



MAYWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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COVID-19 has made all the headlines lately, not just with school but around the world. This pandemic has caused measures to be taken that no one has ever thought they would have seen in their lifetimes. The coronavirus has changed our lives currently, and it will definitely change our lives for years to come. Many changes will be made due to this pandemic.

As far as the effects on school, the COVID-19 virus has had an impact on all schools and colleges across the world. The effects of the virus were something that no one thought could affect schools in Nebraska or Maywood, Nebraska—finding ways to educate our students from home with enrichment activities or extended learning. A continuity of learning plan was required to be developed and submitted to the Nebraska Department of Education. Having the technology of being a 1:1 school for our 6-12th grade students, allowed our teachers for those grades to set-up a Zoom classroom meeting schedule to meet with their classes two days a week for 30 minutes. Zoom is a program that gives you the capability to meet with a group of people with audio and/or video. This program has many features that teachers can utilize to help with the education process at this time. The zoom classes meet Mondays-Thursdays. The teachers are available on Fridays or after zoom classes for questions about lessons that are assigned.

The elementary students are receiving enrichment packets. The packets go home weekly and are given to the students in a worksheet form. The packets are exchanged every Thursday at the following locations, Maywood Public Schools, Curtis on the meal delivery, the Wellfleet Post Office from 5:00-5:30 p.m. and North Platte at the Prairie Mart convenience store from 5:00-5:30 p.m. The majority of the packets are delivered during meal delivery.

Maywood Public School is offering meals delivered to all Maywood School families. You can call the office at 308-362-4223 or email at maywood.transportation@maywoodtigers.org to get signed up for meals. The meals are delivered between 11:00 and 1:00 p.m. daily, Monday through Friday. The meal will include lunch for the current day and breakfast for the following morning. This service is provided for all students Pre-K through 12th grade at no charge. The meals started going out for delivery on Thursday, March 19th, and we served about a dozen meals. Currently, we are serving 75 meals daily to our students. This has been a positive service for our students and families.

There have been several relief funds supported by President Trump and pushed out to all the states. The CARES ACT is one that benefits all schools in the U.S. This federal relief program is at some point, pushing out \$13.2 billion dollars to schools. Maywood Public Schools is estimated to receive about \$31,000.00 to use for cleaning and disinfecting supplies, training for staff when the disease is done and how to proceed, online learning for summer education programs, and other needs of the school. FEMA is also stepping in and helping recover costs of cleaning and disinfecting supplies, and extra help needed for kitchen staff.

The toughest part of this closure of Maywood Public schools is not having the students in the building. They are what make the school tick and bring so much life into the building. We were only two days into the fourth quarter of the school year, and no one thought that we would have the closure of the school for the rest of the year. With the closure of the school for the final 44 days of the 4th quarter meant all schools across the country were in uncharted waters. During the fourth quarter of every normal school year, there are many activities, field trips, and events that students are involved in. During this pandemic, all those activities have been canceled for the year.

The senior class of 2020, has had the last quarter of their high school days taken due to COVID-19. Trying to find a way to host a graduation for these students and follow all the directed health measures is the goal for these students. This has been a challenge and looking for ideas that best suit the students while keeping everyone safe. Juan, Ryan, Daniel, Wacey, Karlie, Eli, River, Colton, Julie, Parker, Natalie, Jack, Jason, Jon, Kizziah, Tyler, and Maci deserve this recognition and culmination of their education with a high school diploma.

Finding ways to educate students remotely from their homes has been a difficult task for all stakeholders involved. Students, parents, and teachers have been taken out of their daily routines, and those adjustments have taken time to get acquainted with. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused change not only with our school lives but in our society. We appreciate everyone being accommodating at this time and willing to do what is best for the students and children of Maywood Public Schools.

If you have questions or concerns about COVID-19 and how it affects school-related topics or activities, please contact the school office, and we will do our best to answer your questions.

