TODAY'S MAPLE NEWS

Main Office 847-400-8900 Health Office/Attendance Line 847-400-8908

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, October 30

- *Q2 Begins*
- *Fall Common Assessment-All Math Classes*

Tuesday, October 31

- *Halloween Dress Up Day (See Guidelines Below)*

Wednesday, November 1

- *Fall Sport/Activity Pictures*

Thursday, November 2

- *7th Grade Springfield Trip*
- *RECYCLING - Pumpkin/Candy Drive Today 9:00 am - 12:00 pm*

Friday, November 3

- *7th Grade Springfield Trip*

Basketball Clinic/Tryouts/Practice Updates on Pg. 5

Don't forget to order your yearbook. *Current price $30.00 until December 31st, 2017. On January 1st the price goes up to $35.00.*

jostensyearbooks.com *Any questions please email Ms. Gold at jgold@district30.org*

TONIGHT 6:00 - 8:00 PM

See costume guidelines below

IMPORTANT MESSAGE:

Test of the Emergency Alert System on Saturday, November 4th

On the afternoon of Saturday, November 4th, 2017, District 30 will be running a test of our emergency notification system. As part of this test, you should receive an email, phone call, and text message to the contact numbers and email addresses that you have registered with the district.

If you would like to revise a telephone number or email address for notification, please contact your school's office, and we will help update your information.

Thank you in advance for your time and cooperation with this important test.

HALLOWEEN DRESS UP DAY

We are continuing the tradition of wearing costumes on Halloween! In order to make the day a success, we want to go over a few guidelines. Most importantly, all costumes must be school appropriate, including the length of dresses and skirts.

The following items are not allowed:

✦Clown costumes

✦Masks, face coverings or anything that impedes vision

✦Weapons of any kind (real or toy)

✦Anything that promotes drugs or alcohol

✦Anything that involves ethnic or racial stereotypes

✦Plunging necklines

✦Backless tops

✦Low-riding pants

Please remember that this is still a school day. Students are expected to fully participate in each class throughout the day. Students should bring a change of clothing, in case their costume is deemed inappropriate or becomes distracting to the learning process. We are looking forward to everyone following the guidelines, coming up with creative costumes and having fun!

IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING REPORT CARDS

Dear Parents of Maple Students,

You may notice a minimal change to your student's report card this quarter. Beginning this school year, we will no longer use a scale of 1 through 5 to indicate citizenship progress. Teachers may instead communicate on a variety of areas such as time management, organization, participation and effort, and work completion through targeted comments within each curricular area. We believe this change will help parents to realize a broader picture of your child as a participant in his or her classes.

Our vision for communication regarding your child's progress is to roll out a completely new report card for the 2018-2019 school year. The overall goal is for you to understand what makes up the grades that your student earns. We look forward to sharing with you future updates of the new reporting process later this school year. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Maple School's Building Principal or the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction.

Thank you,

Dr. Melissa E. Hirsch

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

SERVICE LEARNING CLUB

The Service Learn Club is excited to get started! Our first meeting will be an informational meeting after school on **Thursday, November 2nd, Rm 109**. The meeting will start promptly at 3:35 pm and will end at 4:00 pm. Our meetings will be held on Thursday's after school, unless notified. Please contact Mrs. Rathge, jrathge@district30.org or Ms. Vos, avos@district30.org for further information or questions.

MAPLE BOOK DRIVE

Did you know 2 out of 3 low-income children don't have any books of their own?

Mr. Brekke's class is partnering with the Service-learning club to host a book drive at Maple for Bernie's Book Bank. The drive will last from **October 30th through November 30th**. Please send in any new or gently used Children's books, aged birth through 6th grade. A school-wide goal of 500 books has been set! Please help kick off the season of giving in a big way and help to make a difference for learners in nearby communities. Collection bins will be placed outside of Mr. Brekke's room (Rm104), as well as in the LMC and MPR. If you have any questions, please reach out to Mr. Brekke, ebrekke@district30.org or Mrs. Rathge, jrathge@district30.org

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

If a student will not be attending school on any scheduled school day, a parent/guardian **must call or email the Health/Attendance Office before 8:30 am.** In addition, any student who will be tardy or leaving school early, must have a parent/guardian contact the Health/Attendance Office by 8:30 am, the day of early dismissal. Call our attendance line at **847-400-8908**, or email **kweissler@district30.org** with student's name, grade and reason for absence or time & date leaving. We ask that you adhere to these rules so we are aware of where your child is during the entire school day and eliminate interrupting classes to locate students.

