

**2018 - 2019 MARLBORO MIDDLE SCHOOL
CO-CURRICULAR & EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS
--CLUBS--INTRAMURALS--ATHLETICS--
--PERFORMANCE MUSIC ENSEMBLES--**

❖ **STUDENT SERVICES** - Offers programs and services designed to foster growth and maturity in our students by encouraging responsibility and involvement within the school and community. We assist students academically as well as socially and emotionally, through the use of individual, group, and classroom visitation counseling models.

❖ **PEER TO PEER** - 8th grade students are selected through an application process and are trained to turnkey the knowledge they learn to younger peers..The purpose of Peer-to-Peer is to increase healthy decision making among middle school students in regard to the peer pressures that they all face. It uses a proven peer-to-peer model that allows students to speak with younger peers on the issues and peer pressures common to this age group. They often partner with other leadership groups in the building to facilitate school-wide events focused on creating a safe and caring school environment. **Advisors: Dr. Asher-Shultz and Mrs. Girard**

❖ **CONFLICT MANAGERS** - The mission of this group is to promote a more peaceful school community. Approximately twenty 8th grade students are selected for the program after completing the application process, which includes a self or teacher nomination, paper application, and group interview. The selected students are trained in conflict resolution and leadership skills. They facilitate skills training sessions in 6th grade classes, sponsor building wide events and promote a safe school climate by acting as role models throughout the building. **Advisors: Ms. Riehl and Mrs. Carroll**

❖ **H.A.W.K.S (Helping All With Kindness And Support)** - Our Mission statement states "The mission of the Marlboro Middle School H.A.W.K.S. is to empower all students with a voice to support one another by accepting and celebrating everyone's differences and similarities, with expressions of kindness and respect, to create harmony in order to make our school a more positive, safe, and comfortable environment for all." This leadership team is open to all students in the school who want to be involved in making a difference in their community. Meetings take place during student lunch at each grade level and are announced on the loudspeaker. Recruitment begins in October as part of our Month of Respect. **Advisor: Dr. Asher-Shultz**

**EXTRACURRICULAR CLUBS
OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS – GRADES 6-8**

ANIMAL CLUB - Meeting Dates: September 18 and 25, October 9 and 23, November 6 and 20, December 4 and 18, January 8 and 22, February 12 and 26, March 12 and 26, April 9 and

30, May 14 and 28. The Animal Club encourages students who have an interest in animals to increase their understanding, share their knowledge, and contribute to the benefit of animals by participating in community service events. Activities include creating informative posters/videos, fundraising, creating and collecting donations, and having students identify and learn about animals around their school environment. Club members will inform other students and the community about ways to protect animal welfare and the environment.

Advisors: Mrs. Hickey and Mrs. S. Smith

ART SCENERY/ SET DESIGN - Grades 7-8 - During meetings, students will work together to create the set design and props for the school musical. Construction, painting, and scenery are some of the activities involved. Additionally, applications will be available for 8th grade students to assist backstage during performances with props and scenery. The first meeting will be in October. Additional meetings will be announced. The club will run from October through February.

Advisor: TBA

BRIDGE BUILDERS CLUB - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: September 26, October 10 and 24, November 7 and 28, December 5 and 12, January 9 and 23, February 6 and 20, March 6 and 20, April 3 and 17, May 1 and 15, June 5. All meetings will be held in room 109 from 2:30-4:00. The Builders Club is part of the Kiwanis Club, an international organization that supports the community and its citizens. This club is open to all students who like to help others, do charity work and participate and plan fundraising events.

Advisors: Mrs. Pepitone and Mrs. Herrmann

CRAFT CLUB - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: October 4, 11, 18, 25; November 1, 29; December 6, 13, 20, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; February 7, 14, 21, 28. Meeting times are from 2:30- 4:00 pm. All students are eligible to join. Students will have the opportunity to use their imagination to create fun projects and crafts by repurposing recycled items. Students will learn creative ways to reuse and recycle materials. Projects will include mixed media art as well as learning how to knit. Club members will gain the opportunity to make new friends with common interests.

