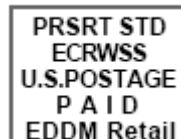




## Community Connection

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# Maple Heights City Schools Community Connection



News for the community about the Maple Heights City Schools

## Contact Information



### Abraham Lincoln School

6009 Dunham Road  
216.438.6030  
Dawn Besteder, Principal ..... ext. 5001  
Main Office ..... ext. 5021

### John F. Kennedy School

5933 Dunham Road  
216.438.6010  
Zelina Pames, Principal ..... ext. 6001  
Main Office ..... ext. 6003

### Barack Obama School

5800 Glenwood Avenue  
216.438.6020  
Frank Major, Principal ..... ext. 4001  
Main Office ..... ext. 4003/4002

### Milkovich Middle School

19800 Stafford Avenue  
216.438.6000  
Susan Harvey, Principal ..... ext. 2001  
Camille Tulcewicz, Asst. Principal ..... ext. 2012  
Main Office ..... ext. 2002

### Maple Heights High School

One Mustang Way  
216.438.6400  
Aaron Newman, Principal ..... ext. 1001  
Main Office ..... ext. 1018  
Amanda Schmidt, F/A Principal ..... ext. 1340  
F/A Office ..... ext. 1624  
Robert McGruder, S2C Principal ..... ext. 1320  
S2C Office ..... ext. 1026  
Deanne Miklovic, A3 Principal ..... ext. 1330  
A3 Community Office ..... ext. 1332

## 2013-2014 School Calendar

New Teacher Orientation (4 days).....	Tues., Aug. 13-Fri., Aug. 16
All Teachers Report .....	Mon., August 19
Students Report ( <i>Except kindergarten</i> ) .....	Wed., August 21
First Day for Kindergarten Students .....	Mon., August 26
NO SCHOOL – Labor Day.....	Mon., September 2
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/Inservice (all schools) .....	Wed., October 2
High School (only) End of 1st Quarter & 2-hr Early Release .....	Thurs., October 17
NO SCHOOL – NEOEA Day/Staff Development.....	Fri., October 18
High School Parent/Teacher Conferences .....	Thurs., October 24
Grades K-8 End of 1st Quarter & 2-hr Early Release.....	Fri., October 25
Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences.....	Thurs., October 30
NO SCHOOL.....	Mon., November 4 & Tues., November 5
Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences .....	Weds., November 6
Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences.....	Thurs., November 7
Thanksgiving Recess.....	Weds., November 27— Fri., November 29
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/Inservice (all schools) .....	Tues., December 10
High School 1st Semester Ends.....	Fri., December 20
WINTER BREAK .....	Mon., December 23— Fri., January 3 <i>(Classes Resume Mon., January 6)</i>
Grades K-8 End of 1st Semester & 2-hr Early Release .....	Fri., January 17
NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King Day.....	Mon., January 20
Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences .....	Tues., February 4
NO SCHOOL – Presidents’ Day .....	Mon., February 17
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/Inservice (all schools) .....	Weds., February 26
High School (only) 3rd Quarter Ends & 2-hr Early Release .....	Fri., February 28
High School Parent/Teacher Conferences .....	Thurs., March 6
Grades K-8 End of 3rd Quarter & 2-hr Early Release .....	Fri., March 21
NO SCHOOL – SPRING BREAK .....	Mon., March 31— Fri., April 4 <i>(Classes Resume Mon., April 7)</i>
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/Inservice (all schools) .....	Weds., April 9
NO SCHOOL – Good Friday .....	Fri., April 18
NO SCHOOL.....	Mon., April 21
High School 2nd Semester Ends .....	Weds., May 7
NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day .....	Mon., May 26
STUDENTS’ LAST DAY .....	Thurs., June 5
TEACHERS’ LAST DAY .....	Fri., June 6

### A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



The final phases of construction have now been completed in the district and every one of our new buildings is open and fully operational. It continues to be an exciting time to be a Mustang and we cannot thank our community enough for their continued support. Our students have been afforded some of the most technologically advanced and state-of-the-art buildings in the state and we will continue to push the expectations for our children to succeed in academics and in the community.

Our students continue to prove themselves inside and out while in school and representing the community at competitions and events. We could not be more proud of the accomplishments our students have collected throughout the state and nation and we are committed to pushing our next group of students even further. I believe in our students, our staff, and our community and I know that by continuing to build strong relationships and provide the highest quality education for our students, our dreams will be realized.

Dr. Charlie Keenan



## Welcome Back for the 2013-2014 School Year!

SCHOOL OPENS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2013\*

### FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN REINSTATED!

The Board of Education gave its approval in the Spring to bring back **all day, tuition-free kindergarten** in the Maple Heights City Schools at no additional cost to the district. In 2011 over 50 jobs and several programs including full day kindergarten were eliminated in order to address a \$4.2 million deficit caused by a reduction in state and federal funds. In addition, all employees of the district have been on a pay freeze for the past two years to help keep the district fiscally sound. No additional staff members were hired to bring back the all day program, instead staff members were shifted into new roles to account for the additional kindergarten classes.

