



MAYWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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No, It's NOT COVID-19 — It's Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease 2025!

Now and then, something unexpected makes its way through the community. Recently, Maywood High School has seen a small but steady number of students diagnosed with Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease (HFMD). While HFMD is typically seen in younger children, it can affect people of all ages. It's a common viral infection that causes painful blisters in the mouth, on the hands, feet, and sometimes the buttocks. Individuals can contract the virus more than once.

Symptoms of HFMD:

- Painful blisters in the mouth (on the tongue, gums, and inner cheeks)
- Blisters or rashes on the hands, feet, mouth, throat, and buttocks
- Sore throat and fever
- Decreased appetite and irritability
- Adults may experience mild, flu-like symptoms with a similar rash, sometimes lasting longer than in children

Although there is no specific medical cure, symptoms can be managed, and most people recover within 7–10 days. The illness often begins with a fever followed by a rash that turns into small blisters, typically appearing on the palms of the hands and soles of the feet. HFMD is most contagious during the first week or while a fever is present. The virus spreads through saliva, mucus, coughing, and feces, and it can continue to spread for several weeks after symptoms have resolved.

The Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department recommends that students return to school after being fever-free for three full days. "I typically tell people to wait until their fever has been gone for at least 24 hours before returning to normal activities," says Dr. Vaughan.

How Families Can Help Prevent the Spread:

- Disinfect frequently touched surfaces (tables, chairs, doorknobs, etc.) daily using a disinfectant or mild bleach solution.
- Practice good hand hygiene. Dr. Yen, a pediatrician at Texas Children's, emphasizes that proper handwashing means using soap and water—not just rinsing—and washing thoroughly.
- Avoid contact with bodily fluids such as saliva, mucus, and fluid from blisters.

Our Maywood Schools custodial team is taking extra care to disinfect classrooms, restrooms, and common areas to help reduce exposure. HFMD tends to circulate during summer and fall, and as we move into winter, we expect cases to decline. In the meantime, continued good hygiene and awareness are the best ways to keep our students and community healthy.

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 - FFA National Convention - MHC VB - District
2 - Daylight Savings Time	3	4 - Election Day	5 - JH/HS Art Day	6	7	8
					FBLA NFLC @ Phoenix, AZ	
		NHS College Visit Trip		MHC - State Volleyball Tourney @ Lincoln		
9	10 - NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service - MHC BB - First Day of Conditioning - Elem./Jr. High Quiz Bowl	11 - One Act Performance @ Paxton - Veterans Day Program @ 1:00pm	12 - Mock Trial	13 - RPAC One Act Production - Math Day at UNL	14 - Art III Museum Trip	15
16	17 - First Day of Winter Practice	18	19 - FFA District CDE @ Curtis	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 - Thanksgiving	28	29
				No School Thanksgiving Break		
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**STUDENT
ASSURANCE
SERVICES
INCORPORATED**

Student Accident Insurance / Coverage
For more information please contact the school at (308) 362 - 4223

	Full Time Coverage (Does NOT include Interscholastic Sports Coverage)	☐ \$ 99
	Full Time Coverage AND Interscholastic Sports Coverage (Does not include Football Grades 9-12)	☐ \$174
	School Time Coverage (Does NOT Include Interscholastic Sports Coverage)	☐ \$ 16
	School Time Coverage AND Interscholastic Sports Coverage (Does not include Football Grades 9-12)	☐ \$ 91
	Football Coverage (Grades 9-12)	☐ \$250
	Extended Dental Coverage (Grades PK-12)	☐ \$ 9

As a service to the community, Maywood Public Schools has contracted with Student Assurance Services to offer or administer an accident insurance plan for your student. This is a valuable option to parents / guardians who, because of various reasons, do not have health insurance. It also an excellent way to supplement your health insurance if your plan has a large deductible, copay, or coinsurance, including HAS plans.

