTA, P.O. Box 74, Maple Valley, WA, 98038. Proceeds from the ball benefit the THS PTA Scholarship Fund. [FatherDaughterBall2019.pdf](#)

In the meantime, get out and enjoy some of that sunshine. We deserve it after this crazy winter. Be safe and Go Bears!

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Kenneth A. McGrath

Principal

Maple View Middle School

Counselor Corner

We wanted to alert you to about an online danger. When kids are on social media site or YouTube, an ad-like video will come up with something called a Momo Challenge. A very scary face comes up and challenges and tells them how to kill themselves. There are many versions of this video and can pop up anytime while on an electronic device. Please be aware of what your students are watching and be prepared to have conversations about this topic. We have gotten some reports from students that have seen it and been afraid. The videos also tell students that if they don't do these things, their family may be killed. Some students know that it's a hoax but others are fearful. If you have questions or need support, please call or email your student's school counselor. We know this is difficult information to hear but we are dedicated to partnering with you to keep our students healthy, happy, and safe.

For urgent safety concerns, always feel free to call the 24 Hour Crisis Line: 1-866-427-4747 (4Crisis).

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