



January 27, 2010

Dear Welby New Technology Family,

You may have already heard that Mapleton Public Schools Board of Education is discussing a decision regarding school changes for 2010-11 that support the needs of Mapleton's students.

Mapleton continues to be firmly committed to the uniqueness and potential of all students, and we further commit that each student will achieve his or her dreams and contribute enthusiastically to his or her community and world. To ensure that we meet this commitment, the changes for the 2010-2011 academic school year include closing two schools: Welby New Technology High School and Enrichment Academy.

As you can imagine, making a decision to close two of our schools is very difficult and one that we take very seriously. We continuously monitor all 17 schools in the District to ensure that we provide the best possible education for each and every student. The decision to close these two schools was based on 1) student achievement and 2) overall enrollment trends.

Your participation is very important as we ask each student impacted by these changes to select a new school (those school options are included along with this letter). To help your student transition into one of Mapleton's high-performing schools, we invite you to attend any one of the school choice meetings listed below. These are designed to help you learn more about the other schools in our District. You will meet with representatives from all of the schools in order to find the learning community that best supports your student's interests and academic needs. Opportunities will also be made available to students during the school day to receive additional visits from school representatives.

**Please join us at either of the meetings listed below:**

**Feb. 3, 10:00-11:00 a.m. at Welby New Technology**

**Feb. 4, 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Welby New Technology**

If you are unable to attend one of the above listed meeting dates and would still like additional information about your school options, please contact the Welcome Center to assist you. They are located on the Skyview Main Campus, 8990 York St., Thornton, CO 80229, Phone (303) 853-1780.

Mapleton is proud to offer schools that are aligned with the needs, interests and passions of Mapleton students. In support of our community's value for choice, students living within the District will continue to be transported to the school of their choice. Every effort will be made to make this a smooth transition for you and your student.

We understand that change is often difficult to embrace. Please feel free to share your concerns with your school director or with me directly.

Sincerely,

*Charlotte Ciancio*

Charlotte Ciancio  
Superintendent, Mapleton Public Schools



## **Mapleton (9-12) Grade Level Options for 2010-2011**

### **York International (K-11)**

Director: Johnny Terrell  
9200 York Street  
Thornton, CO 80229  
303-853-1600

### **Global Leadership Academy (K-12)**

Director: Dave Sauer  
7480 Conifer Road  
Denver, CO 80221  
303-853-1930

### **Mapleton Expeditionary School of the Arts (7-12)**

Director: Kathryn Dieck  
8990 York Street  
Thornton, CO 80229  
303-853-1270

### **Mapleton Early College High School (9-12)**

Director: Sarah Abramson  
7480 Conifer Rd.  
Denver, CO 80221  
303-853-1960

### **Skyview Academy (9-12)**

Director: John McKay  
8990 York Street  
Thornton, CO 80229  
303-853-1900