



**5th Grade
Computer**

We are currently learning about creating an effective presentation using Google Slides. Students will be using their new skills to do Guidance ACP related work as they learn about various careers that fit their interests.

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**Physical Education
5th and 6th grade P.E.**

In December, Mapleview PE students will participate in a badminton unit. Students will work techniques and skills of the underhand strike, overhead smash, forehand, backhand, and serve. After working these skills, students will participate in modified doubles games.

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**6th Grade
Computer**

We are beginning to learn about Digital Citizenship, how to use the internet safely and responsibly. Students will be diving in to a variety of topics including Cyber Bullying, Personal Information sharing online, and more.

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**A message from your Mapleview Specials Teachers:
If you ever have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the specials teachers. The special teacher's contact information is right below their name.**



Band

Mapleview band students are focusing mainly on their four concert songs in each grade. The concert songs present new challenges for each grade that push them to learn new articulations, dynamics, notes, and musical techniques! In 5th grade, the four concert songs are called Shine, Fire's Edge, Squonk Blues, and Spitfire. In 6th grade, the four concert songs are The Haunted Mansion, Celtic Air and Dance No. 2, Armory, and Raider's March (brought back from last year!).

I am planning some sort of live streamed "concert" for our band students here at Mapleview! The details have not been solidified yet but expect to hear about it in the future! I will let you know as soon as I can what the plan is for that concert! Thank you for your patience with me this year as we all encounter new challenges!"

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Healthy Living

All 5th and 6th graders will have Healthy Living one quarter second semester. I like to say that Healthy Living is a "how to get through adolescence" class. I tell students that while reading, writing and math are quite important, "this class is the one that will truly help them throughout their lives". To be healthy, we don't just think of our physical health, but it is also vital to take care of our mental health and our social health. In fifth grade, we will cover topics such as family and friends, emotions, nutrition, decision making, tobacco and personal health and safety. Sixth graders will learn conflict resolution strategies, peer pressure, self-esteem, nutrition, effects of alcohol and media literacy. Both fifth and sixth graders will have human growth and development objectives.

I am so looking forward to getting back to Mapleview second semester. Healthy Living will start with 1/2 of the 5th and 6th graders at Mapleview 3rd quarter. Then the other half of the 5th and 6th grade students will begin 4th quarter. Wow!! It is hard to believe when I start at Mapleview that will be the midpoint of the year. Until then, stay healthy and make good choices!

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Music:

5th Grade:

In 5th grade music we have been working very hard at perfecting our boom whacker rhythms and melodies. We have been working on our rhythmic sight reading as well as reading notes on the staff. Soon, we will be starting our tone chimes unit and working as an ensemble to perform songs! The 5th graders are progressing very well and continue to impress me with their musical knowledge!

6th Grade:

6th graders are currently wrapping up on their World Drumming unit. It has been very cool to see them lead our "drum circles" and be creative with their own rhythms. We will soon be starting our tone chime unit to put our rhythm reading to work. The 6th graders have been demonstrating a lot of self-control and taking initiative when following the expectations for our drumming unit. I am excited to see what they accomplish in our next unit!

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5th Grade Art

The students have created a watercolor painting inspired by an image they have chosen. The image they selected had personal meaning to them. The 5th graders will learn how to free draw their picture onto watercolor paper using a few techniques that help them place their image on the paper correctly. The students have learned different watercolor techniques: wet on dry, dry on dry, wet on wet, wash, value scale, crayons, colored pencils, sharpie markers, salt, masking tape, sponge and rubber cement. The 5th graders will use these techniques to help them paint a realistic watercolor painting.

Once the students have finished their painting they will fill out their check-off sheet (self-assessment) on our Google classroom. The students will then autograph their painting and the paintings will be displayed in the hallways.



The Elements of art we have covered are:
Color, Form, Line, Shape, Space and Texture.

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6th Grade Art

The students searched for their favorite song and used that song as inspiration for their painting. They tried to find images that go along with their song. The 6th grade students drew out their idea on paper then transferred the image onto good paper. The students learned a few painting techniques before painting their image. Before they turn in their painting they will use their chrome book to fill out their Google form "check-off sheet" (self-assessment) for their painting and will fill out and attach a name tag to their painting. The paintings will be displayed in the display cases when they are finished.



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