### NEWMAN NAMED HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

After serving four years in the district as a teacher and the past three years as the freshman academy principal, **Mr. Aaron Newman** has accepted the position of Maple Heights High School Principal. Newman is excited about his new role. *"I am thankful to have had the opportunity to serve all of our current high school upperclassmen as their freshman principal and I am looking forward to getting to know our incoming freshmen. We have some outstanding students and families. I want to challenge our kids to be the best they can be at everything they do."*

Newman graduated from Columbia University with a degree in law before deciding to continue his path as an educator.

**\*On Wednesday, August 21, all students (except kindergarten) are to report to their respective schools. First day of Kindergarten is Monday, August 26.**



# Welcome to the 2013-2014 School Year!

## ARE YOU ENROLLED ?

All students planning to attend the Maple Heights City Schools must be enrolled. Enrollments are by appointment only.

Enrollment packets are available online ([mapleschools.com](http://mapleschools.com)) or can be obtained at our school buildings or Board of Education. Instructions and requirements are contained in the packet. Enrollment packets must be completed prior to your appointment.

Please call the enrollment office at 216.587.6100, extension 3701 **after** completing the packet to schedule an appointment for registration. When registering your child, you will need:

- Birth Certificate – Original or certified copy (*child must be 5 by 9/30/13*)
- Social Security Card or Number
- Complete Immunization Records
- Custody Papers (*signed, certified copy, if applicable*)
- Parent/Guardian's Ohio Driver's License or State ID
- Withdrawal/Transfer Slip/Last Report Card
- Unofficial Transcript (*high school only*)
- IEP/ETR/MFE (*special education students only*)
- 504 Plan (*if applicable*)
- Medical Exam Results (*special needs, pre-school only*)
- Proof of residency – At least 3 forms are required. Such documents may include, but are not limited to, current voter registration card, or municipal income tax return, valid driver's license with current address, current utility bills, pay vouchers, current lease, and current insurance declaration page.

**OUR ENROLLMENT OFFICE FOR ALL STUDENTS IS LOCATED AT:**  
**5740 Lawn Avenue**  
(*the former Rockside School location*)

 **School Supply Lists** are available at each school or can be obtained at the Board of Education or online at [mapleschools.com](http://mapleschools.com)

## WHEN DOES SCHOOL BEGIN?

On **Wednesday, August 21** all students (*except kindergarten*) are to report to their respective schools. The first day of **Kindergarten** is **Monday, August 26**.

## WHAT TIME DOES SCHOOL START & END?

<b>Abraham Lincoln School</b> (PK - Grade 1) 6009 Dunham Road • 216.438.6030 (Sessions: 9:10-11:45 a.m./1:25-4:00 p.m.)	<b>9:10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.</b>
<b>John F. Kennedy School</b> (Grades 2-3) 5933 Dunham Road • 216.438.6010	<b>9:10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Barack Obama School</b> (Grades 4-5) 5800 Glenwood Avenue • 216.438.6020	<b>8:21 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.</b>
<b>Milkovich Middle School</b> (Grades 6-8) 19800 Stafford Avenue • 216.438.6000	<b>7:35 a.m. – 2:41 p.m.</b>
<b>High School</b> (Grades 9-12) One Mustang Way • 216.438.6400	<b>7:45 a.m. – 2:55 p.m.</b>

**CHILD IS TARDY IF NOT IN CLASS BY THE STARTING TIME NOTED ABOVE.**

## WILL TRANSPORTATION BE PROVIDED?

Elementary and middle school regular education bus routes will be posted on our website. Additionally, post-cards will be mailed to each eligible rider informing them of their stop location and time. Special education students will be notified of routes by mail and/or telephone. Specific questions concerning transportation should be directed to Charinita McDonald in Transportation, at 216.510.6412.

## WHEN IS ORIENTATION & WHO IS MY CHILD'S TEACHER?

**Elementary Schools** will each hold a new student/parent orientation according to the following schedule:

- Abraham Lincoln (K-1) – Thursday, August 15, 10:00 a.m.
- John F. Kennedy – Tuesday, August 13, 10:00 a.m.
- Barack Obama – Wednesday, August 14, 10:00 a.m.

**Middle School** Orientation will be held Friday, August 16, 10:00 a.m. Students are to meet in the gym. Parents are welcome to attend.

