

October 11, 2019

Greetings Maple View Families:

Another successful week in the books. This past week was our first spirit week of the school year. Students had a great time dressing up each day and finished the week with an outstanding spirit assembly. Both students and staff had a great deal of fun throughout the week.

Many BEARS Bucks turned in this week noted how helpful our students are. Thank you to all of you who make Maple View such a wonderful place. Keep up the great work! This week's winners were:

Julia Greene

Charley Jones

Ava Lim

Daniel Monaghan

Giana Papini

Attention Maple View! It's **Reflection Art Contest** time! Students in pre-K through grade 12 create original works of art in response to the theme "Look Within." Students submit their completed works of art in one, or all, of the available arts categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, and/or Visual Arts. While the primary focus of Reflections is a celebration of creativity through positive recognition, finalists from local PTAs will move on to their council PTA, then finalists from councils will move on to the state round. Washington State PTA finalists who receive an "Outstanding Interpretation" award will advance to the National PTA round. Entry forms available on in the main office and Facebook page PTA. Entries should be submitted by October 25th, 2 pm to front office reflection box. [Reflections entry form 2019-20 October 25th-2 sides Middle schools.pdf](#)

This coming week is pretty routine with a normal class schedule and all student activities continuing to work through their seasons.

The following week, we will have picture retakes (10/24) and our first after-school ASB event of the year (also on 10/24). Be watching next week's newsletter for details on both of these activities.

This month our Future Ready Skill is being a **Community Contributor**. When **Community Contributors** see a need, they volunteer their time, abilities, and skills in ways that benefit others and make the community a better place. This often includes taking individual and collective action towards addressing community needs and challenges. In their efforts, they treat

others with dignity and respect, and exhibit honesty and integrity. For a copy of the Ready, Set Go! Discussion Guide for this Future Ready Skill please go to [Community Contributor--Ready-Set-Go Conversation Tool Secondary.pdf](#)

Students throughout the month of October are working in Stretch to prepare for student led conferences coming in mid-November. If you are new to Maple View, we do conferences differently here than the elementary partly because each teacher has about 180 students and partly because we believe that students should play the most important role in their conference. This gives our students an opportunity to speak in public and is one of their first opportunities to begin to understand and to advocate for their education. I will be sharing more as we get closer to the date but know that it is very important that each student have the opportunity to share their progress with their family.

It is a beautiful day today. Have a great weekend and a better week. Go Bears!

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