

# MAPLE CREEK ELEMENTARY PARENT HANDBOOK 2024-25

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## Maple Creek Elementary Mission

Our mission is to establish an effective educational team of students, parents, educators, and community members to direct and facilitate the delivery of exemplary curricular and co-curricular services that prepare individuals to deal successfully with a changing world and become contributing members of society.

Every day, in every way, Huskies get **better** and **better**, and **Better!** 

## **DISTRICT DIRECTORY**

Maple Creek Elementary School	327-7300
Maple Creek Attendance Hotline	327-7394
CUSD District Office	327-9000
CUSD Transportation	327-9700
Kastner Intermediate School	327-2500
Clovis West High School	327-2000
CUSD Campus Club	327-9160
CUSD Student Services & Attendance	
Clovis Unified School District WEBSITE	

# **Educational Philosophy**

- We believe in the full participation of all those who have a stake in the education system.
- We believe a quality education depends on the systems of a school, not on individual administrators, teachers, staff members, students or parents.
- We believe that the pursuit of quality anticipates change in strategic planning efforts, including changes in educational requirements.
- We believe that an organization should be structured in such a way that innovation becomes part of the culture and daily work.
- Organizations depend upon the measurement and analysis of performance. Data analysis is used to improve operations and establish "best practices."
- The school culture strives to instill in students, parents and teachers: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship.

## GOALS

- **Continue to maximize student achievement for ALL students.**
- Continued commitment of character education and to integrate character education throughout the core curriculum.
- **\*** Ensure a safe learning environment.
- ✤ OPERATE with increasing efficiency and effectiveness to optimize the use of resources to accomplish school goals.
- Continue to strive to be recognized as an "Exemplary School" based on the Clovis Assessment System for Sustained Improvement (CLASSI).
- Maple Creek faculty is committed to achieving and sustaining exemplary school performance as measured by state testing data.

# FACULTY AND STAFF 2024-25

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Administration		
Mrs. Gina Kismet	Principal	
Mr. James DiSanto	Senior Guidance and Instructional Spec	eialist
Office Staff		
Mrs. Sara Eisele	School Office Manager	Office
Miss Tessa Frender	Student Activities Specialist	Office
Mrs. Chelle Bridges	School Nurse	Office/Nurse
Ms. Erika Gamez	LVN (licensed vocational nurse)	Office/Nurse
Teaching Staff		
Mrs. Jill Hunt	Kindergarten – AM	Room K-1
Mrs. Rebecca Parmer	TK/Kindergarten – PM	Room K-2
Miss Kacey Zevenbergen	Kindergarten – AM	Room K-2
Miss Ashley Emami	First Grade	Room 2
Mrs. Cathleen Wright	First Grade	Room 1
Miss Madison Milutinovich	First Grade	Room 3
Mrs. Stacy Linn	Second Grade	Room 4
Mrs. Leslie James	Second Grade	Room 10
Mr. Gordon Zante	Third Grade	Room 12
Miss Camryn Berra	Third Grade	Room 9
Miss Sophia Barretta	Third Grade	Room 15
Mrs. Linda Hutcheson	Fourth Grade	Room 13
Miss Aubrey Olson	Fourth Grade	Room 21
Mrs. Tami Frediani	Fifth Grade	Room 17
Mr. David Marinovich	Fifth Grade	Room 20
Mr. David Tomei	Fifth/Sixth Grade Combo	Room 16
Mrs. Trish Armstrong	Sixth Grade	Room 19
Mr. Ross Rice	Sixth Grade	Room 18
Mr. Joseph Garcia	Resource Specialist	Room 7
Mrs. Christina Stephens	Resource Specialist (part-time/shared)	Room 7
Miss Macy Bratcher	Classroom Music & Choir	Room 25
Miss Sarine Topaldjikian	Classroom Music & Instrumental	Room 14
TBA	Band Instructor	Room 26
Mrs. Kaycee Springer	SDC Autism 1-3	Room 5
Mrs. Brett Cunningham	SDC FLS K-3	Room 24
Miss Gia Ramage	SDC Autism 4-6	Room 6
Mrs. Ashley Schmidt	SDC Preschool	Room 23
Ms. Marya Livingston	Speech-Language Specialist	Office
Support Staff		
Mrs. Azlynn Gutierrez	School Psychologist	Office
Mrs. Patricia Logoluso	Library Technician	LMC
Mrs. Kristy Velasquez	Food Service Supervisor	Cafeteria
Mr. Daniel Martinez Lopez	School Plant Supervisor	Custodial Office
Mr. Vang Fang	Custodian	Custodial Office

### MAPLE CREEK ELEMENTARY - Bell Schedules

Year: 2024/2025



Regular Days	Early Release Days
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays	Wednesdays,Last Day Of Schoo
Grade(s): K-AM Trans, K-AM	Grade(s): K-AM Trans, K-AM
<ul><li>7:55 School Day Begins</li><li>11:25 School Day Ends</li></ul>	<ul> <li>7:55 School Day Begins</li> <li>10:40 School Day Ends</li> </ul>
Grade(s): K-PM Trans, K-PM	Grade(s): K-PM Trans, K-PM
<ul> <li>11:25 School Day Begins</li> <li>2:55 School Day Ends</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>10:40 School Day Begins</li> <li>1:25 School Day Ends</li> </ul>
Grade(s): 1st, 2nd	Grade(s): 1st, 2nd
<ul> <li>7:55 - 8:00 1st Bell</li> <li>8:00 School Day Begins</li> <li>9:45 - 10:00 Primary Recess</li> <li>11:30 - 11:55 Grades 1 &amp; 2 Lunch</li> <li>11:55 - 12:20 Grades 1 &amp; 2 Recess</li> <li>2:45 School Day Ends</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>7:55 - 8:00 1st Bell</li> <li>8:00 School Day Begins</li> <li>9:45 - 10:00 Primary Recess</li> <li>11:25 - 11:50 Grades 1 &amp; 2 Lunch</li> <li>11:50 - 12:15 Grade 1 &amp; 2 Recess</li> <li>1:15 School Day Ends</li> </ul>
Grade(s): 3rd	Grade(s): 3rd
<ul> <li>7:55 - 8:00 1st Bell</li> <li>8:00 School Day Begins</li> <li>9:45 - 10:00 Primary Recess</li> <li>12:00 - 12:25 Grades 3 &amp; 4 Lunch</li> <li>12:25 - 12:50 Grades 3 &amp; 4 Recess</li> <li>2:45 School Day Ends</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>7:55 - 8:00 1st Bell</li> <li>8:00 School Day Begins</li> <li>9:45 - 10:00 Primary Recess</li> <li>11:55 - 12:20 Grades 3 &amp; 4 Lunch</li> <li>12:20 - 12:45 Grades 3 &amp; 4 Recess</li> <li>1:15 School Day Ends</li> </ul>
Grade(s): 4th	Grade(s): 4th
<ul> <li>7:55 - 8:00 1st Bell</li> <li>8:00 School Day Begins</li> <li>10:15 - 10:30 Upper Recess</li> <li>12:00 - 12:25 Grades 3 &amp; 4 Lunch</li> <li>12:25 - 12:50 Grades 3 &amp; 4 Recess</li> <li>2:45 School Day Ends</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>7:55 - 8:00 1st Bell</li> <li>8:00 School Day Begins</li> <li>10:15 - 10:30 Upper Recess</li> <li>11:55 - 12:20 Grades 3 &amp; 4 Lunch</li> <li>12:20 - 12:45 Grades 3 &amp; 4 Recess</li> <li>1:15 School Day Ends</li> </ul>
Grade(s): 5th, 6th	Grade(s): 5th, 6th

- 7:55 8:00 1st Bell
- 8:00 School Day Begins
- 10:15 10:30 Upper Recess
- 12:30 12:55 Grades 5 & 6 Lunch
- 12:55 1:20 Grades 5 & 6 Recess
- 2:45 School Day Ends

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#### Rainy or Bad Air Days

- 7:55 8:00 1st Bell
- 8:00 School Day Begins
- 10:15 10:30 Upper Recess
- 12:25 12:50 Grades 5 & 6 Lunch
- 12:50 1:15 Grades 5 & 6 Recess
- 1:15 School Day Ends

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Rainy Day/Red Air Quality Schedule (Regular Schedule- M,T,TH,F) Primary & Upper
(* Recess in the MPR with teachers that would have been on supervision. *Lunch recess classes are picked up 1&2 at 12:00, 3&4 at 12:35, 5&6 at 1:10.) 7:55 - 8:00 1st Bell 8:00 School Day Begins 9:45 - 10:00 Primary Recess 10:15 - 10:30 Upper Recess 11:30 - 12:00 Grades 1 & 2 Lunch 12:00 - 12:20 Grades 1 & 2 Recess 12:05 - 12:35 Grades 3 & 4 Lunch 12:35 - 12:55 Grades 3 & 4 Recess 12:45 School Day Ends
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## **GENERAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

#### ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

The morning bell rings at 7:55 AM Instruction begins promptly at 8:00 a.m. Students should not arrive to campus prior to 7:40 AM unless in a supervised program such as Campus Club. There is no supervision prior to 7:40 AM making this a safety issue for your student. Students arriving before 7:40 AM will be directed to the office and issued an infraction notice that will be sent home for parent signature.

