President’s Message

Dear Maple West,

Happy New Year! We hope that 2022 will be your best year yet!

Here’s hoping you’re all enjoying your Maple West Directories! Thank you to Alex Baldi and Sheri Perdziak who labored over the format and layout of many of the pages with Heather. We had about 75% participation, and we’re hoping for 100% next year. Please be on the lookout for communication in August and September about how to make sure you’re included!

We wrapped up January with Paint with a Partner night. This was Alex Baldi’s idea, and it was a fantastic addition to our calendar. Families signed up for this event back in December. Each participating student received enough materials for two people to paint the most adorable winter scene, and a Zoom call connected us to the artist for instructions. Thank you to Dana Aubertin Baumeister and Laura Jedlukowski for arranging the parent pick up of supplies at Maple West! We hope those who participated enjoyed the chance to be creative. We are so pleased that we had about 400 people flexing their paint brushes!

The PTA has a number of events planned to strengthen our school community, and we hope you will all be able to join us!

Coming up next, we kick off Pick A Reading Partner (PARP) Week on February 14th. With a “nod” to video games, this year’s theme is “Power Up with Reading”. We’ve added a new element to the week with Level Up Activities that encourage reading-related activities everyone can enjoy and a chance to share those using a Padlet.
Maple West PTA
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2021-2022

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The details can be found inside this issue of *The Messenger*. We will also be sending paper copies home with each student, so check those Take Home folders!

We’re always looking for opportunities to bring the Maple West community together. If you have any ideas, please reach out to one of us! We look forward to seeing many of you at the next PTA meeting on March 16th. Dr. Brown-Hall is scheduled to be there, so please join us!

Wishing you health and happiness,

Heather Mundy & Melissa Zeitz
PTA Co-presidents
Dear Maple West Families,

We hope you had a wonderful holiday season and a very Happy New Year! Now that we are in the second month of the new year it is a good time to reflect on all that we have accomplished and look forward to the new and exciting educational opportunities 2022 has to bring. It is also a good time to review some of our school procedures:

**Morning Drop Off Procedure**

There is a natural flow to the drop off area. If you feel you need to drive your children to school, please adhere to the bulleted procedures below:

- Please turn right as you enter and continue to proceed towards the playground in a counter clockwise fashion staying to the right.
- **(NO PASSING ON THE LEFT)** Do not pass a car on the left as another parent is dropping off. Consider these cars as school buses with their red lights on.
- Have your children ready to leave your car and exit from the passenger side of your car. Please do not take extra time to bundle them up. There is a teacher inside the door watching children come into the building.
- Once you drop off your child, continue around the loop staying to the right and exit the parking lot.
- Please use the drop off line only, when dropping off in the morning. Please avoid walking your child to the building and walking through cars in the drop off line.

We realize that this is a very busy time of the day for everyone, but our number one priority is the safety of the children. Please be patient and pay extra close attention to the children and other drivers around you.

**Some important February dates:**

- 2/14 - 2/18: Pick a Reading Partner Week (P.A.R.P)
- 2/21: President's Day (No School)
- 2/22 - 2/25: Midwinter Recess

Sincerely,

Jason and Lindsey
Reminders:
● Kindergarten Registration will begin very soon. Please let any neighbor with school aged children know to keep an eye out for information coming from the district.
● You can also find us on Twitter and Facebook using the following address/name to find out what’s happening at Maple West!

Maple West Elementary @MapleWest_wcsd maplewest_wcsd

School information can be found by going to the Williamsville District website, www.williamsvillek12.org and finding Maple West under the “Our Schools” tab. If you have difficulty finding any information, please let us know. We are continually looking to find ways to make the website more parent friendly.

W.I.T.S. is also a secure site for parents, that offers a great resource in finding information and links back to the district and Maple West websites, containing information we would not share with the general public. If you are new to the district or do not have a W.I.T.S. account please call the technology department at 626-8058 to receive information to activate your account.