December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 - K-4 Winter Music Program @ 6:30pm	3 - MHC JH BB vs. Paxton @ HC @ 2:00pm	4 - 5-12 Band & Choir Winter Program @ 6:30pm	5 - MHC BB @ Wallace @ 4:00pm	6 - MHC BB vs. Southwest 1:00pm
7	8	9 - FFA District LDE Contest - MHC BB (Cattle Trail Tourney) @ McCook @ TBA	10 - FBLA Bloodmobile - MHC JH BB @ Sutherland @ 2:00pm	11	12 - MHC BB (Cattle Trail Tourney) @ McCook @ TBA	13 - MHC BB (Cattle Trail Tourney) @ McCook @ TBA
14	15 - MHC JH BB @ McCook St. Pats @ 2:00pm	16 - MHC BB @ Sutherland @ 4:00pm	17	18 - MHC BB vs. Brady @ Maywood @ 4:00pm	19 - End of 2nd Quarter 1:00pm Dismissal	20 - MHC JV BB @ South Platte (JV Tourney) vs. Big Springs & Brule @ 10:00am
21	22	23	24	25 - Christmas Day	26	27
	- MHC BB @ Paxton (Holiday Tournament) @ 3pm, 4:45pm		NSAA Moratorium			
	No School Christmas Break					
28 - NSAA Moratorium	29	30	31			
No School Christmas Break						

PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR THE MOST CURRENT TIMES AND DATES. CALENDARS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE AND WE DON'T WANT YOU TO MISS ANY SCHOOL EVENTS. THE SCHOOL WEBSITE IS LOCATED AT MAYWOODTIGERS.ORG. MAYWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS ALSO ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER @MAYWOODSCHOOL.

November 2025 Menu



Breakfast every day offers the choice of 3 different cold cereals. All grains offered at breakfast and lunch are whole grain rich. A variety of low fat and fat free milks are offered with breakfast and lunch. The Garden bar is offered to K-12 Students daily. Which includes a variety of fresh vegetables and fruit for the students to choose from.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Breakfast Pizza Mini Corn Dogs Mixed Veggies Fruit	4 Honey Buns Cheese Stuffed Bread Sticks with marinara Carrots Fruit	5 Mixed Berry Yogurt Parfait Tuna Noodle Casserole Peas Fruit Rolls	6 Biscuits & Sausage Gravy Hamburger Pizza Broccoli & Cheese Fruit	7 Scrambled Eggs, Bacon & Toast Ham & Cheese Sliders Cucumber Salad Fruit
10 No School	11 Sausage, Egg & Cheese Biscuit Chicken Tacos Spanish Rice Mexican Corn Fruit	12 Blueberry Bagels Tater-Tot Casserole Fruit Rolls	13 Omelet & Hashbrowns Cheese Pizza Corn Fruit	14 Oatmeal Pulled Chicken Sandwich Glazed Carrots Fruit
17 Frudel Cooks Choice	18 Ham, Egg & Cheese Combo Bar Ranchero Pizza Corn Fruit	19 Cherry Turnover Chicken Alfredo Green Beans Fruit Garlic Bread	20 Biscuits & Sausage Gravy Hotdogs Baked Beans Fruit	21 French Toast Sticks & Sausage Links Boneless Wings Carrots & Celery Fruit Texas Toast
24 Breakfast Pizza Cooks Choice	25 Cini Minis Thanksgiving Meal Turkey Green Bean Casserole Stuffing Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Dinner Roll Pumkin Bars	26 No School	27 No School	28 No School
				1% White or flavored milk served daily This institution is an equal opportunity provider

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Virtual School Health

Virtual School Health is a way for your child to see a Children's Nebraska provider during school hours while in the school health office. The school nurse or school staff will let the parent/caregiver know if your child is sick and should be seen by the Children's provider. The provider, along with the school nurse or school staff, will check your child through an internet connection using a special camera to look at eyes, ears, throat, and skin. A special microphone and stethoscope is used to hear lung and heart sounds. This is a real-time visit with a medical provider who can see your child by video.

What kind of conditions and illnesses can be seen by the Virtual School Health provider?

