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Welcome to Maplehurst Elementary School

What a great start to the new school year. The weather has been cooperating and getting cooler. We would like to say "Welcome" to several new students to our school this year as well as new preschool and kindergarten students as well. The school year usually begins with so many forms and papers to sign and return; but this year we have FINALFORMS. Thank you to all that have completed the forms online. If you have not already done so, please finish as soon as possible, especially noting if your child has any emergency health issues. Medicine must be brought in to school by a parent or guardian in the original container and is not to be transported on the bus.

I am sure that you would agree that your child's attendance at school is of vital importance. School begins promptly at 8:45 a.m. **When your child is absent, please call the school at (419)-668-6035 and please give the child's name, reason for the absence, and teacher. The school's answering machine is on from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m.**

Once your child returns to school, you must provide a written note in order for the absence to be excused. If your child has seen a doctor for an illness or appointment, please request a note for our records of the date and time of the visit. If you have a vacation planned, please see our website under the vacations tab or call the office for an **Extended Absence Form**.

Welcome new Staff Members

Welcome to our new teachers and staff this year at Maplehurst. They are below from left to right: Miss Sarah Staley, Miss Brooke Lee, Mrs. Sara Smith, Miss Katy Laser, Mrs. Rachel Preston, and Mrs. Savannah Golden.



Weekends Without Hunger

A group of concerned citizens in Norwalk would like to help families who might be having trouble supplying their child with enough food over the weekends during the school year. This group would like to help you by supplying your child with healthy meals for each weekend. This program called, "Weekends Without Hunger" will begin in mid-October for any student who is eligible for free or reduced school lunches. More information will be sent home soon in a flyer through final forms email.

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LEADER IN ME

THE 7 HABITS FOR OUR STUDENTS!!!



Beginning in the 2021-2022 school year, the Norwalk City School District became a Stephen Covey, The Leader in Me School District, incorporating Stephen Covey's 7 Habits for Highly Effective People. Leader in Me is a whole school model and process that empowers students with the leadership and life-skills they need to thrive in the 21st century. More than just another program, Leader in Me serves as the foundational operating system. Leader in Me focuses on a balanced approach of leadership, culture, and academics. Students and staff learn to use a common language and build an understanding of how to work effectively, independently, and interdependently, in all aspects of life, not just at school. More information will be coming home in the weeks to follow as our students become better acclimated to our school environment.

Medications

If your child needs medications during the school day, please do not send them on the bus with your child. We ask that you or a guardian bring them into the office. If medications need to be given during the school day we need to have authorization forms completed and on file in the office. If you have any question or concerns, please contact the office at 419-668-6035.

Maplehurst Picture Day

September 28th will be our Fall Picture Day!!! Pictures will be done through Lifetouch photography. Forms will be sent home soon.



Pick up / Drop off

The pick-up and drop off procedure is improving with each day. Just a few friendly reminders regarding the pick-up procedure at the end of the day:

1. Please do not use the second lane to pick up students.
2. The lane nearest the fence is to be used to pick up or drop off students.
3. Students are not to cross the first lane to get in or out of a vehicle in the second lane or into a parked car.
4. The second lane from the fence is to be left open for vehicles who have loaded or unloaded students and are leaving the grounds.
5. If you need to get your student before the end of the day, please park and come to the office to sign your student out.
6. ALL vehicles should leave the school via Taylor St.