



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024

MASON MINUTE

Weekly District News

Bulldog Bright Spot

Did you see our North Aurelius Elementary School Fifth Grade Leadership Team featured on [WILX News 10 Schools Rule?](#) Check out the feature on this group of student leaders.



The Mason High School Youth in Government students took part in the YMCA Youth in Government Conference at the Capital. The 24 Mason students competed in Mock Trial, debated national issues, participated in legislative branch activities and connected with the more than 700 other students attending the conference. Becky Mills took on the role of a legislator and sat on the Oversight Committee, and Noah Moore was the first ever Secretary of State. Noah was also invited to attend the Conference on National Affairs over the summer this year with only 25 other Michigan students.



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Help us name our dog pack!

Today is the last day to submit names for our “pack” of therapy dogs! Check out this [short video](#) and submit your name ideas using this [Google Form](#). Lewis, Sully, and their human friends will pick a name and use it on fun goodies, trading cards and social media.

Reminder

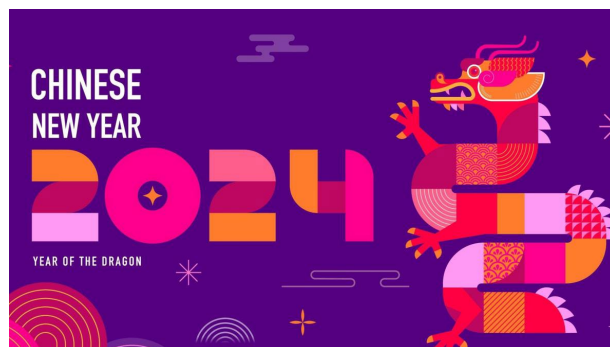


Reminder- there will be no school Friday, February 16 or Monday, February 19 for Mid-Winter Break. Have a safe and restful long weekend!

Chinese New Year

Chinese New Year began February 10 and in our school buildings, students are exploring and learning about the holiday, also known as Lunar New Year.

Celebrating Chinese New Year at our school is a chance for our students to learn about and appreciate a culture that may be different from their own. Understanding and respecting other cultures is a key part of being a global citizen.



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 or 517.883.8115.



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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 17th 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.

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!



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, 7:15-9:15 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.

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.

Important Dates

- February 16-19- Mid-Winter Break- No School
- March 22- No School
- March 25-29- Spring Break- No School



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