

THE MAPLE HAPPENINGS



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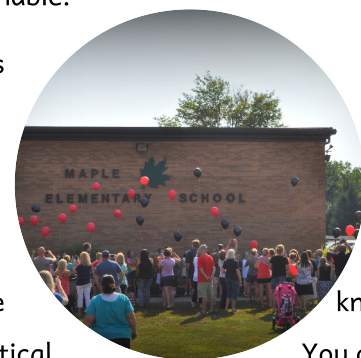
WELCOME BACK

Dear Parents and Students,

I am thrilled to welcome you back to Maple for the 2015-2016 school year! Everyone at Maple is excitedly preparing for what is sure to be a memorable year of learning, growth, and fun. I cannot wait to meet all of you and get to know you personally. I have much to learn and am eager to make connections with you as well as to build lasting relationships with your families fostering collaboration and kindness.

Maple upholds values of excellence, compassion, and dedication. What makes our school so successful are the people who walk through the doors each day. Everyone plays an important part in education and by working together even the highest of goals are attainable.

We pledge to dedicate our time and efforts to helping your child grow, learn, and achieve great gains this year and hope that you will partner with us. You are an important teacher in your child's life and we know that the minutes you spend together are critical. You can help maximize your child's potential for success at school by sending him/her to school every day, by reading together daily, monitoring homework and progress, and asking your child to share with you what was learned at school each day.



Sincerely,

Kelly A. Moran and the Maple Elementary Team

Maple Elementary School
305 Maple Ave, Chardon
440-285-4065

Kelly Moran, Ed.D. - Principal
Diana Thompson - Secretary
Dana Shutty - Clerical Assistant

The mission of Maple Elementary School is to educate all students to become responsible citizens equipped with the skills necessary for success in an ever-changing, highly diverse, technological world through a committed partnership with students, staff, parents and community.

Latchkey

Our before and after school latchkey program will continue again this year. For the latest hours, prices and registration packets, please visit the website at <http://www.chardon.k12.oh.us/Latchkey.aspx>.

PTO

I encourage you to take advantage of opportunities to become involved at Maple! All parents are considered members of PTO. There are countless ways to take part in the PTO and a variety of activities available allow for you to determine which ways to help best fit your availability. Please watch for additional PTO information as the start of school unfolds.

Stay Informed

There are many ways to stay up-to-date with Maple happenings and classroom news. The school weekly newsletter, website, Twitter feed (@Chardon_Maple), marquee, bulletin boards, and teacher websites and newsletters are all wonderful places to access information on a regular basis. From time to time, we may also make automated or personal phone calls to all parents so it is important that we have your current phone number(s) on file.

Infinite Campus

Infinite Campus will be utilized again this year for both parents and students to monitor grades and assignments. One of the best features of Infinite Campus is the Campus Portal. This feature allows parents instant online or mobile access to their child's progress. Please visit <http://www.chardon.k12.oh.us/infinitecampus.aspx> for login directions and more information.

The staff and administration are eager to welcome you to another wonderful year!



CALENDAR

AUGUST

31 5TH GRADE BAND INFORMATION NIGHT

SEPTEMBER

2 OPEN HOUSE 6:30-8:30

4 NO SCHOOL - PROF. DEVELOPMENT

7 NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY

9 PICTURE DAY

11 SPIRIT DAY

25 TERRIFIC KIDS CELEBRATION

OCTOBER

2 PTO MAPLE GAMES

SPIRIT DAY

9 PTO MAPLE GAMES

16 NO SCHOOL -

PTO TAILGATING

22 - 28 BOOKFAIR

30 TERRIFIC KIDS CELEBRATION

HALLOWEEN PARTIES

NOVEMBER

2 SPIRIT DAY

14 PTO GEO CACHE

20 TERRIFIC KIDS CELEBRATION

25-27 NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING
BREAK

DECEMBER

4 SPIRIT DAY

18 HOLIDAY PARTIES

21-JAN.1 - NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK

SCHOOL FEES DUE

KINDERGARTEN \$27.03

1ST GRADE \$24.22

2ND GRADE \$39.32

3RD GRADE \$26.80

4TH GRADE \$44.79

5TH GRADE \$37.30

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO
CHARDON BOARD OF EDUCATION OR PAY
ONLINE .

SCHOOL REMINDERS

The Ohio Department of Education requires that we keep careful track of student attendance each day. If your child comes to school late, be sure to sign him/her in at the office before the child proceeds to the classroom. Any child who is not signed in will be considered unexcused. Daily attendance will be calculated according to the time of day your child arrives at school.

ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE SCHEDULE

Enter from 9:11-10:50 - Tardy

Enter from 10:51-12:20 - 1/2 Day Absent

Enter from 12:21-3:30 - Absent day

Leave before 12:20 - Absent all day

Leave from 12:21-1:54 - Absent half day

Leave from 1:55-3:30 - Early dismissal

Parents must follow the proper procedures for arrival and dismissal. These rules are in place to ensure the safety of your children. When you choose not to obey the rules, you put your child and other children in jeopardy.

Please be reminded that when you drop off your child(ren) in the morning, you are to make the loop around the parking lot, wait in line, and then drop your child(ren) off at the sidewalk. Parents are not permitted to pull into a parking spot to let your child(ren) out of the car. You must make the loop and let them out at the sidewalk.

