



ROYAL REPORT

HIGHLIGHTING EXCELLENCE

A message from Mr. Magnafici...

RMS Students & Families -

We're proud to share that RMS has once again received a Commendable Summative Designation from the Illinois State Board of Education for 2025, our fourth consecutive year earning this honor. This recognition reflects the hard work and partnership of our teachers, students, and families who make Reagan Middle School a great place to learn and grow.

As we move through this season of thanks, we want to express our appreciation to our entire school community for your continued support, teamwork, and commitment to doing what is best for kids every day.

Through our teaming model, we have strengthened our focus on Academic Achievement, Social Emotional Learning, and Climate and Culture, giving students more targeted support for reteaching, extension, and skill building each day.

Attendance continues to be an area for growth, as chronic absenteeism impacts student progress. Showing up each day truly makes a difference by helping students stay on track and reach their full potential.

We are thankful for all you do to support our students and staff. Let's keep the momentum going!

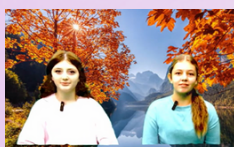
Tech Report - Mr. Chris Bishop

Students are working with **Spheros!**

These interactive robots allow students to explore coding and creativity hands-on. We've been using them to **drive robots like RC cars, program them with block coding, and create unique movement patterns using the draw program.** Next, we'll be moving into our **Banzai Financial Literacy Unit.** Students will learn about real-world money management through engaging online simulations and activities.

New Opportunity!

RMS has been delivering announcements via YouTube! Students and staff have been involved in the production of our daily announcements, helping create an engaging and student-led way to share important school updates.



Music Highlight

After completing a regional audition process, 10 total band and choir students were chosen to represent RMS at the ILMEA district 8 honors festival on Saturday, November 15.



P.E. Report

In PE class we are actively playing ultimate frisbee, brisketball, and lacrosse! All three of these units involve high levels of developing cardiovascular endurance along with working on hand-eye coordination.

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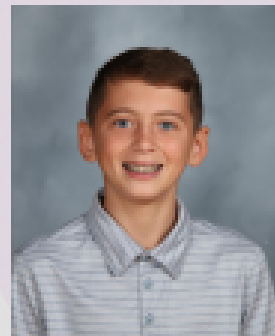


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Students of the Month!



Grace Conderman



Griffin Arduini

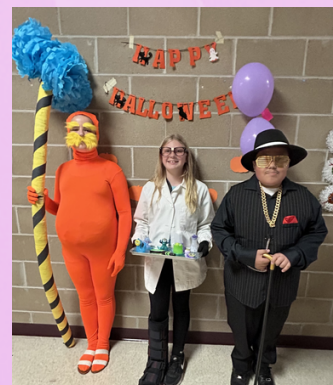
Student Council **Advisor - Ms. Brigitte Becker**

President: Aubrey Woodward

Vice President: Lauren Wagner

Secretary: Baylee Bonnell

Student Council held the annual Halloween Dance on October 17th. Students with good attendance and no referrals enjoyed dancing, games, treats, and even a pumpkin pie eating contest! Prizes were given out for the top three costumes.



Builders Club **Advisor - Ms. Brigitte Becker**

President: Lauren Wagner

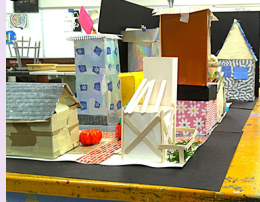
Vice President: Aubrey Woodward

Secretary: Taylor Pratt

During October, Builders Club sold ghost pops, hosted a Duct Tape the Principal event, and sponsored the elementary schools Kids Helping Kids Coin Drive to raise money for The United Way. Members also participated in the Washington School Trunk or Treat event on October 29th.



Student Art 7th grade built miniature houses while 8th grade built cities from found objects and recycled materials



Grade Level Report

6th Grade

6th Graders continue to investigate using math in real world applications. Currently, we are studying measures of center, ratios, decimal operations, and long division while reasoning about traffic congestion in large cities and how to reduce its ecological and economic impact. Our focus for this unit is Sao Paulo, Brazil, which once had a traffic jam that stretched for 182 miles!

6th grade Social Studies is working with Timelines. They will be creating Timelines of their lives in the next couple of weeks.

After wrapping up their study of weather patterns and atmospheric conditions, 6th grade science students are now pivoting their knowledge into a hands-on engineering design project. They will be working in teams to design, construct, and test fog catchers, devices meant to collect water from the air in a misty environment. This practical application allows students to use their understanding of the water cycle and condensation to solve a real-world problem. The project challenges them to apply the engineering process while exploring concepts like materials science and efficiency.

7th Grade

7th grade is finishing up their 3rd unit. They are working on proportional relationships and dividing positive and negative rational numbers. They will be using this math to help a team of students make a prediction of when the cherry blossoms will bloom in Washington DC.

7th Grade ELA students are reading *The Watsons Go to Birmingham --1963* by Christopher Paul Curtis as part of their Character & Conflict unit in Amplify. We learn how Kenny struggles with friendship, bullying, and family and follow along as the Watsons travel south to Alabama bearing witness to one of the darker moments in our history. We will focus on vocabulary, summarizing, and the many literary elements used throughout the novel.

7th grade science is swimming in cells this month. We will be creating models, investigating cell processes, and analyzing all things cells under the microscopes! The next adventure will be into the human body. Please see above for some examples of our last adventure, creating a field guide.

8th Grade

Math is finishing up a unit on Solving Equations and Systems of Linear Equations. We will then move on to determine what makes a linear function.

Accelerated 8th grade is starting to Solve Systems of Linear Equations by graphing, substitution, and elimination.

Last week, students began reading excerpts from *Romeo and Juliet* to explore Shakespearean language and themes. Throughout the unit, they will practice identifying extended metaphors, translating lines into modern language, and reciting parts of the famous Prologue. Through performances and an introduction to the Shakespearean sonnet, they engage deeply with the text. The unit concludes with an essay in which students argue whether love or hate is responsible for Romeo's death.

We're excited to share that our 8th-grade science classes have successfully wrapped up our unit on energy, where students explored its different forms and transformations! Building on this foundation, our next unit will dive specifically into thermal energy, investigating concepts like heat transfer, temperature, and specific heat.

RMS Fall Concert - Save the Date!

Thursday, November 20th is a big night in the music department with 2 separate band & choir performances. We would love to welcome one and all to see our students share their musical talents! Both concerts will be at the DHS Auditorium

5:30 PM 5th Grade Band & Choir Concert

Directed by Sarah & Chris Hansen

7:00 PM 6th Grade Band and Choir Concert

Directed by Ashley Almquist & Chris Hansen

