



SOMOS MAXWELL

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Del Escritorio del Director

Robert Crawford, Principal

This past week Maxwell celebrated the culture of Spain and student success. At the monthly celebration ceremony on Friday, the 4th grade culminated a month study of Spain by taking the entire school on a virtual trip to select regions of the country. During the same ceremony students from each grade level were recognized for their achievement in Spanish, Attitudes, and perseverance. Students were later treated to a learning demonstration of how Paella, a traditional dish from Spain, is prepared. The day was a great testimony to the unique student learning experiences at Maxwell!

Also on Friday, parents and families dialogued with the Maxwell administration through *Desayuno con los Directores* or *Breakfast with the Principals*. One of the items discussed during the meeting included the results from the parent and family survey. It was wonderful to see many families participate. We look forward

to collaborating with the PTA to present this event again in January.

Last week Maxwell wrapped up the school's participation in the United Way Sweet Dreams Project. Please see in this newsletter the successful results of the drive. Thank you for the support you provided to this important project!

This week the MAP testing window opens for the school. Students will participate in the assessment in accordance to their grade level schedule. Please encourage your students as they engage with this assessment.

As always, thank you for your partnership as we continue to strive to provide the best learning opportunities and outcomes for the students of Maxwell!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, December 4: MAP Testing Begins

Monday, December 11: Winter Music Concert (6:00 pm)

Wednesday, December 20 - Tuesday, January 2: Winter Break (No School)

Desayuno con los Directores

The Maxwell PTA again partnered with the Maxwell administration to present *Desayuno con los Directores* or *Breakfast with the Principals*. The event took place on Friday, December 1st. The presentation from the meeting will be posted to the Maxwell website for those who were not able to attend.

United Way Sweet Dreams Project

Thank you to the students and families of Maxwell for supporting the United Way Sweet Dreams Project. The contributions from Maxwell this year will make an incredible impact on the project as the United Way reaches to serve over 1,100 local students.

In total Maxwell collected:

- 120 pairs of pajamas
- Over 1,400 snacks
- 150 books
- 500 tubes of toothpaste
- 150 toothbrushes
- And... many other hygiene items and toys that will be passed on to Family Resource Centers

Thank you again Maxwell for your collective generosity. ¡Somos Maxwell!



Maxwell Escuela de Inmersión en Español is a learning community committed to: equity, proficiency for all, and Spanish language acquisition empowering students for success in a global society.

Maxwell Elementary, Escuela de Inmersión en Español, es una comunidad de aprendizaje comprometida con la igualdad, la competencia académica para todos y la adquisición de la lengua española con el fin de que sus alumnos tengan éxito en una sociedad global.

Maxwell Parent and Family Survey

The parent and family survey in the eProve system is now closed. A total of 81 respondents participated in the survey. The results will be posted to the Maxwell website and will be utilized for strategic planning purposes. Thank you to everyone for participating in the survey and providing us your feedback so that we can continue to grow and improve as a school community!

The Maxwell website has been refreshed and migrated to a new format. We encourage you to review the site to view updated content. Please note that the refreshing process will continue to occur over the next several months.

The website hosts archived versions of Somos Maxwell. Families can also view edited versions of the WMAX - ¿Qué Pasa en Maxwell? show under technology in the programs section of the site.

Family University: Guiding Families from Cradle to Career

You are invited to the FCPS **Family University on Saturday, December 9 from 8:00 am to 1:30 pm at Frederick Douglass High School**. Family University will provide learning opportunities to empower parents, guardians, and other caregivers as partners in their children's education.

December's Fam U will feature the following:

- **Parent/Caregivers Sessions:**
Learning opportunities will include Parent & Me: Creative Play with children ages 2-5; Student Success and Digital Services for Families; Navigating the Parent Portal; Autism Spectrum Disorder: Support and Resources; Understanding 504s; Individual Learning Plan (ILP): Career Cruising towards Career and Scholarships; Monitoring and Exiting Services for English Learners; Funding for College; Understanding Curriculum and Resources; Supporting Your Learner at Home; Issues & Trends Affecting Youth: Saying "NO" and Beyond.
- **Youth Academy:**
Youth ages 3-18 will participate in activities facilitated by: KET, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, YMCA, Lexington Children's Theatre, Sisopromatem, Passport Health Plan, REAL Men Read Program, Mathnasium, Eastern Kentucky University, ACT Prep by College Planner 101 and Fostering High School transitions to Colleges and Careers by FCPS College & Career Coaches.
- **Resources:**
Visit with colleges (UK, U of L, EKU, BCTC and more), learn about careers and connect with community resources.

This is a **FREE** event. There will be door prizes, breakfast and lunch. Breakfast and onsite registration begins at 8:00 a.m. with the program starting at 8:30 am.

Interpretation services will be available upon request.

We hope to see you on December 9 at Frederick Douglass High School!

For more information and to register, please **visit** www.fcps.net/famu (859) 381-4241.