GO TIGERS!

2021-2022 PTA Meeting Schedule
*Executive Board Meetings will start at 6pm each of these nights*

Please join us at 7pm, meeting format TBD

Consult WITS Blast for ID & Password

Wednesday, March 16th
Wednesday, April 20th
Wednesday, May 18th

Tuesday, June 14th, 2022 PTA Volunteer & Installment Dinner

Please join us!
How to stay up-to-date with everything happening at Maple West:

1. Check out the weekly WITS e-mail blast with PTA Reminders!

2. Read the *Maple West Messenger* via one of the following options:

   **A** View the monthly WITS Messenger e-mail sent by Mrs. Kubera

   **B** Visit the school Web site:
   https://www.williamsville12.org/maplewestelementary/
   - Mouse-over “About Maple West” from the top menu.
   - Choose “Maple West Messenger”
   - Select an issue linked on this Web site.

   **C** Request that a hardcopy be sent home with your oldest child.
   If you'd like a hardcopy of the *Maple West Messenger* sent home monthly, please fill out the form at bit.ly/newsongpaper

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### Maple West Water Bottles

Available for purchase at bit.ly/addmeppta

The Stainless steel water bottles hold 17 oz and have leak-proof, screw top lids that come with a carabiner clip.

**BUY NOW**

$5 each

Questions?
Contact Heather Mundy
mundyh1@gmail.com
YES! I want to support ALL Maple West children this year and join the PTA!

**ALL Memberships can be purchased using one of the following options:**

1. Go to [https://maplewest.memberhub.store/](https://maplewest.memberhub.store/)
2. Just fill out this form and return to classroom teacher in envelope marked “PTA Membership”. and checks can be made payable to ‘Maple West PTA’

Parent/Guardian Name(s)__________________________________________________________

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Student’s Name ___________________________ Grade _______ Teacher________________________

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Email(s): __________________________________________________________________________

Amount Enclosed: _______________ ($10.00 for 1st membership and $5.00 for each additional)

- Once payment is processed, you will be entered into Unit Portal and an eCard will be generated and available for printing.

**Family Silver Membership (2 adults):** $25 includes Maple West water bottle sticker for Maple West students.

**Family Gold Membership (2 adults):** $35 includes Maple West water bottle stickers and ice cream from ice cream social for students.

Or, join online:

Let’s Hear You ROAR

 Claw To Mrs. Hillebrand and Mrs. Khayat for their never-ending supply of patience and grace during this year. Their warmth and support are appreciated more than they can ever know. From walking parents through guidelines (that can and often do change day-by-day) to handing out ice packs, they are always ready with a smile and kind word, even during this overwhelming year.

 Claw To Mrs. McCarthy for making learning and school so much fun.

 Claw To Mrs. Kessler for her awesome math help.

 Claw Thanks to Mrs. Manna - SPARK is a favorite for our kindergartener!!

 Claw As always, Mrs. Z and the entire room 114 team going above and beyond!

 Claw Thanks to the cafeteria staff and volunteers for providing healthy, delicious lunches for our students and helping them when they need something open or a squirt of ketchup!

 Claw Thank you to Mrs. Silsby for being a kind and thoughtful teacher!

 Claw Thank you to Mr. Mark and Mr. Doug for always making sure everything is spotless and orderly!!
Thanks to Mrs. Shelton for standing in the cold to connect us back with our kids each day.

Mr. Smith and Mrs. Kubera, and all the faculty, are always looking for ways to recognize students for the good things they see. Thanks for encouraging our kids to be their best!

I just have to give props to the teachers building-wide for their thank you notes. Never in my life have I seen people so promptly express gratitude for anything and everything. My kids keep a collection of your notes. Thank you for loving on them.

Thank you, substitute teachers. We see you quietly saving the school each day, filling in when something calls our teachers away, and we are so grateful that you jump in to learn with our kids each day. In a huge sub shortage, you're heroes.

