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Greetings Maple View Families:

We are winding up Thanksgiving week as I sit to write this newsletter. It has been a whirlwind of a fall but it has also been very productive. It is nice to have a few days to sit and reflect. I am so thankful to have the honor of serving as Maple View's principal. I love the students and staff and how they work together to make a great school. I am thankful every day that you allow us to work with your amazing students. Watching them grow and mature both academically and socially is truly rewarding. I have been working in the school system for a number of years and it never gets old watching students grow and learn.

This coming week we return to our normal schedule as we get back to work. There are three full weeks of school between Thanksgiving and winter break this year. All three weeks will be Blue and Gold schedules Monday through Thursday and periods 1 -6 on Fridays.

This is a great stretch of the year to check in with your student on Family Access and make sure all missing work is completed and turned in. When we return from winter break, there will be 14 school days until the end of the first semester and our first official grading period.

Sixth grade volleyball and seventh and eighth grade boys' basketball and dance will resume with their normal schedules. Our boys' basketball teams will compete in three games this week. Here is the link to the team calendar: [MVMS Boys' Basketball](#)

The first orchestra concert of the year will take place on Thursday December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Maple View commons. This relatively new program is growing and thriving. If you have not seen a concert, I would encourage you to come for an evening of great music.

I hope you have some great times planned for the Thanksgiving holiday. I wish for all of you good times, good family and great friends. I hope to see you soon. Go Bears!

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