Mr. Brown

April 2020

Maywood Public School 6-12 3rd Quarter Honor Roll 2019-2020

Regular Honor Roll =All grades 85% and above with at least 3 grades 93% or above.	Distinction Honor Roll=All grades 93% and above
Kalen McCorkle-6 th	Karissa Stengel-6 th
Blayklee Farr-6 th	Kassidy Hatfield-7 th
Raelene Gregorio-6 th	Haydn Farr-8 th
Graci Peterka-6 th	Gage Gerlach-8 th
Taren Sailor-6 th	Jeremiah Ingison-8 th
Jaxson Anders-7 th	Kyla Patel-8 th
Lily Bauer-7 th	Pryce Johnston-8 th
Emma Brown-7 th	Madalyn Doyle-9 th
Jon Patel-7 th	Olivia Hansen-9 th
Olivia Koubek-7 th	Emmy Oldham-9 th
Reagan Stengel-7 th	Alexis Wood-9 th
Ryan Werkmeister-7 th	McKenna Renner-10 th
Nathan Renner-8 th	Chloe Stucky-10 th
Kiley Hejtmanek-9 th	Karlie Gerlach-12 th
Jhett Sellers-9 th	Parker Johnston-12 th
Stevie Handsaker-10 th	Natalie Koubek-12 th
Josh Patel-10 th	
Braiden Robinson-10 th	
Jaycee Widener-11 th	
Daniel Doyle-12 th	
Wacey Flack-12 th	
Maci Sorge-12 th	

Woo Hoo !! Way to go!!



A BIG shout out to everyone that is making our meal delivery a success! We are now delivering 75+ meals a day to our students. Our kitchen staff, paras, drivers, and administration have been working hard to plan and organize this. We are grateful for everyone requesting the lunches as well because it allows us to continue to take care of our kids.

Shout Out!



Maywood High School Class of 2020

Senior Spotlight

Karlie Gerlach



What is your dream college and why? My dream college is the University of Nebraska at Lincoln because of the atmosphere and the endless amount of opportunities that it has. GBR!

I could not live without Coffee flavored Ice Cream.

What is the most creative excuse you've ever used to get out of a homework assignment? I always get my homework done no matter what.

What advice do you have for incoming freshmen?

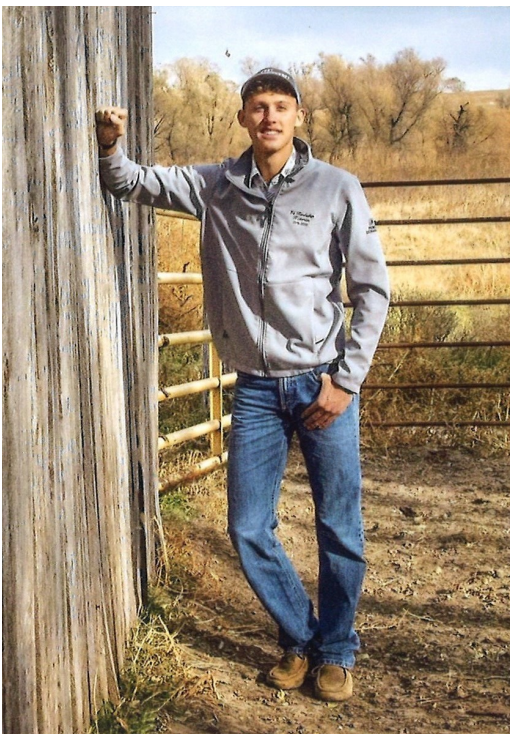
You do not have to be involved with everything. Focus on being involved with activities that will invest in you while you invest in them. This is how you will find your successes in high school!

What has been the highlight of your senior year? Along with making many memories with my friends, one highlight of my senior year would be becoming more confident in my future and where I am going. I know that where I will be in the fall is the best place for me to start my future!

I am most grateful for all of the blessings that God has given me throughout my life to get me where I am today.