CROSSING GUARD AT SHERMAN AND SHERMER

We have added a crossing guard at the Sherman and Shermer intersection for students who are traveling north from Maple School. Please encourage your student to use this crosswalk to exit north. For safety reasons, parents are not allowed to pick up their student on Sherman Drive. Thank you for your understanding.

7th GRADE SNOWFLAKE DAY

Snowflake is a yearly tradition for seventh grade students at Maple School. This year, Maple's Snowflake Program will be held on **Friday, December 15, 2017**. The Snowflake program addresses a variety of adolescent concerns and provides strategies for students in the areas of overcoming life's challenges, making healthy choices, being an up-stander, and understanding that our actions are permanent. Snowflake is founded on the belief that with honesty and an understanding of intrinsic behaviors and motivation, adolescents can make sound decisions regarding their lives.

Snowflake sponsors for this year are Lynn Reimer, Joanna Howard, and Heather Cherney.

(AMC8) MATH COMPETITION REMINDER

This is a reminder that the **AMC8 Math competition is Tuesday, November 14th, 2017** in Maple's LMC at 3:40 pm. Registration is no longer open. If your student is registered, and would like to attend an optional practice, Mrs. Arends is hosting a session. The session is open to any student registered for the AMC8 Competition. It will be Tuesday, November 7th, 2017 in Room #114 after school until 4:40 pm.

2017-18 MAPLE SCIENCE TEAM TRYOUTS

If competing against other middle schools' outstanding science, math, and engineering students in a "battle of the brains" and model car engineering sound like fun, learn more at the *optional* **Information Meeting Wednesday, November 1 in Rm 112 (Ms. Dombeck's room.)** Hear about the science team & events, and how to try out. It's fun, exciting, and hard work!

Science Team tryouts will take place in Rm 112 from 3:35 pm - 4:30 pm.

You must attend both dates:

ACADEMIC TRYOUT, WEDNESDAY 11/8* and *ENGINEERING TRYOUT, THURSDAY 11/9

All interested students, all grade levels, are encouraged to try out! (We will have up to 13 students on our team.). Please sign up with Ms. Dombeck, Rm 112. She will give you more information and reserve your tryout spot. May the force, energy, and all kinds of science stuff be in your favor!

Check out these web links for further information!

http://www.dep.anl.gov/science-bowl/

http://science.energy.gov/wdts/nsb/

PROFESSIONALS NEEDED - ALL CAREERS ARE WELCOME

Maple is seeking volunteers who are interested in sharing information about their current careers/ professions with 8th grade students for Career Day. Guest speakers will be asked to share their personal stories about their career paths in an interactive, hands-on approach. Career Day seeks to help students see the connection between what they are learning in their classrooms and real-life careers/professions. Career Day presentations will take place on Friday, March 2, 2018 from 12:15 pm to 3:30 pm.

If you are interested in volunteering as a presenter, and are available on the afternoon of March 2nd, please **click here** to sign up. We ask that all volunteers sign up by November 17th, 2017.

ALL MATHEMATICIANS WELCOME

We will be forming this year's Maple Math Team to participate in the **MathCounts competition series,** which includes both individual and team contests. This is a fun opportunity for students to improve problem-solving skills and application towards non-routine problems! **Our first meeting will be Tuesday, November 28th from 3:40 pm – 4:40 pm in Rm #114 with Mrs. Arends**. Practices will be Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:30 pm – 4:40 pm. Our Chapter (Regional) Competition will be February 3, 2018 in Des Plaines, and our State Competition will be Saturday, March 3, 2018. Maple Math Team is open to all Maple students, and ten students are able to compete in these competitions. Please feel free to email Sarah Arends sarends@district30.org with any questions.

CONGRATULATIONS GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

The 7th grade girls volleyball team finished their season this week against NBJH. The players worked hard all season focusing on improving their skills! I would like to thank each of them for their dedication to the sport and team! I couldn't have been more proud with the amount of improvement they displayed each and every game! Keep up the hard work in the offseason!