To the teachers who tirelessly try to find ways to support all students in such a challenging time with so many unknowns and so many new variables, please know that you are appreciated more than words can say. Please make sure you're taking care of yourselves in a time that is demanding so much of you. You deserve it because you're taking such amazing care of the rest of us.

Michele Hillebrand!

Shout out to Ms. Hatfield for taking the class outside in the snow for recess! It was a hit!

Shout out to all of our teachers, staff, students, facilities, parents and family members for everything you do right now!!
Roar to Mrs. May and Mrs. Catanzaro (Great Teachers working hard all year long making a fun year for our boys!)

MRS. Z and the 114 team as ALWAYS!!!

Mrs. Keifer does such a wonderful job instilling a love of music and also self-confidence in the kids. My daughter, Ava B., just started with Maple West and her favorite thing about the new district is Mrs. Keifer and the viola!

Mrs. Conti always brings a smile to every student and adult she interacts with. Her positive attitude is infectious.

Share your messages of gratitude, celebrations, accomplishments, or any other positive messages to bring our community together. Send your stories and praise for stakeholders and students who are going above and beyond to contribute to our school community to maplewestnews@gmail.com to be added to next month’s newsletter.
Dear Maple West Families,

We are excited that a long-standing tradition at our school is making a big return this year. PICK A READING PARTNER (PARP) is back!

The PARP program encourages students to choose someone with which to share the fun of reading. Just 20 minutes a day makes a remarkable difference in comprehension, confidence, creativity, and vocabulary, among other things!

This year, PARP WEEK is February 14-18. Our theme is POWER UP WITH READING! We hope students can “unplug” to explore the new worlds books can create in our minds, rather than on screens, for 20 minutes a day, sharing this experience with a partner of their choice. We’re also encouraging families to complete three or more LEVEL UP activities from the menu sometime throughout the course of the week.

We hope to have 100% participation! To enroll, please complete the attached PLEDGE SHEET by Feb. 16, and get ready to have some fun! You can return your pledge sheet through your child’s home folder or snap a picture and submit it using https://bit.ly/parppledge.

Be sure to add our SPIRIT DAYS to your calendar:

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After PARP week is over, return your POWER UP PROGRESS TRACKER to school or submit a picture using https://bit.ly/mwparp before March 4 to be entered to win one of the prizes associated with PARP week!

Contact one of your “PARP People” with questions:

Heather Mundy  mundyh@gmail.com
Melissa Zeitz  jolt5555@yahoo.com

Are you ready for some reading?
YOU’RE INVITED!

POWER UP WITH READING

PICK A READING PARTNER (PARP) is a celebration of the pleasure of reading together!

Students are asked to pick a partner who can:

* READ TO THEM,
* LISTEN TO THEM READ,
* TAKE TURNS WITH THEM, READING A PARAGRAPH OR PAGE bevor switching,
  AND/OR
* READ INDEPENDENTLY AT THE SAME TIME BEFORE SHARING

Remember, reading opportunities are everywhere: in books, magazines, newspapers, recipes, directions, cereal boxes, labels on cans, website and many other places.

To participate, PLEASE READ, SIGN, AND RETURN THE PLEDGE BELOW BY FEBRUARY 16, 2022.

THEN, TRACK YOUR PROGRESS ON THE ATTACHED PROGRESS TRACKER.

__________________________________________
STUDENT NAME: ____________________________________________(please print)

STUDENT GRADE: (circle 1) K 1 2 3 4   TEACHER: ____________________

As members of the Maple West Elementary School community, we pledge to complete both missions below:

1. TO READ 20 MINUTES OR MORE EACH DAY DURING THE DESIGNATED WEEK OF PARP
   February 14-18

2. TO COMPLETE AT LEAST 3 LEVEL UP ACTIVITIES FROM THE ATTACHED POWER UP MENU

SIGNED: ________________________________________________ (student)

SIGNED: ________________________________________________ (reading partner)

Relationship to student _________________________________________

SIGNED: ________________________________________________ (Parent/Guardian if partner is under 18)

RETURN CONTRACT TO SCHOOL BY FEBRUARY 16, ATTENTION

PTA: PARP OR SNAP A PICTURE AND SUBMIT IT HERE:

EMAIL HEATHER MUNDY AT MUNDYH@GMAIL.COM WITH QUESTIONS.
POWER UP PROGRESS TRACKER
LOADING.....

