

Ben Russow - Mason Middle School
Administrative Report
Date: October 1st, 2025

- Parent Teacher Conferences will be held Thursday, October 23, from 11:30 to 2:30 and 3:00 to 6.
- On September 25th, 50 middle school students in Friends of Rachel (FOR), who had experienced both the assembly and afternoon session on September 16th, joined the high school group to share ideas and build a platform for Rachel's Challenge. These students are taking the lead in creating kindness initiatives, with some to be district wide and others specific to individual buildings. Their goal is to spark a chain reaction of compassion, respect, and inclusion that grows stronger with every act of kindness. By stepping up as leaders, FOR students are showing that positive change begins with them. We are excited to have our FOR students work with Student Council and SPLT members periodically throughout the school year.
- Manufacturing Day takes place on Thursday, October 2, 2025. This year we will be taking 17 students to local businesses to observe the manufacturing world. We are very excited for this experience as it will bridge the gap between the math we are learning in the classroom and how it can connect with the real world.
- All our new teachers have adjusted nicely to their new roles at Mason Middle. They are learning about our process, identifying priorities, and bringing a positive vibe to our staff. I am very pleased with the start of the year and feel very fortunate to have hired these new teachers to join our team this year. This has been a bright spot for me this year.
- Updated numbers after 3 weeks of drops, additions, and no shows.
 - 6th grade = 69
 - 7th grade = 72
 - 8th grade = 68
 - Total = 209