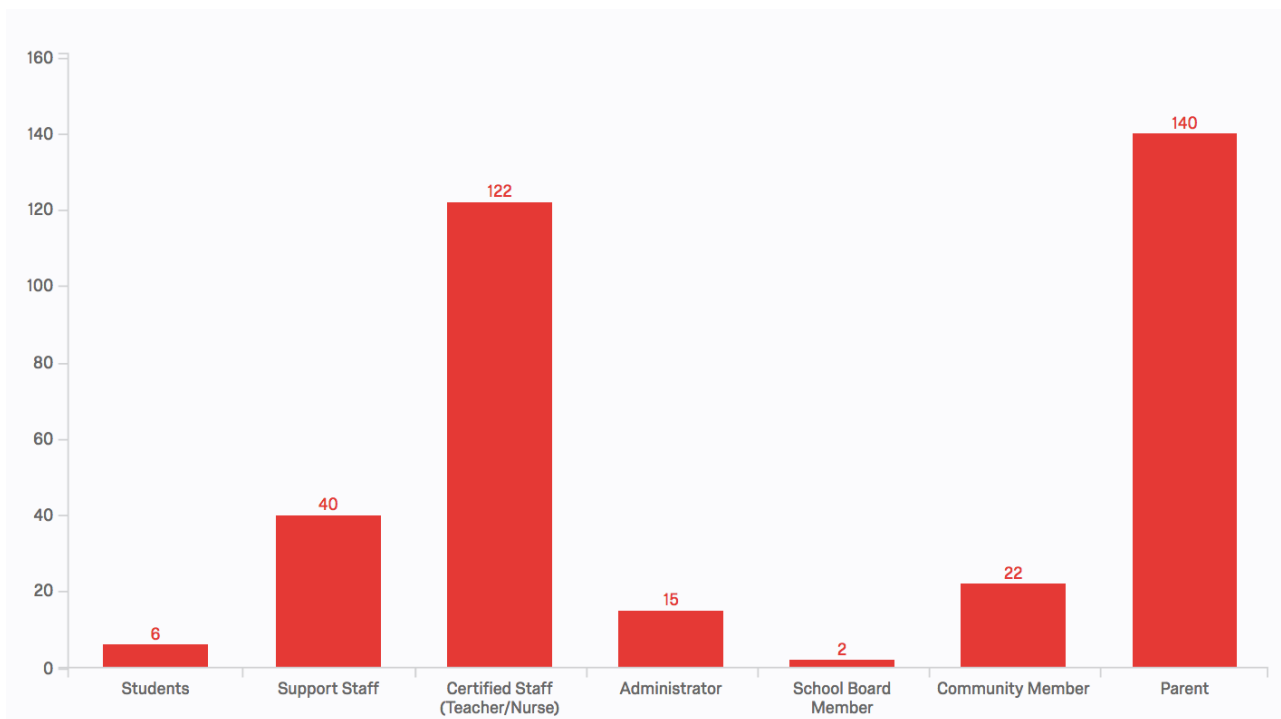




Stakeholder Survey Themes

(360 Total Respondents)



What are the strength areas or points of pride for the Mason City Community School District?

- **Strong academics/curriculum (K-12)**
- **Professional and caring staff**
- **Successful co-curricular and extracurricular programs**
- **Technology available to teachers and students**

Strong curriculum, excellent instructional materials, very professional staff, visionary, excellent professional development, strong partnerships with community businesses and organizations.

Great music program and participation; leading edge in, and received awards for STEAM; great technology available to students. Most teachers are supportive and knowledgeable and take a genuine interest in their students. A lot of life-long residents are loyal to this community.

Caring & Responsive Environment. Dedicated staff. Collaboration.

Strong academics. Broad ranges of interest and involved students in a variety of academic and extra curricular activities inside and outside of the schools. Music.



What are challenges or areas for improvement for Mason City Community School District?

- **Improving test scores (reading and math)**
- **Communication district-wide and to parents**
- **Enrollment**
- **Staffing (class size and training)**
- **Consistent curriculum (elementary)**

Student achievement in core academic areas, too many new initiatives, lack of communication within buildings

Declining enrollment

Follow through and making sure ALL buildings are meeting needs for students.

Communication between parents and administration. Using the community for more resources and help.

Unity and communication as a district is an area that the Mason City Community Schools could improve. It shouldn't be building vs. building, but one district with 8 buildings united.



What advice would you give the Mason City Superintendent?

Be concerned for academic, arts, music, sports, etc. no favorites. Be seen out at a variety of school activities.

To keep students at the forefront when making decisions. We have had quite a few major changes in the school district and community. We need someone to unite everyone together for a common purpose of improving student achievement and community pride in our schools.

Be open to ideas and the needs of the staff and buildings, but stand your grounded when needed. Be open and approachable.

Be visible in buildings and the community, maintain an attitude of gratitude for the diligent work being done by district staff, build positive relationships with staff, families, and the community, model professionalism and seek input from various groups as part of decision making.

The staff at Mason City Schools wants continued strong leadership. Working with staff to build positive relationships and support will go a long way to make this district successful.

