

October 17, 2018

ESL Parent Meeting

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- Event code: 261-742-622
- Ask anonymous questions
- Rate your understanding
- Take a poll at the end

Agenda

- ESL Program Information—What to Expect
- A Day in the Life of a West Maple Student
- Community Building and Character Education at West Maple
- Halloween at West Maple
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Report Cards and ESL Progress Reports
- Family Involvement and Communication

Why ESL Centers?



Goals

- To develop English language proficiency by providing instruction for up to 120 minutes daily;
- To provide orientation and basic survival skills for American culture and schools;
- To build oral language, which is vital in order to read;
- To provide appropriate instruction at the appropriate level;
- To enhance ELs' self-esteem.

ESL Centers

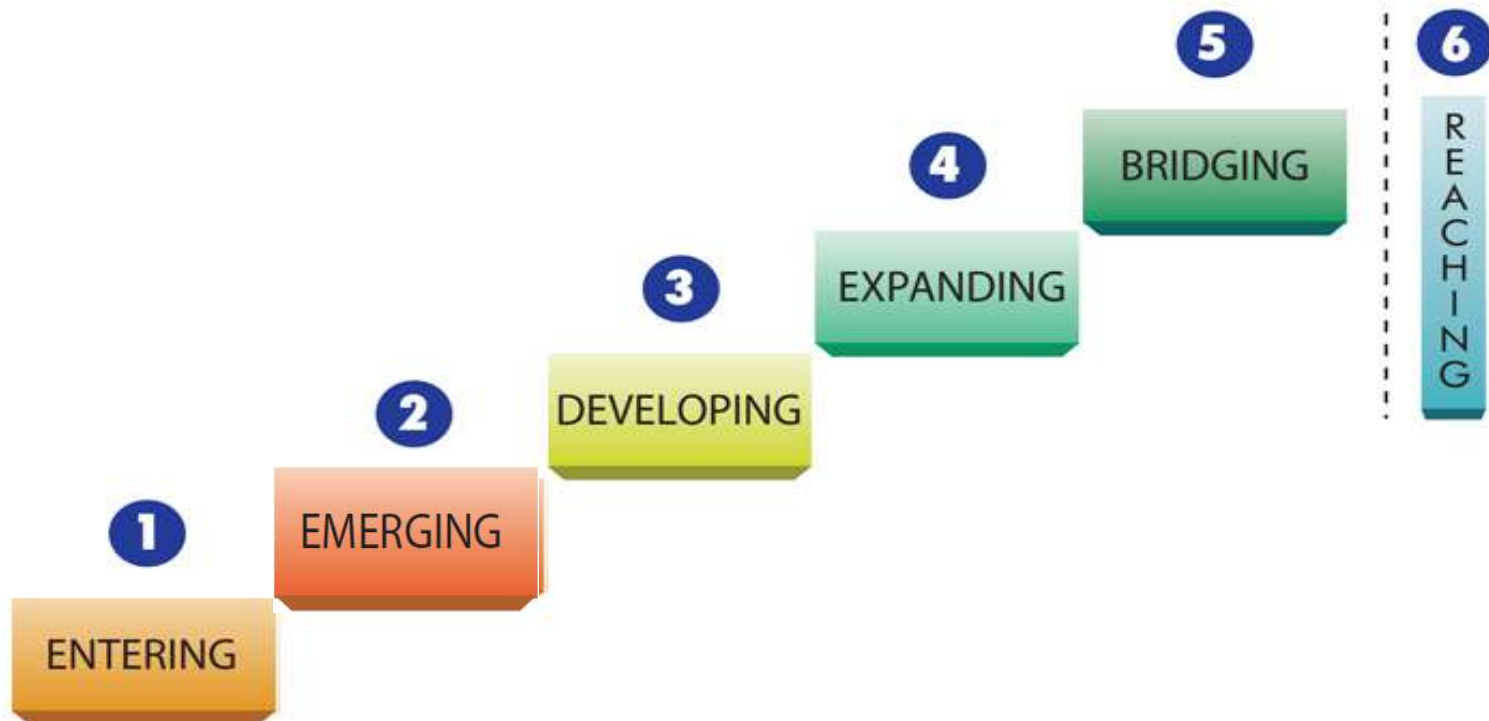
Four blocks of instruction:

- Oral language
- Word work
- Guided Reading
- Writing



(Listening and vocabulary included in all four areas)

Levels of English Language Proficiency



ESL Homework

- Book folders
 - Return as often as you would like
- Word Sorts
 - May go home for practice throughout the year

A Day in the Life of a West Maple Student

- A, B, C, D Schedule
- Unified Arts Classes:
 - K-5: Art, Music, Gym
 - K-2: Media Center
 - 2-5: Spanish
 - 1 :STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math)
- Daily Workshop: Math, Reading, Writing
- Varying schedules: Science, Social Studies, Health
- Class Meeting
- Grade 3-5 can check out books at the media center, but they may not have a set time
- Cross Grade Buddies (K and 5th, 1st and 4th)
- The 6 Cs (Communication, Collaboration, Character, Critical Thinking, Citizenship, Creativity)

A Day in the Life of a West Maple Student

Recess/Brain Break

■ **Grade K-1**

- Morning Recess outside
- Lunch Recess
- Afternoon Recess

■ **Grade 2**

- Morning Recess outside
- Lunch Recess
- UA in afternoon

■ **Grade 3-4**

- UA in morning
- Lunch Recess
- Afternoon Recess (outside) or Brain Break (inside)

■ **Grade 5**

- Lunch Recess
- Friday Afternoon Birthday or Respect and Responsibility Recess

Character Education and Community Building

West Maple Character Education

Core belief in our Touchstone – we engage and empower all learners to become global citizens and achieve lifelong success.

Curriculum integration – teachers intentionally and proactively integrate core values into the curriculum. Curriculum is differentiated and meaningful.

Service learning – students are engaged through multiple opportunities for moral action (at each grade level, in different student groups, and at the larger community level).

Create a caring community – foster positive relationships among students, between staff and students, and staff and parents.

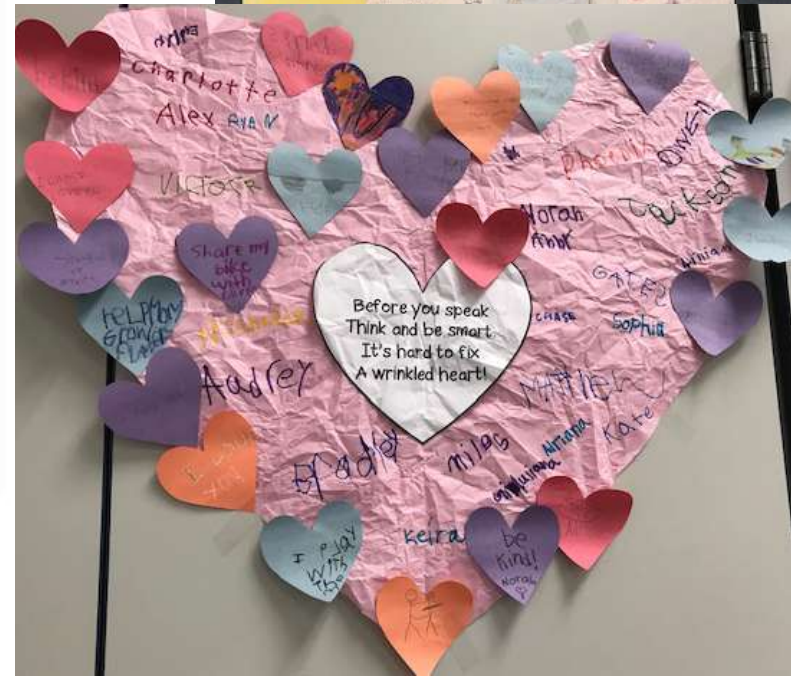
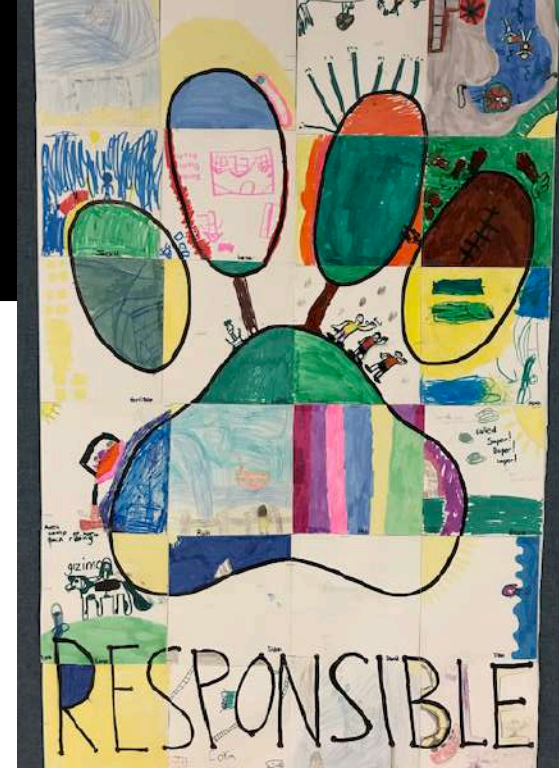
Families and communities as partners – promote shared values, create opportunity for students to practice good character outside of the school. Engage families with multiple activities and school opportunities.