Advisors: Mrs. Osgoodby and Mrs. Gil

COMPUTER CLUB - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: September 26; October 3 and 17; November 7 and 28; December 5 and 19; January 2, 16 and 30; February 6 and 20; March 6 and 20; April 3 and 17; May 1, 15 and 29; and last meeting, June 5. Meeting times are from 2:20-4:00pm. The Computer Club enables students of all grade levels to explore the computer in an open setting. Students will use a variety of software to engage in diverse activities such as desktop publishing, web-page design, gaming and the exploration of coding software. Additionally, it is also an open lab for students to conduct research, and complete homework/projects. Please be aware that we will be using the Internet.

Advisor: Mrs. Moskowitz

DEBATE CLUB - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: September 20; October 11,18; November 1, 29; December 6,13; January 3,10; February 7,21; March 7, 14; April 4,11; May 2,10; June 6. Meeting times are from 2:30-4:00 pm. This club is open to students of all grade levels who are enthusiastic and looking to improve their speaking and language arts skills while having fun. Debaters will work as a team to make and support assertions, conduct research to gather effective evidence, analyze and critique arguments, and conduct speeches. If you are outspoken, like to argue, or are looking to increase argumentative skills, this is the club for you!

Advisor: Mrs. Scalici

AUDIO VISUAL CLUB (DIGITAL MEDIA) - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: September 20; October 4,18; November 1,29; December 6,13; January 3,17,31; February 14,28; March 14,28; April 4,18; May 2,9. The Digital Media Club is comprised of students interested in learning more about Digital Media and its various methods of use, as well as the careers that surround it. The club serves as a "pathway" to teach students about Digital Media in a fun environment where students have the creativity to imagine and produce digital media stories from school happenings, and even create school public service announcements, along with other possibilities! Students will learn how to operate video cameras, microphones, basic editing software, and work together as a team!

Advisor: Mr. Bellezza

THEATRE CLUB - Scheduled dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: Sept. 21, Oct. 12, 26, Nov. 16, 30, Dec. 7,14, Jan. 4, 11,18, 25, Feb. 15, 22, March 8, 22, April 5, 12, May 3, 24 . Meeting times are from 2:30 - 3:30. The last meeting will be a showcase for parents: date to be announced. This club will expose students who have an interest in theatre to the basics of acting and to all facets of theater. They will learn about and practice key skills to prepare for auditions and performances. Besides learning these practical skills, (such as volume, expression, self expressive skills, characterization and body language), students will also improve their self-expression and self confidence through improvisation and drama activities. This will culminate in a showcase presenting monologues and parts of scenes.

Advisor: Mrs. Ross

FITNESS CLUB - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: September 25, 26, 27; October 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31; November 1; Meeting times are from 2:30-4:00pm. Students who join the fitness club will enjoy working out with friends and achieving their fitness goals. Activities will vary based on student interest. Examples are fitness stations, high cardio activities, and team/individual based games. This club will meet after school in the main gym. Sports physicals are required.

Advisor: Ms. Vento

MATH CLUB - (Grades 7-8) meets every Thursday 2:30-3:15pm The Math Club is open to all 7th and 8th grade students who enjoy being challenged in problem solving in a wide variety of mathematical topics. Students will participate in local, state and national math competitions

which are held after school. Students who are selected to MMS Math Teams will also compete on Saturdays. There is an additional fee for participation in specific contests and competitions. Meeting days to be announced.

Advisors: Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Accisano

NATIONAL HISTORY DAY CLUB - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: October 12th, 30th; November 1st, 6th, 20th, 29th; December 6th, 13th, 20th; January 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st; February 7th, 28th; March 7th, 14th. The club meets from 2:30-3:45pm. Club members participate in the National History Day nationwide program which holds regional, state, and national competitions. Students will research a topic of their own choosing based on the 2018-19 theme and present their information as a historical paper, website, performance, documentary, or exhibit. For the last 16 years, club members have qualified for the national competition held every June at the University of Maryland. An NHD project teaches students to go beyond the initial facts, to explore why an event happened as well as its impact. If you want to know the “rest of the story” or are always asking the question “so what?” this club is for you. The first meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 12, 2018.

Advisors: Mrs. Allutto and Mr. Walsh

PING PONG CLUB - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: October: 3, 10, 17, 24; November: 6, 20, 28; December: 5, 12, 19; January: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; February: 6, 13, 20. Meeting times are from 2:30-4:00pm. This club meets to have fun, learn ping pong game strategies, and participate in a tournament during each scheduled session. This club is open to all interested students.

