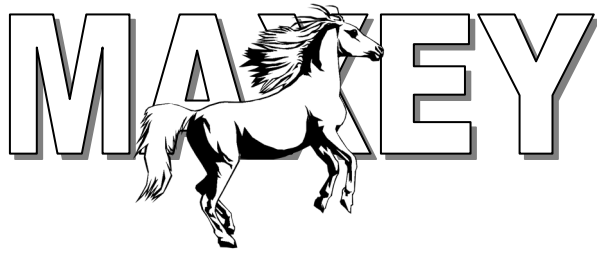


*Our mission is to maximize learning for all students*



# Messenger

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### **Upcoming Important 2020-21 School Dates**

March 18 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr MAP Testing  
March 22 – Advanced Orchestra 8:00am  
March 23 – Beginning Orchestra 8:00am  
March 24 – Small Group Band 8:00am  
March 25 – Report Cards Viewable in ParentVue  
March 26 – Remote Student Drop Off/Pick Up  
March 26 – Kindergarten Fancy Nancy Day  
March 29 – Advanced Orchestra 8:00am  
March 30 – Beginning Orchestra 8:00am  
March 30 – PLC Dismissal 2:18pm  
March 31 – Small Group Band 8:00am  
April 5 – No Elementary School Teacher Plan Day  
April 6 – Lincoln City Primary Election  
April 6 – Beginning Orchestra 8:00am  
April 7 – Small Group Band 8:00am  
April 7 – NSCAS 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr Reading  
April 8 – NSCAS 4<sup>th</sup> Gr Reading  
April 9 – Remote Student Drop Off/Pick Up  
April 9 – NSCAS 5<sup>th</sup> Gr Reading

**ALL scheduled events are tentative and subject to change due to health directives put into place to prevent further spread of Covid-19.**

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

March 30

April 13 New

April 27

### **Early Childhood Parents:**

April 13<sup>th</sup> the PM EC class will meet in the morning (8:30-12:00) and the AM classes will not be in session. This is so that AM teachers can prepare and plan upcoming curriculum.



**March 19 Deadline:**

**Lincoln Food Bank's Annual Extra Mile Walk is Virtual/Order T-Shirts NOW!**

The Maxey community has been a great supporter of the Backpack Program for student meals. This year is no different! Your donations can make a huge difference for students at Maxey and in LPS! No donation is too small!

**For all of the information about this year's virtual walk (April 26-30) and T-shirt orders (available to order only through March 19) see link here:**

<https://secure.qgiv.com/event/extramile2021/>

**Having trouble signing up for the Virtual Extra Mile Walk? Corrinne is here to help.**

Corrine Gernhart  
Special Events and Corporate Sponsorships Coordinator  
(402) 466-8170, ext. 121  
[cgernhart@lincolnfoodbank.org](mailto:cgernhart@lincolnfoodbank.org)

**2021-2022 Kindergarten Online Registration Open**

Click Here to Register your Kindergartner for the 2021-2022 school year. Please choose the 2021-2022 school year choice.

<https://home.lps.org/cs/online-registration-verification/>

You must provide the school with your student's:

\***Certified Birth Certificate**

\***Current Immunization Record**

You may upload or email to [awieger@lps.org](mailto:awieger@lps.org).

**Maxey Virtual Science Fair**

Presentations due Friday, March 19.

## **MAP Testing Information**

Following are the MAP Fluency and Growth testing dates for our school in the SPRING:

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Test</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>K</b>	MAP Fluency: Foundational Skills	Freye: Friday, May 7 Thompson: Thursday, May 6 Cade: Wednesday, May 5 Codr: Tuesday, May 4 Gruhl: Monday, May 3	9:30-10:30 All Tests
<b>1</b>	MAP Fluency: Adaptive Oral Reading	Uhing: Monday, April 26 Frاندolig: Tuesday, April 27 Meyer: Wednesday, April 28 Treat: Thursday, April 29 Brown: Friday, April 30	9:30-10:30 each day
<b>2</b>	MAP Growth Reading	March 2nd, 3rd, 4th	9:30-10:00
<b>3</b>	MAP Growth Reading	March 16-18	10:30-11:00

During these testing periods, we encourage you to make sure your children are in school unless they are ill. The best preparation for these tests is to come to school well rested with a positive attitude toward taking the tests. It is important that your child do their best on these tests so that LPS teachers and administrators have accurate information about your child's knowledge and skills for instructional planning.