Dismissal time for grades 1-6 is at 2:45 PM. for a regular school day and 1:15 PM for Early Dismissal Days. Please refer to our Bell Schedule for kindergarten arrival and dismissal. All students should go home at the end of the school day unless they are involved in an after-school activity or Campus Club. If students are not picked up by 3:00 p.m., they will be walked to the office by a staff member on dismissal supervision. At that time, the student will call a parent to pick them up. The parent should arrive within minutes of that phone call or make immediate arrangements with someone authorized to pick up under Release Contacts. A late infraction notice will be issued to the student for parent signature reviewing the late pick-up policy.

#### STUDENT DISMISSAL BY PARENT/GUARDIAN DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Parents who wish to have a student excused early **must go to the office** and <u>sign</u> out their child. FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR STUDENTS, ONLY THOSE LISTED ON THE STUDENT'S RELEASE AUTHORIZATION WILL BE ALLOWED TO CHECK OUT STUDENTS. The student will be called from the classroom to report to the office.

#### ABSENCES

It is well established that regular attendance in school is related to student progress and achievement. When it is necessary for your child to be absent from school or come to school late, the school <u>must</u> receive notification <u>each day</u> from the parent/guardian explaining the reason(s). You may report absences through Maple Creek's website, the CUSD app or by calling the Maple Creek Attendance Hotline at 559 327-7394. If your child is absent from school and you would like to pick up assignments for that day, email your student's teacher to make arrangements. If you take your child to see the doctor, please provide the office with a doctor's note confirming your child's illness/absence from school. A doctor's note will excuse your child's absence.

#### ATTENDANCE

School funding is now based on actual attendance of students and funding will no longer be given for excused absences. We (and the state) make the distinction between excused and unexcused absences.

**Excused absences** include: illness, medical appointments, attendance at a funeral for a member of one's immediate family (1 day in town, 3 days for out of state), exclusion of students failing to meet immunization requirements (5 day max) and religious holidays when pre-approved by the principal. Religious holidays are limited to 4 days per school year, and must be submitted in writing prior to the absence(s). Absences must be cleared within 5 days after the occurrence.

#### **INDEPENDENT STUDY**

- If a student is going to be absent from school for three or more consecutive days, you may request that they be placed on an Independent Study Contract.
- This contract must be signed by the student and parents prior to leaving school. All assignments are to be written on the contract.
- Independent study work can be picked up NO EARLIER than 24 hours prior to the start of the independent study period.
- Parents must make the request at <u>least one week</u> in advance for **approval** to allow teachers enough time to prepare the work and contract.
- All Independent Study work is due the day the student returns to school. If the work is incomplete the attendance record would reflect unexcused absences.
- Independent Study does **not** count toward perfect attendance.
- Independent Study contracts are not granted the first 4 weeks, the last two weeks of the school year, or during our state testing (this applies to grades 3-6) or the last two weeks of the school year for grades K-6. .
- Approval is subject to site administration's discretion.
- Independent Study contracts are subject to state guidelines and may include, but are not limited to, rules regarding minimum duration, maximum duration, and virtual distance learning support and/or participation. Updated information can be provided to parents upon request.

CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO REQUEST AN INDEPENDENT STUDY <u>BEFORE</u> TAKING YOUR CHILD OUT OF SCHOOL. THE SCHOOL CAREFULLY REVIEWS ALL INDEPENDENT STUDY REQUESTS PRIOR TO APPROVING TO ENSURE THAT THE TIME AWAY FROM SCHOOL WOULD NOT ADVERSELY IMPACT THE STUDENT.

#### TARDIES

Students are expected to arrive at school on time (8:00 a.m.). It is disruptive to a teacher and students in the classroom when other students arrive late. In the event students arrive late due to illness or dentist/physician appointment/visit, written excuse will warrant an excused tardy. *All other tardies are unexcused and may result in consequences for the student.* When arriving late, students must first report to the office with a legal parent/guardian to obtain a tardy slip prior to admittance into class. Students with more than three unexcused tardies will be considered a habitual truant as per California Education Code and may result in a referral for the SARB process.

#### **Consequences for Unexcused Tardies**

The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> tardy will result in a warning each time

The 3<sup>rd</sup> tardy will result in an Accountability Check and restricted privileges.

The 4th tardy will result in an Office Referral, Counsel by Admin (GIS) and Conduct Referral issued by admin

Three or more tardies over 30 minutes may result mini-SARB meeting.

Three or more tardies under 30 minutes will result in an Attendance Review Team meeting (ARM)

A student who receives an unexcused tardy will not be eligible for perfect attendance.

#### WITHDRAWAL FROM SCHOOL

If you should decide to move from the district or to another school attendance area within the district, please notify our office that you are withdrawing your child. Not only does this aid us in record keeping, it also allows us to give you the information you will need to enroll your child in his/her new school.

#### BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAMS

Breakfast is served daily from 7:40 – 7:55 Monday - Friday, and is available to all students for a cost of \$1.00. School lunches are available daily at a cost **\$2.25**. Please maintain your child's cafeteria account. Payments can be made either before school or during morning recess to the Food Services Manager. Checks should be made payable to Clovis Unified School District. Payments can al so be made online on Parent Connect. HOWEVER – Due to fiscal timelines, **no personal checks will be accepted by our office AFTER MAY 1**<sup>st</sup>. After that date payment must be in cash, purchase order, or cashier's check. *CUSD students will continue to have access to no-cost meals at school throughout the 24-25 school year*.

The school lunch menu for the month is available online at <u>http://cusd.nutrislice.com</u>.

Due to food allergies and other health related issues, Maple Creek students are NOT allowed to share their food with other students. Please make sure your child only brings food for him/herself.

If dropping off a lunch for your child after 8:00 a.m., please take the lunch to the lunch cart outside Multi-Purpose Room (cafeteria) building. Please make sure to label the lunch with your child's name and classroom number. The school is not responsible for monitoring lunches left on the cart. Food deliveries from third party delivery systems are NOT allowed (UberEats, DoorDash, etc)

#### LUNCH OFF CAMPUS

If a parent/guardian wishes to take their own child(ren) to lunch they must first check into the office and use normal sign-out and signin procedures. We ask parents to have their child back to school at the end of their normal lunch period. No adult may take a student other than their own off campus for lunch.

#### LOST AND FOUND

Lost items may be claimed by checking the lost and found bin located in the cafeteria. **On the second and fourth Tuesday** lost and found items will be displayed out on the blacktop for students to claim. At the end of the day unclaimed items will be given to a charitable organization. We make every effort to return items that are clearly labeled with a first and last name to their rightful owner. We do ask that you don't claim anything that does not belong to you.

#### PERSONAL POSSESSIONS

We strongly discourage children from bringing personal possessions or extra money to school unless requested or authorized to do so by the teacher. Items such as toys are distracting to the educational climate of the school and pose problems to both the student and the teacher if they are lost or broken. They should not be sent to school, except on designated days with permission. <u>Electronic games/devices, i.e. handheld gaming devices, smart tablets, etc. will not be allowed at school unless written permission has been granted by the teacher. The school cannot assume responsibility for personal or unnecessary items brought to school.</u>

#### PARENT VISITATIONS

Parent visits to the classroom <u>must</u> be scheduled with either the teacher or administration in advance. In the interest of safety, <u>ALL</u> <u>VISITORS MUST CHECK IN AT THE OFFICE UPON ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL AND PRIOR TO VISITING A CLASSROOM TO</u> <u>OBTAINA VISITOR'S BADGE</u>. Parents/visitors will be required to scan either their Ca. Driver's license or state issued ID card typically on their first visit. Adults may only sign themselves in, and <u>may not</u> sign other adults in.

No drop-in classroom visits are allowed during school hours. Parents wishing to speak to teachers can arrange conferences by calling the office at 327-7300 or emailing the teacher directly. (For further volunteer and school visit clarification, see board policy 9202 and 9212).

#### VOLUNTEERS

**CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS:** All classroom volunteers MUST complete a CUSD Volunteer Form prior to volunteering in a classroom or on campus (CUSD Board Policy No. 9212). This form is available on-line, and must be completed every school year. Please bring it in person to the attendance secretary in the main office. <u>All volunteers MUST sign in at the office upon entering the campus.</u>

**CHAPERONES:** All chaperones MUST complete a CUSD volunteer form prior to the school field trip. This form is on-line. Please bring it in person to the attendance secretary in the main office.

#### **BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF**

The north parking lot off of Teague is what we refer to as the Teague Administration Building/Staff parking lot is for employees, visitors and/or volunteers. The Teague Administration Building/Staff parking lot was not designed for drop off. The gate to this parking lot will be locked at 7:55AM daily and will not be opened until 8:15 AM.

Traffic is extremely heavy from **7:45 AM to 8:00 AM and from 2:35 PM. to 3:00 PM**. The east parking area off of Teague was designed for student drop-off and pick-up in order to keep traffic flow moving during heavy traffic times before and after school. Please do not get out of your vehicle or leave your vehicle unattended in the white loading zones or east parking lot drop off lane. Please use crosswalks when crossing the streets. Your help in providing for the safety of all children is appreciated.

#### FIELD TRIPS

Field trips and off campus activities are considered educational enrichment activities. All students participating in a field trip must have written permission from a parent/guardian. Transportation will be provided using CUSD buses or local charter buses. Voluntary donations may be requested to offset the cost of admission and/or transportation on local or long distance field trips.

