



MAYWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Understanding & Making Sense of Our World

The past two weeks have been confusing to our students. The assassination of Charlie Kirk, has created a profound impact on our students. To be honest, I was not aware of Mr. Kirk and his efforts to bring civility and a positive push for the First Amendment, Free Speech. I remember Mr. Komenda, my social studies instructor teaching us that “Liberty” (Freedom) is achieved when we respect the rights of the minority, while following the rule of the majority, with civility and peace. Webster’s Dictionary defines Liberty, “While liberty grants autonomy, it does not mean absolute freedom; rather, it comes with the responsibility to respect the rights and freedoms of others, as one person’s liberty should not infringe on another’s.”

I believe these concepts have come under attack through unrestrained political wrangling and comments by politicians, creating both liberal and conservatives purporting fear and radicalism. Blame also goes to social media and the numerous algorithms that our children read, which are exceedingly negative and frequently designed to instill fear and helplessness. I find the political establishment quick to burn down and tear down ideas that does not meet their viewpoints. Sadly, our children are struggling to have a positive vision of our society and country.

People in our country are very divided on political viewpoints and how our society should be. Gov. Spencer Cox stated to CBS 60 Minutes, “I do believe that social media is a cancer. And it is taking all of our worst impulses and putting them on steroids. It is driving us to division. It is driving us to hate. These algorithms that have captured our, our very souls.” Unfortunately, parents, educators, and community members are inundated growing fear and negativity. We are losing respect for human life and becoming politically violent. Governors Michelle Lujan Grisham, of New Mexico (Democrat) and Governor Spencer Cox (Republican) are working together both receiving considerable political criticism for desiring unity. Governor Cox ran a positive campaign for his second term and won the election.

How do we help our children? First, we need to help children see the positives of our American society and lives. I strongly encourage parents to limit the social media time our students are receiving by placing limits on their social media activities. Students can also help by refusing to believe the negative, choose positive situations and become the change in our community they desire to see. Students also need to express liberty as it was intended by our forefathers. Liberty does not provide the right to hurt others through speech and actions. Charlie Kirk believed that students had the right to be conservative if they choose without shame. We need to encourage them to hold to their values.

I believe that real change is possible and it begins with our students, parents and community. Choose wholesome family activities. Help them process situations they experience by first listening to them, provide positive input and help them to choose positive speech and actions. I like Dr. Martin Luther King’s statement, “We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope.”

Mark Bejot

October 2025



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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| Homecoming Decorating 1:00-4:00pm | | | 1 - RPAC Student Council Workshop | 2 - MHC XC @ Gothenburg @ 4:00pm | 3 - MHC VB vs Cambridge @ Maywood @ 4:00pm - MHC FB vs Cambridge @ Maywood @ 7:00pm | 4 - Homecoming Dance |
| Homecoming Week! | | | | | | |
| 5 | 6 - FBLA Blood Drive @ Maywood Community Hall - MHC JH VB @ Southwest @ 2:00pm, JV VB to follow - MHC JH FB @ Southwest @ 3:00pm | 7 | 8 - MHC JH VB vs Cambridge @ Maywood @ 2:00pm - FFA Area Land Judging | 9 - MHC XC RPAC Meet @ Arapahoe @ 4:00pm - MHC VB vs Southern Valley @ Maywood @ 5:00pm | 10 - NO SCHOOL End of 1st Quarter Teacher In-Service - MHC FB vs Hitchcock Co. @ Hayes Center @ 7:00pm | 11 - MHC XC JH State Meet @ Papillion-LaVista HS @ TBA |
| 12 | 13 - MHC JV VB @ Wallace Tri @ 5:00pm | 14 - MHC VB vs Sutherland @ Hayes Center @ 4:30pm - Fall District ACT Testing | 15 - MHC JH VB Tri @ Hayes Center @ 1:00pm | 16 - MHC VB RPAC Tourney @ Top 2 seeds @ TBA - MHC XC @ Districts @ TBA | 17 - MHC FB @ Bertrand @ 3:00pm | 18 |
| 19 | 20 - MHC VB RPAC Tourney Semis @ Top Seed @ TBA | 21 - MHC VB RPAC Tourney Finals @ McCook CC @ TBA | 22 | 23 | 24 - MHC XC State Meet @ Kearney @ TBA | 25 |
| 26 | 27 - MHC VB Sub Districts @ Top Seed @ TBA | 28 - MHC VB Sub Districts @ Top Seed @ TBA | 29 | 30 | 31 - Halloween! Maywood Spook Parade @ 1:30 | |
| FFA National Convention | | | | | | |



