

# Maple Valley Newsletter

January 1, 2019

## ADMINISTRATION NEWS

by Dr. Michael Nygaard



Happy New Year and greetings to parents and patrons of “Raider Nation”! The first half of the 18-19 school year is coming to a close as the semester ends on January 11th (the halfway mark of the school calendar year). The transition of the elementary students to one site continues to create learning opportunities for the entire Maple Valley student body.

There are many exciting events that occur here daily. The lunch room experience, especially breakfast, provides a daily opportunity for students and teachers from all grade levels the opportunity to interact, learn and laugh. The culture we have established at Maple Valley is one of nurturing, caring, fun and a love for learning! If, and when you have the opportunity to visit, you will see student work/projects on display throughout the building. We are proud to display some of the great work our students do outside of the classroom as well as inside the classroom!

Below are a few housekeeping items for students and parents to be aware of:

The ADVACE ED component of schools today calls for us to have a plan for continuous improvement. As you know, we had our visit last year by a review team who looked at all components of our school. Based on their findings, they reported that we have implemented a lot of GREAT programs for our students and their academic success. The visitation team also had some recommendations of areas we should give additional attention to to strengthen our program, the main one being a “clear and concise mission/vision statement”. As part of that process we will be asking for students, staff and community members to serve on a committee to develop this mission/vision statement that tells the community who we are and what every student can expect when they attend Maple Valley. This process will be continuous, so look for more information for an opportunity to service on this important team.

Semester 1 exams for 7-12 students will be held on January 9th, 10th and 11th, shortly after we return from break. This is an important opportunity for students to demonstrate what they have learned during the first half of this school year as well as provide teachers valuable feedback regarding instruction. Each exam period is 90 minutes. There are scheduled breaks between exams. The schedule will be as follows:

January 9th: Period 7 Exam

January 10th: Periods 1, 3 & 5 Exams

January 11th: Periods 2, 4 & 6 Exams

As always, thank you for your continued support and assistance as we continue to work with our most valuable assets - your students!

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### Special Points of Interest

#### Final Exam Schedule:

- ◆ January 9th:  
Period 7 Exam
- ◆ January 10th:  
◆ Periods 1, 3 & 5 Exams
- ◆ January 11th:  
Periods 2, 4 & 6 Exams
- ◆ The Boys’ Barnes County Basketball Tournament will begin on Tuesday, January 8th, at the W.E. Osmon Fieldhouse on the campus of VCSU. Play will continue on Thursday, January 10th, and wrap up on Saturday, January 12.

#### **Good luck, Raiders!**

- ◆ There will be a 2 hr. late start on Wednesday, January 9th. Please note that classes at Tower City begin at 10:16 a.m. with Period 3 and that there will be no Periods 1 and 2 that day.

*It is the mission of the Maple Valley School District to assure all students entrusted to the district are provided the educational opportunity to gain the skills, knowledge and attitude necessary to effectively function in a changing society.*



## FCCLA NEWS

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES!

FCCLA members may work on STAR events before and after school on Wednesdays.

STAR events are due on February 6th.



Breanna Walburn is the FCCLA December Member of the Month.



The next FCCLA meeting will be held on January 22<sup>nd</sup> during Raider Time.

Check out the FCCLA page on the school website.



## COUNSELOR CORNER

*Mrs. Julie Kaspari*

**ND Youth Tour:** Write a winning essay and win a trip of a lifetime: an all-expense-paid trip to Washington DC!

To enter you must be in high school and you and your parents or guardian must be served by Cass County Electric Cooperative.

Deadline is January 31, 2019.

**Profiles in Courage:** Students in grades 9-12 are eligible to apply for this essay contest on the topic describing outstanding political courage as described by John F. Kennedy in *Profiles of Courage*.

Contest deadline is January 18, 2019.

First place winner earns \$10,000 and receives an all expense-paid trip to Boston to receive recognition at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum.

**High School Seniors Sought for Prestigious National Youth Science Camp:** Two high school seniors will receive a full scholarship to exchange ideas with scientists and other professionals from the academic and corporate worlds. The nearly month-long experience includes lectures and hands-on research projects presented by scientists from across the nation; overnight camping trips into the Monongahela National Forest; and a visit to Washington D.C. Educational and recreational programming, as well as meals, lodging and round-trip air passage on scheduled airlines are provided free of charge.

**North Dakota Governor's School:** North Dakota Governor's School is a six-week academic residential program for scholastically motivated North Dakota high school students who have completed their sophomore or junior years. Areas of study are: Experimental Science, Mathematics, Information Technology, English Studies, Engineering, Architecture and Landscape, Architecture, and Visual or Performing Arts. Stop in to see Mrs. Kaspari for more information.

For more information on any of these programs, visit the counselor website at: <https://www.maple-valley.k12.nd.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=246>.

