

North Middle School

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES 2016-2017



Various school activities are offered at NMS. Students should listen to morning announcements and families can visit the NMS website (http://nms.schoolsofwestfield.org/) for specific activities and times. Offerings for students' selection vary throughout the year. Participation in extra-curricular activities is a privilege and optional. Students will need to arrange for transportation home as it is not provided. For more information on these activities, please contact the advisor by calling the main office at 572-6441.

ART CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. C'Miel (Rm 144)



Art Club is held in both art rooms on Thursdays after school. Come when you can! Students will be able to work on individual art projects as well as group projects, like the sets for the school plays. Art Club is a time to relax and express your creativity and is also ideal for those students who don't have an opportunity to have Art during the school year.

BUILDERS CLUB

Advisors: Mrs. Doiron (Rm 174), Mrs. Elder-Dellea (Rm 205) & Mrs. Skorupski (Rm 209)

If you were a part of "K Kids" at your elementary school and would like to be part of the "Key Club" at WHS, then Builders Club is for you! This club engages students in service projects through fundraisers to benefit the community of Westfield and beyond. The Builder's Club is provided to you through the Kiwanis Organization of Westfield.

DRAMA CLUB

Advisor: Mr. Chretien (Rm 210), Music Directors: Ms. Turok (Rm 176) & Ms. Bertelsen (Rm 172), Costume Designer: Mrs. Mentos (Rm 150)

Each year, students audition for a position in the club's musical production (every student who auditions is

given a part.) In addition to being on stage, students can opt to work on the set through the Art Club. Rehearsals are Monday through Thursday from 2:35 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. This is a huge commitment.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Advisors: Mr. Baker (Guidance) & Mrs. Preye (Library)



Homework Club is available to all students at NMS. Students gather in the library on Thursdays after school and can work with 8^{th} grade NJHS tutors, work in groups, do research, or just get their homework done.

INTRAMURALS

Advisors: Mr. Buoniconti (Rm 121) & Mr. Wroth (Rm 127)



Intramurals meet after school throughout the year. Activities vary based upon the desires of the group. Activities have included basketball, soccer, flag football, softball, & volleyball. All students who attend intramurals participate.

JAZZ BAND

Advisor: Ms. Bertelsen (Rm 172)

NMS award winning Jazz Band rehearses after school on Thursday. Jazz Band will begin in January after Winter Break. Membership in the Jazz Band is achieved through audition or by recommendation of the music director. Auditions are usually held in early January and performances are scheduled in the winter and spring. As a group the Jazz Band also competes at state and regional festivals.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

Advisors: Mrs. Preye (Library) & Mrs. Groom (Guidance)



Ambassadors are students who have strong leadership qualities, are responsible, trustworthy, and are able to speak in public. Students who choose to become ambassadors need to carry out the rules of the NMS Handbook (i.e. no gum, no cell phones, & appropriate dress) and assist NMS students in becoming acclimated to the building and feeling a part of NMS. Ambassadors assist in 6th grade homerooms helping students adjust to life as a middle school student. Ambassadors will go through a training program. This is not a community service organization and does not count toward requirements for NJHS.

PEER MEDIATION

Advisor: Mrs. Niedel (Guidance)

Peer Mediation is a group of students trained in conflict resolution. This process uses a neutral third party to help people work together to create a resolution to their dispute. The mediators encourage constructive communication, helping students take responsibility for their actions, and clarify their needs and feelings. The goal is to arrive at an agreement that can be written down and signed by all parties.

YEARBOOK

Advisor: Mrs. Belden (Rm 246)



The yearbook staff helps publish a creative, professional-quality yearbook. The book includes students and staff portrait photographs as well as candid photographs. Patience, attention to detail, responsibility, and creativity are necessary characteristics of successful yearbook staff members. Staff will be responsible for photographing school events.

Requirements for NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY (NJHS)

Advisor: Mrs. Keane (Rm 124)

- Students must maintain Honor Roll status (not honorable mention) all terms during 7th and 8th grade and
- Achieve max honors at least once.
- Students must participate in community service such as but not limited to church group, soup kitchen, and/or homework club as a tutor
- Students will need to write a letter of how they fit into the five (5) characteristics of NJHS
- Contact Mrs. Keane for details