If your student is a remote learner, you may bring them in to test with their class according to the schedule above, or you may opt them out of the test. [Use this link if you would like to Opt them out](#)

### **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:

Taft Beddes 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Mrs. Frankforter
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### **Special Attendance Permit**

The deadline for submitting a special attendance permit for the 2021-2022 school year is January 5, 2021.

\*If you have a 5th grade student and want them to attend a middle school not in your home address attendance area, you will need to submit a permit.

\*If you are on a permit to attend Maxey and have an incoming kindergarten student, you will need to fill out a permit.

\*If you are already attending Maxey on permit, you do not need to complete another permit unless you move to a different address.

The Special Attendance Permit is found on the LPS.ORG home page>Student Services or the Maxey main office.

### **Remote Learner Return & Retrieve Information**

Below is some important information regarding return and retrieve days for second semester. We are planning on **Friday only** pickups in order to give teachers an extra day to prepare the materials for the two week period.

Below is the schedule:

March 26

April 9

April 23

May 7

May 20 – (Thursday -return only, last day of school)

### **Parents of Remote Learners:**

**The NSCAS tests cannot be offered remotely (at home).** If you would like your child to take the NSCAS test, they will need to come to Maxey according to the schedule below.

**If your student is remote and WILL participate in NSCAS testing:** Parents of remote learners can bring students to school for testing if they want them to participate. Your student(s) will take the test with their class using the same health and safety procedures described in the LPS Pandemic plan. It will not be possible to schedule individual sessions for remote learners.

- All students are required to wear a face covering and should be dropped off at Maxey at the scheduled testing time.
- Students should bring an independent reading book in case they finish testing early.
- Students in grades 3-5 must bring their **charged** chromebook for testing.

<b>Grade</b>	<b>NSCAS ELA</b>	<b>NSCAS MATH</b>
3	Wednesday, April 7th 11:00-12:00pm	Wednesday, April 14th 1:00-2:00pm
4	Thursday, April 8th 12:45-2:00pm	Thursday, April 15th 9:15-10:15am
5	Friday, April 9th 9:15-10:15am	Tuesday, April 13th 9:15-10:15am
	<b>NSCAS SCIENCE</b>	
5 ONLY	Friday, April 16th 9:15-10:15	

If you have further questions regarding NSCAS testing, please contact Tracey Peterson at [tpeters@lps.org](mailto:tpeters@lps.org) or the Maxey main office.

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Maxey PTO Newsletter



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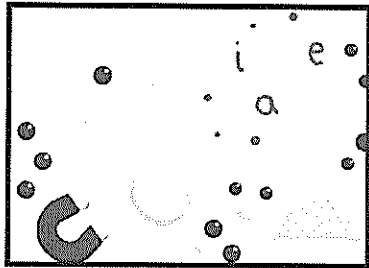
## About Maxey PTO

PTO stands for Parent Teacher Organization. The Maxey PTO is a nonprofit group comprised of parents, teachers and staff dedicated to improving the educational experience of all students at Maxey Elementary. Our goals are to encourage interaction between family and school, serve as a source of support, and work with teachers, staff and community to improve our student's educational experience.

**IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:      MARCH 19: SCIENCE FAIR FLIPGRID DUE**

**MARCH 26: REMOTE LEARNER DROP OFF/PICK UP**

**MARCH 30: PLC DISMISSAL @ 2:18 P.M.**



## VIRTUAL SCIENCE FAIR AT MAXEY

### SCIENCE FAIR PRESENTATION FLIPGRID DUE MARCH 19

- \*Due to COVID-19, the Maxey Science Fair for 2021 will be virtual.
- \*Participating students will use their Chromebook to record and upload a Flipgrid presentation of their project by March 19, 2021.
- \*Project ideas can be explored on the web or the Maxey Media Center.
- \*Display boards are available for purchase at Maxey Media Center.
- \*Contact Ajsasthoff1@gmail.com or 402-440-7244 with questions.

