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Greetings Maple View Families:

We are finishing the first week of state testing with all three grades taking the language arts portion of the test. Everyone did not complete so we will be finishing up this next week. No new testing will begin this coming week. 8<sup>th</sup> grade science will test on May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> and all three grades will do the math test May 13 -16. Thanks for helping your student to be ready by ensuring a good night sleep and a good breakfast.

Wow – MVMS students are on a roll! There are so many great choices being made here every day!

These five students were drawn as BEARS Buck winners this week:

Chloe Hollenbeck

Samuel Lindell

Gracie Polreis

Brenden Roberge

Justin White

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade spring sports will begin their league games this week and 6<sup>th</sup> grade track will begin on May 14<sup>th</sup>. There is still time to join the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls soccer teams!! Please contact Mr. Oliver or Ms. Holly if you are interested in joining. 6<sup>th</sup> grade students who want to join morning track should get their pink cards now for the 14<sup>th</sup>.

The Harlem Wizards are coming to town to play our Tahoma Teaching Jedi. PTA will be helping by selling souvenirs during the game. They'll be inside the arena so our volunteers can still be watching the action. They need just 8-12 volunteers! Sign up here to reserve your spot: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080c4fa9ac29a20-harlem>

As we head into the final seven weeks of school, it is a good time to log on with your student and make sure assignments are getting turned and that missed assessments are being made up. It is easy for students with the longer days and nicer weather to get out of their school routine. I hope you will partner with us to keep our students focused and doing their very best right through June 20<sup>th</sup>.

At Maple View Middle School, we have common expectations for all of our students. We are Excellent, Accepting, Respectful, and Safe. We want to give our students an opportunity to practice these same expectations outside of school! **Working with the Seattle Mariners, we are**

**developing a program that encourages students to do a home or community project that demonstrates BEARS Behaviors.** Examples could be something like helping a neighbor with some chores, visiting a senior center, volunteering at a food bank, or more involved like organizing a park clean-up crew or organize a fundraiser for a favorite charity. If students choose to do this project, they will earn a free ticket voucher to a Seattle Mariners game, as well as \$14 tickets for family and friends. [Mariners Service Project.pdf](#)

**Maple Valley Bear Run: The 36th Annual Maple Valley Bear Run/Walk 5K is coming soon! Save the date!** It will be held at Lake Wilderness Park during Maple Valley Days on **Sunday, June 9th!** This is a really fun community event that promotes health and fitness and also raises money for the Tahoma Cross Country team. Due to generous sponsors, all kids 12 and under can participate for free (however there is a \$2.50 handling fee). Children 8 and under must be accompanied by a registered adult or participant who is 13 or older. The link is below and everyone who registers by May 31<sup>st</sup> is guaranteed a tech T-shirt.

I think that is about all the news from Maple View for this week. You will probably notice less activities and special events going on during the testing window. When the SBAC is completed we will get back to some of the other extra activities that you are used to seeing.

Have a great weekend and an even better week. Go Bears!

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