Advisor: Mr. Walsh

RESPONSIBLE ACTIONS & DECISIONS (R.A.D.) - (Formerly known as H.O.T. CLUB)

In this after-school club, **Responsible Actions and Decisions**, students participate in lively, fun activities that explore effective decision-making and strategies of appropriate choice-making. Students explore challenging scenarios, establish guidelines and discuss safe plans of execution for various real life situations that students may find themselves facing. Students will help the advisors decide what topics we should focus on in the club each year. They are also trained to provide peer-to-peer education within the school community, their primary goal being an interactive presentation for elementary school students. R.A.D. is for all students who want to work on leadership skills and make a positive impact at MMS and our elementary schools and is open to all students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grades. This club meets after school approximately twice a month. The co-advisors are Dr. Asher-Shultz and Mrs. Osgoodby.

Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-19 school year will be from 2:30- 3:15 pm (please note: meeting dates are subject to change based on presentation preparation and delivery): September 18* returning members only; October 2, 16, 30; November 6, 20; December 4, 18; January 8, 22; February 12, 19; March 5, 12, 19; April 2, 16, 30; May 7, 21.

Advisor: Dr. Asher-Shultz

RUNNING CLUB - This spring program is open to all students. Students will learn about the sport of running, including proper technique. Schedule to be announced. Sports physicals are required at the first meeting.

Coach: Ms. Whitacre

SCHOOL NEWSPAPER CLUB - All students are eligible to join. Students work independently or in groups to write articles on a wide variety of topics--school news, sports, art, world news, television and movies, the internet, and much more. All topic ideas are welcome. We will publish three online editions of our student developed newspaper called "The Hawker." The meeting dates are; October 4, 18; November 1, 29; December 6, 13, 20; January 10, 17, 31; February 7, 21; March 7, 21; April 4, 11; May 9, 16, 23. Meeting times are from 2:30–4:00pm

Advisors: Mr. Casal and Mr. Maldonado

SCHOOL MUSICAL - Singing, Acting and Dancing auditions are Sept. 24th and Sept. 25th. Students must attend both auditions. Callback auditions are October 2nd or 4th. Students who are called back will be asked to attend one of those dates. Rehearsals will generally be Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30-4pm. Rehearsals begin in early October culminating with a production held in early February. All students are encouraged to come try out for this exciting activity. We are looking for actors, dancers and singers. The dates of the school musical are Friday, February 8th at 7:00 pm and 2 performances on Saturday, February 9th at 12:00 pm. and 4:00 pm.

Advisors: Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Hyres, and Ms. Mazzara

STUDENT COUNCIL - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: September 26; October 3, 17, 24; November 28; December 5, 19; January 9, 23; February 6, 20; March 6, 20; April 3, 17; May 1, 15, 29 from 2:30-4:00pm. The Student Council plays an important part in student activities such as dances, character building projects, fundraisers, and the yearbook social. It is the group within the school that is truly representative of the student body. They also work on community projects including clothing and food drives for families in need. Officers are elected by the student body.

Advisors: Mrs. Biscaha and Mrs. E Corsi

ULTIMATE FRISBEE - The Ultimate Frisbee Club provides an opportunity for students to develop sportsmanship and fair play while promoting physical fitness and healthy lifestyle. Small sided games and skill challenges are some of the activities the club engages in. Tentative scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows. The club will begin September 18, 20, 25, 26, 27, October 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 30, and November 1. We will meet Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Sports physicals are required.

Coach: Mr. Collins

YEARBOOK CLUB - All students are invited to join this club and work on the MMS Yearbook. The only requirements are enthusiasm, ambition, and the desire to work. Students will have an opportunity to learn the Yearbook Avenue Website to create layouts, upload pictures, write

captions and edit pages. Additionally, students will help with advertising the yearbook. Students who are artistic and enjoy creative writing are encouraged to join! Meetings are held from 2:30-4:00pm on the following days: September 25th, October 2nd, October 11th, October 16th, October 23rd, November 6th, November 20th, November 27th, December 4th, December 10th, January 8th, January 15th, January 22nd, January 29th, February 13th, February 19th, February 26th, March 5th, March 12th, March 19th, March 26th, June 11th.