For dismissal, if you are picking up your child, you must park your car and come into the building. You cannot have your child meet you at your car in the parking lot. Please know how easily an accident can happen. We are dealing with children who can quickly dart out in front of a car. These procedures are established for the protection of all children. We know the weather can be cold or rainy, but if you choose to pick up your child, please follow the above procedure.

It is the responsibility of parents to follow these rules. There is no supervision of parking lot procedures and therefore our children's safety depends on you. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Dear Parents,

We know that birthdays are a momentous and special occasion in your child's life. We look forward to celebrating birthdays with our students and enjoy the special feeling that exudes from your child on his/her special day each year. In an effort to move away from the overabundance of food and potentially dangerous food ingredients in schools however, we kindly encourage you to consider sending in alternative "treats" with your son/daughter on birthdays. Non-food item "treats" are not only great alternatives to overly processed and unhealthy snacks, but they also help to protect individuals (kids **AND** adults) in our school building who have allergies and food sensitivities.

Below are suggestions for non-food items to send in with your child in place of an edible treat on a birthday celebration day:

Pencils

Bookmarks

Erasers

Stickers

Temporary tattoos

Pencil grips

Note pads

A book for the classroom books for the classroom (one for girls, one for boys)

A game/puzzle for the classroom

Chap stick

Bubbles

Bouncy balls

We ask that if you do decide to send in an edible food item that it be a premade/package treat and **NOT** something that was baked or made in the home. Reading labels is the most effective way we as educators can be familiar with the ingredients we are exposing students to in our classrooms and this practice will help us to better ensure the safety of the little lives we hold near and dear to our hearts. Thank you for your support and cooperation!

Sincerely,



Starting September 10th, the Maple Happenings will be sent electronically. If you would like to receive a paper copy, please fill out the form below and return it to the office. Only those returning this form will get a paper copy.

Thank you.

Student's Name (s)

Teacher's Name _____ and Grade _____



SAFETY PATROL



CROSSING GUARD NEEDED

We need adults that have 15-20 minutes in the morning and/or afternoon to help the kids cross the busy parking lot. We have a few spots open for crossing guards and we would also love to make a sub list. This volunteer opportunity is all school year commitment. If you can help one day a week it would help a lot and be very appreciated. If you would like to help or have any questions contact Sarah

Safety Patrol Needs Parent Support at Street Crossings

Being in charge and expecting others to listen is never an easy task. It is even harder when you are only in 5th grade and trying to help students cross the road safely. Parents can make the safety patrol's job easier by following the same directions students are expected to follow when walking their children to and from school. As instructed by the Chardon Police, safety patrollers are advised to always err on the side of caution, and never assume any car is going to stop. They are also instructed not to cross streets if adults in cars



Parents please refrain from using cell phones in the drop off/pick ups zone to help with the flow of traffic and for the safety of our students

Thank you!

wave to them telling them it is ok to cross. Flags are held in front of the students waiting to cross, and then are opened like a gate when it is safe.

Bicycles, scooters, and skateboards must be walked across intersections. At times it may seem that it is taking too long to cross the street, but please be patient and follow the safety patrollers'

instructions. When parents and other adults follow the directions of the safety patrol, they are reinforcing to students the importance of listening to the crossing guards. This, in turn, will model for other students what is expected of them while crossing the street. If you have any questions about safety patrol, please contact Mrs. Brown or Mrs. Monsman at Maple Elementary.



NOTES FROM THE NURSE

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a safe and restful summer. There are a few things I need to share with you as the new school year begins: If your child needs to take medication at school, you must complete the "Medication Administration" forms found online www.chardon.k12.oh.us then click Forms/Links and click then Health and Wellness Student Health. Forms are also available in the clinic. PLEASE NOTE: Medication must be delivered to the clinic by a parent or guardian, NOT sent to school with your child.

Kindergarten Parents: Your child's updated immunization forms and physical forms are due in the clinic now. I have received many already. If you haven't turned these in, please get them to the clinic ASAP. Your child may be excluded from school if these records are not received. I am looking forward to meeting your children this year. If you should have any questions or information you would like to share with me about your child, please call me Monday-Friday at 440-285-4065 during the hours of 11:45.m.-3:00 p.m.

**ONLINE
FORMS**



The district uses an **Online Forms** platform that will allow you to verify the directory information we have on file for your child(ren), make changes if necessary, and submit beginning of the year forms electronically.

Please update your information from last year or if you are new to us please create an account. You can access the link here.

<http://www.chardon.k12.oh.us/protected/>

Cub Scout Pack 93 is looking for boys in the first through the fifth grade. Our pack designs its activities around the family. Parents are encouraged to help with projects and advancement programs. Cub Scouts meet on the first Wednesday of the month in small den groups and on the third Wednesday of the month as members of the Pack for an evening of fun and games, skits, ceremonies and recognition. Cub Scouting is "fun with a purpose", which capitalizes on a young boy's interests. Camping and other outdoor activities are also a part of the fun!

Cub Scouting builds self esteem, self confidence, and a sense of belonging. Don't let your boy miss the adventure! Please come and find out what all the fun is about. You and your son are invited to learn more about Cub Scouting at 6:30 pm on September 16th 2015 at Pilgrim Christian Church on Chardon square next to the Chardon Fire Department. If you like what you learn you can join Cub Scouting that night.

For more information visit our web page to see our calendar of events and pictures of past events.

<https://pack93chardon.shutterfly.com>

Contact us via email at:
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Contact Jim Brown (Cubmaster) phone or text at: [440-669-2172](tel:440-669-2172)

Interested in
Cub Scouting?



**JOIN
TODAY**