RECORD YOUR READING PROGRESS BY COLORING IN EACH DAY YOU READ WITH YOUR PARP PARTNER FOR 20+ MINUTES.

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

LEVEL UP!
COLOR THE ARROWS AS YOU COMPLETE THE LEVEL UP ACTIVITIES THEY NAME.

VISIT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY TO CHECK OUT BOOKS.
RECOMMEND A BOOK TO A FRIEND!
DONATE A BOOK IN THE SCHOOL LOBBY.
ADD A PARP-RELATED PICTURE TO THE PADLET.
MAKE A BOOKMARK FOR SOMEONE.

RETURN BY MARCH THE FOURTH.

SATURDAY
March 5, 2022
Alumni Arena - 2pm

MAPLE WEST ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY

Buffalo Bulls
Women’s Basketball
VS.
Bowling Green
State University

FREE GAME TICKETS FOR ALL
STUDENTS & STAFF

OPPORTUNITY INCLUDES:

DISCOUNTED $7 TICKETS
FOR ALL FAMILY & FRIENDS

All Tickets will be digital and will be emailed to
address provided in the order form below

FREE PARKING

UB requires proof of COVID-19 vaccinations for everyone 5 years of
age or older when attending events inside Alumni Arena. Masks
must also be worn while inside all UB Campus buildings.
For more information visit ubbuls.com

ORDER FORM

Questions? Contact Jaime Girardi at 716-868-5233 or via email at kinggirardi@gmail.com

I would like □ FREE SPIRIT DAY TICKETS □ $7 FAMILY & FRIEND TICKETS

LIMIT ONE (1) COMPLIMENTARY TICKET PER STUDENT/STAFF LISTED

Digital Tickets will be sent to email address

PARENT/STAFF NAME(S) PHONE E-MAIL

PARENT’S ADDRESS CITY ZIP CODE

STUDENT NAME(S) GRADE(S) TEACHER’S NAME(S)

Simply fill out this form and turn it into the
SCHOOL BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2022

UB TICKET OFFICE: 1-877-UB-THERE

Credit Cards are preferred method of payment. Cards will be processed after ticket order deadline of 2/25/22

□ Mastercard □ Visa
□ Amex □ Discover

CARD NUMBER

EXP SEC#

□ Check (Payable to UB Athletics)

Due to NCAA regulations, these tickets may not be given to anyone in grades 9 & above.
Hi Maple West family!

Is there a professional, support staff member, or a volunteer who has gone above and beyond to serve the students of our community both in and outside of the classroom? Someone who has demonstrated exceptional service to the youth of our community?

Since 1958, the WCSD has awarded three exceptional people the prestigious Service to Youth Award each year. These awards recognize those who have given their time and talents to their school, PTA/PTSA, and community-based organizations serving the youth of our district. Please consider nominating an outstanding professional, staff member, or a volunteer! Nominees must be a member of the PTA/PTSA unit submitting the nomination and there is no length of service requirement for nominees.

The deadline for nomination submission is March 4, 2022. Please visit The Williamsville PTSA Council website at [www.WilliamsvillePTSA.com](http://www.WilliamsvillePTSA.com) and click on the “Service to Youth” link for more information and directions for nominating an exceptional person(s) for this award!

If you have any questions please reach out to Ann Zasowski at azasowski@williamsvillek12.org.

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**LUNCH HELP NEEDED!**

Two shifts available
10:55 - 12:15
12:15 - 1:45

Duties include helping students get settled with their lunch, opening items, and escorting them to the bathroom.

