

Maple Valley School Newsletter

March 2019



ADMINISTRATION NEWS

by Brian Wolf, Superintendent

Maple Valley Patrons,

We are all feeling the same way right now. It is time for spring to come! This has been a very difficult stretch for all of us. I am writing this section of the newsletter while we are once again in a 'No Travel Advisory'.

By the end of March we will know if the governor will pardon any of our school days missed due to the weather. We will have to use our snow make-up days and will have school in session on May 23rd and 24th. Friday, May 24th will now be our last day of school for this year. If we do not receive a pardon, there will be an additional 1.5 days to make up. We have given preliminary information to the governor's office and will be receiving an official form to fill out at the beginning of March. Once we have a finalized version of our school calendar, we will put it on our website.

The basketball seasons are winding down, but the school continues to be a busy place. The speech team is once again in the middle of a very successful season. Elementary boys' basketball is just getting started and track will be starting next week.

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, February 28th from 3:30-9:30 p.m. The elementary teaching staff will have their supper break from 5:30-6:00 p.m. and the high school teachers will take their break from 6:00-6:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity for teachers to have one-to-one discussions with parents regarding their students' successes.

There will be No School on Friday, March 1st or Friday, March 15th.

Please stay warm and safe! Have a great month!

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Special Points Of Interest

There will be No Classes on **Friday, March 1st** (P/T Comp Day) and **Friday, March 15th** (Spring Break).

The 7th Lunch Ticket is due on **Wednesday, March 6**. One month lunch for K-6 is \$40; 7-12 is \$44. Please pay promptly.

There will be a 2-hour late start for professional development on **Wednesday, March 13th**.

The Maple Valley Jr./Sr. High Spring Concert will be presented on **Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m.** Please join us for an evening of music.

The end of the Quarter 3 is **Friday, March 22nd**.



NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

STAR Events – February 6

- Darby Koller competed in “Focus on Children”
- Cody Seidlinger competed in “Online Chapter Website”

The next FCCLA Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 14th during Raider Time.

FCCLA PALS

Maple Valley FCCLA has launched a new program: FCCLA Pals. Each FCCLA member will be spending time with elementary students.

FCCLA February Member of the Month:

Chloe Wetch

Looking Ahead.....

State Convention
April 7th-9th
Bismarck, ND

BARNES COUNTY SPELLING BEE

Four Maple Valley students participated in the Barnes County Spelling Bee at Valley City State University on February 5th. The Spelling Bee was divided into two divisions – a 5th/6th grade division, and a 7th/8th grade division.

The competition consisted of a 50-word written test and a five-word oral test. All four of the Maple Valley students placed. In the 7th/8th division, Evelyn Lloyd (grade 7) placed fourth and Ellah Karges (grade 8) placed third. In the 5th/6th division, Trapper Smith (grade 5) placed fourth and Michael Morgan (grade 6) placed first.



Michael Morgan was also the overall winner of the spelling bee and will advance to the state competition in Bismarck, ND on March 18th. Congratulations Students!!!



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.

THE RAIDER WAY

RESPECT FOR SELF

AND OTHERS

IGNITED BY

DEVELOPING
CHARACTER

EMPowered BY
KNOWLEDGE

RESPONSIBILITY &

SAFETY



Sports Corner

The Region 1 Boys' Basketball Tournament began on Tuesday, February 26th at the site of the higher seed. Tournament play will continue at The SHAC in Fargo on Monday, March 4th, Tuesday, March 5th and on Thursday, March 7th. Best of luck, Raiders!!

Elementary boys' basketball started Monday, February 25th. Their first game is Monday, March 12th against Finley-Sharon/Hope-Page at Oriska at 4:30 p.m.

The Enderlin-Maple Valley Falcon varsity baseball team will be traveling to Cocoa Beach, Florida to play four games as a kickoff to their 2019 baseball season. The team will fly out on Thursday, March 28th and return on Tuesday, April 2nd. They will play games on March 29th, March 30th, March 31st and April 1st. Good luck Falcons!!

Who doesn't love chocolate??? As a fundraiser for the track program, the team will be selling World's Finest chocolates the month of March. Varieties of chocolate bars being sold are: milk chocolate, dark chocolate, almond, crispy and caramel. All bars cost \$1. Please help support the team and buy chocolate!

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher Conferences for grades K-12 will be held at the high school on Thursday, February 28th from 3:30-9:30 p.m. Grades 7-12 parents may pick up their students' report cards in the office. Instructors from the Sheyenne Valley Career & Technical Center in Valley City will be at the Center in Valley City from 4:00-7:00 p.m. that same evening.

