



SOMOS MAXWELL

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Del Escritorio del Director

Robert Crawford, Principal

As we move into this next week of September, we also officially mark the completion of a full month of school! As we reach this milestone, students are engaged in learning and the rhythm of the year is truly coming together.

Looking toward this week we have two events to note. First, on Tuesday night, Ms. Douglas, GT Instructor, will host an informational meeting for parents to outline GT services and testing that occurs at Maxwell. On Thursday, the state of Kentucky will recognize High Attendance Day. This is an important day in which the state and schools emphasize the crucial role that positive attendance plays in the educational process. Last year Maxwell was recognized as the elementary school in the district with the greatest attendance on this day! We encourage all well students to be present on Thursday and any other instructional day. Thank you for supporting your child's education and for making attendance count!

We continue to make preparations for the *el Desfile de Naciones* or *Parade of Nations* that will occur next week. Please find in

this newsletter the announcement that provides you options as to how your child may participate in this annual event. Please take some time to complete the associated online survey so that we may register your child's country selection. Please note that at the end of the day on Monday that students will represent the United States if another country has not been selected. Thank you for helping to make this a special event!

The Magnet/Special Programs application window for the lottery to enter Maxwell continues to be open. If you have a child entering in kindergarten next year, you need to take some time to complete. This newsletter contains a link to the application.

Thank you for your partnership as we continue to strive to provide the best learning opportunities and outcomes for the students of Maxwell. We continue our journey... *Unidos en una misión hacia la excelencia*



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, September 18: G/T Parent Information Meeting (6:00 p.m.)

Thursday, September 20: High Attendance Day

Tuesday, September 25: KY Kids Day

Friday, September 28: Parade of Nations (8:00 a.m.)

Friday, September 28: Breakfast with the Principals (9:00 a.m.)

Morning Drop-Off Safety

Safety is the priority as we look at all of our procedures. We want everyone to have a safe arrival to school. Please find below important tips that are intended to keep you and your child safe during the morning drop-off. Thank you for helping us to have a safe year!

- ⇒ The building doors open at 7:15 a.m. daily and staff will be present to welcome your child to the building.
- ⇒ When dropping off your child in the car lane please pull up as far as possible. Staff will assist your child in exiting the vehicle.
- ⇒ For your safety, please observe the no U-turn sign at the drop-off lane.
- ⇒ Please be mindful if you park across the street and walk your child to the building that you do not inadvertently block a driveway or other vehicle.
- ⇒ Please only use the designated crosswalk to cross the street. The crossing guard is here to assist to make sure that children and families safely navigate the traffic.
- ⇒ Announcements start at 7:40 this year and classroom instruction officially begins at 7:45. Any student arriving after this time will need to be signed in at the office by an adult.

Maxwell App

Maxwell has a new app that is designed to provide families with a single landing point for information for the school. The app may be obtained by searching for Maxwell Elementary on your phone's app store. Be sure to look for the app that contains our school's logo.

Once you download the app you will be able to set your preferences and receive updates as they become available. The home page contains links to social media, Seesaw, and other helpful information. We will continue to develop the app over the year so that it becomes a viable communication tool that you will be able to rely upon for current information!



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.



Desfile de Naciones 2018

This month we will celebrate *el Desfile de Naciones* or *Parade of Nations* on September 28, 2018. Please see the link below for additional information regarding the options that are available for your child to participate in this special Maxwell event. **All country selections need to be made by the end of the day of September 17.**

<https://goo.gl/forms/odlw6lBT41hwCoHt1>

FCPS Magnet/Special Programs Application

[Online application](#) | The 2018 window is **Aug. 15 to Oct. 8** for the 2019-20 school year. Please note that the system is not a first-come, first-served system. Applications may be submitted anytime during the window, and all receive equal consideration. Please note that families will need to complete an application for any children who they would like to enroll in the program for Kindergarten. You must have an application on file for your child to be considered for the lottery.

PTA News:

The Reflections Art Contest is now open.

The Reflections Art Contest is under way! This year's theme is Heroes Around Me. A packet went home with students. Inside are details on the contest and an entry form. ALL students are invited to participate. There will be 4 workshops leading up to the entry deadline. These will take place after school until 3:45pm on 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, and 10/9. Materials and a space to create projects will be provided free of charge! Please email ptamaxwellreflections@gmail.com if your child would like to join one or more workshops. (Parents do not have to attend the workshops - volunteers will be on hand to watch the students.)

Deadline for entries is **October 12th!**

