



# BIRCHWOOD ELEMENTARY

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## Friends of Music



Does your student love music – singing, band, orchestra, recorder, drums?? Your student can now show their musical pride with a Niskayuna Music T-Shirt.

T-Shirts are black, with the logo as seen here. For just \$10, your student can support the music program and show off their pride.

There are Youth Medium, Youth Large and Adult Small available. First come first serve! These are great for the kids! If you are interested, please email Tammy Apkarian ([tapkarian@transtechsys.com](mailto:tapkarian@transtechsys.com))! Birchwood loves their music program!

## Nature Park Maple Sugaring Program



On March 9, twenty-one students participated in an after school Nature Park program and helped to tap a maple tree! The sap flowed steadily that afternoon, and we're hoping to collect enough to produce some maple syrup that could either be served in the cafeteria at "Breakfast for Lunch Day", or at least shared with the students that participated. On Saturday, March 25 (rain date: Sunday, March 26), Nature Park volunteers will boil sap into syrup beginning at 10 am in the parking lot near the Nature Park Trailhead. We invite you all to stop by to learn about maple sugaring, walk the trail to see the tapped tree and read the Storywalk "Grandpa's Sugarbush", see the sap boiling, and just visit with us for a bit! If you wish to receive updates from us about this event (eg any change in times, rain delay, cancellation, etc), please sign up for the [Fresh Schools event](#).

(Please note that this is not a drop-off event; all students/children must be accompanied by an adult.)

**Watch for Spring Fundraiser coming home soon in backpacks!**

**Mark your calendar!**

- March 25 - Nature Park Maple Sugaring Program (10am)
- March 31 - Popcorn Friday and School Banking
- April 7 - Popcorn Friday and School Banking