

Nyack Middle School 2019-2020

CLUB DESCRIPTIONS

CLUB NAME	DESCRIPTION
History Club	The purpose of this club is to prepare participants for the National History Day competition in March. Meeting day and location TBD.
G.O. Club	The General Organization Club is the student government here at the middle school. This club organizes and promotes community service projects and school spirit events. This club will meet on Wednesdays after school in room 215.
Jazz Band	The Jazz Band club offers our 6 th through 8 th grade music students the opportunity to participate in an extracurricular music ensemble that focuses on the performance of Jazz music. Students will study music and the performance elements of jazz from a wide variety of styles including big band, swing, blues, and funk. Our middle school musicians will learn to swing, solo and improvise by way of musical performance and learning through a collaborative study of jazz with their peers. This club will meet Wednesdays after school in room 222.
Science Olympiad	Science Olympiad is an extracurricular club in which students participate in competitive science activities. At the middle school, our team of 15 students (maximum) will prepare throughout the year for the Regional Tournament in March. This club meets Wednesdays during 5 th and 6 th period lunch in room 211.
Chess Club	The main goal of the Chess Club is to provide a fun opportunity for students to broaden their knowledge of chess. This club will help them learn game strategies and interact with other students across grade levels who have a shared interest in chess. This club will meet Tuesdays after school in room 116/115.
“Raise Your Sights”	The “Raise Your Sights” Club is open to all young ladies who attend Nyack Middle School. The club goals are to build self esteem, develop positive social interaction, develop positive communicative system with peers, conflict resolution, dress for success, as well as participate in community service activities/projects. This club will meet on Thursdays after school in room 313.
Orchestra – Advanced	The Advanced Orchestra club is a school string ensemble designed for students who demonstrate outstanding participation and performance in grade level orchestra class. Students are expected to practice all music repertoire in addition to practicing their grade level orchestra music. Members will be assisted and mentored by High School Chamber Orchestra members under the guidance of the Middle School Orchestra Director. This club will meet on Tuesdays after school in room 222.
National Junior Honor Society	The National Junior Honor Society at Nyack Middle School recognizes students in the 7 th and 8 th grade for their excellence in school and dedication to the community. The criteria to be selected for NJHS are rigorous and selective. It is based on Leadership, Service, Character, and Citizenship. The induction ceremony will be April 2, 2020.
Ski Club	The Ski Club is open to beginner, novice, advanced skiers, and snowboarders. The ski trips will start in January and run approximately every 2/3 weeks (weather permitting). This club will depart after school and go to nearby trails, such as Mt. Peter. Equipment rental and lessons are available.

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Yearbook	The main purpose of the Yearbook club is to produce the school's annual yearbook. With this goal in mind, student members of the 6 th , 7 th and 8 th grade will help promote and capture school spirit and enthusiasm. Students will then collaborate and create a memorable yearbook for all to treasure. This club will meet in the guidance office the last Wednesday of the month.
GSA/Dignity for All Students Alliance Club	The purpose of the Dignity for All Alliance is to provide a safe and supportive place for students to explore and discuss strategies to increase awareness and create a climate of acceptance and tolerance for all students regardless of gender, nationality, religion, etc. Activities may include but not be limited to providing speakers to hold informational sessions, developing a mission statement, sponsoring related events such as movie nights, no name calling week, etc. This club will meet on Thursdays after school in Room 306.
Graphic Design/ Art Club	This club will allow students additional time to expand their artistic knowledge and skill set. Students will have the opportunity to work with a variety of art materials, including the MacBook's and Mac Computers. This club will meet on Tuesdays after school in Room 315.
Mindfulness 7 th Grade	This club will expose students to the practices and techniques of mindfulness in order to develop healthy ways to express balance, regulate their emotions and improve their academic performance. This club will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays during 7 th grade lunch period.
Girls Circle 6 th Grade Girls Circle 7 th Grade	A free, curriculum-based, nationally recognized program that promotes strength and resiliency in girls and young women. Our goal is to create a safe place for girls to express themselves, foster self-esteem and have fun through verbal sharing and creative activities. Themes include: role models, creativity, managing stress, friendship, diversity and personal growth. This club will meet on Fridays during lunch periods in Room 220.
Boys Council 6 th Grade	A free, curriculum-based, nationally recognized program that supports boys' developing identities in a strengths-based, positive manner. Our goal is to create a safe, fun place for boys to express themselves, increase emotional and social literacy, and learn how to make healthy, positive choices through verbal sharing and activities. Themes include: teamwork, managing emotions, bullying, dispelling stereotypes, relationships, sportsmanship, personal growth and more. This club will meet on Wednesdays during 6 th Grade lunch period in Room 226.
Positive Action Club	A nationally recognized school program based on the philosophy that we feel good about ourselves when we take positive actions, and that there is always a positive way to do everything, no matter how difficult a situation may seem. Positive Action gives all kinds of students the motivation and skills to be happy and successful in school and life. We believe that the Positive Action Club will help your child grow in positive, productive ways that will empower your child and, in turn, enrich our home and school community. This club will meet Thursdays during 8 th Grade lunch period in Room 226.

****** All Clubs will meet on assigned days, 3:00pm-3:45pm, unless otherwise noted. ******