ON THE MOVE

Our school is participating in 'ON THE MOVE 2019' during the month of March. Starting date is Sunday, March 3 and ending date is Saturday, March 30. The goal is that each student in grades K-6 do 60 minutes of physical activity seven days per week during the month of March.

On school days, your child will be doing 30 minutes of exercise in physical education class on most days, and 20 minutes at recess. That leaves 20 minutes a day to get some physical activity at home on each day.

Weekly goal sheets will be sent home with your child. If they fill out the sheet (along with parent signatures), they will have met the requirements.

Two-hour late start for professional development on Wednesday, March 13th. Classes for grades 7-12 will begin at 10:16 a.m. (no periods 3 & 4).



- Who:** 4 and 5-year-olds who will enter Kindergarten in the Fall of 2019 and their parents
- When:** There will be five sessions held during March and April. The sessions will be held on Tuesday, March 12th, 19th and 26th and on Tuesday, April 2nd and 9th. The sessions will begin at 6:00 p.m. and finish at 7:00 p.m.
- Where:** Maple Valley Public School – Tower City, ND
- Cost:** FREE
- Register:** Please call the office at 749-2570 no later than March 5th.

This amazing program was started through a state program with NDSU and is in its 11th year. We have found Gearing Up For Kindergarten is a great opportunity for incoming Kindergartners and their families to get to know our district family and experience what Kindergarten will be like. Come and learn with your child as he or she explores science, math, sensory development, motor skills and reading activities in a fun setting.

Our parent education topics include: parenting styles, brain development, raising a reader, choosing effective discipline, media-wise, and responsibility. You will also be listening to teachers and staff speak about how you can help assist your child in having a good transition into Kindergarten.

If you have any questions, please contact the office at Maple Valley Public School (701) 749-2570.

*** * * GIRLS & BOYS STATE * * ***

The 73rd session of the **American Legion Girls' State** will be held on the campus of UND from Sunday, June 9, through Friday, June 14, 2019. All junior girls are eligible. **Anyone who is interested in attending should sign up at school or contact Carmen Gubrud, 633-5135 by March 25th.**

The 77th session of the **American Legion Boys' State** will be held on the campus of NDSCS-Wahpeton from Sunday, June 9, through Friday, June 14, 2019. All junior boys are eligible. **Anyone who is interested in attending should sign up at school or contact Margaret Vollmuth, 238-0507, by April 15th.**

FALCON SPEECH

by Frank Egan

Falcon speech is rolling along!

The Falcon speech team has been off to a rousing start. With the season at the halfway mark, we have state-qualified the following students: Alexa Zinke in Radio, Impromptu Speaking and Extemporaneous Speaking; Hunter Berntson in Storytelling and Humorous Interpretation; and Breanna and Bailey Walburn in Humorous Duo.

The speech team will be marching in the Parade of Champions during the Boys State B Basketball Tournament in Minot on March 16th. The Parade of Champions will be recognizing all state champions from 2018.

The region qualifying speech tournament will be held Friday, April 5th in Enderlin and the State Class B speech tournament will be held in Mandan on Saturday, April 27th. Good luck students!!

MAPLE VALLEY PROM 2019

The Maple Valley Prom is set for Saturday, April 6, 2019. The prom and post prom will be held at the Maple Valley school in Tower City this year.

Doors will open for parents and spectators at 7:15 p.m. The grand march will take place at 8:00 p.m. and the dance will begin at 9:00 p.m. Pictures will be taken before the grand march. The theme for the evening is "Red Carpet".



MATHCOUNTS

On Monday, February 11th, Clay Hovelson, Ellah Karges, Jami Vavra and Chloe Wetch participated in the annual MathCOUNTS competition at Valley City State University. The students placed second as a team and celebrated a historical victory as an all eighth-grade team. CONGRATULATIONS STUDENTS!!



l-r:

Clay Hovelson,
Jami Vavra,
Chloe Wetch,
Ellah Karges

ACADEMIC CHAMPION

Alexa Zinke has been selected to the **North Dakota Academic All-State Class B GOLD Team**.

The Gold, Silver and Bronze winners will be recognized during a televised "**Parade of Academic Champions**" between the last two semifinal games of the State Class B Boys' Basketball Tournament in Minot on **Friday, March 15, 2019**.

Each winner will receive a medallion from WDAY and Forum Communications. **We are so proud of you, Alexa!**

P.T.O In Action

- The Maple Valley P.T.O. sponsored an “All Kids Movie Night” on Thursday, February 14th. The turnout was great with over 60 Maple Valley students present. The group was treated to the movie “Wonder”, supper, snacks and a dance party in the gym. Thank you to all parents who made this fun night possible for our K-6 students.



