Greetings Maple View Families,

We are finishing another week here at the "View". Eighth grade students will be taking the Science SBAC on Monday and Tuesday during their science classes. The following week we will take the Math SBAC, which will conclude the stat testing for this year. Parents of eighth graders please make sure they get a good night sleep and have a good breakfast to give them every advantage to do their very best.

We are getting close to 2,000 BEARS Bucks turned in to the office – WOW!

The following students were drawn from the last week's entries:

Layton Ellis

Michael Lazerus

Jedidiah Llenado

Zinnia Motzer

Kaitlyn Nedrow

Seventh and eighth grade sports are now into their game seasons. Baseball, fast pitch, track and girls' soccer are all in action this coming week.

Sixth grade track will begin before school on Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup>. If your sixth grade student wants to participate, they should see Mr. Oliver or Ms. Holly for details.

Later this month on **Friday, May 24**<sup>th</sup>, **middle school students will have a half-day**. Students will be <u>dismissed at 11:20</u> for the day and no lunch will be served. Staff will travel to the high school for the afternoon and help to score Senior Oral Board projects for our graduating seniors. I just wanted to give you a little lead-time that we will have this early dismissal.

The Harlem Wizards will travel to Maple Valley to take on a team of Tahoma teachers and staff members at 7 p.m. today at Tahoma High School! Playing for the Tahoma Teaching Jedi will be Shadow Lake Elementary teacher Cailan McCutchan, SLES teacher Clark Kostohris, SLES Dean of Students Scott Mitchell, SLES teacher Matt Rene, Maple View Middle School teacher Adam Galgano, MVMS teacher Dan Kelley, Tahoma Elementary School teacher Keri Heggenes, TES teacher Doug Lapp, Glacier Park Elementary custodian Robert Bernard, Cedar River Elementary teacher Julie Rodriquez, Tahoma High School teacher Ben Simmons, and THS teacher Mitch Boyer.

Tickets are on sale online until 4 p.m. at <a href="https://harlemwizards.thundertix.com/events/139651">https://harlemwizards.thundertix.com/events/139651</a> and proceeds benefit the Tahoma Schools Foundation. There will also be tickets available at the door.

Before the big game, this year's event will also include a **Fan Fest from 5-7 p.m**., with carnival-style games from PTA and PTO groups throughout the district, concessions and three food trucks.

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 31st is guaranteed a tech T-shirt.

PTA would like to recognize one MVMS staff member for the **outstanding educator award**. Our MVMS staff consistently rises above normal expectations and this is your chance to tell us about it! Please click here (<a href="https://tinyurl.com/y5x35mth">https://tinyurl.com/y5x35mth</a>) to participate and help us honor one of these incredible educators.

Here is an overview of our after-school policy regarding bus transportation and after-school activities/events:

1. **BUS PASSES** issued with parent contacting the office. NO PASSES on Friday's.



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- 2. CLUBS, weight room and homework center may access after school transportation T, W, TH
- Students must be accompanied by an adult and return to school to attend games/events

It is a busy time with the state-testing going on. I hope you have a relaxing weekend and we will get back after it on Monday. Go Bears!

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Kenneth A. McGrath

Principal