**You Give Life.
We Give Thanks.**

Book Now

FBLA Maywood High School Blood Drive
At Maywood Community Hall on Monday, October 6th, 2025 from 12:00pm to 6:00pm

November 2025

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---------------------------|--|------------------|--------------------------------|---|------------------------------|--|
| | | | | | | 1 - FFA National Convention - MHC VB - District |
| 2 - Daylight Savings Time | 3 NHS College Visit Trip | 4 - Election Day | 5 | 6 MHC - State Volleyball Tourney @ Lincoln | 7 FBLA NFLC @ Phoenix, AZ | 8 |
| 9 | 10 - NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service - MHC BB - First Day of Conditioning - Elem./Jr. High Quiz Bowl | 11 | 12 | 13 - RPAC One Act Production | 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 | | | |
| 30 | | | | | | |

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Title 1 Tidbit

Start Smart with Routines!

Routines make it easier for children to remember tasks and carry them out. For a smoother school year, set up these routines:

- **An evening prep session:** Agree on outfits, make and refrigerate lunches, pack backpacks and set them by the door. Mornings will be much less hectic!
- **A soothing bedtime:** Choose a time that allows for 9 to 12 hours of sleep. Help your child relax with a bath or shower and a cozy read aloud.
- **A reading and schoolwork time:** This should be when your elementary schooler will have the most energy and motivation.
- **Foster Student Responsibility:** Teach your child how to keep track of school activities, due dates, test dates, snack duty, or special events by writing dates on a family calendar.

Once set up and in place, routines can help to reduce the stress and anxiety that comes with unpredictability. Routines can help create a calmer household by establishing expectations. Routines can help children build life skills and build healthy habits. Routines can help parents feel more organized and find time for enjoyable activities!

Jump in and set some routines! If you'd like information on how Title 1 can help your student(s) please reach out! We're here to help you and your family.

Emily Lenz

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October 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 |
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| 1% White or flavored milk served daily This institution is an equal opportunity provider | | 1 Strawberry Mini Bagels Meatball Sub Cucumber & Tomato Salad Fruit | 2 Pancakes & Sausage Chicken Drumsticks Mac & Cheese Peas Fruit | 3 Oatmeal Pig in a Blanket Green Beans Fruit |
| 6 Breakfast Pizza Cheese Breadsticks With Marinara Cali Blend Veggies Fruit | 7 Biscuits with Sausage Gravy Enchilada Bake Refried Beans Fruit | 8 Breakfast Burrito Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Corn Fruit Roll | 9 Waffles Pepperoni Pizza Carrots Fruit | 10 Frudel Grilled Chicken Sandwich Broccoli with Cheese Fruit |
| 13 Pancake & Sausage on a Stick Fish Sticks Green Beans Breadstick Fruit | 14 Muffins Steak Fajita Bowl With Roasted Veggies Fruit | 15 Oatmeal Chocolate Breakfast Bar Mini Corndogs Mac & Cheese Peas Fruit | 16 Breakfast Tacos Cheese Pizza Corn Fruit | 17 Cherry Turnovers Pulled Chicken Sandwich Baked Beans Fruit |
| 20 Cini Minis Orange Chicken Fried Rice Egg Roll Fruit | 21 Sausage, Egg & Cheese Muffin Beef Tacos Black Beans Fruit | 22 Honey Bun Breaded Pork Sandwich Carrots Fruit | 23 Mini Pancakes Cavatappi with Meat Sauce Cucumber & Tomato Salad Breadstick Fruit | 24 Eggs, Bacon, & Toast Grilled Cheese and Tomato Soup Green Beans Fruit |
| 27 Breakfast Tornadoes Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Fries Fruit | 28 Egg Bites Chicken Crispito Corn Fruit | 29 French Toast & Sausage Links Sausage Pizza Peas Fruit | 30 Mixed Berry Yogurt Parfait Breaded Beef Patty Mashed Potatoes Gravy Fruit Roll | 31 Sausage Biscuit Boneless Wings Celery Carrots Fruit Texas Toast |

