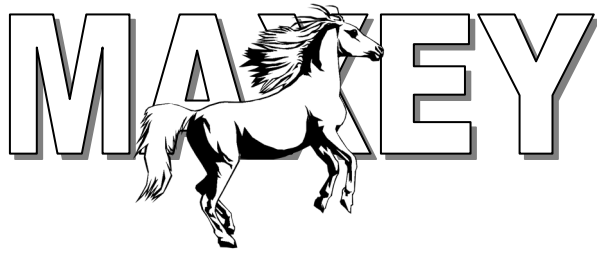


*Our mission is to maximize learning for all students*



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**Upcoming Important 2020-21 School Dates**

May 20 – Maxey Spirit Wear Day

May 20 – Last Day of School

May 21 – Remote Learners Return Items to Maxey

May 21 – Report Cards Viewable in ParentVue

July 27 – 2021-2022 Kindergarten JumpStart

August 16 – First Day of School 2021-22 school year

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

**Year End Events/Procedures**

Thanks so much to all our families for the ongoing support of the home school connection at Maxey. As we complete another year and prepare for summer, I wanted to remind you of some end of the year events and procedures. Our last day of school is Thursday, May 20. Students are asked to leave backpacks at home on this day. This has been a district wide request to avoid littering of the streets (although our kids would never do that!). As you drive through the carpool lane on the last week of school, you will notice fat heads and special signs to recognize our fifth graders. Enjoy, but please drive carefully.

**Remote Learner Return Information**

Friday, May 21 is the day to return all remote learner items.

**May 21 – (Friday -return only)**

**From Nutrition Services**

Negative meal balances need to be paid in full before June 30, 2021. The parent/guardian is responsible to pay for all school meal purchases made by their student(s). Negative balances can be paid in the school office or sent to Accounting, LPSDO Box 2, 5905 O Street, Lincoln, NE 68510.

Negative balance meal accounts will be referred to a collection agency if they are not paid. If you have questions regarding your child's negative meal account, please contact Accounting at 402-436-1700.

c: Jamie Berens, Accounting  
Edith Zumwalt,

### **Lost and Found**

Most lost articles that are found are brought to the Lost and Found area in the cafeteria. Encourage your child to check for their lost articles. Articles not claimed at the end of the school year are donated to a local children's charity.

For parent's convenience, we will place these lost items at the front of the school (door #1) on the last two days of school. Please stop by and look for your student's lost clothing articles/items.

### **From the Maxey Library**

Our Spring Online book fair total was \$2,700! This means Maxey Library will add \$675 of new books! THANK YOU!

#### **SUMMER Reminders:**

Sign up for the Lincoln City Libraries Summer Reading Program at any of their locations! The program is June 1-July 31.

Use the AV2, Lightbox and Sora links at EBOOKS at the Maxey Library site this summer for reading and video, activity and web links.

Use the Summer Learning and Daily Learning Challenges at FAVORITES at the Maxey Library site for great stories, videos and activities!

All classes K-5 practiced using these sites in May during Library Specials.

#### **THANK YOUs:**

Thank you for returning all library books and reusing your zip bag next year to keep your books clean and dry!

Sheri Christen, Maxey Librarian

### **A Big Thank You to Members of the Maxey PTO**

Maxey staff would like to thank all the parents who contributed to the Teacher Appreciation Week. Thank you to Cambrea Perry and her team for organizing and distributing all the treats to the staff through out the day. It was enjoyed by all. THANK YOU!!!

### **2021-22 PLC Early Release Days**

Last Tuesday of every month

August 31

September 28

October 26

November 30

December 14

January 25

February 22

March 29

April 26

### **Carpool Drop Off**

In order to allow time and space for all students to be dropped off in the mornings, please pull into the carpool lane as far north as possible, drop off and pull out. Thank you.

### **Lunch the Last Week of School**

The last week of school lunch, there will be a variety of food. We will have some of what the Nutrition Services menu offers, but not all. The last day of school, only Preschool and vegetarians will receive the soy butter sandwiches. Please plan accordingly for your student's lunch needs.

### **Save The Date**

2021-2022 Incoming Kindergartners are invited to the Kindergarten JumpStart on July 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. Parents will meet with Mrs. Reimers and your students will meet the Kindergarten teachers and do an activity in the classrooms.

## **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).

## **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:

Alex Pfeifer 1 <sup>st</sup> Gr Miss Meyer
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## **Maxey Staff Update**

We will have a number of changes in our staff for next year. We are still in the process of hiring, but here are some of the changes:

### Retirements

Kim Uhing, first grade

Greg Tebo, computer

Kathy Parsley, early childhood para

Nancy Jagadich, executive secretary

### Other staff leaving

Laura Korell, fifth grade (staying home)

Heather Roeder, fifth grade (moving to Lux middle school)

Bisi Oyinlade, third grade (moving to Meadow Lane Elementary)

Whitney Florum, paraeducator (attending college classes)

Rachel Farrow, early childhood para (accepted a teaching position)

Jessica Rasette, RTI para (moving)

Jennifer Will, gifted facilitator (will be assigned to other schools)

### New Hires (we are still in the process)

Ila Jean Traudt, computer (currently at Human Elementary)

Makenna Drewel, fifth grade

Brooke Greve fifth grade

Amy Demma, executive secretary

With many of the above changes, some teachers will be moving to different grade levels and/or positions. Once staffing is all settled, I will share the entire staff and their positions.

# MUSTANG MATTERS

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.



## 5TH GRADE FAREWELL

### Middle School, Here They Come!

- THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED TO HELP PAY FOR CAMP!! The 5th Graders had a great day!!!
- Parent's may place a sign in the carpool lane to celebrate their 5th Grade Student's last days of elementary school!!
- Fat Heads may be taken home by students at the end of the school day on 5/20 for a keepsake.
- All signs & Fat Heads NOT PICKED UP by midnight on 5/20 will be thrown away.

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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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## KONA ICE TRUCK NIGHT

MAY 25TH from 5-7 p.m.

- 5th Graders will get a token for free KONA ICE at camp or during last week of school
- Kona Ice of Lincoln will have a truck in EDENTON & another in EDENTON SOUTH on May 25th from 5-7 p.m.
- Check their Facebook page the night of even to track exact location of trucks!!



## LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Maxey Spirit Gear Day

Students are invited to wear their favorite Maxey Spirit Gear on Thursday, May 20th!!

## Download Box Top App

Help raise money for Maxey ALL YEAR LONG! Download the BOX TOP APP! Scan your receipts & raise money for Maxey!



SEE THIS...  
**CLIP IT**



SEE THIS...  
**SCAN YOUR RECEIPT**

## EILEEN'S COOKIE DOUGH SALES WILL CLOSE 5/28

Eileen's Cookie Dough orders will run through 5/28.

You may order now and pick up at convenience all summer long!!

Available dough flavors: Sugar, Peanut Butter, M&M. Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal Raisen, Snickerdoodle, Monster Oatmeal

<https://eileenscookieslincoln.com/maxey-elementary-school/>



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Maxey Families~

The Maxey PTO would like to say thank you for all your support, donations, and participation in our limited PTO activities this year!!

The current PTO Board will be undergoing a complete turnover heading into the 2021-2022 school year.

There will also be a new chair for Communications (this includes webpage, social media & newsletters).

There will also be many new committee chairs in several areas next school year.

We just wanted to make everyone aware of the transitions in case there are delays with information being posted, the website being updated, etc.

Have an amazing summer!

We survived 2020/2021!

With deepest gratitude for the entire Maxey Community~

The Maxey PTO Board