**All volunteers must provide proof of vaccination and complete volunteer paperwork before their first shift. Approved face masks are required at all times while in the school building.**


Sign up here—>
STAY IN THE LOOP!

New this year, the PTA has created both Google and iCal calendars with school events (i.e. PTA events, half days, school spirit days, etc.)! Save yourself the time of adding each event and simply subscribe to our calendar. We will update the calendar as new events and spirit days are added throughout the year.

This is new, so if you notice an error, please bring it to our attention by emailing Heather Mundy at mundyh@gmail.com! We are doing our best to make this run smoothly, but we may have to iron out some wrinkles as we get started.

To add to your calendar: click on the link for the format you would like to add.

- **Google Maple West Events** – A calendar will open. In the bottom right corner, there will be a plus sign. Click on the plus sign to add the calendar to your Google Calendars.

- **iCal Maple West Events** – Choose which calendar you would like to add these school events to.

**Please note:** you will need to add your own alerts if you want to be alerted in advance about an event.

If you do not want to sync these with your calendar, please consider bookmarking the Google Calendar so that you can refer back to it with ease.
EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL
LITTLE BY LITTLE WE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.

The Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

LOOK FOR THE LABEL:
NO MORE CLIPPING
SCAN YOUR RECEIPT
SEE HOW AT BTFE.COM

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

BUY BOX TOPS PRODUCTS
You can find Box Tops on hundreds of products throughout the store.

SCAN YOUR RECEIPT
Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.

EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL
Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated online.

SHOPPING FOR GROCERIES ONLINE?
You can still earn Box Tops for your school with your e-receipt! See how at BTFE.com/emailgroceryreceipts

BOX TOPS CLIPS
You may occasionally find an old Box Tops clip on packages in stores. You can still clip them and send them to school, as long as each clip has a valid expiration date.

SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT THE BOX TOPS APP AT BTFE.COM

DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:

© General Mills
Maple West will collect Dash’s Market receipts again this year.

No amount is too small. Please send them to school in your child’s folder or drop them in the bin above the PTA box across from the main office. We collect through the entire school year.

Please help to support our school and raise $2.50 for every $100 worth of register receipts we collect!

In a typical year, receipts are sent in through the homeroom teacher or exchanged at supply pickups, but we’re in unprecedented times. The good news is, receipts can be submitted up to two years after the date of purchase, so please find a safe place for them and stash them away until we can get back into the buildings!
for exceptional students with special education or gifted programming needs

RSVP for our 2021-22 SEPTSA events here: bit.ly/SEPTSA21-22

Williamsville Special Education PTSA Programs
are open to the public & all are welcome! In WCSD Office
Conference Rooms, 105 Casey Rd, East Amherst, NY 14051
unless otherwise noted.

Register HERE for any and all programs

Regional SEPTSA Gathering,
Thursday, December 9th, from 7:30-9 p.m.
at the Lancaster Public Library conference room
5466 Broadway in Lancaster.
Zoom also available
Meeting ID: 502 870 3286
Passcode: 673624

Special Education: What’s it all about?
Thu Jan 27, 7pm - 8:45pm

Is my Child Gifted?
Thu Feb 17, 7pm - 8:45pm

What are the acronyms OT & PT?
Thu Mar 24, 7pm - 8:45pm
Learn more about occupational & physical therapy.

Inclusive Programming for Children w/ Autism
Spectrum Disorders (ASD),
Thu Apr 28, 7pm - 8:45pm
This seminar provides school personnel with practical &
evidence-based intervention techniques to 
maximize the success of students with ASD within public education settings.
Presenter: The Summit Center

TBD, Thu May 26, 7pm - 8:45pm

Support & Networking for WCSD
Special Education & Gifted Services
Meet others supporting exceptional education &
bring your questions, ideas, or concerns.
Please RSVP to receive confirmed location
and/or virtual link the day before.
With so much changing we are trying to be flexible.