**High School Freshmen Academy** orientation will be Wednesday, August 14, 6:00 p.m. Orientation for students in **grades 10 through 12** will be Thursday, August 15, 6:00 p.m. Parents are encouraged to attend. **Current Student** (grades 10 through 12) **Schedule Pickup** will be **Thursday, August 15**, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

*Students will be given class schedules at orientation.*

## WHAT IF I MISS ORIENTATION?

Class/homeroom lists will be posted at each building by August 20th.

## SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

This year our district is eligible for the Community Eligibility Options (C.E.O.) Program, which means all students in the district are eligible for free meals (breakfast and lunch). Additional information on the C.E.O. Program will be forthcoming in a mailing to each student's residence.

## SCHOOL FEES & FEE WAIVERS

A fee is charged for each pupil to cover the cost of consumable materials such as workbooks, art and science supplies, classroom magazines, agendas, journals, etc.

Grades K-3 Fees \$25      Grades 6-8 Fees \$30  
9-12 Fees based on courses taken\*

Fees may be paid in cash or money order at your child's school. Prompt payment of fees is appreciated.

When applying for a waiver of student fees, the waiver form must be filled in completely. Incomplete forms cannot be processed. Forms can be obtained from your child's school office, the Board of Education or online at [mapleschools.com](http://mapleschools.com).

*\*Please note: High School fees are based on courses taken and certain class costs and dues are not waivable.*

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL FORMS

Please complete and return the Emergency Medical Form to your child's school immediately. All students must have a current form on file. This is a State requirement. Students won't be permitted to attend school without this form.

## CAN SCHOOL PERSONNEL GIVE MEDICATION TO STUDENTS?

Personnel can give medication. Students who are to receive medication during the school day must have a completed request for administration of medication by school personnel on file in the nurse's office. This form may be obtained at your child's school.

## FAMILY LIFE SCHOOL AGE CHILDCARE

A before/after-care program for grades kindergarten through grade 5 is available to students. The Program is managed by Guidestone (*formerly Berea Children's Home*), but housed in-district at Abraham Lincoln School. The program is not operated by the district. The Program is scheduled to begin on your child's first day and will follow the school year calendar. **To enroll your child or for additional information, please call 440-260-6001.**

# Annual Notices

## INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act mandates that every school district in the country develop a system to identify children with disabilities, birth through age 21, who live in their district. Additionally, the Rules for the Education of Handicapped Children, adopted by the Ohio Board of Education, direct that school districts conduct an annual in-school effort to identify and provide services to children with disabilities. Any child who you suspect has a disability should be referred to the child's building principal. The principal will provide additional information about the differentiated referral system.

## SECTION 504 COMPLIANCE OFFICER/ADA COMPLIANCE OFFICER

The Board of Education of the Maple Heights City School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, or handicap in its programs and activities. Cindy Caudill, Special Pupil Services Director has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies. Ms. Caudill can be contacted at 5740 Lawn Avenue, Maple Heights, 44137 or at 216-587-6100, ext. 3600.

## THE DISTRICT'S TITLE IX COORDINATOR

The Board of Education of the Maple Heights City School District does not discriminate on the basis of gender in its educational programs, activities, or employment policies as required by Title IX of the 1972 Education Amendments. Bruce Willingham, Assistant Superintendent, has been designated as the district's Title IX Compliance Coordinator. Inquiries regarding compliance with Title IX may be directed to: Mr. Willingham, 5740 Lawn Avenue, Maple Heights, 44137 or at 216-587-6100.

## NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Maple Heights City School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, gender, economic status, disability, or military status in its dealings with employees, students, the general public, individuals with whom it does business, applicants for employment, or in its educational programs and activities; and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

## EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

All students of the District have equal educational opportunities. Students have the right to be free from discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, citizenship status, religion, gender, economic status, marital status, pregnancy, age, disability or military status in all decisions affecting admissions; membership in school-sponsored organizations, clubs or activities; access to facilities; distribution of funds; academic evaluations or any other aspects of school-sponsored activities. Any limitations with regard to participation in a school-sponsored activity are based on criteria reasonably related to that specific activity.

## AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (A.D.A.)

The Board of Education welcomes and encourages any and all comments from individuals interested in the Americans With Disabilities Act (A.D.A.) The A.D.A. contains Title I-Employment, Title II-Public Services, and Title III-Public Accommodations. Please contact Cindy Caudill, Special Pupil Services Director, 5740 Lawn Avenue, Maple Heights, 44137 or at 216-587-6100, ext. 3600.

Upon request to Cindy Caudill, Special Pupil Services Director, the district shall make reasonable accommodation for a person with visual, hearing, and/or speech disabilities to participate in its activities and/or programs. Requests for accommodations should be directed to Ms. Caudill at 5740 Lawn Avenue, Maple Heights, 44137 or at 216.587.6100, ext. 3600, 10 days prior to the scheduled event.