

MAPLEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

“Together Everyone Achieves More”



Owl Gazette

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Dear Owl Families,

Welcome back and Happy New School Year! We hope that your summer was restful, relaxing and that you are ready to kick off the 2019-2020 educational season. Our school **T.E.A.M.** theme will revolve around football this year. A new school year presents opportunities for various beginnings –new classes, new faces, and some new lessons. Before our doors open for the new school year, we want to thank you in advance for your cooperation and support. It’s when we work together as a **T.E.A.M.** that our students become ALL-STARS. We would like to extend a special welcome to our new Maplewood students and families and a hearty welcome back to the returning students and their parents.

Parents are permitted to walk their children to their classrooms on the first day of school. **“August 15th will be “Independence Day.”** On this day, and thereafter, we ask that if you bring your child to school, you drop him/her off at the appropriate entrance and our staff will ensure that he/she arrives to class safely. We look forward to a winning season as we march down the field of **LEARNING!**

Educationally Yours,

Leena Itty, Principal

Craig Saban, Assistant Principal



Back to School Online Resource

The District's Back to School online resource, available at [browardschools.com/backtoschool](https://www.browardschools.com/backtoschool) helps families quickly and easily access the information they need to prepare for the new school year. This includes What's New in 2019/20, the school year calendar; school opening/closing times; before and after school childcare; breakfast and lunch menus; transportation services; and much more.



IDENTIFICATION

All visitors to the school must present a valid ID to enter the building. If you wish to assist a teacher in the classroom, you must visit: <https://www.browardschools.com/getinvolved>

Or call 754-321-2300

Students must always also wear their identification badges on campus. Replacement identification badges cost \$5.00.

Safety Procedures - Arrival

School begins at 8:00 a.m. Students who arrive after 8:00 a.m. will be marked tardy.

Breakfast is served each morning from 7:15-7:55

West Parking Lot

Students in kindergarten, first, and second grade are dropped in the west parking lot. The gate closes each morning at 7:55 a.m. Anyone arriving after that time must be dropped off in the front of the school.

East Parking Lot

For PreK and Special Program Parents Only. Parents will park cars and walk students to the cafeteria doors. Please ensure that your hanging car tag is displayed, if not, entrance will be denied. Parents must wait behind school busses; they are not permitted to go around the school bus to park. Parents must veer to the right when entering the parking lot.

North Parking Lot (Front)

Students in third through fifth grade are dropped off in the front of the school. Students will enter the building through the cafeteria doors. The walking gate to the cafeteria closes at 8:00 a.m. All students arriving after 8:00 a.m. are late and must enter through the front office.

Safety Procedures – Dismissal

West Parking Lot

PreK and Special Programs parents are permitted to enter the west lot at 1:30 PM before all other grade levels. Please do not form a double line, single car lines only. Teachers and teacher assistants will walk students to cars. Pre-K and Special program students will be dismissed at 1:45 PM.

Kindergarten and first grade students are dismissed at 2:00 p.m. Parents may enter parking lot at 1:55 PM. Students will remain inside the building and will exit the building when their name is called. All parents must have a car tag, which should be displayed on the dashboard. Parents without a tag must go to the office to obtain one.

East Parking Lot

Parents are not permitted to park in the east lot during dismissal. This lot is for school busses **ONLY**.

Front of School

Second, third, fourth, and fifth grade students and north walkers (stay) are dismissed from the front of the school at 2:00 p.m. Students will remain inside the building until their names are called. Parents must have student name card in order to pick up students. Parents without name card must go to the office.

Sibling Dismissal Procedures

Older siblings go to the dismissal area of their younger siblings.

Volunteer Expectations

All Volunteers/Room Parents must notify teachers in advance, and have names placed on volunteer calendar to be permitted on campus.

All volunteers must sign into the front office on the volunteer log AND have their volunteer badge scanned in when they arrive and scanned out when they leave. Badges must be visible at all times.

No pre-primary children (babies, toddlers, non-Maplewood students) are permitted on campus during the school day except for scheduled meetings or family events (SAC/SAF/PTO meetings and Honor Roll Assemblies)

All volunteers **MUST** stay in the area they are scheduled to volunteer in, and fully participate in the event.

Volunteers are not permitted to visit their child during lunch or visit their child's class during school hours.

No parent can walk his or her child directly to his or her classroom door unless you have consent from administration.