Maple Basketball Clinic, Tryout and Calendar Updates

6th Grade Girl's Basketball Team

Due to low numbers, the 6th grade girl's that have signed up for the clinic and tryouts will be joining forces with the 7th grade team. The team will be comprised of both 6th and 7th grade girls and Mr. Joe Burdi will be leading them as their coach. The girls have all been informed that their clinic and tryout dates will now be held at Maple. All practices and games will follow the 7th grade girls schedule as posted on the athletics' calendar. All practices will be held at Maple. The clinic, tryout, and practices will all run from 3:30 - 5:00 pm at Maple on the dates listed on the athletics' calendar. The 6th grade girls calendar has been removed from the athletics' website to prevent any confusion moving forward.

7th Grade Girl's Basketball Team

Due to low numbers, the 7th grade girls that have signed up for the clinic and tryouts will be joining forces with the 6th grade team. The team will be comprised of both 6th and 7th grade girls and Mr. Joe Burdi will be leading them as their coach. The girls have all been informed that their clinic and tryout dates will continue to be held at Maple as scheduled. All practices and games will follow the 7th grade girls schedule as posted on the athletics' calendar. Please check the dates and times as they may have changed from earlier in the school year due to our 8th grade team not being able to field a team for their season. The clinic, tryout and practices will all run from 3:30 - 5:00 pm at Maple on the dates listed on the athletics' calendar.

8th Grade Girl's Basketball Team

Due to low numbers we will be canceling the entire 8th grade girl's season. All clinics, tryouts, and games have been canceled and removed from the athletics calendar. We have been recruiting during P.E., lunch, and recess throughout the year, but have not been able to gather enough interest for the program. We will be back at it again next year and hope that we have more interest in girl's basketball moving forward. Please remember that there are intramurals available, countless clubs and activities both before and after school to join and we look forward to seeing you around Maple.

6th Grade Boy's Basketball Team

The 6th grade boy's basketball team will be moving the location for their clinic, tryouts, and practices for the entire season. The clinic, tryout, and pending the results of the tryouts all practices will be held at Maple School for the students that make the team. The clinic, tryout, and practices will all run from 3:30 -5:00 pm at Maple. Pending the results of tryouts, please check the dates and times of games as they may have changed from earlier in the school year due to our 6th grade girl's team not being able to field a team for their season.

7th Grade Boy's Basketball Team

Coach Newsome looks forward to working with you all on Monday, October 30th. To clarify why the first tryout is being held on Halloween, October 31st, let me provide some transparency to the situation. We will have to use Tuesday, October 31st (Halloween) as a tryout date to ensure that the teams are selected and posted prior to the Springfield Trip by 7:00 pm on Wednesday, November 1st. I originally had November 2nd to leave Halloween open, but it is no longer an option due to the trip. This will hopefully eliminate any issues with posting of teams prior to students leaving for Springfield. We used October 31st last year for our clinic date and did not have any issues, so I am hoping this will not cause an issue this year. The tryout will be over by 5:00 pm, hopefully still in time for anyone who wishes to trick-or-treat to go out and do so. Northbrook's Trick-or-Treating hours are from 4:00 - 8:00 pm.

8th Grade Boy's Basketball Team

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Northbrook | Glenview School District 30
Environmental Awareness Committee

NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE-BACK DAY

Saturday, October 28, 2017

The Glenview Police Department is collecting unused and expired prescription drugs - controlled substances - on Saturday, October 28, which is National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day. Medication can be dropped off from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm in the Glenview Police Department's Municipal Center lot, 2500 East Lake Avenue, Glenview. No liquids or needles will be accepted. The pills do not have to be in their original container. The Northbrook Police Department has a drop-box for unused and expired prescription drugs (no liquids) located at the Northbrook Police Station, 1401 Landwehr Road, Northbrook. It is available to residents 24/7. This is a public health and safety matter.

For more information, click on this link https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/

TAKE A TREK TO *TREX* TO RECYCLE PLASTICS

Residents can now take many types of plastic items to their local Jewel Food Store, where there is a TREX bin for collecting many types of plastic. There are bins and signage near store entrances. The following items are being accepted: plastic wraps, LDPE/HDPE films, newspaper sleeves, bread bags, product wrap, cereal liners, food storage bags, ice bags, pellet bags, produce bags, dry cleaning bags, grocery bags, case overwrap, packaging air pillows and salt bags. For more information click on **Trex Recycling**

PUMPKIN COMPOST EVENT

Pumpkin Compost Event and Candy Collection Takes Place on Thursday, November 2nd.

