



MAYWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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April Anxiety 2021

April is a time of staff, student and school experience varying levels of anxiety as we move into the Nebraska State Accountability (AQuESTT) testing for English Language Arts, Mathematics and Science. Students in grades 3-8 and grade 11 are entering their own “April Anxiety” with Nebraska State Juniors will be assessed using The ACT college exams. Accountability exams, better known as AQuESTT start this month. AQuESTT exams will focus on reading, math and science beginning in April and running until the end of the month.

NeSA tests are high stakes for our schools, the district and community. As you know, these exams rate our student’s learning progress in reading, math, and science against Nebraska standards. Our goal is to have every student score “proficient” or higher on all the tests. The students and teachers have been working hard learning grade level curriculum all year and now the time has come for us to see what they have learned. According to student MAP data our students reflected little to no “learning gaps” from last year. The challenge for Maywood is that we are small in numbers and a poor score will greatly influence the overall class scores.

As parents, I am asking for your help and cooperation during testing times by helping your son/daughter prepare at home. Examining the testing schedules we have students testing almost daily throughout April in both the elementary and high school. First, and foremost, please help us get top performance by making sure every student has at least eight hours of sleep the night before tests. Secondly, make sure you require your children to eat a nutritious breakfast each morning. Thirdly, and most importantly take a few moments to positively encourage your children to do their best work on the exams. You play an important role as parents encouraging your students to strive to do their best by demonstrating their learning at all grade levels.

Why are these exams so important? The NeSA exams are a “snapshot” reflection of their learning as compared to set proficiency levels. Student grade level performance is reported in the AQuESTT State of the Schools report each fall. Although the data is designed to rank the schools as “Excellent, Great, Good or Needs Improvement, schools and districts will be compared to one another. I want Maywood students to take pride in their learning accomplishments and reflect the level of learning that is occurring throughout our school. I am asking parents to discuss the importance of their student doing their best because it reflects the learning at Maywood Community School.

Testing dates for students:

- Grade 11: ACT exams, April 6, from 8:00 – 2:00 pm
- Elementary Testing: April 20 – 22 and April 27 – 29.

Emmy Oldham Goes to State Speech

Going to State is the dream of many students in High School, and being the top in the state was something Emmy Oldham accomplished this 2021 Speech season. Emmy memorized the Humorous Prose speech "Bein' Crazy by. Marc Bagwell" in just two days. After her first competition on February 20th in Ogallala, she competed three more times before making it to the State Speech Championships in Kearney, NE. Emmy was only one point away from making finals! Overall, Maywood and myself are incredibly proud of the dedication this girl put into her first ever speech season. She looks forward to choosing a new script and competing again next year, and I look forward to having a model for the 2022 speech team. Great job, Emmy!



Pictured left to right are Speech Coach, Shyanne Foster, and Emmy Oldham

Yearbooks for Sale!

The yearbook team is beginning to take names and payments for the 2020-2021 yearbook. With all the excitement of the world we've been living in, we hope we have captured the happiest of moments from this interesting year! Starting today until April 30th, yearbooks will only cost \$40.00. After April 30th, the cost to purchase a yearbook will jump to \$50! Please have all orders made out no later than May 31st. If writing a check, please make checks out to Maywood Public Schools ATTN: Yearbook. We will write your name down and get your yearbook to you as soon as they are delivered to the school! Thank you, and have a wonderful rest of the school year!

Title 1 Tidbit

Hello All! Some of you are already aware of Title 1 opportunities at Maywood Public School but some of you may not be. I want to take a moment to explain Title 1 and invite you to contact me for more information!

Title 1 is a Federal Program that provides opportunities for children to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to meet challenging state content standards. Title 1 resources are distributed to schools where needs are the greatest and Maywood is one of those schools. Part of my job as the Special Education and Title 1 Teacher at Maywood is to help all students, with various levels of ability, succeed! If you would like more information on Title 1, or if you'd like to learn about how Title 1 can benefit your child or children, please contact me! Let's talk about the opportunities and solutions available at Maywood!

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Josh Patel places in Business contest.

