

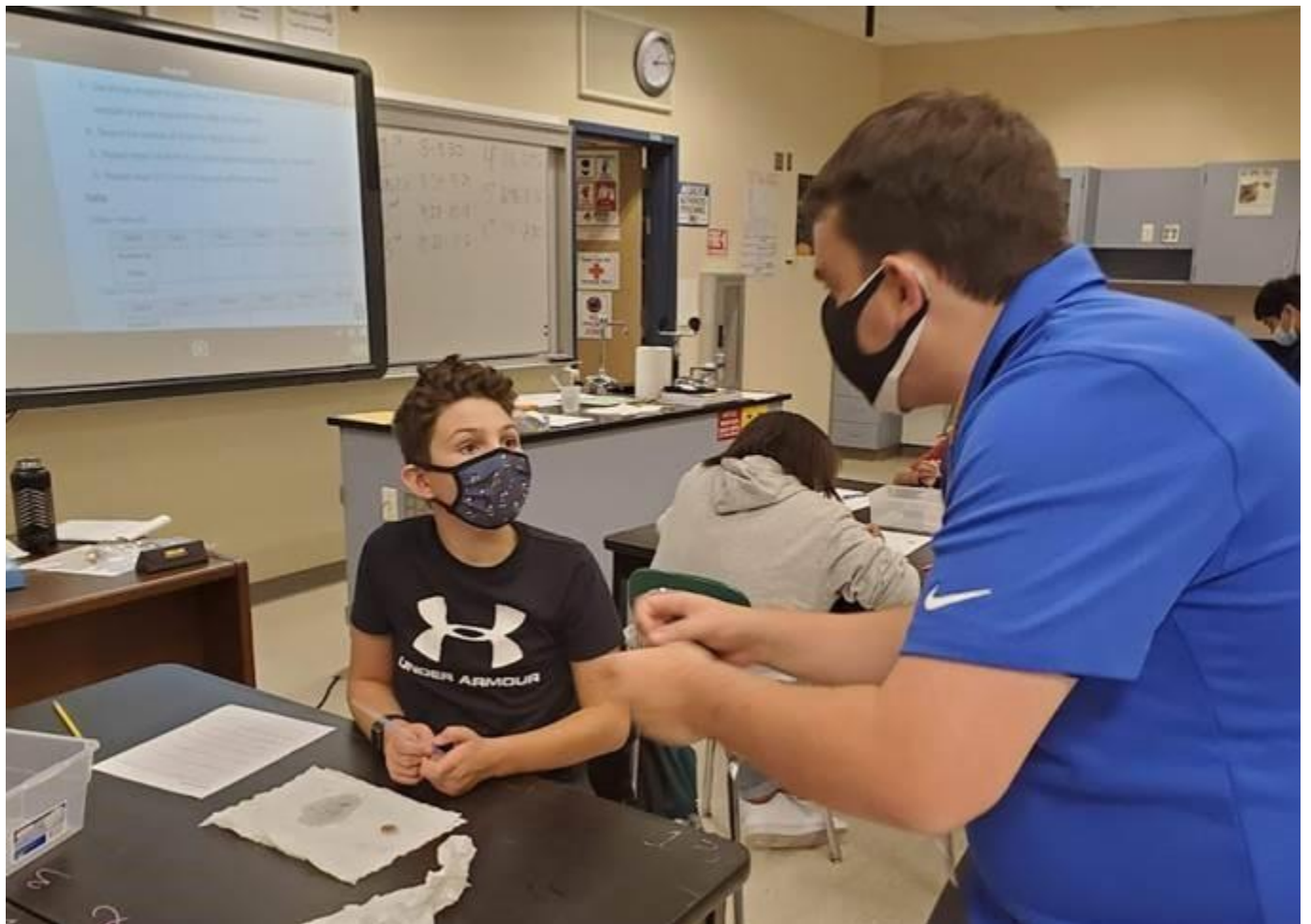
# The View at Maple View

*A look at current and upcoming events at Maple View Middle School.*

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## CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT

The ongoing pandemic and staffing shortages continue to present an “all hands-on-deck” challenge to our entire Tahoma School District System; however, watching the in-person interactions with teachers and students at Maple View is always a cup filler for me. My first 10 years of teaching science was mostly in room 105. **TJ Dodge** now teaches 6<sup>th</sup> grade science at MVMS in the same room and represents it well in just his 2<sup>nd</sup> year of teaching. Mr. Dodge also coaches track at MVMS and basketball at TSHS. In his 2<sup>nd</sup> year, Mr. Dodge has been a great addition to the MVMS staff and Tahoma Community.





