

Middle School School Clubs/ Organizations 2016-2017

Art Club:

Art club gives students the opportunity to pursue their passion for art in a non-evaluative setting. Different projects will be offered using a variety of mediums; oil pastel, acrylic painting, graphite and ceramics.

Day: Every Monday from 3:30– 4:30 p.m.
Location: Epstein Arts Center # 2033
Advisor: Ms. Lambert

Book Club:

Students will explore their love for reading. This club picks a different book each month and students will meet to discuss and process what they've read. The group is not limited by gender or grade.

Day: First Monday of every month from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Location: Middle School # 304
Advisor: Ms. Nolla

Builders Club:

This student led group will work in conjunction with the Key Club and WIND Club at the Upper School. Members will learn to work together and develop leader skills as they serve their school and community. In partnership with UNICEF and March of Dimes, these clubs are able to support and connect with groups worldwide. This group has opportunities to volunteer at the Davie Elementary School Holiday party and food drive, Davie Post Office food drive, Key Club Carnival, and tree planting for Haiti.

Day: Wednesdays during break, as announced
Location: Middle School #209
Advisor: Mrs. Lupinetti and Mrs. Stahl

Chess Club:

This group is for students who like to play or would like to learn how to play chess. This group is student led and offers opportunity for play and mentorship.

Day: Mondays during break
Location: Middle School, Dr. Gillman's office
Advisor:

Debbie's Dream:

Students participate in various fundraising activities and projects to that work towards finding a cure for stomach cancer.

Day: Every other Thursday, as announced
Advisor: Mrs. Koelner
Location: Middle School # 302

Diversity Club:

Students participate in various fundraising activities, morning announcements, and the annual Diversity Assembly, all aimed to recognize and celebrate the rich diversity in our school. Monies collected through fundraisers are donated to non-profit organizations that assist people from varying racial and ethnic backgrounds.

Day: Wednesdays during break, as announced
Advisors: Dr. Roberts and Ms. Jia
Location: Middle School # 210

I Care I Cure Club:

Students are encouraged to get directly involved in community service and participate in hands projects to make a difference in the day to day lives of others.

Day & Time: Thursdays during break, as announced
Advisor: Mrs. Glazer
Location: Middle School # 118

Games for Change:

Students will discuss and learn how to design their own games. During the course of the year students will work on game design projects to be submitted to the National STEM Video Game Challenge. Students will also raise money for charities such as Childs Play and donate video games to various children's hospitals.

Day: Thursday of each week from 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.
Advisor: Mr. Banks
Location: Middle School Media Center

Gay Straight Alliance

The GSA welcomes all lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning, and straight youth to talk about any issues that concern them and to listen to any members who may want to express their thoughts, feelings, and beliefs. Through acceptance of all people, the group creates a safe environment that offers support, resources, emotional outlets, and social opportunities. This group focuses on advocacy and is geared to a mature crowd given the nature of the discussions.

Day & Time: Thursdays during break
Advisors: Ms. Lyn and Mrs. Stuller with Ms. Horvitz and Dr. Ellsley
Location: Upper School # 204

Girl Talk:

Middle School girls being mentored by Upper School girls. This special opportunity is lead by an Upper School, Junior, Gabby Leveillee. Girl Talk is a non-profit peer-to-peer mentoring program with a focus on recognizing the value of community service, along with building self-esteem and leadership skills.

Leadership + Mentoring + Community Service = Girls Inspiring Girls

For more information: <http://www.mygirltalk.org/AboutGirlTalk/FAQ.aspx>

Day: Wednesdays as announced from 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.
Advisors: Mrs. Harris
Location: Middle School #105

Law Club:

Students are given the opportunity to learn the principles of our legal system and practice higher order thinking skills in collaboration with the NSU Shepard Broad Collage of Law.

Day & Time: Thursday during break, as announced
Advisor: Ms. Bogosyan
Location: Middle School # 107

Minecraft Club:

Students explore, design, and create using Minecraft Club promotes creativity, collaboration, and problem solving in the immersive world of Minecraft! Work on projects and play with your fellow NSU University School classmates.

Day: Friday from 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Advisor: Mr. Banks
Location: Middle School Media Center

Math Team

This is a club available to all students of any mathematical level to join. The group will compete in local, state and national competitions individually and in teams. The students will meet to enrich their math skills and compete with members from other schools in preparation for High School Math competitions. The members of the club will make up the math competition teams including BCCTM, ASMA, Rocket City Math League, AMC8, Math Counts, Purple Comet, and Florida Gulf Coast Tournament.

Day & Time: Thursday after school from 3:15-4:00
Advisor: Mrs. Novitski
Location: Middle School #207

Model UN:

Model United Nations, or Model UN, is an academic competition simulating the diplomatic environment of the United Nations. Students can not only learn but experience diplomacy and international relations, collaborating with other nations to solve real world problems from topics ranging anywhere from climate change, civil rights, terrorism. Model UN facilitates the skills of researching, public speaking, debating, writing, critical thinking, teamwork, and leadership qualities. It is a fun and exciting forum to learn how to be a strong researcher, leader, and diplomat. There will be 2-3 competitions throughout the year.

