

February 2018 - S.O.A.R.

Are you ready to SOAR after school? SOAR is available to all MMS 6th - 8th graders. Students can attend as much, or as little, as they like. Activities run from 2:35 PM to 3:20 PM (unless noted otherwise). Students will need to have transportation home after SOAR activities. SOAR activities vary each month, so stay tuned for future events. Space is limited, so sign up soon! To sign up, complete this form and return to the main office along with your cash or check payment (made out to Mason Middle School). Learn more about SOAR and download permission forms here:

<http://soaratmms.weebly.com/> All questions should be directed to Mrs .Henfling at henflingt@masonk12.net.

Directions: Check which activities you are signing up for AND circle the date(s) you plan to attend that activity.

_____ Model United Nations - \$2/day - February 7, 15 & 21

Join Mrs. Hicks as you will learn about the United Nations & the Model UN program for Middle School. You'll enjoy learning about other countries and how to succeed in public speaking. Students who attend regularly and are interested will have the option of attending the Model UN event for middle school students at MSU. Cost is for one date only.

_____ Chess Club - \$2/day - February 13, 20 & 27

Join Mrs. Hicks and Mrs. Christman as you explore your inner Bobby Fischer and learn the fundamental skills of the strategic game of chess. You'll learn how each chess piece moves, strategic opening moves, and the strengths and weaknesses of each piece.

_____ Green Acres - \$2 - February 13

Join Mrs. Murray and the residents at Green Acres Retirement Center (across the parking lot) for an afternoon of Bingo! Students will enjoy playing the game and interacting with their elders from our community.

_____ Cookie Extravaganza - \$4 - February 22

Join Mrs. Murray for an afternoon of baking! Students will create a delicious cookies to take home and enjoy. This activity is limited to the first 10 students that sign up, so hurry to sign up. (Note: All cookies will be nut free.)

_____ Valentine's Art - \$3 - February 12

Join Mrs. Hicks for some Valentine's fun and creativity! Come and create a special hand made item to give a special person in your life - just in time for the holiday.

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Total Cost: \$_____ (Payment type: Cash or Check #_____)

Note: Complete permission form on back of this form ONCE per school year

Parent Name & Phone Number: _____

Special Concerns/Allergies/Medical Information SOAR Staff should be aware of: _____

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Sponsor: Mason Middle School Administration and Staff.

Contact: Mason Middle School. Phone 517-676-6514. Office hours are 7:00am-3:45pm.

Fee Assistance: Pay a lower fee if you fall within the income guidelines used for FREE or REDUCED lunch. NOTE: No student will be turned away due to inability to pay fees. All inquires must be requested through the middle school office.

Equipment, Supplies, Attire: Students should be dressed appropriately for the indoor and outdoor activities. All supplies and equipment will be provided unless noted.

Refunds/Credit: Contact MMS at least 3 business days in advance to cancel a session and students will be given credit that can be used for a future after school activity.

Weather: If school dismisses early or if school is closed for the day, there will be no after school activities. Cancelled activities may or may not be made up. Credit or refunds will be issued in the event of cancellations.

Physicals: are recommended every three years. Parents must sign the form below regarding their child’s health and ability.

Health Insurance: Mason Middle School does not provide any type of health or accident insurance for injuries incurred by students at school. The responsibility for insurance lies with the individual families. If you feel that your coverage is inadequate, check with your school office regarding a private insurance that is available for students.

Bus Transportation: is provided during activities to off-site locations or field trips. Buses will pick up and return students at the school depending on the activity; no bus to or from home. Regular school bus safety and behavior rules apply.

Student’s Responsibility: These activities are intended to provide learning and social experiences for all students. Part of this learning includes each student’s responsibility for their own attendance and behavior. School rules are in effect during these activities, whether they take place at the school site or another location. Discipline will be handled in a manner consistent with what is done during the school day and may include suspension or removal from the activity if necessary. Respect and safety for all participants will be a top priority.

Middle School Sports: Students who participate in middle school athletics will have to make a commitment to their team. Students will not be allowed to attend SOAR activities while they are participating on MMS athletic teams without coach permission.

Parent/Guardian Permission - SIGN for Registration to be Processed – Good Through June 2018

In consideration of the acceptance of my son or daughter in the programs I have selected, I hereby agree:

- to allow Mason Middle School to use my child’s picture and/or name in publications, displays, presentations, newspaper articles, brochures and other related publicity regarding Community Education activities.
- to allow my son or daughter to participate in supervised off-site walks or outings as a part of the activity for which he/she is registered, including scheduled bus trips to locations both within and outside of Mason Public Schools.
- to allow my son or daughter to participate in supervised use of the computer and the internet as a part of their chosen activity.

I recognize that participation in programs outside of the school day, specifically including athletic or physical education activities, requires an increased level of exercise and physical activity. I, as the parent or guardian, hereby certify that the child specified herein is in satisfactory physical condition, capable of moderate exercise, running, jumping, and other physical activity, which may be included in the activity for which he/she is registered. If I am unsure of the content of the program that I have selected, I will inquire for further information from Mason Middle School prior to participation. If I am unsure of my child’s fitness level or ability to participate, I will seek the advice of a physician or qualified medical professional prior to allowing him/her to participate. I understand that any of the SOAR activities may include some physical activity, not just those classified as ‘sports,’ as a part of the choices available for students participating. I understand that the District cannot be held responsible for unforeseen circumstances or events that may occur during the activity time. I agree that the Mason Middle School staff will use their best judgment and training in providing a safe experience for all of the participating students. I understand that if emergency medical treatment is determined to be necessary by the staff and I am unable to be contacted, the staff will proceed with securing such emergency care, including hospitalization, as may be needed under the circumstances.

NOTE: YOU ONLY NEED TO FILL OUT THIS FORM ONCE PER SCHOOL YEAR.

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Emergency Contact Number(s): _____ Cell # _____

Student Expectations Agreement- READ & SIGN

I have read the rules and expectations for participation, including the descriptions of Student Responsibility. I will respect the rights and beliefs of others as well as the staff and volunteers of the program and school. I will respect the property of others and agree to behave in a safe manner. I will be fully responsible for my own actions and consequences of my actions.

Student Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____