Over 60 students attended the movie “Wonder” at the Maple Valley School. Doors opened at 5:00 with supper, games and a movie.

Maple Valley K-6 students enjoyed an evening of activity and food thanks to the efforts of the Maple Valley PTO. The group hopes to make this an annual event.



- “Basketball Academy” was another program sponsored by PTO. In January students from grades 3-6 were invited to participate. The program was a huge success with 23 students signing up. At the end of the program the students were invited to compete at the half-time of the girls’ varsity game against Hankinson on February 4th. Thanks to all the coaches and students that made this possible.
- The Maple Valley PTO also hosted “Penny Wars” the last week of February. Each class participated in this event to raise funds to support the Red River Zoo visit to our school in March. The class that raised the most money received a pizza party for their classroom.





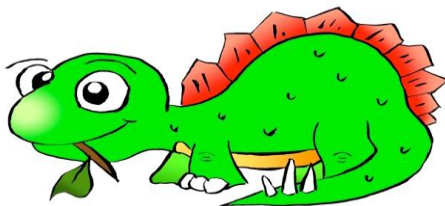
**SPRING BLOOD DRIVE
MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2019
TOWER CITY COMMUNITY CENTER**



Please contact Cindy Kapaun, 701-840-8822 or 701-749-2570 if you are interested in donating.

The Northern Lights State SADD Conference will be held Sunday, March 24 – Tuesday, March 26th in Grand Forks. Maple Valley has 29 students that will be attending.

Reading Month



March is “Reading Month” at Maple Valley elementary. This year’s theme is ‘Dinosaurs’. Our entire elementary wing will be transformed into Jurassic World. It will be a fun month for our students as they become immersed in the world of the dinosaurs.

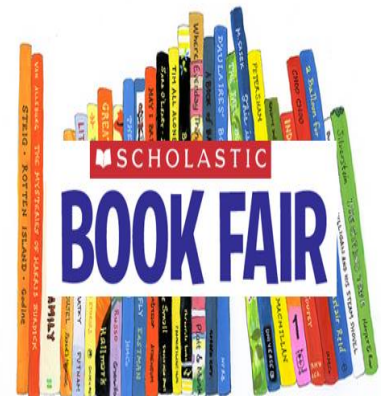
As part of the month-long activity, our students will be attending the Wood Bat Baseball Tournament in Enderlin and students will be rewarded with Redhawk tickets for their participation.

Maple Valley elementary will be celebrating Dr. Seuss’s birthday with a kick-off to our Reading Month in March. The elementary celebration will be on Thursday, February 28th during school. Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!



SCHOLASTIC BOGO
(Buy One Get One)
BOOK FAIR
MAPLE VALLEY SCHOOL
April 1-5, 2019

“A great way to stock up on your summer reading needs.”





March 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31					1 No School (P/T Comp Day)	2 Speech Meet @ Milnor
3	4 BBB Quarterfinals Region 1 @ Fargo SHAC	5 BBB Semi- Finals Region 1 @ Fargo SHAC	6	7 BBB Finals Region 1 @ Fargo SHAC	8	9 Speech Meet @ Kindred
10	11 Vocal Solo/ Small Ensemble Contest, VCSU	12 Elementary Boys Basketball vs. FS/HP @ Oriska, 4:30 p.m. Gearing Up For Kindergarten, MV School, 6:00-7:00 p.m.	13 School 2 hours late for professional development (No Periods 3 & 4 for Grades 7-12) Eligibility Grade Check	14 Class B State Boys Basketball Tourney @ Minot State Dome	15 Class B State Boys Basketball Tourney @ Minot State Dome NO SCHOOL 'Spring Break'	16 Class B State Boys Basketball Tourney @ Minot State Dome "Parade of Champion"
17	18 State Spelling Bee in Bismarck, ND SADD Blood Drive @ TC Community Center	19 Elementary Boys Basketball vs. Enderlin @ Oriska, 4:30 p.m. Gearing Up For Kindergarten, MV School, 6:00-7:00 pm	20	21 MV High School Spring Concert, Tower City, 7:00 p.m. Elementary Boys Basketball @ Northern Cass, 4:30 p.m.	22 End of Third Nine Weeks	23 Speech Meet @ Davies Elementary Boys Basketball – MV Jamboree @ Oriska & Tower City, TBD
24	25	26 Gearing Up For Kindergarten, MV School, 6:00-7:00 p.m.	27 Eligibility Grade Check	28 Elementary Boys Basketball vs. Northern Cass @ Oriska, 4:30 p.m.	29 Speech Tournament @ Maple Valley	30