Parent volunteers are often requested during field trips. If you choose to participate as a chaperone, your child's teacher will notify you in advance regarding your responsibilities during the outing. All students are required to ride in the bus with his/her classmates. Students must return to school before parents can check them out unless prior arrangements have been made with the teacher and/or administration. We do not allow small children (younger siblings) on field trips.

#### **SCHOOL PARTIES - BIRTHDAYS**

If you choose to send a small treat or food item for either class parties or birthdays, please send <u>only 1 pre-packaged store purchased</u> <u>food with nutrition label</u>. One item only is allowed either a drink, small treat, or goody bag (not all). We cannot accept home baked goods or food items that do not have a nutritional label. The only exception we will allow is with respect to doughnuts. Food items that do not meet the above-mentioned guidelines will be sent back home. This small treat will be served either at recess, lunch or at the end of the day. We require that you provide your child's teacher at least one week notice of any food being brought to class so that we can be proactive ensuring a snack is on hand for students with food allergies.

Room parents plan class parties typically three times during the year: Harvest Party (at the end of October), Winter holiday and Valentine's Day. Room parents schedule the time of the party with the classroom teacher, generally parties are scheduled during the lunch/recess hour or the last hour of the school day. Party day and time should be communicated to all families in advance in order to be sensitive to religious beliefs and / or food allergies.

#### SENDING GIFTS TO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

**Please** <u>do not</u> have balloons, flowers or other gifts delivered to individual students while at school. Although we appreciate the parents' intent to acknowledge a special day, such items cause a certain amount of disruption to the educational environment and puts pressure on other parents to do the same. Such items, if delivered, will be held in the office and given to the child at the end of the day.

#### STUDENTS STAYING AFTER SCHOOL

Only those students who are involved in regular after-school activities supervised by members of our staff may remain after school. Students must have permission slips on file in order to participate. We have no means of providing supervision for students who wish to stay after school. Please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Siblings are NOT ALLOWED to wait for their older brothers or sisters involved in co-curricular activities.
- On game days, all students who regularly go home at 2:45 will do so. Non-participating students may remain after school (or return to school) to watch the game only if they are under parent/guardian supervision.
- On occasion, we will cancel an after-school activity. If we must cancel an activity, students will be allowed to call their parents to inform them of the change. Additionally, we use TEXT messaging to notify parents. Please be sure that you opt into our text message on Parent Connect.
- On both, rainy days or poor air quality days, outside after-school activities will be canceled. Decisions regarding weather and air quality are typically not made until after the lunch period.

#### STUDENT USE OF THE TELEPHONE - PHONE CALLS - CELL PHONES

Office telephones may be used by students only in the case of an <u>emergency</u>. The use of cell phones, text messaging, and other electronic communication devices are not allowed during school hours. Student Cell phones should not be out, heard, and/or used without explicit staff consent during the school day. At no time will calls be transferred into the classrooms. If there is an emergency the student will be called out of class to take the phone call. Please make sure all after school arrangements have been made prior to the start of the school day.

#### TEXTBOOKS

Textbooks will be issued to students by their teacher. Students are responsible for the care of textbooks and other non-consumable items issued to them. The replacement cost will be charged to students for books that are lost or stolen, and books that show damage caused by negligence.

#### **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

In an emergency situation, the school will attempt to notify the parent or legal guardian. This is why it is critical that parents complete the Annual Information Update (online re-enrollment) at the beginning of each year on Parent Connect. Additionally, please use Parent Connect to continue to revise and update information as it changes. Fire Drills/Earthquake/Lockdown/Evacuation Drills are conducted regularly as a safety precautionary measure. Emergency procedures are reviewed with staff each year in accordance with California law and the Governing Board emergency procedure plans.

#### HOMEWORK POLICY

Homework plays an important part in the student's growth in academic skills. It is an extension of the classroom, giving students reinforcement in using what has been taught in the classroom. Homework fosters good study habits that will be useful throughout the individual student's school career.

• Normally 30-40 minutes of homework will be assigned in primary grades and approximately 60 minutes in grades 4-6. This may not include work that students fail to complete during class time or co-curricular pull outs. Homework is reviewed by teachers each day and is typically part of the classroom grading structure.

Parents can be helpful in making homework meaningful and productive for their children. Give your child assistance, but remember that homework is your child's responsibility. Please contact the teacher immediately if difficulties occur with respect to the student's homework routine or you have concerns or questions about homework.

## **HEALTH INFORMATION**

#### NURSING SERVICES

A Credentialed School Nurse (CSN)/Registered Nurse (RN)/Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) or health services assistant (HSA - an unlicensed personnel) will be in the health office 5 days a week. The CSN/RN/LVN/HSA will contact parent(s)/guardian(s) regarding illnesses and injuries that occur during the school day. All RNs/LVNs/HSAs provide student health care under the supervision and direction of the

Credentialed School Nurse. RNs/LVNs/HSAs follow the Emergency First Aid Guidelines for Schools when providing first-aid care to students and are CPR/First Aid certified.

## **EMERGENCY INFORMATION**:

Ed Code 49408

The health office or school administrator will contact parent(s)/guardian(s) in an emergency situation due to illness or injury. It is very important that the health office has current parent/guardian contact information. If there is a change in your child's emergency contact information, please log into Parent Connect and update your information as soon as possible.

## FIRST GRADE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION REQUIREMENT:

California State Law (California Code of Regulations, Title 5, Section 432 (2) (B) requires that each student have a complete Child Health and Disability (CHDP) physical examination within 18 months before entering first grade or 90 days after entering first grade (Health & Safety Code 124040, 124085).

The purpose of this examination is for the health and safety of your child and can help identify any health problems that may keep your child from doing well in school. Early detection is the best prevention.

A waiver signed by the child's parent/guardian indicating that they do not want or are unable to obtain the health screening and evaluation services for their children shall be accepted by the school in lieu of the CHDP form. If the waiver indicates that the parent/guardian was unable to obtain the services for the child, then the reasons why should be included in the waiver.

The CHDP form is available on the CUSD website under the "Parents" tab. Click "Health Forms" or a hard copy can be requested from your child's health office.

## **IMMUNIZATIONS**

Board Policy 5141.31; A.R. 5141.31; Health and Safety Code 120325-120375; CCR Title 17, Division 1, Chapter 4

To be admitted to school, California law requires that all children be fully immunized. There are required immunizations to attend public elementary and secondary schools, childcare centers and developmental centers. Schools, and pre-kindergarten facilities are required to enforce immunization requirements, maintain accurate/complete immunization records of all enrolled children and submit reports. Children shall be excluded from school or exempted from immunization requirements only as allowed by California law.

At the time of registration, the school site is required to have proof that your child has received all currently due immunizations to complete the enrollment process. If required immunizations are not provided by the first day of school, your child will not be able to attend.

As of January 1, 2016, California law SB277 no longer allows for a personal beliefs exemption including religious belief exemptions as of July 2016. Any student entering school for the first time in California after July 1, 2016 will need to be fully immunized or have a medical exemption from a California physician.

## Medical Exemptions:

Starting January 1, 2021, the only immunization accepted is a medical exemption written by a California physician for students through CAIR-ME. Any medical exemptions issued in CAIR-ME shall expire when the student enrolls in the next grade span or the medical exemption issued was temporary with an expiration date.

Refer to <u>cair-me.cdph.ca.go/home</u> on how to obtain a medical exemption or contact your school site health office with questions or needing additional information.

## **Immunization Exclusion:**

Ed Code 48216 (a), (b), & (c); A.R. 5141.31

Students who are not in compliance with their immunizations, parent/guardian will be contacted by the health office informing them of their child's missing immunizations. An immunization letter will be sent home indicating the immunizations needed to be in compliance. Parent/guardian have two (2) weeks or ten (10) school days to supply evidence either their child has been properly immunized, or their child will be exempted from school due to not meeting immunization requirements. Your child will remain excluded from school until a current immunization record is provided to the health office.

## <u>HEALTH ASSESSMENTS</u> Vision, Hearing and Dental Health Screening

CA Ed Code 49454; Ed Code 49455; Ed Code 49452; Board Policy 5141.3; A.R. 5141.6

California Education Code allows qualified district employees (sections 49452, 49454) to conduct routine vision, color vision and hearing screenings to each student enrolled in the District. The State of California vision and hearing screening is to be completed in Kindergarten, 2nd grade, 5th grade, 8th grade and 10th grade, as well as upon a written referral from parent/guardian or teacher at any grade level (California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Section 2952 (1)).

A written statement must be filed with the Credentialed School Nurse by a parent/guardian requesting exemption of their child from the routine health screenings for vision and hearing.

## **Oral Health Assessment Requirement**

CA Ed Code 49452.8

A pupil, while enrolled in kindergarten in a public school, or while enrolled in first grade in a public school if the pupil was not previously enrolled in kindergarten in a public school, no later than May 31 of the school year, shall present proof of having received an oral health assessment by a licensed dentist, or other licensed or registered dental health professional operating within his or her scope of practice, that was performed no earlier than 12 months before the date of the initial enrollment of the pupil.

The parent/guardian of a pupil may be excused from complying by indicating on a waiver form that the oral health assessment could not be completed.