We are meeting at
Dash’s market on Klein Road in Amherst

Sun Jan 9, 6:30 pm - 8 pm
Sun Feb 13, 6:30 pm - 8 pm
Sun Mar 13, 6:30 pm - 8 pm
Sun Apr 10, 6:30 pm - 8 pm
Sun May 15, 6:30 pm - 8 pm
Sun Jun 12, 6:30 pm - 8 pm

Membership Meetings
Become a member:
wsseptsa.memberhub.com/store

Support exceptional education
(prior to our programs) at 6:15pm on
Jan 27, Mar 24 & May 26 via zoom or in
person depending on our program location.

Connect With Us:
www.williamsvilleseptsa.org
facebook.com/WSEPTSA
williamsvilleseptsa@gmail.com
twitter.com/WSeptsa
Williamsville Special Education PTSA (WSEPTSA) is for parents, students, and staff interested in special education and gifted services. WSEPTSA provides guidance, information, advocacy, and support for families of students with disabilities or gifted programming needs.

Get your membership here: https://wseptsa.memberhub.store

Connect with Williamsville Special Education PTSA:
E-mail: williamsvilleseptsa@gmail.com

Web: www.williamsvilleseptsa.org

Facebook: fb.me/WSEPTSA

Twitter: http://twitter.com/Wseptsa

Do you shop on Amazon? At no cost to you, Amazon will automatically donate a portion of their proceeds to our PTA, if you connect your account to our group.

In order to make sure our PTA receives this donation, go to smile.amazon.com or on your mobile device. Then choose "PTA New York Congress 19-248 Maple West Elem School PTA." When you shop use the app that is connected to smile.amazon.com, not plain Amazon, and Amazon will give a small portion to the PTA. Every little bit helps!

Please keep this in mind when you do your holiday shopping!
Join Cub Scouts at Maple West!

Some avoid obstacles. Scouts overcome them.

The life lessons learned in Scouting form a foundation to embrace opportunity and overcome obstacles in life.

- A fun and safe environment to learn and grow while developing interests and skills
- Character building and development centered around good morals and values
- The chance to learn life skills that help Scouts be successful adults and contributing members of society
- Exciting outdoor experiences scouts love hiking, camping, exploring, exercising...

Scouting isn’t Cancelled
Keep your kids engaged and socialized (safely) while learning life skills!

Scouts meet with their Grade-based dens (K-5) once a month to work on age-appropriate challenges. They form friendships and build character. Topics covered each year include:

- Handwashing, Hygiene and Spread of Germs
- Teamwork, helping the Community and at Home
- Healthy movement and food choices
- Emergency Plan and Preparedness, including weather and first aid
- Wildlife and Plant identification, Nature Management
- Gardening
- Sports
- Duty to God (or personal religious beliefs)

“A Scout is Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean and Reverent”

Pack 248 has a girls only 1st Grade Den. We also have room in most Dens 1-4th grade. If you are interested in forming the Kindergarten Den or have other questions Contact CubMaster Ryan Anderson : andersonscouts@gmail.com
Williamsville Music Boosters, Inc.
Membership & Volunteer Form

Williamsville Music Boosters invites you to help support music in our schools and support the important life skills that music education develops in our students.

Some of the things that Music Boosters sponsor include:
- Music field trips
- District festivals
- Summer music program
- Guest artists
- Grants
- Scholarships
- Music activities
- Refreshments

Your donation will provide enrichment opportunities and music resources for students in grades K-12, which extend the Music Department budget. By joining Music Boosters you join a district-wide group of interested and enthusiastic parents and teachers dedicated to supporting music and music education in the district. Your donation is tax deductible.

