



SOMOS MAXWELL

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Del Escritorio del Director

Robert Crawford, Principal

On Tuesday of this week, Superintendent Caulk confirmed in a message to families that the Fayette County Board of Education voted Monday to amend the academic calendar, officially making May 27, 2020 the last day of school for students.

As mentioned in previous communications, the entire team at Maxwell has been collaborating to finalize details related to closing activities for the school year. While we have established tentative plans and dates related to pick-up/drop-off procedures for items, closure spirit activities, and a tribute for our 5th grade students, as a school we need to be sure that these practices align with forthcoming guidance from the state and district. The safety of our community is our priority during this time. Thank you for your patience as we delay the release of communicating our closing procedures until our plans can be properly vetted against soon to be released protocols from the district. Please know that we will share details at the earliest opportunity in which we have the appropriate assurances.

During this last month of NTI please know that our entire staff remains committed to working with our families in order to meet

the individualized needs of our students. Please do not hesitate to communicate with us via e-mail or Seesaw regarding your needs. We will continue to make arrangements to provide available paper and technology supports so that your child has the tools to be successful during NTI. We are all here to assist.

We recognize the challenges of NTI to our families. This week our mental health support team will be sponsoring some special sessions for parents. Please see this newsletter for information about how you can participate in the parent support group.

This Friday is our Maxwell Virtual Fun Field Day! See this newsletter for details about how to participate in this school-wide event. This week we will also sponsor two new spirit days. Please see this newsletter for details.

Thank you for your partnership as we continue to strive to provide the best learning opportunities and outcomes for the students of Maxwell. As a school community we will continue to work together as we navigate these different times because...*Juntos mejoramos el mundo.*



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FCPS COVID-19 INFORMATION

To access a compilation of resources and messages from FCPS regarding COVID-19, please visit the FCPS COVID-19 page at:

www.fcps.net/covid19

Handbook Spotlight...

Family Resource Center:

Through the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, in 2018 Maxwell applied for and received grant funding to establish a Family Resource Center (FRC). The purpose of the FRC is to enhance students' abilities to succeed in school by assisting learners and their families with access to vital community programs and resources. For more information about the FRC and the services that it provides, please contact our coordinator Ms. Timia Gardner, at timia.gardner@fayette.kyschools.us or 859-381-3516.

Extended Closure

On April 20, Superintendent Caulk sent out a message that schools will stay closed. Please note that Maxwell remains ready to serve our students through our NTI plan. Key resources, including devices, were distributed prior to spring break in response to information that we gathered through our family calls the week of March 16. If your situation has changed and you find that your resource needs have also changed, please contact robert.crawford@fayette.kyschools.us for assistance.

District Technology Help Desk

FCPS operates a technology call center from **8AM to 8PM (Monday – Friday)**. A team of 10 to 20 techs are available to assist with issues related to logging into devices and accessing online platforms. Please call 381-4410 for technical assistance.

Placement Input Reopened

The Parent /Guardian Input Form serves as the official mechanism in which families are able to provide input for the student placement process for the upcoming school year. This form was open throughout the month of March. The link will be reopened through the end of Monday. Please see this [link](#) for the original details and the form. If you have already shared information, you do not need to resubmit.

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's NTI Plan & Supports

NTI Page

Maxwell has established a NTI page on our school's website that features directions for accessing Seesaw for Home Learning and contains links to other online educational resources that students may be using. Please see the following [link](#) to access the Maxwell NTI site.

Maxwell Parent Support Group (new!)

Please go to the *Social and Emotional Well-Being* portion of NTI site <https://www.fcps.net/Page/15959> and fill out the link to participate in this week's parent support meetings that will take place on May 7 at 11:30 am and 6:30 pm. Contact Mrs. Brooke MacDonald brooke.macdonald@fayette.kyschools.us or Mrs. Heather Goodman heather.goodman@fayette.kyschools.us for details.

Spirit Days

This week we will have two special dress days. On **Monday, May 4** wear Star Wars gear as we celebrate *May the 4th Be with You*. On **Friday, May 8** wear your Maxwell athletic gear to participate in the Maxwell Virtual Fun Day! Look for reminders and additional announcements on Maxwell social media.



Online Maxwell Chess Club Open to School Community!

Students can compete in weekly tournaments against friends, attend virtual lectures targeting specific fundamental strategy concepts, and be given self-paced resources to enrich their skills. Please contact Ms. Heltzel at amanda.heltzel@fayette.kyschools.us if your student would like to participate in this opportunity!



Maxwell Virtual Field Day



While we might not be able to have our annual field day at Maxwell, this year on May 8th our school will be participating in a Virtual Fun Day! Please see the previous communication from Mr. Cornett for details. The link to the demo of each event is [here](#). Practice next week and participate next Friday! Contact Mr. Cornett eric.cornett@fayette.kyschools.us for questions.