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**How to STAY UP TO DATE:**

[www.maxeypto.org](http://www.maxeypto.org)

Facebook: @maxeypto

Instagram: maxey.allstars

Text Reminders: Send "@maxeypt" to 81010

### HOW TO CONTACT US:

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[vicepresident@maxeypto.org](mailto:vicepresident@maxeypto.org)

Secretary: OPEN

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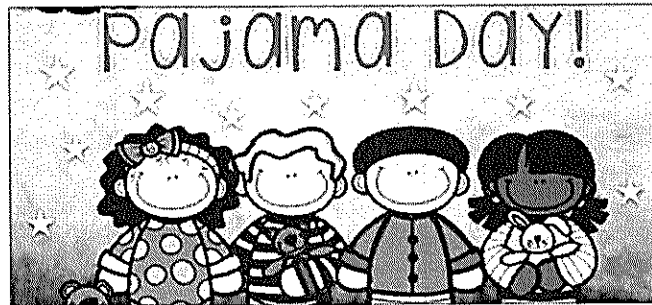
Consulting Member/Communications: Tracy Reichmuth  
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## Download Box Top App

One of the few ways to help raise money during this pandemic year is to download the BOX TOP APP! Scan your receipts & see how much you raised for Maxey!!



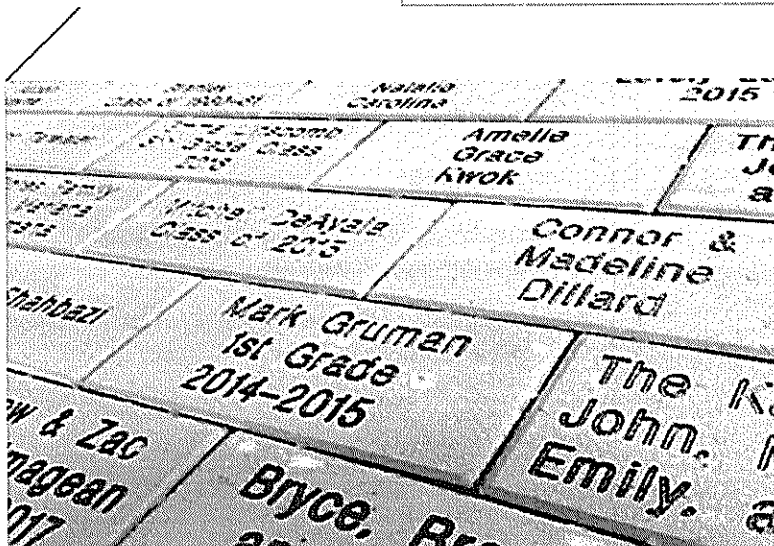
## PAJAMA DAY IN MAY

Every year during Janet's Jungle Plant Sale students work to earn a school wide pajama day. There will NOT be Janet's Jungle Fundraiser this year, however, Mrs. Reimers has promised the students a pajama day for the entire school to be scheduled in May!

## Brick Project

Maxey PTO is hoping to continue our Brick Project but we are in need of a reasonably priced brick engraver. *If you know of a business who would be able to help our non-profit continue this project, please contact our PTO president:*

[president@maxeypto.org](mailto:president@maxeypto.org)



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HEADPHONES/EARBUDS NEEDED. Please see message below from Mr. Tebo.

"Hi Parents,

We are looking for new headphones to use with students that no longer have the pairs that LPS and Maxey School has provided.

If you have access to some new ones or would like to purchase some please drop them off at Maxey for Mr. Tebo in the computer lab.

Thanks, Mr. Tebo"

**HEADPHONES  
NEEDED AT MAXEY**



FINGERS CROSSED

FOR

FIELD DAY IN MAY!

We are unable to guarantee if and how Field Day will play out but at this time are hoping this happens even though it may look a little different than it normally does.

## LOOKING AHEAD TO 2021/2022:

This school year was anything but normal. But we are hoping that next school year is better and the PTO can resume many of its normal activities and fundraisers. Please keep in mind that there are usually many committees that need chairs and many activities that we hold. We hope to resume our general meetings this coming fall and at that time will hold elections for new board members (President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, etc). If you are interested in finding out information about open committee chair positions or what being a board member entails, please reach out to any of the officers listed on page one of this news letter. You may also reach out to Tracy Reichmuth via email or text (treichmuth@msn.com or 402-309-0399) with any question, feedback or recommendations and guidance on who to contact for certain issues. We cannot say thank you enough for all the support and donations during this crazy pandemic year.



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*Please spread the word to your fellow Maxey parents to make sure they are aware of all the ways to stay Up-To-Date!! All PTO communication this year will be digital. If you are not on social media, please make sure to sign up for text reminders and join the PTO so you get all PTO communication! And visit our website regularly!*