This year the neighborhood squirrels will have to find a different suburb for snacking on porch-weary pumpkins after Halloween! District 30 residents will now have a chance to recycle their pumpkins! **The Environmental Awareness Committee (EAC) has arranged to host a pumpkin compost event titled, "The Jack-O-Lantern Launch" with a candy collection for military service members, from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Thursday, November 2 at Maple School.** Waste Management will provide toters, and community members will be able to drive up to the Maple School parking lot and deposit pumpkins in the bins. EAC representatives will be on-site to help with the collections.

The district is working with an organization called SCARCE, which stands for School and Community Assistance for Recycling and Composting Education. This Glen Ellyn-based organization has helped

organize many pumpkin collections in the past four years, resulting in the diversion of over 93 tons of pumpkins from landfills and back into nutrients for the soil. The goals are to reduce valuable resources from being sent to the landfill, and to educate everyone about composting. When dropping off pumpkins, during the "Jack-O-Lantern-Launch", make sure that that they are contaminant-free. This means they should not contain metal or plastics of any kind, or candles, yarn, stickers, googly eyes, and plastic ears. Painted pumpkins are compostable, especially ones that are blue. Most of this will be acrylic paint and is fully compostable. For more information, go to **www.scarce.org/pumpkins**

Be Idle Free - Just Turn the Key

PLEASE turn off your engine while waiting in the pick up lane.

Facts About Idling and First Student Bus Service's Anti-Idling Policy:

- Most people waste one to two entire tankfuls of gas every year by idling.
- Monitoring at schools has shown elevated levels of air toxics coinciding with parents picking up their children.
- First Student is District 30's bus company. They have had an anti-idling rule in place, since the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) revised its standards for idling in 2010: "Anti Idling: It's the Law." First Student's policy provides that no vehicle will idle more than three minutes unless certain exceptions apply. For example, when a bus is turning left, if it has to idle for more than three minutes before being allowed to turn, it can't turn off its engine.
- First Student uses diesel exhaust fluid (DEF) on 90 percent of the fleet in this area. This product, which is not a diesel additive, is incorporated into the bus' exhaust stream to convert NOx into nitrogen and water vapor - two harmless and natural components of the air that we breathe. This helps to reduce environmental pollution and promote cleaner diesel emissions.
- Anti-Idling of diesel and gasoline engines reduces fuel consumption, reduces environmental emissions, and reduces engine wear and maintenance costs.

Q: Why don't mummies take time off?

A: They are afraid to unwind!

MAPLE PTO

HOW CAN YOU RAISE MONEY FOR MAPLE

TEAMING UP FOR EDUCATION

When you shop at Heinen's Grocery Store, you can help Maple School through their "Teaming Up for Education" School Donation Program. Heinen's will donate up to 1% of what you spend. For more information, go to **https://www.heinens.com/home/tasteful-rewards/**

AmazonSmile: You shop. Amazon gives

If you want Amazon to donate to Maple School PTO, start each shopping session at **http://smile.amazon.com** and Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchase. You must select "Maple School PTO" under "current charity."

KidStuff Coupon Books

We're selling KidStuff Coupon Books to raise money for our school! Books are $25 and we earn 50% profit! Save lots of $$$ with hundreds of coupons for shopping, activities and food! For more information -- **http://mykscb.com/downloads/17-18_Social_Media_Notice.jpg**

Volunteer opportunities still available below:

Serve Special Lunch! Spots are still available:
http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094aaca928a02-special3

Serve ice cream to our kids at Maple!
All spots for Wednesday Ice Cream are full, although we always welcome subs. Please contact me if interested. Thank you, Sherri Morris shmorr113gmail.com or 847-875-0900

Serve lunch with Sodexo. A few spots are still available.
http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4baba62fa1f85-maple5

The PTO is still seeking volunteers for a few vacant Committee Chair positions.
http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094aaca928a02-maple11

Thank you for all your support! Dianne Larsen & Tara Wesselink, Maple PTO Co-Presidents
maplepto@district30.org

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