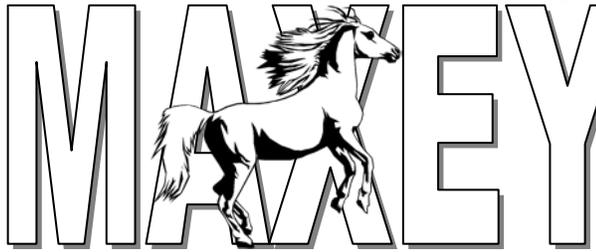


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Maxey 2018-19 School Year Important Dates

- February 21 – Beginning Orchestra 8:00am
- February 21 – PTO After School Classes Begin 3:45 (Thursday class)
- February 22 – Advanced Orchestra 8:00am
- February 25 – Student Council Meeting 8:30am
- February 25 – PTO After School Classes Begin 3:45pm (Monday class)
- February 26 – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- February 26 – PLC Day Early dismissal 2:18pm
- February 26 – Chorus Rehearsal 8:15am
- February 27 – Student Council Sales/Recycling 8:30am
- February 27 – PTO After School Classes Begin 3:45pm (Wednesday class)
- February 28 – Parent Teacher Conferences
- February 28 – Beginning Orchestra 8:00am
- March 1 – Advanced Orchestra 8:00am
- March 1 – PTO Family Movie Night 6:00pm
- March 5 – Chorus Rehearsal 8:15am
- March 5 – 5th Gr Camp Parent Meeting 6:30pm
- March 6 – Student Council Sales/Recycling 8:30am
- March 6 – 2019-20 Kindergarten Registration 10am-6pm
- March 6 – Janet's Jungle Assembly Kick Off 3:00pm
- March 6 – PTO Science Fair Set Up 4:30pm
- March 7 – Beginning Orchestra 8:00am
- March 7 – 2019-20 Kindergarten Registration 10am-4:30pm
- March 7 – Science Fair 6:00pm-7:30pm
- March 8 – Advanced Orchestra 8:00am
- March 8 – Maxey Spirit Day Wear your favorite Sports Apparel
- March 8 – End of 3rd Quarter
- March 11-15 Spring Break No School

PLC Days early dismissal—9:00am-2:18pm

February 26

March 26

April 30

2019-20 Kindergarten Registration

For parents not able to register online, Lincoln Public Schools will hold two days of registration in the schools for students who will begin kindergarten in August 2019. During registration the paperwork necessary for enrollment in Lincoln public schools will be completed. Registration at Maxey will be Wednesday, March 6, 10am-6pm and Thursday, March 7 10am-4:30pm. When registering your student, you must provide a certified birth certificate and current immunization record.

Birth Certificate Requirements

A student enrolling for the first time in the Lincoln Public Schools must present a certified birth certificate. The requirement for a certified copy was implemented in 1990 with the passage of new state legislation to help track missing children. The document given to parents from the hospital at the time the child is born looks like a birth certificate, but it is not a certified copy, which has a raised seal of the State of Nebraska and the signature of the director of vital statistics. If you need to obtain a certified copy of the certificate, contact the Nebraska Bureau of Vital Statistics, P.O. Box 95007, Lincoln, NE 68509. Phone 471-2871.

Maxey Week of Kindness February 19-22

During the week of October 8th, Maxey Elementary did its first "Week of Kindness". We saw students making intentional choices to say and do kind things to one another. For many, this is a regular occurrence. This week we are in the process of our second week of kindness. Each day we are taking a few minutes to do an intentional act of kindness.

Tuesday, 2/19 – Did you know that when you say or do something nice for another person you are filling their bucket? And then when something is said or done that is unkind, you are taking from their bucket. People feel good when their buckets are full and that makes them want to fill other people's buckets! Today, we are asking every Maxey student to write on a drop that you will be given from your teacher, and write something kind about another student or teacher. Show them what you wrote and then on the way into the lunchroom, you will drop it in our Maxey School Bucket. On this day, the Maxey Bucket will be filled with kindness!

Wednesday, 2/20 – "Mix it up Lunch". We will have tables in the lunchroom numbered and each student will be given a number when they enter the lunchroom and that is the table they will sit at. The goal is to meet a new friend or acquaintance. Missed this because of our snow day!

Thursday, 2/21 – Class heart of appreciation. Each class will create a heart (the office has a cut out heart for each class) that will be delivered to people in the community we appreciate. We will be sending to the Police, Firefighters, Senior home, Food Bank, District Office, and a hospital.

Friday, 2/22 – Wear RED for Kindness and to support the American Heart Association.

Backpack T-Shirt order form coming home! Due March 6

Sometime in the next few days each class will be having a presentation about the Lincoln Food Bank's Backpack Program. This program provides food each Friday for the weekend in a backpack for just under 3,000 LPS students and their families. If you would like to order a shirt supporting the Backpack Program, take a look at the note coming in your child's Wednesday folder! This is a great cause and a super way to support our community. The T-Shirt orders are due back at Maxey by March 6, but monetary payment (donation) isn't due until the completion of the fundraiser, April 26. The envelope for money collection of donations will be in the April 3 Wednesday folder. If you have questions, contact Mrs. Christen or Mr. Tebo, Backpack Co-Captains at Maxey.

