

A message from Mr. Magnafici...

RMS Students and Families,

As the first semester comes to a close, I would like to invite parents and guests to come celebrate the accomplishments of our students at our First Semester Awards Assemblies on Monday, January 5, 2026. All assemblies will be held in the Reagan Gym, and all guests should enter through the main office at Door 1. There will be guest parking in front of the flagpole at Door 1, as well as diagonal parking past Door 21 on the Madison wing. Guests must have their driver's license scanned to receive a visitor pass for that morning. If you would like to get your badge ahead of time to skip the lines that day, please stop in the office anytime during school hours to get your pre-certified pass in advance.

This is also a half day of school with an 11:15 a.m. dismissal. Each assembly will be approximately 30 minutes in length, with 8th grade at 8:15 a.m., 7th grade at 9:15 a.m., and 6th grade at 10:15 a.m. Awards handed out include all Core and PE/Specials classes, Perfect Attendance, and Honor Roll. We hope you can join us as we recognize the hard work and achievements of our students, and I wish everyone a wonderful holiday season and a great start to the new year!

Hero's Recognition

Mrs. McNitt - 7th Grade ELA
Mrs. McNitt stepped in during a critical
moment in the hallway and saved the
life of a student who was choking. Her
courage compassion, and quick
thinking in the face of crisis were
nothing short of heroic.

Her calm demeanor and immediate response demonstrate the highest standard of care and dedication to the safety and well-being of our students.

P.E. Report

P.E. just participated in the Elks free throw contest. We are transitioning into the final units before winter break.

Mr. Dorty's class will be playing brisketball.

Ms. Rogers' class is playing lacrosse.

Mr. Randick's class is playing ultimate frisbee.

RMS Choir







RMS choirs have been sharing holiday joy through caroling at the Dixon Rehab Center and at the Christmas Walk

REAGAN MIDDLE SCHOOL



DECEMBER 2025

Students of the Month!





Zadie Barber

Brycen Simonton

Student Council Advisor - Ms. Brigitte Becker President: Aubrey Woodward Vice President: Lauren Wagner Secretary: Baylee Bonnell

RMS Student Council helped with the 6th grade Grandparents Day event on November 12th.

Members also created placemats for the November 10th school luncheon honoring local Veterans. In addition, the council collected donations to provide a Thanksgiving meal for a local family in need.



<u>Builders Club</u> Advisor - Ms. Brigitte Becker

President: Lauren Wagner
Vice President: Aubrey Woodward
Secretary: Taylor Pratt

Builders Club members volunteered at the Jefferson Winter Wonderland event on November 15th. The club also collected donations to provide a Thanksgiving meal for a local family in need. In addition, after raising \$900 for the United Way in October, members presented a check to the United Way director and learned how their contributions will support 35 local nonprofit organizations.













Grade Level Report

6th Grade

Math is looking at ratios and using formulas to solve problems. This unit focuses on how to use these concepts to increase speed during car races by looking at the effects of fuel weight, pit stop length, and maximum cornering speed. Accelerated team is learning some prealgebra skills through the context of women in aviation!

Social Studies is going to take a look at population and migration, and discussing why both are on the rise.

6th grade scientists are currently engaged in learning about rocks and minerals in the Geosphere. They have used Snickers, Jolly Ranchers to simulate the rock cycle and processes that change rock. They used Borax to create holiday ornaments and to demonstrate mineral formation by crystallization. To conclude the unit they will be doing a scientific analysis of the movie, "Journey to the Center of the Earth"

ELA is wrapping up the 2nd Unit in Amplify: "Mysteries and Investigations." The students followed 4 doctors as they tried to solve the mystery of what causes the spread of yellow fever. This was a wonderful non-fiction text that allowed the kids to use the scientific method from hypothesis to experiments to finally the conclusion. Once the classes finish the non-fiction unit, students will then read a Sherlock Holmes mystery, "The Speckled Band."

7th Grade

ELA students just completed the novel, The Watson's go to Birmingham. They have thoroughly enjoyed this unit. It has given them an opportunity to step back in time during a pivotal point in history, 1963, and witness life through the eyes of Kenny Watson. We have focused on vocabulary and the many literary elements used throughout the book. We conclude our character and conflict unit reading, A Dream of Freedom, a collection of non-fiction readings and pictures from the Civil Rights Movement.

Science is learning to make models of scientific processes such as mitosis, photosynthesis, and cellular respiration (see pictures, right). After the cells unit, we will move on to human body systems which will culminate in the most anticipated 7th grade science experience, the frog dissection!

Math tudents are using their understanding of proportional relationships to help build equations that can be used to solve various problems. This will lead to work with the Distributive Property, substituting numbers into equations, and solving equations. Their end of unit project will have them create a poster using the math they learned in the unit to get people to use their tourism company.

8th Grade

Math is working on Functions and Linear equations characteristics. 8th grade accelerated is reviewing the semester material preparing for their semester final. It will focus on solving and graphing Equations and inequalities.

Lessons on temperature, thermal energy, and heat are perfectly timed this chilly time of year. Our highest priority on the science to-do list is a critical mission: saving the South African penguins. We will apply our knowledge of how heat transfers through the processes of conduction, convection, and radiation to design and construct protective shelters. These shelters, or "huts," will be engineered to keep our ice cube penguins safe, aiding in their preservation and providing us with a practical understanding of real-world insulation and thermal dynamics.

ELA students are currently engaging in an independent reading project where they explore books of their choice to foster a love of reading and build critical thinking skills. At the same time, they are analyzing Romeo and Juliet and writing essays to determine whether Shakespeare portrays love or hate as the more powerful emotion in the play.









