



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024

# MASON MINUTE

*Weekly District News*

## Bulldog Bright Spot

February is [Career and Technical Education Month](#) and we're spotlighting a few of the Mason Bulldogs who spend part of their school day taking classes at the [Wilson Talent Center](#). Juniors and seniors can enroll in one of the 20 programs offered and earn high school academic credit, free college credit and either state or national certifications.



**Brookelynn Lott, Senior**  
*Medical Assistant Program*

**Future plans:** Attend nursing school and become a Registered Nurse.

**What do you like best about the program?**

"It is a good starting point if you think you want to work in the medical field, we can do job shadows and externships to learn firsthand before graduating."



**Johnathan Bolton, Junior and Jackson Truman, Junior**  
*Automotive Technology*

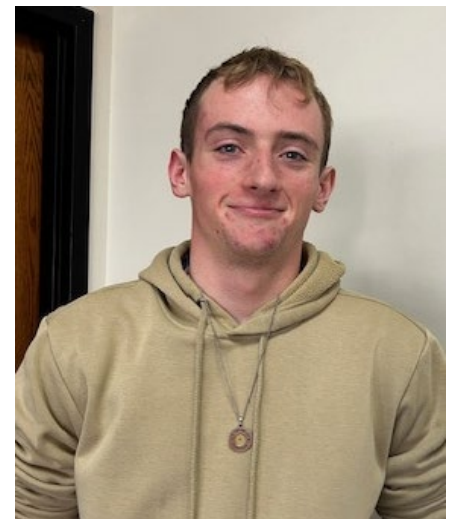
**Do you plan to use what you are learning in your future career?**

Truman: "Yes, I've been interested in engines since I was six and this has made me know I want to do it throughout my life."

**What is the best part about the class?**

Bolton: "The instructors are awesome, and we get to gain experience with the tools and in the field."

Truman: "I've gained a lot of confidence and I know the teachers want me to succeed."



**Aidan Daenzer, Junior**  
*Business & Risk Management*

**What do you like about this program?**

"I have met a lot of people in the industry and the teachers are here to help you further your education and explore careers."

**Would you recommend CTE to other students?**

"Yes, with the flexibility in our schedules, especially senior year, CTE can be more productive than some electives."



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## Summer Childcare, Tuition Preschool, Early Learning and Before/After School Care Enrollment

Registration for **currently enrolled** students in Tuition Preschool, Early Learning, Before and After School Care, Kids' Clubhouse and Summer Kids' Clubhouse begins **Friday, March 1**, at 9 a.m. for all 2024-2025 summer and school year programs.

Information for enrolling was sent to currently enrolled families via email from Mrs. Neisinger. If you are currently enrolled and did not receive the email, please contact [neisingerp@masonk12.net](mailto:neisingerp@masonk12.net)

Enrollment for new families will begin **Monday, March 11** at 9 a.m. Enrollment will be online via a link on the [Harvey Education Center website](#) and on the [Mason Community Education Facebook page](#).

A \$65 registration fee, PER student, PER program, is due at the time of enrollment for all programs by cash or check. Program spaces are filled as registration and deposits are received and space is limited in all programs. Please call 517.676.6528 with any questions.

## Kindergarten Registration Open Now

In-district families of incoming kindergarteners are encouraged to register students online by March 15, 2024, for the 2024-2025 school year. Please use the links below to access registration:

[Registration for existing families](#)

[Registration for new families](#)



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Children who will be 5 years of age by September 1, 2024, are eligible for kindergarten. Proof of Residency, Certified Birth Certificate, and Immunization records must be attached to the registration, or emailed to [Karla Harkness](#).

## Elementary School Dances Registration Ends March 4

[Sign up now](#) for the Elementary School Dances! All events will take place at Mason Middle School on Saturday, March 16, 2024.

Please be sure to enroll in the appropriate event for your child's elementary dance and enroll your child and one adult to attend with them. Search the registration codes below to register for the correct dance for students and adults.

- 3-4:15 p.m. - Alaiedon Elementary Dance, 5000-W24 (child), 5001-W24 (adult)
- 5-6:15 p.m. - North Aurelius Elementary Dance, 5002-W24 (child), 5003-W24 (adult)
- 7-8:15pm - Steele Elementary Dance, 5004-W24 (child), 5005-W24 (adult)



Harvey Kindergarten students should attend the same dance as an older sibling. If the student does not have an older sibling, please sign up for either the 3 or 5 pm dance! Dances are open to Mason students currently enrolled in kindergarten-5th grade. Tickets are non-transferable and there will be no refunds after tickets are purchased. Enrollment closes March 4, 2024, or when the event is full.



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## It is Red Carpet Gala Time!



Join us at the Mason Public Schools Foundation Commercial Bank Red Carpet Gala on March 9, 2024! [Tickets are now on sale](#), secure your spot for a night of glamour and support of our Mason Public Schools!

## Stay Home When You're Sick

A reminder to all staff, students and families: If you are feeling sick, please stay home. We all play a part in keeping our school community healthy and limiting the transmission of colds, the flu, viruses and other illnesses.

Anyone with the symptoms below, should not come to school:

- A fever greater than 100 degrees. A person MUST be fever-free for 24 hours without medication before returning.
- Vomited or had diarrhea in the past 24 hours.
- Severe eye drainage or red swollen eyes.
- A severe or croup sounding cough.
- Severe cold symptoms or constant thick nose drainage.
- Rash of unknown origin.

Thank you for doing your part by staying home when you're sick. If you have questions, please contact the Health Team at [bulldogrn@masonk12.net](mailto:bulldogrn@masonk12.net) or 517.883.8115.

## Vote for Mason Artists



Scan this QR code to vote for Mason Artists. Also please vote for Mason for the School Spirit Award.

Voting is now open for the 17<sup>th</sup> annual MSUFCU Student Art Exhibit featuring artwork from Mason students. [Public voting](#) is open until February 23 and awards will be presented at a ceremony on March 3. Show your support by voting for Mason artists and the [School Spirit](#) award.



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## Aquatic Center Events

Underwater Egg Hunt! Join us for an egg hunt and a movie to follow on Sunday, March 17 from 1-3 p.m. Eggs will be filled with prizes and float on the water. Younger participants will hunt for eggs on the pool deck. No preregistration is required, please bring a check or correct cash to pay at the door. \$5/student or senior, \$6/adult, \$15/family of four, plus \$1/each additional person from each household.

The Mason Aquatic Center will be open for lap swim, water fitness, and open swim. The schedule below runs from January 8- March 31, 2024.

### Open Swim

- Fridays, 7-9 p.m.
- Saturdays, 1-3 p.m.
- No swimming: February 16, 17, 23, 24 and March 22, 23, 29, 30
- \$3/adult, \$2/student or senior citizen, \$8/family of four. Punch cards are available.

### Water Fitness

- Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:15-8:15 p.m.
- Shallow and deep-water classes
- No classes: January 15, February 19, March 25 and 27
- \$6 at the door, punch cards are available.

## Important Dates

- March 22- No School
- March 25-29- Spring Break- No School

### Adult Lap Swim (ages 18+)

- Tuesday- Friday, 6-7:30 a.m.
  - No swim: February 16, March 22, 25-29
- Saturdays, 7-8:30 a.m.
  - No swim: February 17 and 24, March 23 and 30
- Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:15-8:45 p.m.
  - No swim: January 15, February 19, March 25 and 27
- No shallow end water walking available during lap swim.
- \$5/person or \$25/10-punch card.