I am always happy to see my show pigs because they love when I am around and love to give me attention.

Eli Handsaker



What is the most challenging task as a senior?
Deciding what you want to do after high school.

What advice do you have for incoming freshmen? Work hard.

Describe senioritis: Terminal procrastination.

What has been the highlight of your senior year? Having a chance to do all my sports with my friends.

Where do you imagine yourself 10 years from now? Sitting beside the pool of my mansion.

Who do you think is the most influential person in the United States? Why?
The most influential person is probably like celebrities because you see them everywhere.

In some cultures, if you save someone's life, he/she is forever in your debt.
Who would you most want to be indebted to you? Bill Gates

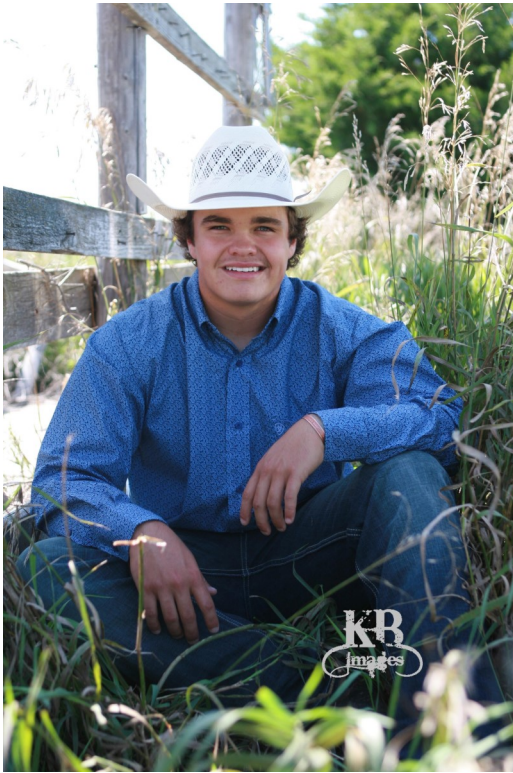
I am most grateful for living in America.

What was the dumbest saying of the year? "Did I ask"

MHS Senior Spotlight

2020

Colton Hodges



- What is the most challenging task as a senior? Showing up for School.
- What advice do you have for incoming Freshmen? Do your homework.
- Where do you imagine yourself 10 years from now? Working as a welder
- Who do you think is the most influential person in the United States? President Donald Trump because I believe he is the best President ever.
- I am always happy to see my Dad because I don't get to see him very often.
- I am most grateful for my family.
- I will never forget High School football.
- The scariest encounter I ever had to face was tearing my ACL.
- What is the most important quality in a friendship and why? Trust. You can't have friends that you do not trust.
- What do you collect? I collect knives because I find them to be interesting.

WINTER 2019-20 ACADEMIC ALL-STATE AWARD RECIPIENTS

The Nebraska School Activities Association (NSAA) is pleased to announce the student recipients of the Winter 2019-20 Nebraska Chiropractic Physicians Association (NCPA) Academic All-State Awards. Since 2006 this NSAA Award Program has recognized students who meet the criteria for nomination by their school in the season of their activity.

Each year the NSAA and the NCPA recognize students during Fall, Winter and Spring Seasons who are nominated by their schools for their individual academic excellence, leadership and significant contributions in their NSAA activity.

The following students were chosen for this award. They are pictured left to right, Jason McIntosh— Maywood Speech, Maci Sorge—MHC Girls Basketball, Jaycee Lapp—MHC Girls Basketball, Jhett Sellers—MHC Boys Basketball, and Kyler Cox—MHC Boys Basketball. Congratulations to these Academic All-State Award recipients.



