

Mason City Schools Comet Commitment

We are committed to growing YOU as a Learner, Leader, and Citizen, discovering your True North through innovative, rigorous, real-world learning experiences, and self-reflection.



MASON CITY SCHOOLS Portrait of a Comet



INTEGRITY

Comets do the right thing, especially when it's hard. They earn others' trust and respect through honest, principled choices and behaviors that reflect their beliefs. They own the moment, grow from their experiences, and take responsibility for their actions.



ADAPTABILITY

Comets adjust, adapt, and prepare for the future. They demonstrate flexibility, persistence, and resilience. They respond productively when presented with an uncertain event, feedback, praise, criticism, or a setback.



EMPATHY

Comets build meaningful relationships so that everyone belongs. They invest the time to listen, care, connect, and act. With a spirit of curiosity, they grow awareness of self and respect for others' feelings, opinions, experiences, and cultures.



COMMUNICATION

Comets build skill in developing and sharing their voice. They listen, seek feedback, and collaborate with the intent to include and understand others' viewpoints. They confidently share their ideas in a variety of forms and contexts, and take responsibility for their impact.



CRITICAL THINKING

Comets engage in worthy challenges. They identify innovative and creative solutions to complex problems. They understand the bigger picture, and apply analytical thinking that is clear, rational, open-minded, and informed by evidence and multiple perspectives.