## TUBERCULOSIS (TB) RISK ASSESSMENT

Board Policy 5141.26; A.R. 5141.26

## New or Returning Students

Each student seeking admission into a District school, whether for the first time, or if returning to the District school after being enrolled in another school in California, another state, or, spent 30 or more days in a high risk TB country, shall comply with submitting to a TB Risk Assessment by a school nurse/RN/LVN or provide documentation of a negative TB blood test (IGRA-QuantiFERON or T-SPOT) or TB skin test (TST).

- 1. All students moving from out of the country and/or residing in a high TB risk country will be required to be cleared through the Children's Health Center prior to enrollment at their school site.
- 2. If any blood or skin test is positive, proof of a negative chest x-ray indicating the student is free from communicable TB must be submitted to the health office.

3. A student who is assessed of being at risk of having TB shall: get a TB blood test (IGRA-QuantiFERON or T-SPOT) or a TB skin test unless proof of documentation is provided to the health office showing treatment for current or prior positive IGRA or TST performed in the United States, have a negative chest x-ray or no new risk factors since last documented negative TGRA or TST.

## **TYPE 1 DIABETES INFORMATION**

Reference: <u>https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/type1diabetes.asp</u>

In accordance with Education Code 49452.6, information regarding Type 1 diabetes, including risk factors is required to be provided to every incoming family. For questions or concerns related to Type 1 diabetes, please contact your health care provider or school nurse.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), cases of type 1 diabetes in youth increased nationally from 187,000 in 2018 to 244,000 in 2019, representing an increase of 25 per 10,000 youths to 35 per 10,000 youths, respectively. The peak age of diagnosis of type 1 diabetes is 13-14 years, but diagnosis can also occur much earlier or later in life.

Contact your child's health care provider or school nurse if you have questions regarding Type 1 diabetes.

## **Type 1 Diabetic Student**

- 1. Diabetic orders and Health Related Action Plan (HRAP) must be reviewed by the school nurse and parent/guardian prior to starting/returning to school.
- 2. Diabetic orders MUST be renewed every school year (A.R. 5141.21). Your child may not be on campus without current diabetic orders and supplies, including emergency medication. This is for the health and safety of your child.
- 3. All supplies, including snacks and/or emergency medication must be on-site daily. This can be stored in the health office or on-person.

## **TYPE 2 DIABETES INFORMATION-REQUIRED FOR INCOMING 7TH GRADE STUDENTS**

Reference: https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/type2diabetes.asp

Pursuant to California Ed Code Section 49452.7, local education agencies are required to provide parents/guardians information on Type 2 diabetes to all incoming 7th grade students.

This information is provided to parents/guardians during the annual enrollment process. The California Department of Education developed this Type 2 diabetes information in collaboration with the California Department of Public Health, American Diabetes Association, California School Nurses Organization, and Children's Hospital of Orange County.

Parents/guardians may contact the school nurse at their child's school site for any questions they may have regarding the information provided about Type 2 diabetes.

## FIRST AID, ILLNESSES AND INJURIES

If a student is injured or ill at school, he/she/they will receive care and consideration by the health office staff. The health office follows the Emergency First Aid Guidelines for Schools when providing first-aid care to students. Parents/guardians will be contacted for any serious injury or if the student is too ill to remain at school. Students will be released through the health office. The credentialed school nurse is available to consult with parents/guardians regarding health problems upon request, however, any injuries which occur at home

should be cared for at home. Parents/guardians should follow-up with the credentialed school nurse regarding any extended illness or injuries that require needed care or accommodations while at school.

## **Assistive Devices**

Crutches, wheelchairs, walking boots/shoes, walkers, scooters and casts require a medical note or CUSD School Participation Following Injury/Illness form and physical/academic restrictions in order for students to attend school. Refer to Ed Code 48213.

Brace, elastic bandage, sling and splint require a medical note or CUSD School Participation Following Injury/Illness form if the parent is requesting a PE excuse beyond three (3) days.

## When to keep your child home due to illness:

- 1. Temperature 100.0 F or greater within 24 hours
- 2. Illness affecting child's ability to learn
- 3. Vomiting/Diarrhea
- 4. Sore throat-difficulty breathing or swallowing, or continuous drooling
- 5. Cold symptoms-continuous cough, difficulty breathing, uncontrolled wheezing, excessive nasal drainage (excludes seasonal allergies)
- 6. Ear/Eye irritation-redness with drainage, difficulty seeing or hearing, injury, intolerable pain
  - Suspected pink eye-notify healthcare provider for evaluation and provide medical documentation to health office.
- 7. Rash-worsening, painful, drainage, not healing
- 8. Starting antibiotics within 24 hours for an illness

## When your child may return to school due to illness:

- 1. Fever free for 24 hours without the use of a fever reducing medication(s) (Ex. Tylenol or Motrin).
- 2. Vomiting/Diarrhea-student is able to tolerate liquids and food and/or stools have improved.
- 3. Pink eye-medical note clearing student of disease or two doses of antibiotics to be given before returning to school.
- 4. Rashes, such as but not limited to impetigo, ringworm, scabies and pinworms-medical note required clearing your student of possible communicable disease or a medical note stating the diagnosis and that appropriate treatment was initiated. Notify the health office.

## **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**:

- Parent Note: Students will be limited to 3 days per quarter for handwritten parental note excusals from PE. A medical note from a healthcare provider will be required after 3 days.
- Medical Note: This note should include a diagnosis and specific date for returning to PE, as well as any limitations that might apply. If your child has an injury that requires them to remain out of PE, they will also be held out of recess and sports.

## **CONCUSSION PROTOCOL**

If your child is suspected of having a concussion or has been diagnosed with a concussion, the CUSD Return to Learn-Concussion School Care Plan form needs to be completed by a physician indicating no evidence of a concussion or provide specific academic accommodations, if diagnosed.

If your child's concussion has resolved, a new medical note or the CUSD Return to Learn-Concussion School Care Plan form needs to indicate your student is cleared for full academic participation.

## COMMUNICABLE/INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Board Policy 5141.22; A.R. 5141.22

The health office refers to the California School Nurses Organization, Guidelines for Communicable Diseases and Common Conditions in the Educational Setting, along with guidance and direction from the Fresno County Department of Public Health (FCDPH). When necessary, communicable disease cases are reported to the FCDPH. When two or more cases of a communicable disease are reported in a classroom within 14 days of each other, a notification letter may be sent home from the health office.

## HEAD LICE:

Clovis Unified School District operates on NO LIVE LICE guidelines. Students will be sent home if evidence of live lice is found. Students must be treated within 48 hours and hair/scalp are free from live lice. Students must be seen in the health office and be cleared to return to class. After 48 hours, absences will be unexcused. Classroom checks are <u>no longer</u> a part of our guidelines.

Head Lice Guidelines can be found on the CUSD Nursing Services website.

https://www.cusd.com/NursingServices.aspx.

## **MEDICATION AT SCHOOL**:

Ed Code 49423, 49480; Board Policy 5141.21; A.R. 5141.21

All medications, even over-the-counter medication(s) (including Tylenol, Advil, cough drops, eye drops, essential oils, etc.) require a physician order and are reviewed by the credentialed school nurse. Medication orders must be updated at the **beginning of each school year**. The Medication at School form is available in the school health office or on the CUSD website. <u>https://cusd.com/HealthForms.aspx</u>

CA Education Code Section 49423 requires that any medications to be taken at school must be presented with:

- A <u>written</u> statement from the physician detailing the name of the medication, amount, method, and time medication is to be taken.
- A <u>written</u> statement from the parent/guardian indicating their consent for the school to assist the student in the matters set forth in the physician's statement
- Medication must be <u>clearly labeled</u> and sent to school in the original container from the pharmacy

**Please note**: Medication(s) brought to the health office without following the above guidelines will NOT be accepted or given at school. The Health Office does not keep medication for general use.

## EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION OF NALOXONE (NARCAN) NASAL SPRAY

California Education Code (EC) Section 49414.3 authorizes school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools to provide emergency naloxone or another opioid antagonist to school nurses or trained personnel who have volunteered, and to use naloxone or another opioid antagonist to provide emergency medical aid to persons suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering, from an opioid overdose.

## AIR QUALITY PRECAUTIONS:

Please refer to CUSD School Board Policy 3514 for more information about Air Quality Precautions. CUSD Board Policies can be found at the following website:

https://boardpolicies.cusd.com/ClovisUnifiedBoardPolicies.aspx

## **CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

Penal Code Section 11166 requires any Mandated Reporter who reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect must report it to Child Protective Services (CPS). All school personnel are mandated reporters.

## HOME/SCHOOL COMMUNICATION PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Communication between the home and the school is essential to the progress and development of each student at Maple Creek. The parent and the school are partners and your input into your child's education and the school is welcome and essential for effective operation. In addition to personal contacts between parents and school personnel, the following are the formalized forms of communication used at Maple Creek.

#### **INSTANT CONNECT**

Instant Connect is used to communicate information to parents via email, phone calls, and text messaging. It may also be used to alert parents or guardians of an emergency/safety situation on campus. Instant Connect attendance phone calls go out daily around 10am for students who are absent.

#### PARENT CONNECT

Parent Connect is an online tool parents can use to access key information regarding student's grades (second-sixth), attendance, lunch monies, and teacher communication. Parents receive login and password information in an email. Password and login information may also be requested from the school registrar.