The 2021 Midland University Business Competition was hosted March 9-11, 2021. The event was held virtually this year. Congratulations to Josh Patel for placing second in the Business Calculations test.



Congratulations to the NCPA Academic All-State Award Winners for Winter 2021 Activities!

Maywood Speech—Emmy Oldham

MHC Girls Basketball—Jaycee Widener and Stevie Handsaker

MHC Boys Basketball—Josh Patel and Kyler Cox



Maywood FFA and Ag Education News

Spring always is a hectic time of the year and with state CDE and LDE contests virtual, this year is no exception. Our chapter wrapped up our district contests the beginning of March and have been preparing for state contests. The ag communications team was able to present their media plan pitch to the school board during the March meeting. We have a few dates upcoming to mark on the calendar. Virtual State FFA Convention April 7-9. Jaycee Widener will be honored for her Nebraska State Degree at the 8:00 p.m. session on Wednesday, April 7. The CDE awards session will be at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 8 and the LDE awards will be announced on Friday, April 9 at 7:00 p.m. Members wishing to apply for a chapter officer position will have applications due on April 9 with interviews taking place on Thursday, April 15 in the evening. This year we are moving our annual FFA Banquet up to the high school. A meal will be served this year. Please join us if you are able to! Our last event for the month of April will be our Pork Loin Drive-Thru Dinner on the 28th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. It will be a free will donation and all meals will be to-go. As always, if you have any questions or would like to share your wealth of knowledge with the Maywood FFA chapter, please let Miss Armstrong know!

March CDE Results

Floriculture-District Runner-Up, State Qualifying

Avery Gerlach-3rd purple ribbon

Jenna Ingison-12th blue ribbon

Chloe Stucky-15th blue ribbon

Olivia Hansen-34th white ribbon

Lexi Wood-35th white ribbon

Tory Rutherford-69th

Ag Sales-4th, Alternate to State

Haydn Farr-8th blue ribbon

Jenna Ingison-11th white ribbon

Gene Rutherford-19th

Kohl Rutherford-24th

Livestock Management-6th, Alternate to State

Jaycee Widener, Kiley Hejtmanek, Olivia

Hansen, Kohl Rutherford, & Gage Gerlach



Maywood Public Schools

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 1:00 p.m. dismissal	2 No School	3
4 Easter	5 No School	6 ACT test date for Juniors	7 Paxton Jr. High Track at 10:00 a.m.	8	9 Kindergarten round up	10
11	12 Senior Class Trip	13 Arapahoe Golf Invite at 10:00 a.m.	14 Hitchcock County Jr. High Track Invite at 10:00 a.m. at Trenton	15 Medicine Valley Golf Invite at 10:00 a.m. FFA Officer Interviews	16 Medicine Valley Track Invite at McCook at 9:30 a.m.	17
18	19 Blood drive at the Community Hall from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	20 Paxton Track Invite at 10:30 a.m.	21	22 Southwest Golf Invite at Cambridge at 10:00 a.m. FFA Banquet at 6:00 p.m.	23	24
25	26 Spring Music Contest at 7:00 p.m.	27 South Loup Jr. High Track Invite at Arnold at 10:00 a.m.	28 FFA Pork Loin Drive Thru Dinner from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	29 RPAC Golf Tournament at DCS at 10:00 a.m.	30 RPAC Track at Paxton at 11:00 a.m.	

May

2	3 Wauneta Palisade Jr. High Track Invite at Wauneta at 10:30 a.m.	4 Hitchcock Co. Golf Invite at McCook at 9:00 a.m. Best of Midwest at Sutherland at 3:00 p.m.	5	6 School Sports Physicals North Platte St. Pats Golf Invite at 9:00 a.m. MHC Athletic Banquet at Hayes Center	7 DCS Twilight track meet at 1:30 p.m. in Benkelman	8 Hayes Center Graduation
9	10 Jr. High RPAC Track Invite at Benkelman at 10:00 a.m.	11 Preschool graduation for the 4 & 5 year old group at 11:00 a.m. Cattle Trail Golf invite at 10:00 a.m.	12 District Track Meet	13 Preschool Spring Program for the 3 year old group at 11:00 a.m.	14 Elementary Awards and Field Day for K-5	15 Maywood Graduation at 10:00 a.m.
16	17 District Golf Meet at the Hi-Line Golf Course at Bertrand	18 Last Day of School 11:30 a.m. Dismissal—No Lunch served	19 Teacher In-service State Track Meet in Omaha	20 State Track Meet in Omaha	21	22
23	24	25	26 State Golf Tournament at North Platte	27 State Golf Tournament at North Platte	28	29
30	31					