Foodbank/LPS Backpack Extra Mile Walk Save the Date

Save the date. The annual Backpack Extra Mile Walk will be Saturday, April 27 at 10 a.m. The walk will take place at Lincoln East High School and will provide funding for the Lincoln Food Bank's Back Pack program. Info coming soon.

Maxey Parent/Teacher Conferences February 26 and February 28

Contact your student's teacher to sign up for Parent/Teacher Conferences. Amanda, the Maxey School nurse, will be at parent teacher conferences on February 28th. If you would like to swing by the Health Office with any questions about your child or general health questions, please stop in to see her! She will have information on maintaining health and Influenza prevention.

Get Your ParentVue Activation Key Letters Today

Beginning in the fall of the 2019-20 school year, parents will use ParentVue to update census information for their students. ParentVue Activation Letters will be available at your assigned Parent/Teacher Conference time in February. Any questions or if you need help logging in, please contact Annette Wiegert awieger@lps.org.

This secured access requires a confidential username and password that you create to log in to see your student's information. This resource will help you stay informed about your child's progress. ParentVUE is not intended to replace direct communication between students/parents/teachers or other school staff members. If you have questions, please discuss the information with your student first. Students are strongly encouraged to discuss class progress directly with their teachers. If further clarification is needed, parents should contact the teacher directly.

"Believe" T-shirt Fundraiser for Mrs. Anderson

Maxey Elementary PTO is sponsoring a Fundraiser for Mrs. Anderson, one of our 4th grade teachers at Maxey. Last fall, Mrs. Anderson lost her husband unexpectedly. Shortly after his funeral, she was diagnosed with breast cancer and has been undergoing chemotherapy. Maxey PTO wanted to do something to show her our support. We will be selling "Believe" shirts. All profits will go directly to Mrs. Anderson to help pay for

medical expenses. Orders will be due Friday, March 1st. Items will be sent home with students after Spring Break. Checks should be made payable to Maxey PTO. Orders may also be placed online at www.maxeypto.org (under store). Contact 402-309-0399 (Tracy) or 773-426-8940 (Sherri).

****If you would like to make a monetary donation in addition or instead of purchasing a shirt, please send check to Maxey PTO with "Believe" in memo line. ORDER FORMS WILL GO HOME IN WEDNESDAY FOLDERS 2/6.**

ELPA21 Testing

English language learner students at Maxey Elementary School will be participating in the English Language Proficiency Assessment for the 21st Century (ELPA21) during February 8th, February 11-15th and February 19th. There are several things parents can do to positively contribute to their child's success. Encourage your child to put forth their best effort with positive statements expressing confidence in their abilities and their efforts. A good night's sleep and a nutritious breakfast will go a long way to help your child best show what they know and are able to do on the test. Finally, being in school during testing is very important. Please reschedule any appointments that may take your child out of school on the testing dates listed above. As always, we appreciate your support!

Maxey Science Fair

Thursday, March 7 6:00-7:30pm. The Maxey Science Fair is open to all students. The Maxey Science Fair is a non-competitive opportunity for K-3 grades. 4th and 5th graders have the opportunity to win multiple awards. This is a fun opportunity for students to learn from an experiment or a demonstration. Registration forms will be due February 22nd. Please watch for registration forms in your student's 1/23 Wednesday folder.

Gritty Kid of the Week

With our school-wide theme of GRIT, we are encouraging students to work hard and keep trying even when things are challenging. The students are really taking hold of the concept and showing great effort! Students are being recognized by their teachers for showing GRIT and are earning mustangs that they deliver to the office and get hung up in the lunchroom. Each week we are recognizing one student who is nominated by teachers and administrators as "The Gritty Kid of the Week". The student is announced during the morning announcements and has their picture hung in the main hallway for the week. Our "Gritty Kid" recognized this week:

Kate James 5 th Gr Mrs. Korell

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Feb 22
Night Out
Lincoln Stars
Hockey

Feb 26
PLC Early Out
2:18 PM

Feb 26
Parent Teacher
Conferences
3:45-7:30 PM

Feb 28
Parent Teacher
Conferences
3:45-7:30 PM

Mar 1
Family Movie
Night
6:30-9:30 PM

Maxey Night at Lincoln Stars Hockey



Mark your calendars for Maxey night at the Lincoln Stars on **Friday, February 22nd!** Tickets are \$15 and may be bought at <https://stars.isportstix.com/order/group/Maxey/>

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Yearbook Pictures

DUE DATE IS FRIDAY FEBRUARY 22nd!

Yearbook is looking for any pictures you took at PTO events, or class parties and would like to be considered for this year's Yearbook.

Please send them to yearbook@maxeypto.org.



Fourth Annual Maxey Family Movie Night



The Maxey PTO will be showing Despicable Me 3 and Lego Ninjago at school on **Friday, March 1st**. Doors open at 6:30 PM, movies start at 7:00 PM! *Movie admission is FREE!!!*



Popcorn, drinks and candy will be sold at the doors. Snacks will only be sold prior to the movies beginning. Each item will be \$1, please bring cash for concessions. Kona Ice will be there this year too!

Kids may bring blankets to sit on the floor and adults may bring chairs to line the outsides of the room. Comfy clothes or pj's are encouraged!

Students must be accompanied by an adult and must stay in the movie they choose at the beginning of the night.



Donations Needed

Start looking for prize donations for Janet's Jungle! Everything is needed from Big Prize Packages to the items for the top sellers in each class.

