



Community Connection

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2015-2016 School Calendar

New Teacher Orientation (4 days).....	Weds., Aug. 12-Mon., Aug. 17
All Teachers Report	Tues., August 18
Students Report (<i>Except kindergarten</i>).....	Thurs., August 20
First Day for Kindergarten Students	Mon., August 24
NO SCHOOL – Labor Day	Mon., September 7
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/In-service (all schools)	Wed., September 16
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/In-service (all schools)	Wed., October 7
High School (only) End of 1st Quarter & 2-hr Early Release.....	Thurs., October 15
NO SCHOOL – NEOEA Day/Staff Development	Fri., October 16
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/In-service (all schools)	Wed., October 21
High School Parent/Teacher Conferences.....	Thurs., October 22
Grades K-8 End of 1st Quarter & 2-hr Early Release	Fri., October 23
Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences	Weds., November 4
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/In-service (all schools)	Wed., November 4
Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences.....	Thurs., November 5
Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences	Tues., November 10
Thanksgiving Recess	Weds., November 25— Fri., November 27
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/In-service (all schools)	Wed., December 2
High School 1st Semester Ends	Fri., December 18
WINTER BREAK	Mon., December 21— Fri., January 1 (<i>Classes Resume Mon. 1/4</i>)
Grades K-8 End of 1st Semester & 2-hr Early Release.....	Fri., January 15
NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King Day	Mon., January 18
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/In-service (all schools)	Wed., January 27
Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences.....	Tues., February 2
NO SCHOOL	Fri., February 12
NO SCHOOL – Presidents’ Day.....	Mon., February 15
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/In-service (all schools)	Weds., February 24
High School (only) 3rd Quarter Ends & 2-hr Early Release.....	Weds., March 2
High School Parent/Teacher Conferences.....	Weds., March 9
Grades K-8 End of 3rd Quarter & 2-hr Early Release.....	Fri., March 18
SPRING BREAK	Fri., March 25—Fri., April 1 (<i>Classes Resume Mon. 4/4</i>)
District-wide, 2-hr Early Release/In-service (all schools)	Weds., April 6
High School 2nd Semester Ends	Tues., May 3
NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day.....	Mon., May 30
STUDENTS’ LAST DAY	Weds., June 1
TEACHERS’ LAST DAY	Thurs., June 2

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News for the community about the Maple Heights City Schools

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



Welcome back to another exciting school year! Our Board of Education has created an exciting direction for the district this year through a new vision statement for our district. Our district vision is:

Educating our students, through expectations of excellence, to prepare them for a lifetime of success.

This vision statement will drive the actions of all adults who work with our students, and we want to involve families and the community in living out this vision for our students every day. We can start that work by having you join us at the back to school rally on August 15, 2015. Please read the article to your right for more details; and I hope to see you there to help us start the school year off on a positive note!

Charlie Keenan
Dr. Charlie Keenan

Welcome Back for the 2015-2016 School Year!

SCHOOL OPENS THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2015*

MAPLE HEIGHTS CITY SCHOOLS BACK TO SCHOOL RALLY!



Come join us at the Maple Heights City Schools’ “Back to School Rally” on Saturday, August 15, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the high school and stadium area. The rally will include something for everyone as there will be music, food and beverages, fun activities, games and prizes, community workshops and much, much more! Additionally, we will have a “Fill the Bus” with school supplies donation center. We are seeking donations of school supplies to help our students throughout the year. Donations can be made at the Rally.

A complete listing of activities and events will be posted on the Maple Heights City Schools website, on our Facebook page and on our twitter account starting August 3, 2015.



STAY UP TO DATE WITH WHAT’S GOING ON IN THE SCHOOLS

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter to stay up to date with the latest on school news, events, sports updates and more! Our Facebook account is www.facebook.com/MapleHeightsCSD and our twitter name is twitter.com/MapleCSD.

***On Thursday, August 20, all students (except kindergarten) are to report to their respective schools.**

Welcome to the 2015-2016 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) 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 9/30/15*)
- 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



WHEN DOES SCHOOL BEGIN?

On **Thursday, August 20** all students (*except kindergarten*) are to report to their respective schools. The first day of **Kindergarten** is **Monday, August 24**.

WHAT TIME DOES SCHOOL START & END?

Abraham Lincoln School (PK - Grade 1)
6009 Dunham Road • 216.438.6030 **9:10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**
(Sessions: 9:10-11:45 a.m./1:25-4:00 p.m.)

John F. Kennedy School (Grades 2-3)
5933 Dunham Road • 216.438.6010 **9:10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Barack Obama School (Grades 4-5)
5800 Glenwood Avenue • 216.438.6020 **8:21 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.**

Milkovich Middle School (Grades 6-8)
19800 Stafford Avenue • 216.438.6000 **7:35 a.m. – 2:41 p.m.**

High School (Grades 9-12)
One Mustang Way • 216.438.6400 **7:45 a.m. – 2:55 p.m.**

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.

Discounted RTA student bus tickets are available to district students for use in getting to and from school. The cost will be \$3.00 for the upcoming school year. Please contact your child's school main office for additional information.

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

The Elementary Schools will hold a new student/parent orientation on **Friday, August 14, 9:00 a.m.** Students and parents are to meet in the cafeteria area at Barack Obama School.

Middle School Orientation will be held **Friday, August 7, 11:00 a.m.** Students are to meet in the gym. Parents are welcome to attend.

High School Freshmen Academy Orientation will be Wednesday, **August 12, 6:00 p.m.** Orientation for students in **grades 10 through 12** will be Thursday, **August 13, 6:00 p.m.** Parents are encouraged to attend. **Current Student** (grades 10 through 12) **Schedule Pickup** will be **Thursday, August 13**, from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

Students will be given class schedules at orientation.

WHAT IF I MISS ORIENTATION?

Class/homeroom lists will be posted at each building by August 18th.

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).

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 4-8 Fees \$30
9-12 Fees based on courses taken*

Fees may be paid in cash, money order or by credit cards 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, the Board of Education or online at mapleschools.com.

**Please note: High School fees are based on courses taken and certain fees 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 kindergarten through grade 5 is available to students. The Program is managed by Guidestone, 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.**

2015-2016 PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Applications are currently be accepting for regular education preschoolers. You can apply by downloading a preschool packet from our website. Applications have to be submitted with all necessary documentation, reviewed and accepted before you can enroll your child in the program. For further information please contact 216-587-6100 ext. 3401.

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. Meghan Shelby, Special Pupil Services Director has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies. Dr. Shelby 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. Inquires regarding compliance with Title IX may be directed to: Dr. 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 Meghan Shelby, Special Pupil Services Director, 5740 Lawn Avenue, Maple Heights, 44137 or at 216-587-6100, ext. 3600.

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Upon request to Meghan Shelby, 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 Dr. Shelby at 5740 Lawn Avenue, Maple Heights, 44137 or at 216.587.6100, ext. 3600, 10 days prior to the scheduled event.