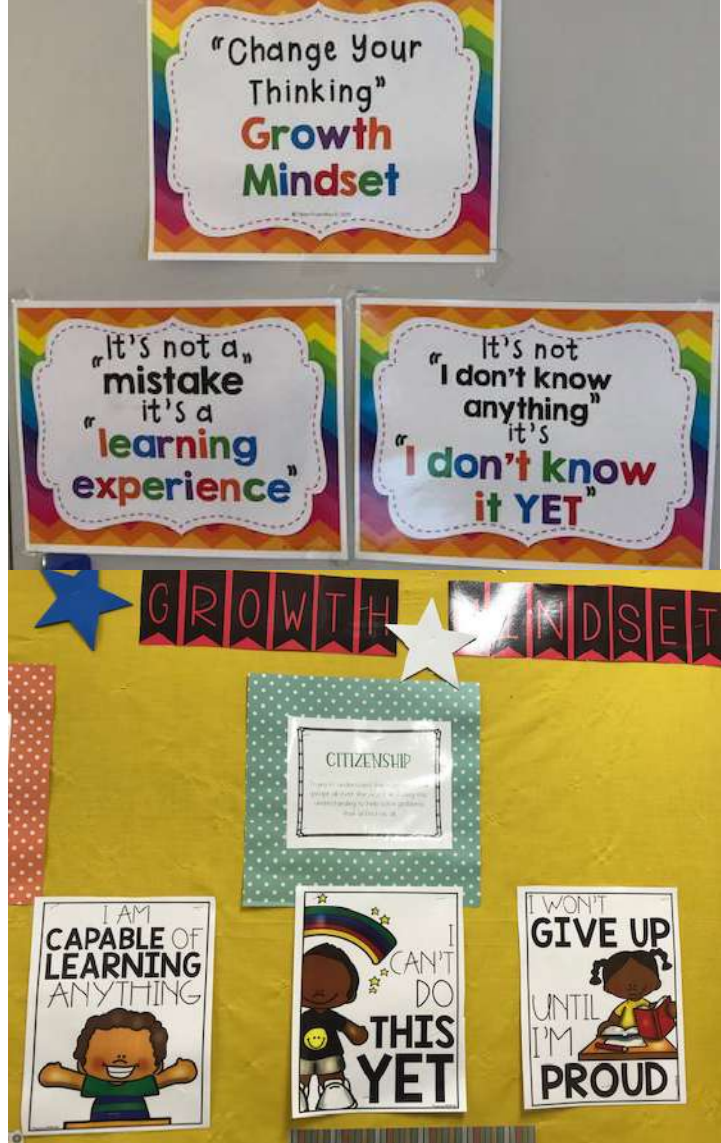
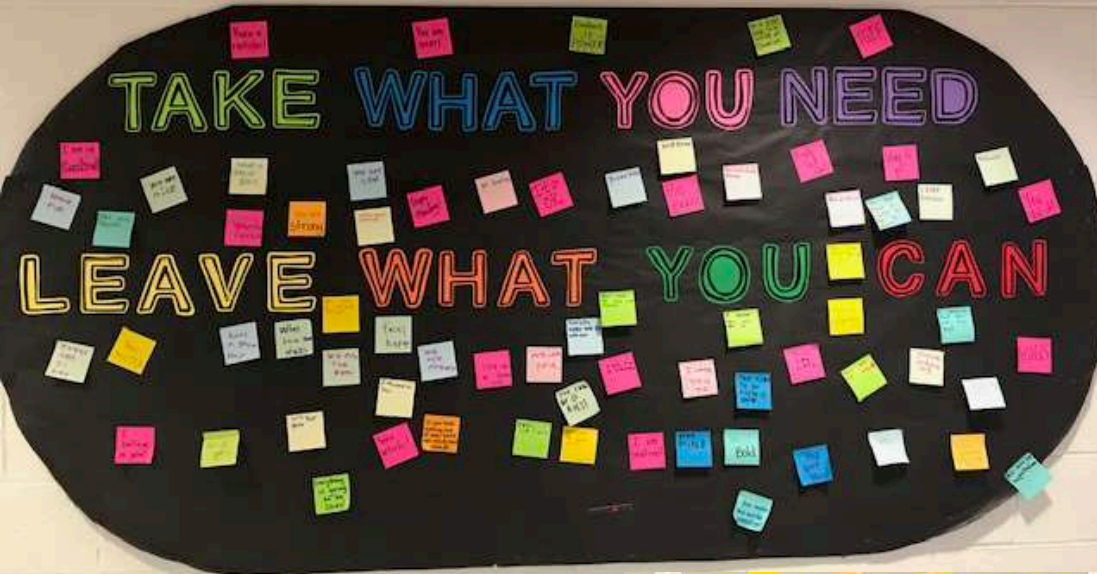
West Maple is a National and State School of Character. We use the 11 Principles of Character Education to engage our students and larger community. If you have any questions about our programs, or would love to volunteer please contact Mrs. Giles (tgiles@birmingham.k12.mi.us) or Mr. Mitevski (amitevski@birmingham.k12.mi.us). If you want to read more about the 11 Principles, please visit <http://character.org/more-resources/11-principles/>