Maywood Public Schools Breakfast and Lunch Menu

April 20th - May 15th, 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
20 Cocoa Puffs Chef Salad with Diced Ham Baked Apple Slices Granola Bar	21 Pancake on a Stick Shredded Pork Baked Beans Doritos Pickles	22 Lucky Charms Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich Scoobie Snacks Fruit Cup Raisons	23 Egg biscuit with Sausage Breaded Pork Patty Broccoli and Cheese Fruit Cup Dinner Roll	24 Cereal Beef Nachos Fruit Cup Lettuce Jello
27 French Toast Stick Sloppy Joes Baked Beans Fruit Cup Pickles	28 Cereal Scalloped Potatoes and Ham Vegetable Dinner Roll Pudding	29 Cheese Omelet and Hash Browns Hamburger Pickles Smilie Fries Fruit Cup	30 Breakfast Burrito Cavatini Green Beans Fruit Cup Dinner Roll	1 Cereal Pizza Broccoli Fruit Cup Cookie
4	5	6	7	8
The menu will be updated and posted at a later date for the week of May 4th on the MPS website.				
11 Cook's Choice	12 Cook's Choice	13 Cook's Choice	14 Cook's Choice	15 Cook's Choice LAST DAY MEALS ARE DELIVERED.

Maywood Public School is an equal opportunity provider. In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Friday, May 15th is the last day school meals will be delivered. Have a great summer!

If you would like to have breakfast and/or lunch delivered to your residence, contact the school one day prior to delivery, by 1:00 p.m. There will not be choices, the cooks will prepare the meal and it will be delivered. When lunches are delivered they will also include breakfast for the next morning. All breakfast will come with a fruit juice box, fruit cup and milk. When you call in, or email to request a meal, you also will need to leave your address and a phone number to be contacted at, in case a question arises. Families or individuals can call the office at 308-362-4223 or email the school at maywood.transportation@maywoodtigers.org

This menu is subject to change without notice

Thank you to the National Honor Society and Student Council for sponsoring an 'Egg Drop' for our preschool through 5th grade students! It was an Eggcellent way to bring some cheer to everyone!



Tips for Parents During COVID-19 Pandemic

- 1. Limit Media and Social Media Exposure** – This is good advice for people of all ages. The target audience of media outlets is adults, so their broadcasts can cause even more confusion and anxiety for younger children.
- 2. Have a Routine** – With school out it is important to establish a new daily routine. Wake up, get dressed, complete distance learning school work, eat meals, and go to bed at the same time each day. Create a schedule that includes these things plus relaxation time, chores, exercise, creative time, etc.
- 3. Allow Your Child to be in Closer Proximity to You** – With so much change and uncertainty, children may need additional reassurance.
- 4. Make Time to Allow Your Child to Talk About How They Are Feeling** – Ask open ended questions, listen without interruption and avoid the temptation to quickly provide a solution to their concerns.
- 5. Provide Factual Reassurance AFTER They Have Had a Chance to Express How They Are Feeling** – Honesty and accuracy is critical. Facts to consider sharing:
 - Most people do not have COVID-19 and most people who have it don't get seriously ill
 - We can control the spread of the disease by washing our hands and avoiding contact with people who have it
 - The nation's best medical professionals are working to help people with COVID-19 some of which are right here in Nebraska.
 - If true, remind them that everyone in their family is fine.
- 6. Tell Your Children You Love Them and Spend More Time with Them** – Make more time than usual to share activities together; play games, read to each other, watch a movie or TV show, create art, make crafts, sing and dance, go for a walk outside. There are many free online resources to help generate ideas.
- 7. Encourage Teens to Do Stress Reducing Activities** – read, journal, write poetry or short stories, draw, exercise, listen to music, or simply close their eyes and focus on taking slow deep breaths.
- 8. As Much as Possible Have Your Child Eat Healthy Well-Balanced Meals** – this has an impact on mental and physical health.
- 9. If You Have Concerns Reach Out to Your Child's School Counselor** – If their district is doing some kind of distance learning, chances are their school counselor is working from home and is prepared to support you and your child during this difficult time. Reach out to them via their school email address. Keep in mind each school district has its own set of criteria for school counselor ability during this time.

