



MAPLE CREEK HUSKIES Chronicle

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Monday 09/04	Tuesday 09/05	Wednesday 09/06	Thursday 09/07	Friday 09/08
NO SCHOOL 	FITNESS FRENZY COLLECTION HUSKY BARK DRESS UP WEEK BE RESPONSIBLE DRESS UP LIKE A RESPONSIBLE COLLEGE STUDENT ATHLETIC PRACTICE 3:00-4:00	FITNESS FRENZY COLLECTION HUSKY BARK DRESS UP WEEK GET ACTIVE WEAR ATHLETIC APPAREL EARLY RELEASE DAY KINDER AM 7:55-10:40 KINDER PM 10:40-1:25 EARLY DISMISSAL GRADES 1-6 8:00-1:15 CHEER PRACTICE 3:00-4:00 CUSD BOARD MEETING (PDB) 6:30-8:30	FITNESS FRENZY COLLECTION HUSKY BARK DRESS UP WEEK RESPECT ALL WEAR YELLOW ATHLETIC PRACTICE 3:00-4:00	FITNESS FRENZY COLLECTION HUSKY BARK DRESS UP WEEK KEEP SAFE DRESS UP LIKE SOMEONE WHO HELPS KEEP US SAFE GOODIES WITH GRANDPARENTS 7:00-7:55 (MPR) JITTERS COFFEE TRUCK 7:00-8:30 KASTNER EURO CLASSIC 10:00-11:00 (KASTNER) FOOTBALL & VOLLEYBALL SCRIMMAGE 2:15-3:15 AT CLOVIS ELEMENTARY
Lunch				
NO SCHOOL	Pepperoni Pizza Pocket Grilled Cheese Sandwich	Chicken Patty Sandwich Soft Pretzel	Orange Chicken Rice Bowl Bean & Cheese Burrito	Chicken Drumstick Cheesy Pull Apart Bread



upcoming Events

09/09 Football carnival
 09/11 Fall Picture day
 09/12 Lost and Found pickup
 09/12 Fitness Frenzy
 09/14 District SART meeting
 09/15 Game Day at Lincoln

Festival of Hungry Ghosts

The Festival of Hungry Ghosts is a Buddhist and Taoist festival that began as early as the 6th century. It is celebrated in China and throughout eastern Asia in August or September. It is believed that during the month the restless spirits of the dead are released from the gates of the underworld to wander the earth. These are unhappy and hungry spirits. When they died either no one was there to look after them, or they didn't have a proper funeral. Hungry Ghosts are resentful and dangerous. The people worry that they may cause trouble. They consider it a dangerous time to travel, get married, or move to a new house. To calm the spirits and help them to return peacefully to the underworld for another year many offerings are made to the Hungry Ghosts. People burn images of automobiles, furniture, clothing, and paper money. They believe that this frees these items for the spirits' use. Offerings of food are placed outside of homes on tables. Prayers are said at all Chinese temples and at Chinese shops and homes. Chinese street opera (Wayang) and puppet shows are performed on stages set up on the streets. Paper statues of the gods are made and displayed. They are there to watch over the offerings made to the Hungry Ghosts and report back to the Jade Emperor. After all of the paper offerings are burnt the statues are set on fire. This releases the god for his journey back to heaven. In Vietnam, families remember their relatives who have died by visiting their graves. It is also called Yue Lan, Vu Lan Day, Day of the Dead, or Trung Nguyen. This is the second most important holiday of the year after Tet. It is observed throughout the country. At the gravesites the families perform the dan chay, which is an offering of incense. At home an altar is made with two levels. One level is for Buddha with offerings of incense, fruit, and rice. The second level is for the departed relatives with rice soup, fruit, and meat. Money and clothes made of papers are also burned at this time. Prayers for the departed relatives are said and lanterns are floated out on the water to guide them to their resting place. This is not just a Buddhist holiday. It is celebrated by all Vietnamese who believe in God and good and evil. They believe that sinful souls can be forgiven through prayers said by the living.



PTC corner

Join us for our first PTC meeting of the year on Tuesday,
September 12th at 7 PM in the library. Hope to see you
there!!

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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.

MAPLE CREEK FITNESS FRENZY

MAPLE CREEK IS EXCITED TO KICK OFF OUR ANNUAL ASB FUNDRAISER. OUR HUSKIES ARE CHALLENGED TO SOLICIT DONATIONS TO HELP SUPPORT OUR STUDENT BODY FUNDING WHICH GOES 100% BACK TO THE STUDENTS. TEN PERCENT OF THE MONIES RAISED FROM THIS FUNDRAISER WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE CLASSROOM TEACHER TO PURCHASE ITEMS NEEDED FOR THEIR CLASSROOM. THE MONEY EARNED WILL ALSO SUPPORT VARIOUS ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA OF ACADEMICS, ATHLETICS AND ARTS AT MAPLE CREEK ELEMENTARY. THESE ITEMS INCLUDE AWARDS, STUDENT ACTIVITIES THAT REWARD GOOD CHARACTER, NEW BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY AND THE CLASSROOM, AND ATHLETIC UNIFORMS. THIS IS THE ONLY STUDENT BODY SPONSORED FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR.

MONEY COLLECTION WILL BEGIN TODAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST AND GO THROUGH FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH. THE HUSKY ERA FITNESS FRENZY EVENT WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH.

DONATIONS WILL BE MADE ONLINE ONLY THIS YEAR THROUGH THE FOLLOWING REVTRAK. YOU CAN ALSO SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW.

<https://clovisusd.revtrak.net/clovis-west-area/maple-creek-elementary/fitness-frenzy/#/v/fitness-frenzy-donation>



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!!