

February 28, 2020

Greetings Maple View Families:

We are back from break, and are quickly getting into our normal school routine. We have six full weeks between breaks. As we reach spring break, we will be finishing the third quarter of the school year. I am always amazed by how fast the school year goes by. As you know, I like to keep you aware of events at Maple View that are coming in the near future. I know you are busy, so I will try to keep it brief.

Great job earning BEARS Bucks this week! Almost 200 BEARS Bucks were turned into the office! Five were drawn as winners this week:

Spencer A.

Anna E.

Seth L.

Nathan N. K.

Molly S.

We wanted to alert you to a few reports of a new behavior that appears to be something that is a trend on Tik Tok, and we feel is a definite safety concern. It appears that students are practicing a “game” of hyperventilating themselves while squatting, stand, and another student squeezes air from their lungs, causing them to pass out. A parent has reported this from their student, and we have had one teacher intervene in one such incident in class. At this point, we wanted to share this with parents to allow for individual discussion based on your knowledge of your own student. If this situation heightens, we will monitor and address it at the most appropriate level.

The full district choir festival will take place on Tuesday March 3rd with two performances the first at 6:00 and the second at 7:30 at Tahoma High School. This is always a great night of music featuring choir groups from elementary through middle and high school. I encourage you to attend for an evening of great music.

Girls’ basketball and wrestling seasons continue with contests on both Tuesday and Thursday of this week. Wrestling will also be competing at the mid-season tournament on Saturday, March 7th, at Maple View. Weigh-in is at 8:00 AM and matches begin at 10:00 AM.

News from PTA:

- Nurse Angela is asking for individual snack donations. She can really use Pirate Booty (individual snack size), granola bars, fruit snacks, juice boxes or pouches. When you are out shopping, please keep Nurse's Angela's office in your thoughts. Thank you.
- Lindsey Church is hoping we can spread the luck and show our green, spring and St. Paddy's day love to our staff. Please help by signing up for a treat.

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0c4fadac29aaf49-stpatricks1>

- Board nominations and open positions for next year's 2020-2021 PTA are fast approaching. Please consider sharing your talents and joining our team to keep Maple View amazing.

That is all the news for this coming week. I hope you are able to enjoy the sun when it peeks out. Have a great weekend and a better week. Go Bears!

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