**SENIORS: *Upcoming Deadlines for Scholarships (Don't miss out!!)***

ND Corn Growers – **January 4<sup>th</sup>**

ND Jaycee Senate – **January 11<sup>th</sup>**

College Covered – **January 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Late start on Wednesday, January 9th. Classes will begin at 10:16 am (no periods 1 and 2).**

# FCCLA NEWS



Ava Hill spoke to grades 7-12 on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Hill's presentation centered around suicide, bullying and mental illness.

# SPANISH I



On Monday, December 17, Mrs. McClafin took the Spanish I students (Dylan Aarseth, Cody Gille, Katie Zaun, Joylyssa Kuehne, John Gille, and Bailey Walburn) to ring the bell for the Salvation Army in



Valley City. The students were bell ringers at Leavers North, Leavers South and Shopko.



# SADD

Thank you to all who were able to donate, work and provide refreshments for the fall blood drive. Out of 28 volunteers that signed in, 25 of them were successful donors, 9 of them for the first time. Also, with 3 of those donors giving double red cells, we were able to collect a total of 28 products. The spring blood drive is scheduled for Monday, March 18th at the Tower City Community Center.

# THE RAIDER WAY

**R** ESPECT FOR SELF

**A** ND OTHERS

**I** GNITED BY

**D** EVELOPING CHARACTER

**E** MPOWERED BY KNOWLEDGE

**R** ESPONSIBILITY

**S** AND SAFETY

# RAIDER ROUNDUP

Congratulations to our girls' basketball team on winning the consolation championship in this years' Barnes County Tournament and to Courtney Hovelson on being selected unanimously to the Barnes County Tournament Team. **CONGRATULATIONS to all!**

The 5th Lunch Ticket is due on Friday, December 21st. Please pay promptly! Please consider paying for the month so that there is always a positive balance in your child/rens' account. If you think you may qualify for free or reduced price meals and have not yet filed, please do as soon as possible. It's not too late! Applications are available at the school offices and on-line at [www.maple-valley.k12.nd.us](http://www.maple-valley.k12.nd.us).

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**Eligibility Grade Checks for grades 4-12 will be held on Wednesday, January 9 and on Wednesday, January 30.**

The end of the Quarter 2/Semester 1 grading period is Friday, January 11. Report cards will be mailed to the parents. Remember that your students' progress and their lunch balance can be viewed online by setting up your Power-School account. If you need a copy of the instructions to set up your account, please contact the school office.

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***Good Luck Raiders!***

**Happy  
New Year!**



# January 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1  NO SCHOOL	2  SCHOOL RESUMES	3  JV/Varsity GBB vs. Lisbon @ Tower City, 6:00 p.m.	4  JV/Varsity BBB vs. Milnor/ North Sargent @ Gwinner, 6:00 p.m.	5  Lil' Raider Hoops—8:30 am @ Tower City JV/Varsity GBB vs. FS/HP @ Tower City, 6:00 p.m.
6	7  JV/Varsity GBB vs. Sargent Central @ Forman, 6:00 p.m.	8  Boys' Barnes County Basketball Tournament @ VCSU	9  School 2 hours late for professional Development  Eligibility Grade Checks	10 188th Army Band @ MV Gym, 9:45 a.m. <b>Jr. High BBB vs. BCN @ Oriska, 4:30 p.m.</b> Boys Barnes County BB Tourney @ VCSU	11  End Of 2nd Quarter	12  Boys' Barnes County Basketball Tournament @ VCSU
13	14  School Board Meeting @ Tower City, 6:00 p.m.	15 Jr. High BBB vs. FS/HP @ Hope, 4:30 p.m. <b>JV/Varsity BBB vs. Hankinson @ Tower City, 6:00 p.m.</b>	16	17 Jr. High BBB vs. Kindred @ Oriska, 4:30 p.m.  JV/Varsity GBB vs. Wyndmere/ Lidgerwood @ Wyndmere, 6:00 p.m.	18  JV/Varsity BBB @ Enderlin, 6:00 p.m.	19 Lil' Raider Hoops—8:30 am @ Tower City  Jr. High BBB vs. Enderlin @ Oriska, 9:00 a.m.
20	21 No School  JV/Varsity BBB vs. LLM @ Tower City, 6:00 p.m.	22  JV/Varsity GBB vs. Tri-State @ Tower City, 6:00 p.m.	23	24 Jr. High BBB vs. Northern Cass @ Oriska, 4:30 p.m. <b>JV/Varsity BBB vs. Sargent Central @ Forman, 6:00 p.m.</b>	25  JV/Varsity GBB @ Central Cass, 6:00 p.m.	26 Lil' Raider Hoops—8:30 am @ Tower City <b>Jr. High BBB Kindred Jamboree, TBA</b>
27	28	29 Jr. High BBB @ BCN, 4:30 p.m. <b>JV/Varsity GBB vs. Richland @ Tower City, 6:00 p.m.</b>	30  Eligibility Grade Checks	31 Jr. High BBB vs. Valley City @ Oriska, 4:30 p.m.  JV/Varsity BBB vs. Wyndmere/ Lidgerwood @ Wyndmere, 6:00 p.m.	