After-School Care

Before & Aftercare News

Registration for Before & After School Care on August 7th, 8th, 9th, 12th, and 13th from 2:00-5:00p.m. In the front office. You may also register during Meet & Greet. For any questions or concerns, please contact the Aftercare Director, Mrs. Deborah Saulsby at 754-322-6850.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CHILD CARE
SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
2019 - 2020

Payments can be made before the last day to pay! Pay online at <https://estore.browardschools.com>
Call the Business Support Center for online payment concerns at 754-321-0600

Last Day To Make Payment	PAY PERIOD NUMBER	PAY PERIOD COVERS FOLLOWING DATES	# OF CHILD CARE DAYS
Tuesday, August 13, 2019	1	08/14/2019 - 09/09/2019	18
Monday, September 09, 2019	2	09/10/2019 - 10/04/2019	18
Friday, October 04, 2019	3	10/07/2019 - 11/01/2019	18
Friday, November 01, 2019	4	11/04/2019 - 12/03/2019	18
Tuesday, December 03, 2019	5	12/04/2019 - 01/13/2020	18
Monday, January 13, 2020	6	01/14/2020 - 02/07/2020	18
Friday, February 07, 2020	7	02/10/2020 - 03/05/2020	18
Thursday, March 05, 2020	8	03/06/2020 - 04/09/2020	18
Thursday, April 09, 2020	9	04/13/2020 - 05/06/2020	18
Wednesday, May 06, 2020	10	05/07/2020 - 06/02/2020	18



School Lunch

Cafeteria News

Cafeteria Manager: Ms. Appleby

Breakfast is free for all students.

Lunch (Full Price)- \$2.00

Lunch (Reduced)- \$0.40

Ice Cream- \$0.65 cents

Visit the site below to apply for free/reduced lunch:

Myschoolapps.com



Important Contacts

Guidance Counselor - Ms. Mansdorf

ESE Concerns - Ms. Davy or Ms. Hernandez

RTI - Ms. Bretz or Ms. Thibeault

Before & After School Child Care - Ms. Saulsby

Transportation, Registration, & Attendance

Concerns - Ms. Prieto

School Resource Officer - Officer Kozlowski



DATES TO REMEMBER

August 13 th	Meet & Greet in the cafeteria
August 14 th	First Day of School
August 28 th	Open House (Primary grades K-2) @ 6:00p.m.
September 4 th	Open House (grades 3-5, PreK, & Special Programs) @ 6:00 p.m.
September 4 th & 5 th	Fall Picture Day
September 6 th	Goodies with Grandparents @ 6:45 a.m.



UNIFIED DRESS CODE

Maplewood Elementary is a uniform school. All students must wear the school uniform unless parents have completed and have an approved uniform waiver exemption on file. Waiver applications are available in the front office and must be submitted within the first 5 days of school.

Meet & Greet Schedule

Meet your child's teacher and receive procedural information.

Grade	Time	Location
PreK & Special Programs	8:00-8:30 AM	Assigned Classrooms
Grades K-2	8:30-9:00 AM	Cafeteria
Grades 3-5	9:15-9:45 AM	Cafeteria

Media Center

Assistance with free & reduced lunch application, aftercare registration, on-line forms, & transportation concerns.

Spirit Shirts will be on sale for \$15 (kids) and \$18 (adults).

We hope to see you there!



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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

The safety and security of our students, staff and schools remain the highest priorities for Broward County Public Schools (BCPS). We encourage everyone to 'say something if you see something' because the safety of our schools is the collective responsibility of the entire community.

We want to make you aware of a couple of resources that have been developed to improve public safety by allowing individuals to report potential threats and suspicious activity. These free mobile phone apps are both available for download on Apple's App Store and Google's Play Store.

The first resource is the **SaferWatch** app. This app, supported by the Broward Sheriff's Office, allows individuals in Broward County the ability to communicate with law enforcement seamlessly and report potential threats and suspicious activity.

Visit <https://www.saferwatchapp.com/broward/> for more information about the SaferWatch app.



The second resource for reporting safety and security concerns is the **FortifyFL** app. FortifyFL allows individuals to instantly report suspicious activity to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. For more information about the FortifyFL app, visit <https://www.getfortifyfl.com/>.



As a reminder, BCPS also monitors its own anonymous tip line for reporting potential school threats or other school-related safety and security concerns. Parents and students can report tips in a number of ways. They can:

1. Call (754) 321-0911
2. Text SBBC with a tip to 274637 (CRIMES)
3. Email a concern to school911@browardschools.com
4. Submit an electronic tip at <https://www.browardschools.com/Anonymous-Tips>

Please remember these methods of reporting are NOT a replacement for calling 9-1-1, when there is a crime in progress or an emergency. BCPS encourages parents and students to be vigilant in reporting all suspicious activity to the appropriate authorities, regardless of your preferred method of communication. Working together, we can improve the safety in schools and our community.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Runcie