Ben Russow - Mason Middle School Administrative Report

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- The Mackinac Center for Public Policy released their report card for the public elementary and middle schools across the state. I am pleased to say that the Middle School received the grade of an A and was ranked in the top 10% of public schools across the state. The CAP report card offers a different approach to school assessment, as it considers student poverty levels.
- We have several end of the year activities planned for our students. Here is a list:
 - Mason Middle School will host our Honor Society induction night on May 19, at 5:30pm.
 - 6th grade teachers will be hosting the 5th grade students for a "Moving on Up Day". This will be held on May 28.
 - On May 28, we will be taking our students that attained gold status in our PBIS program for the entire year to the Toledo Mudhen game. We have 65 students going.
 - The 8th grade class trip will take place on May 29th. They will be heading to Put
 N Bay. They will be taking the Crystal Caver Tour and visiting Perry's monument.
 - Our academic awards ceremony will be held Thursday, June 6th in the MS gym.
 - 6th grade 7:30am
 - 7th grade 8:30am
 - 8th grade 9:30am
- We are in the middle of the M-STEP testing window. A special thank you to Becky
 DeSarbo for all her hard work and organization to help make this cycle run so smoothly
 for our students and staff.
- Summer School information will be going out this week. Each grade level has identified 20 kids that could benefit from an extra session of learning. Teachers have been working on developing a specific curriculum that relates directly to the relevant standards in the core classes. Summer school will take place from July 21 through August 14.
- We are finalizing next year's master schedule. We are expecting to add 1 section of a graphic design class that will work in tandem with our yearbook class. We are also in the process of creating 1 new enrichment class during our 6th hour to support our STEAM curriculum, a 7th grade Consumer math class. More to come on this.