#### **REPORT CARDS**

Report cards are sent home the Friday following the end of each quarter. Conferences are scheduled with all parents at the end of the first report card period.

#### PROGRESS REPORTS

At the end of the fifth week of instruction, teachers in grade 1-6 send home progress reports. This progress report is an indicator of student progress up to that time in the quarter. The objective of the progress report, and other grades sent home is to maintain a communication link with parents.

#### PEACHJAR

CUSD and Maple Creek utilize Peachjar for electronic flyer distribution. Parents with an email address on file will automatically begin receiving eflyers in their inbox. Additionally, all eflyers can be viewed by clicking the Peachjar button located on our school's website.

#### THE WEEKLY CHRONICLE

Our weekly newsletter, The Chronicle, will be sent home electronically to parents every Friday through Peachjar. The purpose of The <u>Chronicle</u> is to provide parents with important information related to the week and to provide the times, dates, and locations of school-wide activities which parents may wish to attend. It will also be used to communicate information of general interest concerning the school, district and community. It is the primary vehicle to communicate school policy, Parent Club information, and to chronicle the major events at school.

#### MAPLE CREEK WEBSITE www.maplecreek.cusd.com

Maple Creek's website contains practical information about many of the programs available at Maple Creek -teacher web pages and email, lunch menus, newsletter archive, PTC information, etc.

#### CUSD (Clovis USD) APP: MAPLE CREEK

Clovis Unified has made available an app with school accessibility. Maple Creek is available for immediate information and communication about the school. Download the Clovis USD app and select Maple Creek as your school. You can report absences, view school events, receive text message communications, and more.

#### PARENT TEACHER CLUB (PTC)

The Maple Creek Parent Teacher Club is an active organization which is open to all parents. The PTC, with its many activities, is an integral part of the total school partnership between parents, children and staff. It is truly rewarding at the end of every year to see how much the PTC contributes to Maple Creek to make it the best school it can be. For further information about our PTC contact President LeAnn Hutchings through the Maple Creek PTC website at maplecreekptc@gmail.com.

#### VOLUNTEERING AT MAPLE CREEK

The Maple Creek Parent Club recognizes that a wealth of experience, talents and interests are available in our community. Some volunteers work in the school on a regular basis. Others may help with an individual project or activity. If you want to learn more about our parent volunteer opportunities, contact the Maple Creek School office. Some of the opportunities for volunteering include but are not limited to:

MAC & KIDS	Classroom Volunteer	Fundraisers	School Site Council (SSC)
Parent Club Carnival	Library Media Center	Snack Bar	Robotics Coaches
Drama Production	Room Parent	Field Trip Chaperone	SART Committee
		Crossing Guards	InterculutralDiversity
		Jog-a-thon/Fitness Frenzy	Advisory Council (IDAC
			English Learner Committee
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## **Parent Involvement Policy**

## Maple Creek Elementary School, Clovis Unified School District 2024 – 2025 Parental Involvement Policy

At Maple Creek Elementary School, we recognize that parental involvement is a critical dimension of effective schooling. The school and the home cannot be looked at in isolation from one another; families and schools need to collaborate to help children adjust to the responsibilities of being successful students. Research has shown that parental involvement contributes greatly to student achievement and conduct. The Clovis Unified School District's Parent Involvement policy is outlined in CUSD Board Policy #6020. Each CUSD School creates a School Parent Involvement Policy in collaboration with the different parent groups and committees that is tailored to the needs of their school and learning community.

The staff at Maple Creek Elementary School, believes that we should help parents develop skills to meet the basic obligations of family life and foster conditions at home which emphasize the importance of education and learning. Two-way communication about school programs and students' progress is promoted due to the belief that education is a responsibility shared with parents. Parents are also invited to actively participate in school decision-making and to develop their leadership skills in governance and advocacy.

Through conferences and letters, parents are provided with timely information about curriculum, assessments, and expected proficiency levels for student achievement. Parents are invited to attend appropriate training opportunities to help the school and the students reach stated goals, objectives, and standards. This will ensure that the school remains focused on our primary responsibility to provide a high-quality curriculum and instructional program in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables all students to meet academic expectations set forth in the California State Standards. At Maple Creek Elementary School, we believe that the parents have the responsibility and opportunity to work with the school in a mutually supportive and respectful partnership with the goal of helping their children succeed in school. We are committed to increasing parental involvement, which will ultimately improve student achievement.

#### PART I: GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

The Clovis Unified School District agrees to implement the following statutory requirements that are outlined in CUSD Board Policy #6020 and which are in compliance with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) sections 1116(b) and (c).

- The school will jointly develop with parents, distribute to parents of participating children, a School Parental Involvement Policy that the school and parents of participating children agree on.
- The school will notify parents about the School Parental Involvement Policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, will distribute this policy to parents in a language the parents can understand.
- The school will make the School Parental Involvement Policy available to the local community.
- The school will periodically update the School Parental Involvement Policy to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.
- The school will adopt the school's 'school-parent compact' as a component of its School Parental Involvement Policy.

• The school agrees to be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and will carry out programs, activities, and procedures in accordance with this definition:

Parental involvement means open communication with parents in order to establish a high-quality school program and academic achievement, including ensuring--

- (A) that parents plan an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- (B) that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
- (C) that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;
- (D) The carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.

#### PART II:

## DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE SCHOOL WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED SCHOOL PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

Maple Creek Elementary School will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development and joint agreement of its School Parental Involvement Policy and its school wide plan, if applicable, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way under section 1118(b) of the ESEA:

- Continue parent/school committees such as School Site Council, English Learner Advisory Committee, Parent Teacher Club/Foundation, School Assessment and Review Team, and Intercultural Diversity Advisory Committee (IDAC).
- Revise the School-Parent Compact found in the student handbook.
- Continue to send out notices from the school in a variety of languages as applicable to our community.
- Continue our parent involvement activities including, but not limited to Back to School Night, Book Fair, School Carnival, Open House, Winter Program, Spring Concerts, Awards events, etc..

Maple Creek Elementary School will take the following actions to distribute to parents of participating children and the local community, the School Parental involvement Policy:

- Send home notices/agendas to the parents of the School Site council (SSC) meeting both in advance
  of the meeting. The agenda will state clearly that the School Parental Involvement Policy will be
  discussed and reviewed.
- School Parental Involvement Policy will be discussed and reviewed during ELAC and SART.

Maple Creek Elementary School will annually review and update its School Parental Involvement Policy to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.

• The district and school site will annually review the School Parent Involvement Policy for any issues to include, but not limited to, restructuring the school, safety needs, and any program needs.

Maple Creek Elementary School will provide to parents of a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency

levels students are expected to meet at beginning of the year SART meetings held by the school site principal or designee.

In addition to regularly scheduled parent meetings, parents will also be invited to their child's Parent Conferences, which are held in the fall. During the Parent Conference, the teacher, student, and parent discuss the child's progress. The Promotion/Retention forms are reviewed, and parents will receive an overview of how the child is doing in academics, behavior, and socialization.

Parents have a chance to review the on-going progress of the school throughout the year at SSC, ELAC, and SART meetings. Those who feel that the school-wide plan is not being implemented to their satisfaction should contact the Area Superintendent for their area with their concerns.

#### PART III: SHARED RESPONSIBILITIES FOR HIGH STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Maple Creek Elementary School will build the schools' and parent's capacity for strong parental involvement, in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, through the following activities specifically described below:

Maple Creek Elementary School will, with the assistance of its district, provide assistance to parents of children served by the school.

- The State's academic content standards,
- The State's student academic achievements standards,
- The State and local academic assessments including alternate assessments,
- How to monitor their child's progress, and
- How to work with educators:
- The Adult School offers classes on campus for any second language adults to learn English.

Maple Creek Elementary School will, with the assistance of its district, provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement, such as literacy training, and using technology, as appropriate, through:

- School Site Council (SSC) member training on the roles and responsibilities of council members.
- English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) member trainings on the roles and responsibilities of committee members.
- Parents are provided with materials and training through numerous committees and parent groups.
- The district provides regular parent training throughout the year on a variety of parent-driven topics.

Maple Creek Elementary School will, with the assistance of its district and parents, educate its teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff, in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents

as equal partners, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools.

Maple Creek Elementary School will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, take the following actions to ensure that information related to the school and parent-programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand:

- School programs, activities, meetings, and policies are communicated to parents through Weekly school calendars and school communication flyers are sent home in English and Spanish when appropriate.
- In addition to school-wide publications, the staff works to inform and refine communication through classroom newsletters, parent letters, and numerous parent contacts both by telephone and in person.
- Progress reports are sent home to parents in order to help address student needs before final quarter/semester grades are posted.
- Our Bilingual Instructional Assistants make personal phone calls to inform parents of student progress, expectations, Gateway offers after-school programs and also to invite families to attend special events.

#### PART IV:

#### DISCRETIONARY SCHOOL PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

Maple Creek Elementary School and Clovis Unified School District is committed, where practical and to the extent that the District resources provides, to the following:

- Providing necessary literacy training for parents from Title I, Part A funds, if the school district has
  exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for that training;
- Paying reasonable and necessary expenses associated with parental involvement activities, including transportation and childcare costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions;
- Adopting and implementing model approaches to improving parental involvement;
- Establishing a district wide parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in Title I, Part A programs;
- Developing appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses, including faithbased organizations, in parental involvement activities; and
- Providing other reasonable support for parental involvement activities under section 1118 as parents may request.

