

TODAY'S MAPLE NEWS

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, December 17:

Tuesday, December 18:

- Maple Choir @GBS Winter Concert 7:30 - 9:00 pm

Wednesday, December 19:

- PTO Special Lunch

Thursday, December 20:

Friday, December 21:

- D30 Winter Sing 9:40 - 10:40 am

LOST AND FOUND

Parents, please encourage your student to check our lost and found areas around the school before winter break. We have coats, lunch boxes, water bottles, and a variety of other great items. After Friday, we will throw out any lunch boxes that contain food. Thank you.

MAPLE PLAYGROUND FUNDRAISER STARTS NEXT WEEK.

Please see pages 3 & 4 with all the details. Also, donations will be taken at MaplePTO.org. Thank you for your support!

SERVICE LEARNING CLUB

Thank you ALL for donating to this event! We were able to collect 2 blankets, 4 pairs of gloves, 5 snow pants, 18 scarves, 38 hats, 39 coats, and 2 pair of fuzzy socks. We collected 108 items in total. The items will be taken to the Connections For the Homeless in Evanston. Your kindness is truly appreciated!



THIS WEEK IN SIXTH GRADE HEALTH CLASS...

On Tuesday, our sixth grade health students had a visit from the Northbrook Fire Department. Inspector Murphy and Inspector Thompson educated students on Fire Safety. The lesson included a complete tour of a Fire Engine and reviewing safety procedures in case of a fire. Ask your student what they liked best about the lesson.



STUDENT COUNCIL HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE ENDING SOON

Student Council is having a holiday toy drive for the less fortunate children in the Northfield Township Area. Many families rely on the Northfield Township Food Pantry every day. Student Council board members, advisory representatives and sponsors would like to purchase food and holiday gifts for these families. Maple students will receive five raffle tickets for every dollar spent purchasing toys. Please bring your receipt to Ms. Reimer or Ms. Zhang to receive raffle tickets.



Raffle tickets will be sold in the MPR during lunch periods for twenty-five cents each or five for one dollar. District #30 families, staff members and community businesses have donated raffle prizes to encourage students, staff, and district #30 families to purchase toys for the less fortunate. Raffle winners will be drawn on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at the student council meeting.

[2018 Holiday Toy Drive Gift List](#)

[2018 Raffle Donations](#)

Watch our Powtoon video at

["MAPLE TOY DRIVE"](#)

24/7 ACCESS TO BOARD OF EDUCATION INFORMATION

Do you want to know when the next Board of Education meeting is taking place and what is on the upcoming agenda? Are you wondering what was discussed at the last meeting, and what action items were approved? Here are the best ways to access this information and more. Go to District 30's homepage at www.district30.org or directly to the Board of Education page at <http://www.district30.org/board>.

On the homepage, under the heading "Board of Education," there are five listings: [Board Members](#), [Online Meetings](#), [Board Goals](#), [Board Policies](#), and [Board Calendar](#). Just click on any of these links to get direct access to those pages.

5 ESSENTIALS SCHOOL SURVEYS

The Parent Survey Supplement will be conducted through February 15, 2019. To take the survey please visit <https://survey.5-essentials.org/Illinois/> and select the appropriate survey to begin.

For more information about the Illinois 5Essentials Survey, or to view previous years' Reports, please visit <https://www.5-essentials.org/illinois>. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact 5Essentials Client Services at 1-866-440-1874 or 5essentials@uchicago.edu.



PROJECT LEAD THE WAY WITH AN ELA TWIST

The National Academy of Science is holding a writing contest open to elementary through high school students. Please contact Ms. King-Mulvihill at mking-mulvihill@district30.org with any questions.

[2019 EngineerGirl Writing Contest](#)

- **What?** The EngineerGirl writing contest is asking students to submit works of creative fiction in which the main character is a female who uses engineering skills to solve a problem.
- **When?** The deadline to submit a story is Feb. 1, 2019, at 11:59 p.m. ET.
- **Where?** Submit stories via the [online submission form](#).

- **Who?** The contest is open to individual girls and boys in the following three competition categories:
 1. Elementary school students (grades 3-5)
 2. Middle school students (grades 6-8)
 3. High school students (grades 9-12)
- **Questions?** Visit the 2019 EngineerGirl Writing Contest [website](#).

As a reminder, some classes have changed to trimesters while others have remained on the quarter term.

Trimester (Core) Classes: English Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, and World Language

Quarter Classes: Physical Education, Health, and all Creative Arts



District 30 Scratch and Give

- Next week students will be given scratch cards.
- Students should write their name and teacher on the back of the card that way we can give back misplaced cards.
- Students can invite family, friends, neighbors to scratch off circles to reveal a donation amount.
- Circles donation value ranges from \$2-\$7
- Donations are then given by going to MaplePTO.org to fill out a form and make payment.
- Once all 20 circles on the card have been scratched off and donations given, the student can return the card to their school office and receive a new one.
- All donations are automatically entered into a raffle. Scratch card not necessary to participate. All entries will be collected online.



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- In addition to raffle tickets prizes, students will be participating in a school wide competition. This happens automatically when the Donation Form is filled out for the Scratch and Give game.
- The top two fundraising classrooms at Willowbrook and the top two fundraising classrooms at Wescott will receive EXTRA RECESS TIME!
- The top two fundraising Advisories at Maple will receive a Pizza Party with the Principals!
- The [online donation form](#) requests information that will help calculate results.
- Previous donations from this year will already be entered.

WHY WE ARE FUNDRAISING

All Abilities Playground

Why would middle school students would still want or need a playground? When the concept of a new building for Maple School was initiated, there was no playground/park in the plans. Later, district administrators began asking the students what they felt was the most important thing to have at a new school. To everyone's surprise, the most common answer was "We want a playground."

The district decided that it was important to move forward on plans to build a playground at the new Maple School that was most conducive to student social, emotional, and physical health. Consequently, during a meeting of the Maple Playground Committee, administrators asked Student Council members to find out what types of equipment they envisioned in their playground space. The kids provided valuable input. After much discussion, they decided they wanted a place where every student would have a place to interact together, regardless of physical abilities.

Q: What do snowmen eat for breakfast?



A: Frosted flakes!

