



MAPLE CREEK HUSKIES Chronicle

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Monday 08/28	Tuesday 08/29	Wednesday 08/30	Thursday 08/31	Friday 09/01
ATHLETIC PRACTICE FOR 3:00-4:00	BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT KINDERGARTEN 5:00 PRINCIPAL WELCOME 5:45-5:55 (MPR) SESSION 1 6:00-6:35 PASSING PERIOD 6:35-6:40 SESSION 2 6:40-7:15 6TH GRADE SONORA MEETING (MPR) 7:15	EARLY RELEASE DAY KINDER AM 7:55-10:40 KINDER PM 10:40-125 EARLY DISMISSAL GRADES 1-6 8:00-1:15 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 8:00-1:15 (TECH LAB) CHEER PRACTICE 3:00-4:00	ATHLETIC PRACTICE 3:00-4:00 XC PARENT MEETING 4:00	FITNESS FRENZY COLLECTION BEGINS FITNESS FRENZY KICK OFF 2:00-2:30 (MPR) ATHLETIC PRACTICE 3:00-4:00 VOLLEYBALL PARENT MEETING 4:00
Lunch				
French Toast Sticks Breakfast Sausage Pizza	Orange Chicken Bowl Cheese-filled Breadsticks	Chicken Patty Sandwich Bean & Cheese Burrito	Crispy Chicken Salad Cheesy Pull Apart Bread	NEW HOT Chicken Bites Creamy Mac-n-Cheese

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

FRIENDLY REMINDER

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT IS AN ADULT ONLY EVENT. THANK
YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!!

upcoming events

09/04 Labor Day NO SCHOOL
09/08 Goodies with Grandparents
09/08 Kastner Euro classic
09/08 Football and volleyball scrimmage
09/09 Football carnival
09/11 Fall Picture Day

Keep looking UP...
THERE MAY BE A
RAINBOW
waiting FOR you

Celebrations Around the World

Krishna's Birthday

Krishna's birthday, or Janmashtami, is celebrated by Hindus in late August or early September. Krishna is thought to be a form of the powerful god Vishnu. It is believed that Vishnu had previously appeared as a fish, tortoise, boar, man-lion, dwarf, son of a wise man, and a prince. Krishna is thought to be his 8th form, or avatar. Krishna is one of the most popular Hindu gods. He is a hero of both the rich and the poor. Temples and homes are decorated to welcome the birth of Krishna. In the homes children make footprints out of flour and water. They place these footprints so they lead from the front door to the meditation room. This shows that Krishna was in the house. To honor Krishna's birthday Hindus fast for 24 hours. The fast begins at midnight. During the fast there is music and dancing. Religious songs are sung, and stories about Krishna's life are recited. At midnight on the following night, the fast is over and temple bells are rung to announce Krishna's birth. People eat dairy products after the fast because it is believed that Krishna liked milk and butter when he was a child. Following the fast, statues of Krishna are bathed in milk. The statue is placed in a silver cradle with toys. In Nepal, worshippers carry the images throughout the streets. The images are dressed with garlands of flowers hung around their necks. Musicians walk along in these processions and banners are carried with the words "Krishna is God!" Colored pictures of Krishna's adventures are posted on walls. Images of Krishna are put in places of honor.

People sit around and read stories of Krishna to listeners.

In Mathura, where Krishna was born, there are performances of scenes from Krishna's life. In the state of Tamil Nadu oiled poles are set up. These poles have a pot of money tied to the top. Boys dress as Krishna and try to climb up the poles to get the money while onlookers squirt water at them. In another place, pots containing money, curds, and butter are hung high above the streets. Boys form human pyramids and climb up each other to try and break the pots. These activities take place because Krishna loved milk and butter so much that they had to be hung out of reach. There are many other legends about Krishna. He played a lot of mischievous pranks as a child. He is said to have defeated the 100-headed serpent Kaliya. Portraits show him as a child dancing and holding a ball of butter in his hands.



Attention MC Volunteers

In an effort to ensure student safety and best practices with respect to volunteers, any person volunteering in the classroom or planning on attending field trips will need to complete the following volunteer application on Raptor using the following link:

<https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/MjIyNTplbi1VUw==#>

Or

[Maplecreek.cusd.com/Parent/Volunteer/Click](https://maplecreek.cusd.com/Parent/Volunteer/Click)
to become a volunteer

You will be asked to upload a TB Risk Assessment or a TB test.

Please check in to the office anytime you are volunteering in a class. If you have any questions, please contact saraeisele@cusd.com or call 559-327-7300.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of our students and staff.

PTC corner

PTC Will have SPIRIT wear for sale at BACK to SCHOOL night on 8/29. A limited supply will be available for immediate purchase so don't miss out!

MapleCreekPTC@gmail.com



INDEPENDENT STUDY

Independent Study contracts are not granted the first 4 weeks, the last two weeks of the school year, or during our state testing (this applies to K-6).

If a student is going to be absent from school for three or more consecutive days, you may request that they be placed on an Independent Study Contract.

This contract must be signed by the student and parents prior to leaving school. All assignments are to be written on the contract.

Independent study work can be picked up NO EARLIER than 24 hours prior to the start of the independent study period.

Parents must make the request at **least one week** in advance for **approval** to allow teachers enough time to prepare the work and contract.

All Independent Study work is due the day the student returns to school. If the work is incomplete the attendance record would reflect unexcused absences.

Independent Study does **not** count toward perfect attendance.

Approval is subject to the principal's discretion.

Independent Study contracts are subject to state guidelines and may include, but are not limited to, rules regarding minimum duration, maximum duration, and virtual distance learning support and/or participation. Updated information can be provided to parents upon request.

CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO REQUEST AN INDEPENDENT STUDY BEFORE TAKING YOUR CHILD OUT OF SCHOOL. THE SCHOOL CAREFULLY REVIEWS ALL INDEPENDENT STUDY REQUESTS PRIOR TO APPROVING TO ENSURE THAT THE TIME AWAY FROM SCHOOL WOULD NOT ADVERSELY IMPACT THE STUDENT.

6th Grade Camp Information

Attention 6th grade parents and students!! The countdown has begun for the annual 6th grade trip to Sierra Outdoor School. This year our Sixth Graders will be attending the camp in Sonora from Nov 1st- Nov 3rd. Please join us for an important parent informational meeting after Back to School Night at 7:15 in the MPR.

