



# TIMBERWOLF TRIBUNE

September 5, 2023

## CALENDAR REVIEW:

- Friday, September 1:** Grade 9 Orientation Trip (Green Acres)
- Monday, September 4:** Labour Day (NO SCHOOL)
- Wednesday, September 6:** Grade 10 Safe and Caring Schools Assembly
- Thursday, September 7:** Grades 9 & 11 Safe and Caring Schools Assembly  
Grade 12 Safe and Caring Schools Assembly
- Monday, September 18:** School Council Meeting (Maple Library at 7:00pm)
- Friday, September 22:** PA DAY (NO SCHOOL)

## ACTION REQUIRED - START-UP INFORMATION:

The York Region District School Board has sent Online Start-Up Forms to all families. These forms require your attention. You will need to access the forms through your child's GAPPS account. The start-up forms include:

- The Start-Up Permission Form (mandatory)
- Student Information Consent Form (mandatory)
- Request for Faith Accommodations Form
- School Council Nomination Form

Additionally, we encourage all families to review the [Guide to the School Year](#).

Families are also reminded to ensure that Maple High School is aware of any medical issues that could impact your child and require either school intervention or a call to 911.

## MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATION:

What a wonderful way to begin the 2023 school year!

Monday, Grade 9 Day, was filled with both excitement and nervousness for incoming grade 9s.

Thank you to all of the parents and guardians, over 300, who joined us on this day. We hope that you found the information shared both beneficial and informative. Please do not hesitate to reach out to the school, your child's teacher or the administration if you have questions, concerns or want to make suggestions on how we can improve the educational experiences at Maple High!

Tuesday was also filled with the joy of friends reconnecting after a summer break! Students and staff were excited to see each other again. Staff were visible in the halls to answer questions and direct students who couldn't find their classes.

Wednesday and Thursday, typical school days, were an opportunity for staff and students to adjust to our new five period schedule.

Finally, Friday was a unique team building experience for our grade 9s. They visited 'Camp Green Acres' where they spent the day making new friends, completing team building activities and creating memories!

Students even encouraged staff to compete in the activities. Images show Ms Abu-Amireh and Mr. Lezon as they both prepare for and finish an obstacle course.



## Location:

50 Springside Rd.  
Maple, L6A 2W5

## Contact Information:

905-417-9444

## Extensions:

Reception: 180  
Attendance: 182  
Guidance: 129

## Daily Schedule

P1: 8:30-9:50 am  
P2: 9:55-11:10 am  
P3: 11:15 am-12:30 pm  
P4: 12:35 - 1:50 pm  
P5: 1:55 - 3:10 pm

## Administration Team:

Principal:  
Mr. Patrick McQuade

Vice Principals:  
Mr. Ralph Masciello  
Ms Hatty Moon  
Ms Devorah Salsberg

## Superintendent:

Mr. Grant Fawthrop

## Trustee:

Mr. Nadeem Mahmood

## School Council Chairs:

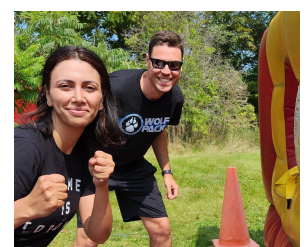
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## Communications 3.152.6

## School Website

Twitter: [@mhs\\_yrdsb](#)

Insta: [@maplehsyrdsb](#)



**DAILY SCHEDULE:**

Please note our new, five period, schedule:

Period One	8:30 - 9:50am
Period Two	9:55 - 11:10am
Period Three	11:15am - 12:30pm
Period Four	12:35 - 1:50pm
Period Five	1:55 - 3:10pm

Students are expected to be in class **BEFORE 8:30am**.

**STUDENT ATTENDANCE:**

If your child will be absent for any portion of a given day, please contact the main office by either phone or email to let us know, so that the absence may be logged as excused.