At West Maple we are...



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Halloween, Friday, October 31st Costumes



- Students should wear their costumes to school in the morning
- **No play weapons** are allowed at school—no guns, swords, light sabers, etc. They must be left at home.
- The costumes should be age appropriate and should not have blood or gore.

Halloween, Friday, October 31st Candy and Activities



- Halloween Sing Along and Parade at 10:00 in the gym. Parties happen in classrooms after.
- Complete an ICHAT if you want to volunteer at the party:

<https://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/cms/lib/M101908619/Centricity/Domain/15/Volunteer%20Background%20Check%20rev.%201-5-17.pdf>

ESL Progress Reports

- ESL Progress Report for all Entering and Emerging students (levels 1-2)—students who receive services up to 120 minutes/day
- Benchmarks in four domains: listening, speaking, reading, and writing
- Report cards and progress reports will go home right before conferences.

Birmingham Public Schools Academic Quality Descriptors for Standards

Students will not receive letter grades on their report cards.
They will receive quality descriptors.

BELOW	WORKING TOWARDS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Not yet meeting grade level expectations-Seldom meets quality work requirements-Needs more support to develop understanding and skills-Requires extended time, instruction, and practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Meets some grade level expectations- Meets some quality work requirements-Demonstrates some understanding and skills-Requires extra time, instruction, and practice
MEETING MOST	MASTERING
<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Meets most grade level expectations-Meets most quality work requirements-Demonstrates most understanding and skills-Occasionally requires extra time, instruction, and practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Meets grade level expectations-Meets all quality work requirements-Demonstrates understanding and all skills-Applies learning to other subject areas

Parent-Teacher Conferences

November 19th and 20th

- Monday, November 19th and Tuesday, November 20th, from 1 – 4 p.m. and 5 – 8 p.m.
- You will receive notification via email to sign up on Sign-Up Genius
- You may sign up to see classroom teacher and ESL teachers (or any other teacher)
- 5th grade meets in cafeteria, and you wait in line for each teacher and each subject area
- Unified Arts teachers (PE, Music, Art, Spanish) meet by the cafeteria or in their room.
- For ESL, two families sign up for each 30-minute time slot
- Classroom teachers usually have 10 or 20-minute time slots

Family Involvement and Communication

PTA- Parent Volunteer Group

- The next PTA meeting is on October 22nd at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria.

The screenshot shows the West Maple Elementary website. The header features the school's logo (West Maple Wolves) and the tagline "Inspiring all learners to positively impact their world." Navigation links include Home, Our School, Teachers, Programs & Activities, Library, and PTA. A yellow arrow points to the PTA link. Below the navigation bar, there are two large photos: one of a teacher and students at a table labeled "First Day of School!" and another of students working on a project. At the bottom, there is a "Quick Links" section with links to Picture Day Flyer, Volunteer Form (ICHAT), 2018-19 Supply Lists, ABCD Calendar, and After School Classes -Fall 2018. To the right of the Quick Links, there are tabs for Announcements, Welcome, and Family Video, and a "Kids Club" logo.

WEST MAPLE ELEMENTARY
Inspiring all learners to positively impact their world.

Home Our School Teachers Programs & Activities Library **PTA**

First Day of School!

Quick Links

- Picture Day Flyer
- Volunteer Form (ICHAT)
- 2018-19 Supply Lists
- ABCD Calendar
- After School Classes -Fall 2018

Announcements Welcome Family Video

Kids Club

Family Involvement and Communication

- **West Maple eNews** – If you have a student in the school, you're automatically subscribed to our eNews! Check with our school office if you need to make a change.
<file:///C:/Users/rgilbert.BIRMINGHAM/Downloads/675e8c12-f9a5-454f-b87e-27fbdddfa356.pdf>
- **West Maple Website:**
<https://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/westmaple>
- **West Maple Twitter:** @WestMapleEle
- **West Maple Elementary on Facebook:**
<https://www.facebook.com/WestMapleElementarySchool>
- **Remind** (quick updates and reminders) Click to join:
<https://www.remind.com/join/wmprin>
- **Classroom Communications** – Look for classroom communications or reach out to your child's teacher to learn how best to connect.
- **ESL Family Email List**
- **Media Center Newsletter:** *The Wolves Den*

Family Involvement and Communication

- Volunteer in the Media Center
- Contact Mrs. Betts
(cbetts@Birmingham.k12.mi.us)

Family Involvement and Communication

West Maple ESL Website

- <https://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/domain/1310>
 - Program Description
 - Parent Meeting Dates
 - Digital resources
 - Links to Family Resources, Including Adult English Classes

Questions?

- Email us
 - Becky Gilbert at rgilbert@Birmingham.k12.mi.us
 - Kalyn Wulatin at kwulatin@Birmingham.k12.mi.us