Maywood Public School Breakfast and Lunch Menu

April 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 Biscuits and Gravy Mini Corn Dogs Mac and Cheese Pears	2 No School
5 No School	6 Mini Waffles Breaded Chicken Sandwich Baked Beans Peaches	7 Fruit Bars Hamburger Sandwich Corn Mixed Fruit Pudding	8 Egg and Ham Sliders Meatball Sandwich Green Beans Pineapple Jello cups	9 Breakfast Pizza Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Mandarin Oranges Dinner Roll
12 Egg Taco Ham Patty Sandwich Seasoned Potatoes Baked Beans Apricots	13 French Toast Sticks Cavatini Green Beans Bread Sticks Apple Sauce	14 Ham Egg Patty Sweet and Sour Chicken Rice Mandarin Oranges Carrots and Celery Sticks	15 Chocolate Chip Muffin and Yogurt Turkey Sub Lettuce and Tomato Smilie Fries Peaches	16 Pancake on a Stick Chicken Taco Refried Beans Salsa Pears Churro
19 Egg Omelet and Hash Brown Mini Corn Dogs French Fries Apple Sauce	20 Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich Drumsticks Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Tropical Fruit Dinner Roll	21 Breakfast Pizza Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice Green Beans Egg Roll Pineapple	22 Chocolate Chip Waffle Pork Patty Broccoli with Cheese Peaches Dinner Roll	23 Blueberry Muffin and Yogurt Pepperoni Pizza California Blend Pears Cookie
26 Taco Bowl BBQ Rib Sandwich Doritos Peas Pears	27 French Toast Sticks Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Broccoli Peaches	28 Pancake on a Stick Chicken Bacon Ranch Quesadilla Corn Spanish Rice Apricots	29 Sausage and Cheese Biscuit Hamburger Sandwich French Fries Apple Sauce Pudding	30 Egg and Ham Slider Ham Patty Sandwich Cheese Potatoes Mandarin Oranges

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Maywood High School Class of 2021

Senior Spotlight

Chance Klumpe



Who are your heroes and why?

My heroes are my grandpa and grandma. They have helped me with so much and taught me about life and how to overcome problems.

What is the most challenging task as a senior?
Coming to school.

What advice do you have for incoming freshmen?
Do your stuff right the first time and don't slack on it.

Where do you imagine yourself 10 years from now?
I will have a welding job and run the family farm .

What is the worst thing about being a senior?
I am realizing that Life starts after this year.

What excuses do you give people when you don't want to go somewhere?
I'm sleeping what do you want?

Do you have any scars? If so, what and where?
I have 4 scars on my leg from an ACL surgery, broken femur, and PCL surgery.

Abel Esparza

What is the most challenging task as a senior?
Probably showing up on time to school and paying taxes.

What is the most creative excuse you've ever used to get out of a homework assignment?
Being sick and skipping the next day.

What advice do you have for incoming freshmen?
Don't eat the peas.

What excuses do you give people when you don't want to go somewhere?
I'm Sleeping or working or I'm doing both.

Where do you imagine yourself 10 years from now?
I want to have my own home and my own job. I want my own things and enjoy life. Hopefully, I have no kids by then.



Postal Patron



Maywood Public Schools is now accepting applications for preschool enrollment for the 2021-2022 school year. You may stop by the school office to pick up an application or call the school at 362-4223 and an application will be mailed to you.

Kindergarten round up will be held Friday, April 9th at Maywood Public Schools. If you have a child that is 5 by July 31, 2021 and have not received an information packet, please contact the school.