

January 7, 2021

Parents,

Happy New Year. I hope your holiday season was wonderful.

While the purpose of this communication is to share our plans and information regarding returning to in-person classes this coming Monday, I want to briefly share a few thoughts concerning the events that took place at our Capitol Building yesterday. We are all very fortunate to live in a country that has freedoms like no other. It was very difficult to watch individuals engage in behaviors that damaged this iconic building and eventually led to the loss of life. We will all feel the impact of this event for the days, weeks, months, and years to come. Understand that our children are most likely experiencing similar emotions and anxiety that we may be feeling. I encourage our families to consider discussing these events with your children as you best see fit. Please help them to understand that the violence and destruction that took place is unacceptable and that when people disagree, we all must resolve our conflicts in ways that do not lead to harming others. As many of our nation's leaders stated yesterday, this day does not define who we are as a country and we must focus on moving forward in a manner that allows for productive discord, not violence and destruction.

Returning to Offering In-Person Instruction on January 11

Based on local data trends and with the support of the Toledo Lucas County Health Department, it is official, we are returning to in-person classes on January 11 (for our non-MVP students), so parents and students alike need to continue to practice health and safety protocols and be prepared to begin following Maumee's Daily Panther Pledge. Please continue to report all positive and presumed positive COVID-19 cases for your children. Call school offices with this information.

Please Mark Your Calendars - Upcoming Days When School Not in Session

Mon., Jan. 18 - Martin Luther King Day (No In-person Classes, No MVP -- Grades K-12)
Fri., Jan. 29 - Elementary & Middle School Records Day (No In-person Classes, No MVP -- Grades K-8)

Mon., Feb. 15 - Presidents Day (No In-person Classes, No MVP -- Grades K-12)

Handling Weather-Related Days Off School - Before & After January 11, 2021

Before January 11, unless there is inclement weather that is bad enough to necessitate closing our school buildings for all our staff members, online instruction will take place on the normal schedule for that day. Beginning on January 11, the school district could call for a weather-related 2-hour delay or school closing. We will always utilize local television and radio stations and our SchoolMessenger alert system to alert parents in the event of unsafe weather.

Link to Maumee City Schools Staff Email List

If you need to contact a teacher or other staff member directly, our staff directory can always be found on the district website. [Link](#)

Community COVID-19 Health & Symptom & Testing Information

The Lucas County Health Department has established a 24/7 Nurse Hotline
419-251-4000 or 419-291-5355

Resources to Meet Social-Emotional Needs of Students

Maumee's school counselors are available to assist students and parents but they are not able to maintain 24/7 access to email. If there is a counseling emergency that cannot wait, please reach out to agencies that do have 24/7 access.

Other Community Resources for Social-Emotional Health Needs

Maumee Police & Maumee Fire/EMS - 9-1-1
Rescue Mental Health & Addiction Services - 419-255-9585
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline - 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
ProMedica Toledo Children's Hospital - 419-291-5437
United Way - 2-1-1

Maumee High School

[Justin Fults](#) (students 9-12 w/ last names beginning with A-F & Penta)
[Courtney Gilts](#) (students 9-12 w/ last names beginning with G-M)
[Donna Fleitz](#) (students 9-12 w/ last names beginning with N-Z)

Gateway Middle School

[Brooke Potts](#) (Teams Intrepid, Zenith, Valor)
[Jake Tapley](#) (Teams Pinnacle, Triumph, Summit)

Wayne Trail Elementary School

[Ryan Osier](#)

Fort Miami Elementary School

[Shannon Cusumano](#)

Fairfield Elementary School

[Amy Johnson](#)

Todd Cramer, Superintendent
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