PART IV: ADOPTION

This School Parental Involvement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents of children participating programs, as evidenced by Maple Creek Elementary School's 4<sup>th</sup> quarter School Site Council Meeting and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter ELAC meeting. This policy will also available on our website at: maplecreek.cusd.com

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## **INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS**

The instructional programs at Maple Creek are closely aligned with the California State Framework and the CUSD Grade Level Standards that serve as the foundation for each curricular area. Grade Level Standards clarify what students should know in various subject areas including: Reading/Literature, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Fine Arts, Wellness/Physical Education and Writing.

#### ACCELERATED READER (AR) PROGRAM 2nd -6th

Students must develop their skills in reading so that they may read increasingly complex material with excellent comprehension. Each quarter, students use an electronic program called Accelerated Reader (AR) where they earn points by taking quizzes on books at their instructional reading level. AR point expectations and STAR reader goals by grade level are available on Maple Creek's website and will be distributed at Back to School Night. Students meeting the STAR reader requirement will be recognized at our Husky Awards assemblies. AR points will account for 10% of a student's reading grade each quarter.

#### SEE AR Point Chart in the Appendix

#### MUSIC

All students in grades 1-6 receive classroom music instruction from our music specialists. Fifth and sixth grade students may elect to take instrumental music or vocal music. In addition, students in 4th grade receive instruction with recorders.

#### TESTING

The CAASPP system is based on the state's new California Common Core State Standards (CA CCSS) for English–language arts (ELA) and mathematics, adopted by the State Board of Education in 2010. The primary goal of the new statewide testing program is to better prepare all students for college and careers in the twenty-first century. Computer-based assessments, developed through the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium, form the cornerstone for CAASPP. The CAASPP assessment in ELA and Math will be given in April/May to all eligible 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders in the state of California each school year. Scores will be reported and provide us with district, school, grade level, as well as individual student data.

## **AUXILIARY SERVICES**

Maple Creek has a team of professionals that provide specialized assistance to parents, teachers and students as needed.

#### EDUCATIONAL SPECIALISTS

- Speech and Language Specialist works with children who are in need of specialized remedial and developmental instruction in language proficiency.
- School Psychologist is available to provide testing and psychological information beyond the scope of the classroom teacher. The psychologist plays a counseling role to parents and students and provides assistance to teachers in the implementation of effective teaching strategies for students exhibiting learning and/or behavioral difficulties. All psychological testing requires written parental consent.
- **Resource Specialist** (RSP) is trained as a classroom teacher with special certification in special education and learning disabilities. The resource specialist provides specific prescriptive instruction in academic areas to students who have been certified as requiring such instruction.

#### STUDENT STUDY TEAM (S.S.T.)

The Student Study Team is provided as a service to teachers and parents. Students with behavior, emotional, and/or academic problems that interfere with school performance may be referred to the team for suggestions and/or modifications of the child's learning environment or program. All children that may be considered for a formal assessment are required to be reviewed by the S.S.T. prior to evaluation by the School Assessment Team (S.A.T.).

#### 504 COORDINATOR

At Maple Creek our GIS (guidance instructional specialist) serves as the school's 504 Coordinator. If you suspect your child has a disability (learning disability, chronic health problems, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder, etc.), which may substantially limit learning, you may request that your child be evaluated under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (1973). A qualified educational team will evaluate your child to determine if he/she qualifies as a disabled individual.

#### EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITY (ELOP FORMERLY KNOWN AS CAMPUS CLUB) and STAY AND PLAY

Expanded Learning Opportunity Program provides quality childcare for school-age children before and after school. All day care is also offered during regular school vacations. On Early Release Days, you may wish to take advantage of the Stay & Play program, which is the 90-minute program offered by Clovis Unified as a supervised recreational program during the Wednesday early release and preparation time for teachers. Questions regarding fees, procedures for enrollment or specific site information should be directed to the Child Development Department at 327-9160.

## **STUDENT RECOGNITION**

#### HUSKY OF CHARACTER AWARDS

Students may qualify for this award through any area of school endeavor and for contributions made to their class, school and/or community. The students selected are those who have best reflected the Maple Creek *Character Trait of the Month*, which is based on the six pillars of character in our Character Counts! Program. This award is given monthly. Students' names will be announced on our Morning Announcements and they will receive **a certificate of recognition**.

#### PERFECT ATTENDANCE AWARD

Students in grades 1-6 are eligible for this award. Perfect attendance will be recognized annually for students who have no absences (physically present every day for at least 90 instructional minutes) and no unexcused tardies. This award is on hold until further notice.

#### HUSKY ATHLETIC AWARDS

Students receive a ribbon for successful completion of any Maple Creek athletic team at the end of each sports season. Trophies/plaques will be presented to some athletes from each athletic team for individual recognition at the coach's discretion.

#### HONOR ROLL - GRADES 4-6

The Honor Roll is a means of giving recognition to students based on scholastic achievement. The Honor Roll is recognized quarterly -- at the end of each report card period. The qualification requirements for the Honor Roll are:

♦ No "D's" "Fs" or "U's"on the report card.

•	The following grade point	averages:
	PRINCIPAL'S HONOR:	4.00 (All "As")
	HIGH HONORS:	3.50-3.99
	HONORS:	3.00-3.49

- The grade point averages are based on grades for: Reading, Mathematics, Language, Spelling, Science/Wellness, and Social Science.
- The following grade points are used to calculate the grade point average: A = 4.00 B = 3.00 C = 2.00 D = 1.00

#### MAPLE CREEK BLOCK H

The school plays an important role in preparing children to lead successful and happy lives. This entails much more than merely teaching skills and imparting knowledge. The school provides a wide range of experiences for children and a framework within which their attitudes toward themselves and their environment can take shape. Students who assume a variety of responsibilities will be more apt to develop poise, self-confidence, a sense of personal responsibility, and a wide range of skills that are essential ingredients in exercising freedom of choice and decision-making as an adult.

<u>The Block "H" Award</u> is the highest award that is offered to  $4^{th}-6^{th}$  grade students and presents a worthy challenge for students. The recipients of this award truly exemplify the concept of the Clovis Sparthenian..."to be the best you can be". The areas and activities in which students earn points have been grouped into the three domains: Mind, Body, and Spirit. To earn the Block H - Exemplary Award, a student must have earned points in each of these domains and have accrued the designated number of total points as outlined in the Block H handbook and scoring sheet. Students earning this prestigious award will receive a Block H plaque presented at a special ceremony at the end of the year. (See the Block H forms and supporting documents for specific information and criteria).

## **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

**PHILOSOPHY**: Involvement is the key word in the Maple Creek Elementary Co-curricular Program. A student's participation in school activities can do much to instill a child with self-pride and help develop a strong sense of self-esteem. Please encourage your

child to become involved. It is a school goal that 100 percent of the fifth through sixth grade students participate in at least one cocurricular activity. Information concerning these programs will be sent home as the year progresses. The co-curricular programs offered to students at Maple Creek Elementary in grades 4-6 includes: athletics, student government, pep and cheer, concert choir, instrumental music, Science Fair, drama, History day, Robotics, school service, poster contests, essay contests, Group Oral Interpretation, Individual Oral Interpretation, and Building Bridges club.

#### ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

Maple Creek provides an interscholastic athletic program in which our teams compete with the other elementary schools in the district. The goals of our athletic program are:

- To teach and develop proficiency in the skills associated with each sport.
- To develop the personal discipline, commitment and sportsmanship associated with being a member of a team.
- To recognize EXCELLENCE only comes through effort and the desire to be the BEST THAT YOU CAN BE.

Season	Season Sport		Restrictions	
Fall-Spring	Cheerleaders	Varies in teams (typically 2)	4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders	
	Football (tackle)	Two teams (A and B)	5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders (weight limit of 144 lbs.)	
Fall	Cross Country	Boys and Girls teams	4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders	
	Girls Volleyball	Multiple teams	5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders	
	Wrestling	Varsity & JV	4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders (weight divisions)	
Winter	Boys Basketball	Multiple teams	5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders	
	Girls Basketball	Multiple teams	5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders	
	Baseball	Multiple teams	5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders	
	Softball	Multiple teams	5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders	
Spring	Boys Volleyball	Multiple teams	5 <sup>th</sup> –6 <sup>th</sup> graders	
	Track	Boys and Girls teams	4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders	

All students in the grades indicated above are eligible to try out for the teams. **Students** who try out will be able to participate, except in football\* where there is a minimum weight limit of 60 pounds and maximum weight limit of 144 pounds, both in uniform. All team participants are required to have accident insurance. This may be verified through a family policy or purchased through the school. A child will not be allowed to participate in any after-school sports programs if they are not participating in PE due to a PE excuse.

The teams practice after school (3:00-4:00 p.m.) three afternoons per week (Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday) with the games usually scheduled in the afternoon Friday. A game schedule will be sent home at the beginning of each season.

#### CODE OF PARTICIPATION FOR CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Co-curricular activities are a vital part of our total school program. In addition to providing a variety of exploratory and enriching learning experiences for students, they are important also in building character and shaping attitudes. When students elect to participate in a co-curricular program (i.e., chorus, athletics, etc.), they must recognize that they have assumed certain responsibilities and obligations - to the coach or advisor, to the other members of the activity, and to themselves.