Day and Time: Thursdays during break and Thursdays afterschool, as announced

Advisor: Mrs. Doeringer
Location: Middle School # 306

Pet Rescue:

Students will participate in projects and ideas to fundraise for local pet shelters, educate students about the importance of treating animals with respect, and spread awareness of the value in adopting animals in need of a family.

Day & Time: Thursdays during break, as announced
Advisor: Ms. Smith
Location: Middle School # 301

Reading Buddies

Students will participate in reading to their lower school counterparts. This program works to build our community and the love for reading.

Day & Time: Throughout the year, during the school day, as announced
Advisor: Mrs. Glazer
Location: Lower School

Robotics Club:

Students design, create and program robots with the goal of participating in a local Robotics Competition.

Day: Wednesday of each week from 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Advisor: Mr. Banks
Location: Middle School Media Center

Save the Ocean Club:

Students will be participating in coastal cleanups throughout the year along with promoting recycling at school and in the community. We will also plan activities for Earth Day. Project location will be announced with time to plan attendance

Day & Time: Fridays during break, as announced
Advisors: Mrs. Carnaggie, Dr. Carnaggie and Ms. Anania
Location: Middle School #206

Speech and Debate:

This group gives students an opportunity to practice a variety of competitive debate events, including Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Public Forum Debate and Congressional Debate. Students will develop advanced research methods, case-writing strategies, refutation strategies, and cross-examination strategies to prepare them for competitions and after school tournaments. Students can participate without taking Debate as a class during the school day.

Day: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday after school and sporadically during break, as announced.
Advisor: Mr. Thompson
Location: Epstein Arts Center #2048

Wellness Enterprises:

Wellness Enterprises (WE) is a club for students interested in nutrition, allergy awareness, body image, and other health related issues. The group will work to educate the community through school based initiatives, participate in fundraising opportunities, and collaborate with departments across NSU to bring awareness to these important health issues amongst others. The group works in partnership with interns from NSU's School of Osteopathic Medicine, School of Optometry, and Center for Psychological Services.

Day & Time: Fridays during break, as announced
Advisor: Dr. Gillman
Location: 8th grade patio

Student Council:

Student Council will work as the middle school's student voice for programming and policies. Student Council helps share students' ideas, interests, and concerns with teachers and school administration. Projects include, "The Morning Bite" in conjunction with the TV Production team, Homecoming Week, and a variety of community service activities.

Day: Wednesdays during break, as announced.
Advisor: Mrs. Capeletti
Location: Middle School # 203

Societies that meet throughout the year

National Junior Art Honor Society:

The purpose of the membership is to recognize higher learning in the visual arts at the middle school level. Membership in the National Junior Art Honor Society is a mark of accomplishment that is recognized by high schools, art institutes, colleges and universities.

The group works to: Recognize those students who have shown outstanding ability in art; Foster excellence and dedicated spirit to the pursuit of art; Further creative abilities and talents of the Society's members, as well as the school's entire student art enrollment; Aid members in working towards the attainment of their highest potential in an art area; Bring art to the attention of the school and community; Increase an awareness of art in relation to other areas of the school curriculum; Further aesthetic awareness in all aspects of the school's total program.

Please contact Ms. Lambert for membership requirements.

Day: The first Wednesday of each month during lunch, as announced
Advisor: Ms. Lambert
Room: TBD

National Junior Honor Society:

The purpose of the membership is to recognize higher learning at the middle school level. Membership in the National Junior Honor Society is a mark of accomplishment that is recognized by high schools, art institutes, colleges and universities. The group focuses on five pillars: Leadership, Service, Character, Scholarship, and Citizenship. NJHS is heavily involved in fundraising for different charities including but not limited to the Irma Wesley Child Development Center. Please contact Ms. Taravella for membership requirements.

Day: As announced. Additionally, the whole club will meet monthly with each group meeting during their respective months.
Advisor: Ms. Taravella and Dr. Erickson
Room: Further detail can be found on the NJHS blackboard page for students who have already been inducted.

Junior International Thespian Society (ITS):

The Junior International Thespian Society (ITS) is organized by individual troupes at participating schools. ITS is designed to be an honorary organization that recognizes and rewards excellence among the participants in the theatre arts program. Junior Thespian membership should be viewed as an honor and a goal to which participants in theatre arts program aspire. Students compete in the District Jr. Thespian Competition for Individual Events (IEs) and State Competitions. Students do not have to be in the Drama classes to attend and be a part of Thespians.

Day: Thursdays afterschool, as announced.
Advisor: Ms. Stroud
Room: 2nd floor lobby of the Epstein Arts Center

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