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MAYWOOD'S CLASS OF 2030

PRESENTS

MAYWOOD-HAYES CENTER STICKERS

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CONTACT:

ALEXIA

COLT

KATELYN

LEO

MADDYN

SAIGE

MS. ARTHURS



CONTACT:

BRODY

GAUGE

KYLEE

LEVI

MAKENNA

STONE

MRS. LENZ

MAYWOOD FALL FAIR

Calling all ghosts and goblins, witches and wizards!
You are invited to a fun evening. Join us for a
Halloween party that will give you goosebumps.
FREE WILL DONATION EVENT.

SUN. OCT. 26, 2025

5-8 PM

@ Maywood Public School, Maywood NE



WE ARE IN
SEARCH OF:

Trunk or Treat Vendors



Maywood Yearbook Staff is looking for groups
who would like to participate in our Fall Fair
Trunk or Treat event. Bring your snacks and be
ready to do your trick!

5-8 PM
Sun, OCT. 26, 2025



1 Tiger Drive
Maywood NE, 69038



Wear a
Really Scary
Costume... *if*
you dare!

TO RSVP, TEXT:

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TEAMMATES NEWSLETTER

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Happy October

Happy October, Mentors and Mentees,

We hope that this school year has started well for everyone. We have made some great progress matching up mentees with mentors. If you have an interest in being a mentor, please go to teammates.org and apply. If you are interested in being a mentee, please contact Shannon Storm at Maywood Public School.

Reminders

When meeting with your mentee do not forget to sign in. There is a sign in sheet in the office. Don't forget to call in to the school by 9:00 am if you plan on having lunch with your mentee. Middle School lunch is from 11:45am to 12:15pm and high school lunch is from 12:30pm to 1:00pm.

Activity Ideas

Paint Pumpkins

Decorate Cookies

Make a Candy Salad

Events

Homecoming week
October 1st through the 4th

No School
October 10th

Halloween
October 31st

Spook Parade



Friday, October 31st



at 1:30 p.m.

The elementary students will walk from the school to main street wearing their Halloween costumes. Businesses, parents, grandparents, and community members are welcome to park along the street to give them a treat and see them all decked out in their costumes.



**Sponsored by the Maywood Future Business
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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
- Sore throats
- Pink eye
- Skin Rashes
- Sinus infections
- Upper respiratory infections
- Allergic rhinitis
- Asthma flare-ups
- Influenza
- Impetigo
- Lice
- Scabies

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



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.

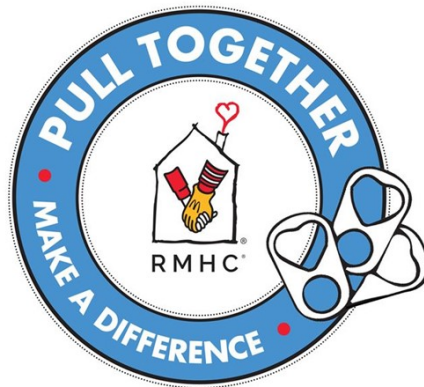
How it works:

- 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!

Postal Patron



WHO: Maywood Public Schools 2nd Grade Class

WHAT: We are collecting pop tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Omaha

WHEN: October – May 20th

WHERE: Maywood Community

WHY: In our first science unit we learned about material properties. We learned that metal has the property of melting and can be reshaped. We learned metal can be recycled. As part of our final unit assessment, we are collecting pop tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Omaha. The Ronald McDonald House Charities Organization recycles the pop tabs and uses the money to pay their electric bill each month.