To join, fill out and return this form, or join online at www.williamsvillemusicboosters.com

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I want to support Williamsville Music Boosters by becoming a member (Family membership): $10

Joining the CRESCENDO CLUB (includes a Family Membership)
Your name & level will be listed in District Festival programs.
District Festival programs go to print several weeks prior to each festival. To be listed in ALL District Festival programs please donate by October 1st. After that date, new donors will be listed in remaining festival programs (not yet gone to print).

Please print below how you would like your name listed in District Festival programs. If you would like to remain anonymous, please indicate as such.

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Please check any other ways you can help Boosters:
- Help at the Booster table at school concerts
- Act as the representative of my school at Booster meetings - convey info back to my school
- Coordinate a fund raising event
- Post fund raising event flyers around town
- Other - I have interest/skills in

BY MAIL: Please send completed form & check to:
Williamsville Music Boosters, Attn: Michael Russo, 105 Casey Road, East Amherst, NY 14051

NOTE: TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ANY SCHOLARSHIPS, MEMBERSHIP MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 1st
About the Williamsville Music Boosters

We are fortunate to have an outstanding music program in the Williamsville School District. The District has been recognized twelve times as being one of the top music education programs in the country. The quality of the music program is the result of the dedication and hard work of our music educators, our parents, our students and the long standing recognition by the District that education in music is vital to the overall development of our students.

Williamsville Music Boosters is proud to support this excellent program by providing support for special music enrichment projects for students in the district, such as:

- Hosting renowned guest conductors and clinicians who work directly with music students
- Commissioning of new music works by distinguished composers
- Supporting elementary field trips to see the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra
- Sponsoring of other music events that go beyond students’ classroom experience

Additionally, Music Boosters provides:

- Financial support for students who attend regional and national events*
- College scholarships for district students pursuing college music programs after high school graduation*
- Sponsorship of the Williamsville Summer Music Program

*Note that some programs provided by the Boosters require family membership in order to be eligible.

Through your membership, Williamsville Music Boosters invites you to support music in our schools, and the important life skills that music education develops in our students. You can find an application on the reverse side of this page, at most concerts, or online at the Williamsville Music Boosters website, www.williamsvillemusicboosters.com.
Maple West Attendance Procedures

- Please know that transportation and any dismissal arrangements from the 2020-2021 school year DO NOT carry over to the 2021-2022 school year.

- School begins promptly at 9:00 am. Every day, before the start of school, please take your child’s attendance, complete the COVID questionnaire, and if applicable, transportation questions on WITS. If your child is NOT attending the school day (whether in building or from home), please type a reason for the absence. This will serve as the day’s excusal note.

- Send in an excusal note after your child’s absence stating the reason for the absence.

- If there is any early dismissal or change of dismissal, please send in a note with your child, including the reason for the early dismissal and the name of the person picking them up.

- When coming into the school to pick your child up for an early dismissal, please report to the Main Entrance, where someone will greet you at the door.

- Please write separate notes for each child as the notes are given to their teacher.

- Please include the name of your child’s teacher on the note.

- Please be sure to include your child’s first AND last name on any notes.

- Please do not use Post-its or any other sticky notes.

- Please use our Maple West Home to School Note (provided on the next page).

- If you have reoccurring pick up days such as, every Monday and Wednesday for the entire 2021-2022 school year, you will only need to send in one note for the year.

- If you have any questions, please call Garidith Khayat in the Attendance Office at 626-8836.
You're welcome to make copies of this “Home-to-School Note” template to use as needed!

Student: ___________________________ Grade: ______

MAPLE WEST ELEMENTARY
Home-to-School Note

TODAY’S DATE _______________________

☐ Was Absent on:
   Date: _______________
   Reason: _______________

☐ Was late on:
   Date: _______________
   Reason: _______________

☐ Will be picked up early:
   Time: _______________
   by: _______________
   For: _______________

☐ Picked up in the cafeteria @ dismissal by: _______________

☐ Walking to: _______________

☐ Staying after school for: _______________

☐ Riding Bus # (if known) _______________
   With/Address: _______________

Teacher: ___________________________

Parent Signature: __________________

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