# Our major co-curricular programs have "participation contracts" stating what is expected of the participant. Students agree to the stipulations upon joining an activity. In essence, the terms of these "contracts" reflect the following CODE OF PARTICIPATION:

- The participant will maintain a satisfactory level of scholarship ("C" average) and demonstrate satisfactory behavior and citizenship.
- The participant is expected to abide by the practice, meeting, or rehearsal schedule established for the activity. Certain absences or tardies may, of course, be excused as with classroom attendance. However, the participant has the OBLIGATION to clear these with the coach or teacher in charge of the activity. Failure to do so is grounds for disciplinary measures as in the case of tardiness or truancy from the classroom.
- The student is expected to participate in the activity in a positive manner by showing proper conduct, striving to learn and grow in his/her abilities or skills and contributing to the group effort to the best of his/her ability.

- The participant is expected to respect and properly care for all property and/or equipment issued in conjunction with the activity. This is especially pertinent to members of athletic teams who are issued uniforms. Team uniforms are the property of the school (purchased with Student Body Funds). Students who <u>NEGLIGENTLY</u> lose or cause <u>UNDUE</u> damage to such school property will be charged for its replacement.
- The participant will not arbitrarily or unilaterally "quit" an activity. Normally, there is a one-week "grace" period during which the student may join an activity and decide if he/she wishes to continue. A student may drop the activity during that time with no conditions. After that time, the student may drop the activity only after consultation between the parent and the coach/advisor and a conference between the student, coach/advisor and the principal. In the case of athletic teams, a student who drops a sport after the grace period may not join another team during the same season. Note, however, that if a student joins, say, the football team and drops DURING the grace period, he may join the cross-country team.
- Students who drop from a co-curricular activity/team for any reason <u>will not</u> earn Block H credit. Parents and students are encouraged to meet with the teacher advisor/coach to discuss their child's circumstances.

#### SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT

Spectators are an important part of athletic events. They should, at all times, reflect high standards of support and good sportsmanship as indicated by the following:

- Spectators should, at all times, respect officials, coaches and participants and extend all courtesies to them as guests in the community. Respect coaches at all times. Recognize that they have team goals beyond those of an individual child.
- Enthusiastic and wholesome cheering is encouraged. Booing, stamping of feet, disrespectful remarks and/or cheers or yells which "put-down" the other team are unacceptable.
- Bells, whistles, or noisemakers of most any kind are acceptable for outdoor athletic events, but not for indoor athletic events. Noisemakers must not interfere with the various activities.
- Consistently exhibit good character and conduct yourself as a role model for children. Don't argue or show excessive displays of anger or frustration.
- It is a privilege to compete in sports, not a right. Students and spectators are expected to represent their team, school, and family with honor, on and off the field.
- If parents wish to discuss their child's participation on the team with the coach, please call the office and schedule an appointment outside of practice and games. The coach has supervision responsibilities during these times. This also provides time when emotions may be more level and the discussion will be more productive.

## **RULES OF STUDENT CONDUCT**

Our school maintains high, but not unreasonable standards of conduct and behavior for all of our students. We believe appropriate student conduct is essential in order to make each student's experience at school meaningful, productive and enjoyable. The rules governing the behavior of students and the operation of the school reflect three guiding principles: (1) the school exists as a place to learn; (2) teachers have a right to teach and <u>all</u> students have a right to learn; and (3) self-discipline is the key to school discipline. Please use the STUDENT AND PARENT Rights and Responsibilities Guide for detailed Governing Board policies and Administrative Regulations pertaining to parents and students of the Clovis Unified School District.

#### GENERAL STUDENT CONDUCT RULES.

- Students will conduct themselves in a way that will not disrupt the learning environment.
- Gum, seeds, and soda are not allowed at school at any time. Candy brought from home for lunch must be eaten during the lunch period.
- Students will play at recess in the designated play areas only. Other areas, buildings & corridors are OFF LIMITS during recess.
- Students should not bounce balls in corridors or on walls of any building.
- Students should stay on sidewalks and not in flower beds or planter box areas.

#### BICYCLES, SCOOTERS, OTHER DEVICES ON WHEELS (referred to below as vehicles)

- State law requires vehicles helmets for children under the age of 18.
- Students riding vehicles to school will park and <u>lock their vehicle</u> at the bicycle racks as soon as they arrive at school.
- Vehicles are not to be ridden on the school grounds or walkways <u>AT ANY TIME</u>.
- Students are to obey all traffic laws (see <u>Motor Vehicle Code</u>) when riding vehicles to and from school.

- Students are not to go into the bicycle rack area during the school day.
- Students who consistently fail to abide by these provisions may be required to use another form of transportation to and from school.
- Vehicles can only be stowed at the bike rack, students are responsible for securing them, the school is not responsible for loss or theft. At no time can they be left in the hallway or any other location.

#### EQUIPMENT

- Footballs and soccer balls are to be used only on the grass area.
- Baseballs, softballs, bats, and tennis rackets are NOT to be used except WITH DIRECT TEACHER/COACH SUPERVISION.
- Students should use climbing equipment and slide properly. No twirling or hanging by knees.
- Students should kick balls only on the grass area.
- Students are **NOT** to kick volleyballs or red/yellow playground balls.

#### **CAFETERIA CONDUCT**

- Students MUST have courteous and proper behavior while in the cafeteria.
- Students should face forward and demonstrate good table manners at all times.
- Students may talk quietly to the persons next to them. Shouting or talking from one table to another is unacceptable.
- Hats **may not** be worn in the cafeteria.
- When moving about the cafeteria, students must walk.
- The floor and tables must be free of litter before students are excused for recess.
- All students will remain in their seats until the cafeteria monitor dismisses them.

#### PERSONAL BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

Each time a student has a rule infraction/violation they may be assigned a Behavior Referral Point. Parents will be notified in writing or by phone of the incident. If the referral is sent home, a parent signature is required to communicate acknowledgement of the consequences Ideally students will achieve zero points. As points are accumulated they will result in consequences and loss of privileges.

#### **Behavior** Accountability Steps

Accountability checks will be sent home for parent signatures. This is for minor issues only. Minor issues may include: calling out in class, teasing, refusing to work, running in the halls, or other incidences. Major rule violations will result in a Conduct Referral and a possible referral to administration.

<u>Accountability checks are at the teacher's discretion</u>. Teachers are encouraged to give warnings, and counsel students for minor violations prior to assigning a point.

Accountability Check #1 and 2 – Teacher/Student Conference (loss of privilege per teacher's discretion)

Accountability Check #3 – Loss of privilege and parent phone call from teacher

Accountability Check #4 – If the same behavior as prior referrals has occurred, the behavior may be considered a Major Referral. In this instance, a parent phone call from teacher will occur. Loss of the end of the quarter reward. A copy of the conduct referral should be sent to the GIS (or available admin/office notified)

Any further minor behaviors should result in additional Conduct referral.

#### CONDUCT BEHAVIOR REFERRALS

Behavior that results in a Major Referral may include: defiance of authority, profanity/obscene gestures/offensive or crude jokes or language, teasing/harassing/bullying of other students, cheating, stealing, disruptive behavior or repeated minor offenses which have been addressed previously.

**Major Behavior Referral #1**: Parents will be notified by phone from the issuing staff member and consequences include: 2 referral points and may include a loss of privileges.

Major Behavior Referral #4: Same as above. Student should be referred to administration.

Major Behavior Referral #6: Notice to parent of intent to refer student for Student Study Team (SST) meeting.

Examples of consequences <u>may</u> include two or more days of non-privilege with suspension from sports activities, removal from assemblies/special activities/mandatory parent supervision on a field trip, suspension from school, etc. Parents will be contacted by the issuing person and student will be given appropriate consequences following school guidelines.

\*1st Time Serious Offenses can/may result in an automatic suspension and/or more serious consequences.

#### PERSONAL BEHAVIOR REWARD

This reward is presented quarterly for students in grades 1-6 in recognition of those students who have demonstrated personal accountability for their behavior. Some of the areas of responsibility/accountability include turning homework in on time, monitoring conduct, caring for school property, and returning library books. All students who receive three or less Referral Points or no more than one Major Referral for the quarter may attend a special activity or performance planned just for them. <u>Any student who receives a suspension will automatically be removed from that quarter's reward.</u>

#### SUSPENSION

Suspension means the removal of a student from ongoing instruction for adjustment purposes. Section 48900 of the <u>California</u> <u>Education Code</u> and Governing Board Policies of the Clovis Unified School District provides authority to suspend students. Suspension automatically eliminates student from the Accountability Activity at the end of the quarter, impacts Block H eligibility, and results in 1 to 10 days of non-privilege.

#### NON-PRIVILEGE STATUS

Any student suspended from Maple Creek will be placed on non-privilege ten school days beginning on the first day of their return to school from their suspension or possible five day non-privilege status with work back contract (one hour = one day) per administration approval. Any non-privilege status requires that the student not participate in or attend any school activities or functions for the assigned number of school days. No exceptions will be made to this rule for athletes, performers, or for any special events.

#### **POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTION & SUPPORTS**

Maple Creek has embraced a school-wide system to support positive student behaviors known as PBIS. This system of support includes proactive strategies for defining, teaching, and supporting appropriate student behaviors to create a positive school environment. Part of the system requires explicit teaching of student behaviors. The expected behaviors are noted on "The Husky BARK" matrix.