*William A. Weis*

Principal, MVMS



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**NURSE'S CORNER**

Please note: If your student is fully vaccinated and you have not yet submitted proof of vaccination to our Nurse's Office, we ask you to do that so that we can avoid having to quarantine your student at home when they are in close contact. If you would like to submit your student's proof of vaccination, please email School Nurse Alicia Torgeson at: [mvnurse@TahomaSD.US](mailto:mvnurse@TahomaSD.US)

## **WATER BOTTLES**

Please send your student to school with a refillable water bottle. Our drinking fountains are temporarily closed, but our bottle refill stations are available.

## **FALL STATE TESTING - POSTPONED**

Families may be aware that TSD has continued to experience brief, but persistent interruptions in our internet connectivity. While we continue to work to resolve the issues with our vendors, we are working with staff to help mitigate the impact on learning. In addition, to ensure the best testing experience possible for our students and staff, we are opting to delay the kick off of our Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) next week. At this point, we are planning for most of our schools to be delayed by approximately one week. Updated testing schedules will be provided next week. If you have questions about the administration of the SBA please review our district [FAQs](#) document.

## **ASB FUN RUN - POSTPONED**

We will let you know as soon as we decide a new date for the Fun Run. **The last day to turn in donations to count toward prizes is Monday, Oct. 4 at 11:59 PM.** Thank you for supporting Maple View ASB.

Jen Dunham

MVMS

ASB director

8<sup>th</sup> grade science

## **ACADEMIC SUPPORT, CLUBS & ACTIVITIES**

- **Homework Center (all students)**

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- **2:30-3:45 Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays - *DEPENDANT ON TEACHER COVERAGE***
- **HWC will be held in the classroom of the supervising teacher**
- **After-school Activity Bus transportation available for students within MVMS boundaries**
- **[September-October.pdf](#)**

- **Mathletes (all students)**

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- **Monday mornings at 7am**
- **Room 408**
- **Contact Mr. Kelley with any questions: [dkelley@tahomasd.us](mailto:dkelley@tahomasd.us)**

- **Robotics (all students)**

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- **2:30-3:50 Tuesdays and Thursdays**

- **Room 405 and 406**
- **After-school Activity Bus transportation available for students within MVMS boundaries**
- [https://mapleview.tahomasd.us/activities/m v m s robotics fall 2021](https://mapleview.tahomasd.us/activities/m_v_m_s_robotics_fall_2021)

### **PICTURE PACKETS**

Picture packets have arrived! They will be sent home with your student early next week. Picture retakes will be Oct 21, 2021.

### **BACKPACK BUDDIES**

Backpack Buddies of Maple Valley is offering the Backpack Buddies program at Maple View Middle School and throughout the Tahoma School District. Backpack Buddies of Maple Valley is a program that offers food/nutrition supplementation to students over the weekend. Participating students will receive a bag of nutritious food that may include: pasta, fruit juice, oatmeal, snack crackers, granola bars, and fresh fruit. Bags will be distributed to the student at the end of the day on Fridays (or the last day of the school week) by the counseling department. The names of the students participating in the Backpack Buddies program will be kept confidential.

If you would like to have your student participate in the Backpack Buddies of Maple Valley program, there are 4 options for you to sign them up:

1. Go online to [www.backpackbuddiesofmaplevalley.org/get-support](http://www.backpackbuddiesofmaplevalley.org/get-support) and fill out the form.
2. Email Backpack Buddies at [backpackbuddiesmv@gmail.com](mailto:backpackbuddiesmv@gmail.com)
3. Mail the completed Backpack Buddies form (ATTACHED) to 20920 253<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE, Maple Valley, WA 98038
4. Return this paper copy to your student's school counselor or counseling department secretary.

The Backpack Buddies program will run from the end of September until June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at which time the summer program will begin.

Thank you,  
Backpack Buddies of Maple Valley

### **PTA - HAUNTED PIRATE SHIP RETURNS**

The Haunted Drive Through, featuring the Knudsen Pirate Ship and Haunted Mansion, needs your help!

- First, join our PTA:

<https://www.memberplanet.com/packetview/themiddleschoolsoftahomapta/membership2021-22>

- Then, volunteer with us here:  
<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0f4cabae28aafac43-haunted>  
(Student volunteers require permission forms!)
- Or, if you would like to contribute, here is our wish list:  
<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0f4cabae28aafac43-haunted1>

We also need lots and lots of candy! Bring donations in to the front office from 10/4-10/31!

Any questions please contact [stmspresident1@tmstpta.net](mailto:stmspresident1@tmstpta.net)

Thank you!

Liana Crandall

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Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns: 425-413-5500,  
[mvoffice@tahomasd.us](mailto:mvoffice@tahomasd.us)

Have a great weekend and GO BEARS!!

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