Title 1 Tidbit

April 2020

Your student's school experience and the way we think of education has evolved into an entirely new vision over the last few weeks. We teachers at Maywood Public Schools are striving to provide meaningful enrichment activities for our students and we miss our daily interactions with your kids! We know that the situation we are in is requiring you to be more creative regarding your child(ren) learning from home. Here are a few online possibilities for extending learning from home. If you would like additional ideas, please contact the school. We are happy to point you in the right direction!

1. The interactive "Nebraska Virtual Capitol" website helps students discover more about Nebraska and learn about the history, arts and architecture of the building that serves as the heart of our state government and the Governor's mansion. Go to: <http://nebraskavirtualcapitol.org/>
2. The interactive "Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium" site offers live video feeds and interactive activities for Pre-K through 12th Grade. Go to: <http://www.omahazoo.com/zoo-from-home> . You can also experience the San Diego zoo at <https://kids.sandiegozoo.org/>
3. Nebraska Game and Parks offers information about all sorts of outdoor-Nebraska topics, from conservation to pollination. Go to: <http://outdoornebraska.gov/lessonplans/>
4. Nebraska 4-H offers a variety of virtual learning experiences, such as Living Room Learning and Boredom Buster Challenges. Go to: <https://4h.unl.edu/virtual-home-learning>
5. Embryology studies through Lancaster County, NE 4-H offer a live egg-cam beginning April 7, 2020. Go to: <https://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/embryology/eggcam>
6. Nebraska's Strategic Air Command Museum offers a virtual tour of their facility and all of their aircraft. Go to: <https://sacmuseum.org/what-to-see/aircraft/>
7. A guide to Nebraska's Historical Sites and Museums can be found at this link: <https://history.nebraska.gov/>
8. National Geographic Kids brings you an interactive site filled with information and videos about the world around us and the people and animals that live here with us. Go to: <https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/>
9. Yellowstone National Park allows you to visit without leaving your home! Go to: <https://www.nps.gov/yell/learn/photosmultimedia/virtualtours.htm>
10. Nebraska 4-H Boredom Busters - tune in every Monday and Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 PM for Nebraska 4-H's Boredom Buster Challenge! Go to: <https://4h.unl.edu/news/join-us-boredom-buster-challenges>
11. PBS offers resources organized by grade and subject area. Find videos, lesson plans, and activities that support learning at home. Create a free account to save and organize content. Go to: <https://net.pbslearningmedia.org/collection/emergency-closings-collection/>
12. Nebraska Studies puts the history of the state at your fingertips, from its very beginning to the 21st century. Go to: <http://nebraskastudies.org/>

From all of us at Maywood Public Schools, we miss your kids being in our classrooms. We hope you all stay well and we hope to see you all again soon!

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Special Education and Title 1 Teacher
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Postal Patron



ACT is offering digital learning and workforce resources to assist students, teachers, schools and workers impacted by COVID-19. You can go to act.org and click on COVID-19 updates. Included in this are some free Online ACT Test Prep classes:

ACT Bootcamp – April 29, 7 pm to 8:30 pm ET

There are several more resources that ACT is offering for free that are normally paid resources.

EducationQuest has ramped up their Countdown2College messages for juniors and seniors now that schools are closed. Starting today, they will get weekly messages to help them stay on track to college. Please encourage your students to sign up for Countdown2College so they don't miss out on vital college planning tips.

<https://www.educationquest.org/countdown2college/>

The link below is a spreadsheet of 37 colleges from Nebraska, South Dakota, Kansas, Wyoming, and Colorado. Links are included for students to view virtual tours as well as the college's home page and admission contact information. All the links attached in the sheet are directly from each college's website. Feel free to share to check these out for your 9-12th grade students!

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1VX40Vvg1rkZ6-wDu2lqLrvZ6YdWUYIZEV9tP_rQYNxQ/edit?usp=sharing