- Ear infections
- Sinus infections
- Influenza
- Sore throats
- Upper respiratory infections
- Impetigo
- Pink eye
- Allergic rhinitis
- Lice
- Skin Rashes
- Asthma flare-ups
- Scabies

If you are interested in your child participating, please contact the school at (308) 362 - 4223

National Honor Society

Congratulations to Jillian Johnson and Cali Rutherford on their National Honor Society Induction! Hayley Kobza was a wonderful guest speaker and shared some great experiences about character, leadership, and service. Our members and sponsor, Mrs. Arent, produced a very special ceremony for our new inductees!





NOVEMBER

TeamMates newsletter

IMPORTANT INFO:

We had a great October for TeamMates! We had a successful Runza day for our chapter. Thank you to everyone who was able to enjoy Runza and support us. We took our largest group of mentors and mentees to a Storm Hockey game on October 12th. Everyone had a great time! Our Maywood Teammates Chapter looks forward to more events like this in the future. As always, if you are interested in being a mentee, please contact Shannon Storm at Maywood School. Any adults wishing to give back by being a mentor or on the board can sign up at Teammates.org.

SOUTHWEST NEBRASKA BIG GIVE!

November 6th is the BIG day to give BIG! Donations can be made online at swnebiggive.org or in-person at select locations. Donations must be made during the giving period (November 6th from midnight to midnight) to qualify for matching funds.

MENTEE/MENTOR ACTIVITY IDEAS:

-  **November Reflection Sheet** - Write or draw one thing you learned, one thing you're proud of, and one thing you're thankful for.
-  **Fall Scavenger Hunt** - Find items like something orange, something crunchy, and something that shows teamwork.



UPCOMING EVENTS:



- 11/2- Daylight Savings Time
- 11/6- Southwest Big Give
- 11/10- No school
- 11/ 11- Veterans Day
- 11/27- Thanksgiving
- 11/26-30- Thanksgiving Break



SOUTHWEST NEBRASKA

Big Give

Give Where It Matters: Support the Maywood TeamMates Chapter During the Southwest Nebraska Big Give!

The Southwest Nebraska Big Give (formerly known as Big Give McCook) is back! This exciting 24-hour period of giving will take place from **midnight to midnight on Thursday, November 6, 2025**. It's a day where community members across Southwest Nebraska come together to support local charities and learn more about the incredible nonprofit organizations that make our communities stronger.

The goal of this area-wide giving event is simple: connect the passions and generosity of Southwest Nebraska supporters with local nonprofits already making a difference. Through this collective effort, we can make a powerful impact on the future of our communities.

This year, we invite you to consider directing your gift to the **Maywood TeamMates Chapter**. The TeamMates Mentoring Program is dedicated to supporting and encouraging students through one-to-one mentoring relationships. By giving to our local chapter, you are helping ensure that students in Maywood have caring mentors who can guide them, build their confidence, and inspire them to dream big.

How it works:

- Donations can be made either online or at in-person giving stations during the Big Give. If you would like to donate using a form, please contact the school. We can send you a form or have forms available in the office.
- Donors choose which organization(s) they wish to support, and funds are distributed directly to those groups.
- Thanks to generous sponsors, bonus funds, and "power-hour" drawings will provide additional dollars to organizations throughout the day.

Every dollar you give to the Maywood TeamMates Chapter stays local and directly benefits students in our community. Together, we can continue to build a brighter future - one mentoring relationship at a time.

Mark your calendars for **November 6, 2025**, and join us in supporting the Maywood TeamMates Chapter during the Southwest Nebraska Big Give!

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Toys For Kids

For many years, Maywood Toys for Kids has brought a little extra joy to local families during the holiday season. Each year, we team up with the Frontier County Food Pantry to help make the holidays brighter for children in our community. Volunteers wrap the gifts, and our local fire department delivers them, spreading cheer to families throughout the Maywood area.

Your monetary donations allow us to purchase items that children might otherwise go without. In past years, your generosity has provided coats, mittens, hats, toiletries, long-sleeved shirts, pants, fun toothbrushes, and small toys for the little ones.

If you'd like to help, please mail your donation to:

**Maywood Public Schools
Toys for Kids
P.O. Box 46
Maywood, NE 69038**

**Please make checks payable to "Toys for Kids."
Thank you for your generosity and holiday spirit. Because of you,
our children experience a brighter, happier holiday season!**