	Classroom	Hallway	Restroom	Cafeteria	Playground	Library	Co-Curricular	
Be Responsible	-Supplies ready at all -Walk times -Be a	-Walk on the sidewalk -	- Keep hathroom clean -Flush the toilet -Practice good hygiene	-Stay seated -Leave space clean -Trash in proper place -Hot lunch ABC order	- Freeze when the bell rings -Walk to your line -Use equipment responsibly -Return equipment to your classroom -Utilize trash cans -Keep playground clean	-Return materials on time -Use a pass when not with your class -Appropriate use of technology -Leave the library better than how you found it	-Supplies and equipment ready at all times -Be on time	
Active Learner	-Appropriate voice level -Stay on task -Listen to speaker -Eyes on speaker -Participate in instruction	- Voice level 0-1 -Go directly to your destination	-Voice level 2 -Use restroom quickly -Use at the correct time	-Voice level 0-2 -Listen to adults	-Voice level 0-4 -Listen to adults -Agree upon game rules before play	-Voice level 0-1 -Choose appropriate leveled books -Wait your turn -Listen to speaker	-Appropriate voice level -Follow directions -Demonstrate good character -Try your best -Honor classroom responsibilities	
Respect All	-Stay on task -Respect others with words and actions -Look at speaker -Ask permission when needed -Take turns -Raise hand	- Listen to adults -Respect other's property - Silent greetings	-Maintain privacy of self and others - Wait patiently for your turn - Respect property	-Respect others with words and actions -Stay seated until -Use restroom a times -Respect others		-Take care of loaned materials -Wait quietly before entering for instruction	-Bc a good sport -Respect participants with words and actions -Encourage others -Win with class, lose with dignity	
Keep Safe	(4 to the floor) - Carry all equipment and problems -Stay within your space -Itands and feet to self		-Eat your own food -Hands and feet to self -Ask permission for movement -Walk upon dismissal	- Use equipment properly - Eat your own snack - Stay in designated area	-Use materials appropriately -Walk -Hands and feet to self	-Use equipment safely -Set up and take down equipment		

# **Maple Creek Elementary - The Husky BARK**

Voice Levels

0 = No Talking 1 = Whisper Voice 2 = Table Talk 3 = Talking To the Group/Class 4 = Very Loud (rally, playground, athletic event)

#### **DRESS & GROOMING REGULATIONS**

The Governing Board of Clovis Unified School District has established specific standards of dress and grooming in order to promote a safe school setting conducive to a positive learning environment. Dress or grooming that draw undue attention detract from the educational process and is therefore unacceptable. Please refer to CUSD Board Policy/Administrative Regulation # 5132 for the complete Dress & Grooming Regulations https://boardpolicies.cusd.com/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=5GYGPI&dasi=1B

A few highlights include:

- Dresses and skirts are to be wom no shorter than five inches (5") above the top of the kneecap, but no shorter than mid-thigh. 7. Shorts are to have an inseam of at least five inches (5"). Shorts are to be stitched evenly around, and if frayed, must be stitched to avoid further fraying. Holes revealing skin or undergarments are not allowed. Spandex or Lycra shorts are not permissible. Shorts wom during physical education may not be wom during regular class time at secondary sites. 8.
- Straps on shoes and clothing must be fastened at all times
- Leggings and jeggings are permitted but cannot be see-through or have mesh or ruching above the knee. Tops worn with leggings and jeggings must not expose bare midriffs at any time during school or school-sponsored activities or events.
- Frayed clothing is permissible so long as frays are stitched to prohibit further fraying. 18. Distressing is allowable. Holes on clothing must be patched from behind so that undergaments or bare skin are not exposed.

## ANTI-BULLYING PROGRAM

Prevention or Anti-Bullying Programs significantly impact the positive climate of Maple Creek Elementary Students. Elements of Maple Creek's program provide a positive climate and culture that enables students to thrive.

#### CHARACTER EDUCATION AND STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

• Character Counts is embedded in daily routines within each classroom as part of the school-wide PBIS system. Character Counts celebrations take place at least once monthly, and the Principal and GIS regularly provide tips for Character Counts during the morning announcements.

#### OTHER PROGRAM AND SUPPORT

- Conduct classroom discussions led by administrators as a preventative measure to bullying in which bullying is defined. Clovis West <u>Bully-Proofing Your School</u> serves as the curriculum on which some of the discussions are based.
- Inform Parent committees such as SART, Parent Club, SSC and ELAC which also provides forums for open discussion concerning bullying and conflict at school.

#### **CLOVIS SUPPORT INTERVENTION (CSI)**

• A program that provides small group counseling and support to students who are struggling with anger, loss, divorce, and/or peer relationships.

#### ACADEMIC INTERVENTION

- In classroom individualized support is provided for students.
- Before, after school, and push in intervention support is provided by credentialed teachers.

#### POSITIVE PEER INTERACTIONS

• Clearly established policies for incidents of bullying behavior. Disciplinary actions and consequences appropriate to the incident(s).

#### **RESPONSES TO BULLYING BEHAVIORS MAY INCLUDE ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

- Conduct Referral to the office (Level 2 or 3 depending on the severity) and investigation of the alleged behaviors.
- Conflict resolution conducted by administration and/or school psychologist with involved students and victims of bullying when appropriate.
- Appropriate consequences for such behaviors depending on the severity could include accountability checks, non-privilege, after school detention, parent conference, referral to school psychologist, suspension, and in extreme cases referral to SSSA for alternative education placement.
- Bullying contracts developed for incidents that have been investigated by school administration and determined to be "bullying"

According to Dan Olweus, author of <u>Bullying at School: What We Know and What We Can Do</u> bullying is defined as "A person is bullies when he or she is exposed, repeatedly and over time, to negative actions on the part of one or more other persons, and he or she has difficulty defending him or herself".

Both acts of direct bullying (acts that are seen and felt readily) and indirect bullying (deliberate exclusion, name calling, etc). Consider the following:

- Bullying is defined by a power imbalance between the bully and the target.
- A bully's power can be derived from physical size, strength, verbal skill, popularity or gender.
- A bully's target feels tormented, helpless, and defenseless.
- Bullying can include hitting, name-calling, threatening, intimidating, kicking, spreading rumors, teasing, pushing, tripping, excluding someone from a group or destroying someone's things.

#### CUSD DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Clovis Unified School District prohibits discrimination, intimidation, harassment (including sexual harassment) or bullying based on a person's actual or perceived ancestry, color, disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, immigration status, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or association with a person or a group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. For questions or complaints, contact: <u>Equity Compliance Officer</u> - Norm Anderson, Deputy Superintendent, 1450 Herndon Avenue, Clovis, CA 93611, (559) 327-9000, <u>NormAnderson@cusd.com</u>; <u>Title IX Coordinator</u> - Shareen Crosby, Risk Manager, 1450 Herndon Avenue, Clovis, CA 93611, (559) 327-9000, <u>SharenCrosby@cusd.com</u>; Assistant Title IX Coordinator – Steve France, Assistant Superintendent of Education Services, 1450 Herndon Ave., Clovis, CA 93611, (559) 327-9380, <u>SteveFrance@cusd.com</u>; <u>Section 504 Coordinator</u> - Wendy Karsevar, 1680 Herndon Avenue, Clovis, CA 93611, (559) 327-9400, <u>WendyKarsevar@cusd.com</u>.



# Maple Creek Elementary School AR and STAR Reader Goals 2022-2023

AR	1st Quarter	2nd Quart		3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Annual STAR reader Goal
		1st G			<b></b>	
Grade Level Expectation	0	0		2	2	0
Star Reader Award	0	0		4	4	8
		2nd C	Grade	e		
Grade Level Expectation	4	5		5	4	24
Star Reader Award	6	7		7	6	26
		3rd G	irade	2		
Grade Level Expectation	8	10		10	8	FO
Star Reader Award	12	14		14	12	52
		4th G	irade	•	•	
Grade Level Expectation	12	14		14	12	70
Star Reader Award	18	20		20	18	76
		5th G	irade			
Grade Level Expectation	16	18		18	16	100
Star Reader Award	24	26		26	24	100
		6th G	irade	)		
Grade Level Expectation	20	25		25	20	130
Star Reader Award	30	35		35	30	1010/001000 01110
AR       So       So         Each student must reach their quarterly grade level goal in points.       Accelerated Reader counts as 10% of the student's reading grade and you must reach grade level points.         Students must read within their AR zone of proximal development, however students in 4 <sup>th</sup> grade who read at a 4.0 or higher can read 4.0-above.			•	proximal devel Each student n reader goal in quizzes (1 <sup>st</sup> gra STAR readers v year as they ea awards The 5 Readers cumulative poi will be recogni award announ based ONLY or	nust reach thein points and act ade is 70%) will be recogniz irn it as well as in each grade le ints for the year zed with our es ced at the end o	eir AR zone of equarterly STAR hieve an 80% on AR eed throughout the at our end of year evel with the highest and 80% accuracy acclusive TOP DOG of the year. Points ar- rticle test will not

Ending dates are as follows: QTR 1: 10/21 QTR2: 1/20 QTR3: 4/14 QTR4: 5/25 (Block H AR cutoff is 5/12)

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