**LOCKERS:**

Students who would like a locker issued to them are asked to complete the Google form found [here](#) (if they haven't already done so). It is only necessary to complete the form once.

**UPDATE: CAFETERIA SERVICE:**

The Board has informed us that the cafeteria servery will not be open the first few weeks of school. Students and families are asked to make alternative arrangements for refreshments. Be aware that food delivery services (ie. DoorDash, Uber Eats, etc.) are not allowed in the building. We will share information regarding food services as soon as it is available.

**COVID PROTOCOL:**

Students, staff and other visitors to the school should continue to use the [COVID-19 School and Child Care Screening Tool](#), every day, to self-screen before attending school. There is no need to complete the screening confirmation form.

**STUDENT PARKING:**

Student drivers who require a parking spot must complete a parking authorization form, available through the main office. Student parking is available in 'Lot C' (northeast side of school). Only registered vehicles are to be in the parking lot.

**START AND END OF DAY SAFETY:**

Individuals picking up and dropping off students are reminded to be extra careful while in the school parking lot.

Students are not supervised after the final bell of the day and should make arrangements to leave the school promptly after dismissal. Extra vigilance is required when approaching and entering the school property to ensure pedestrian safety. Emergency vehicles must be able to access the school without delay or difficulty.

This means:

- Adhering to all traffic signs and laws is mandatory.
- The driveways must be kept clear at all times. Parking in the driveway is not acceptable.
- Vehicles must not use lanes designated for buses only.
- Vehicles must travel in the designated direction of traffic only, abiding by one-way traffic signs.

**GOOD NEIGHBOURS:**

Please remind and encourage your child to be a good neighbour. Please remind and encourage your child to not litter and to use available sidewalks while they are in the community. We also ask parents to not block household driveways while they are dropping off or picking up their children.

**INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES:**

Students interested in Indigenous Languages and International Languages (ILIL) programs can find information [here](#).

**INCLUSIVE SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

In order to foster cultural understanding, please join us at our fun fair and meet and greet celebrating Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and Sukkot. Information regarding this event can be found [here](#).

**MESSAGE FROM OUR TRUSTEE:**

Dear families,

It is my pleasure to welcome all new and returning families to school for the 2023-2024 school year. I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and wish you a positive start to the new school year. I know it can be a time of transition for many, and am grateful for the dedication and professionalism of our school staff for all that they do to support students as they start the new school year, and create a warm, welcoming and inclusive environment in our schools.

The education of your children is a partnership, and we recognize that you are our most important partner when it comes to your child's education. As a family member, there are many ways you can engage in your child's learning, from speaking with your child about school and connecting with school staff to volunteering or becoming involved with the school council. You know your child best and we place great value on the relationship we have with families. I look forward to connecting with you throughout the school year.

As your school trustee, it is my role to advocate for quality public education in York Region, and to ensure that our students remain at the centre of all of our decision making. The Board of Trustees has many [responsibilities](#), including making [policy](#) and [budget](#) decisions, and communicating with the public. Please feel free to [contact me](#) if you have any questions or concerns, and I will continue to keep you updated throughout the year on what is happening in the board. You can also visit our [newsroom](#), listen to our [podcast](#) and connect with us on social media to stay up-to-date on what's happening in the board.

This year, we are pleased to welcome our [new Director of Education Bill Cober](#), who took on the role on August 1 this year. He brings nearly 30 years of experience in public education in York Region, a commitment to student achievement and well-being, and a strategic and collaborative approach.

Later in the year, we will be undertaking a comprehensive strategic plan review. One of our roles as a board is to set the [Multi-Year Strategic Plan](#) that establishes our priorities and guides our direction as a school board. We will be reviewing that plan this year, and engaging with communities is a priority for us. Your input will be important and I look forward to sharing more information with you on this in the future.

I wish you all a great start to the school year and a happy, safe and successful year ahead.

Nadeem Mahmood  
Trustee, King and Vaughan Ward 1