Advisors: Ms. Nemeth and Ms. Gallagher

STEM TECHNOLOGY CLUB -

- **Grade 6** - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: September 26, October 10, October 24, November 28, December 5, December 12, January 2, January 9, January 16, January 23, January 30, February 6, February 13, February 20, February 27, March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, April 3, April 10, April 17. Meetings run from 2:30-4 pm. The Technology Club for grade 6 gives students the opportunity to explore the areas of science, technology, engineering, and math by competing in various hands-on challenges and online competitions throughout the school year. During weekly club meetings, students will work collaboratively to complete engineering design challenges and to design projects based on their personal interests to meet the specific criteria required for the online competitions that they choose to enter. **Advisor: Ms. Gallagher**
- **Grades 7 & 8** - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: September 26, October 10, October 24, November 28, December 5, December 12, January 2, January 9, January 16, January 23, January 30, February 6, February 13, February 20, February 27, March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, April 3, April 10, April 17. Meetings run from 2:30-4 pm. The Technology Club for grades 7 and 8 runs as a nationally recognized chapter of TSA, the Technology Student Association, in which students have the opportunity to submit projects and attend the NJ Middle School State Conference each spring. During club meetings, students will use problem solving skills to design and create solutions for a wide variety of TSA approved projects in preparation for this competition. Please note that there is an additional fee for your child to be registered at the state and national level as a Technology Student Association member (approximately \$14 per child). **Advisor: Mrs. Marrella**

INTRAMURALS

VOLLEYBALL - Scheduled meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows: September 18, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26 and October 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 22, 23, 25. This fall program is open to all students. Students work on volleyball skills and play each other at the school. There are no tryouts. Sports physicals are required at the first meeting.

Coaches: Mrs. Allutto and Ms. Cain

BASKETBALL - This spring program is open to all students. It meets from 2:15-4:00pm. Students engage in small sided games. An optional 3 vs. 3 tournament is run during the program. Schedule to be announced. Students will play basketball in the school gym. Sports physicals are required.

Coaches: Mr. Collins and Mr. Henry

LACROSSE - This spring program is open to all students. It teaches the fundamentals of Lacrosse using modified equipment. Physicals are required. The program will meet 3 days a week and the schedule will be released in early Spring.

Coach: Walsh and Coach Cooney

FALL SPORTS

SOCCER BOYS 6/7 AND SEPARATE 8TH AND GIRLS GRADES 6-8 - Games are arranged with other teams/schools in the MCISSEL conference. There is one team for boys 8th grade and a boys 6/7 team and one team for girls, grades 6-8. Tryouts begin the first full week in September. Sports physicals are required. No payment is needed to try out.

Coach: Mrs. E. Corsi Grade 6-7 Boys

Coach: Mr. Jay Grade 8 Boys

Coach: Ms. Kearney Grade 6-8 Girls

CROSS COUNTRY BOYS AND GIRLS GRADES 6-8 - This is a NON cut sport; all runners will run at home meets (meets at MMS). Everyone is invited to join. Team members participate in a 1.5 mile run on an outdoor, measured course on natural terrain. The team competes against other schools in the MCISCCL conference. Practices begin early in September. Sports physicals are required.

Coaches: Mr. Conkling and Ms. Santaniello

GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY - Physicals are required. Most equipment will be provided for students. No payment is needed to try out. No experience is needed to try out. Games are arranged with other schools in the surrounding area. Athletes that make the team, will be required to get a mouthguard, shin guards, and biker shorts.

Coach: Ms. Cooney

WINTER SPORTS

BASKETBALL BOYS AND GIRLS TEAMS GRADES 6-7 & BOYS AND GIRLS TEAMS

GRADE 8 - Schedules include games with middle school teams in Monmouth County. Athletic ability, sportsmanship, and academic proficiency are prerequisites for team selection. Tryouts will take place in early November. The season runs from December through February. Sports physicals are required.

Coaches: Girls Grade 6-7 Ms. Kearney Grade 8 Mrs. Kelly-Albahani

Coaches: Boys Grade 6-7 Mr. Conkling Grade 8 Mr. Michaels

CHEERLEADING - GRADES 6-8 - The squad cheers for MMS home basketball games.

Students practice 3 to 4 times per week during the pre season and at least twice during the season. Cheerleaders are required to attend all home basketball games. Tryouts will be held in early November. The season runs through February. Sports physicals are required.

Coaches: Mrs. Carroll and Ms. Triozzi

WRESTLING - GRADES 6-8 - This is a competitive program, which meets five days a week.

Wrestlers are taught all techniques and moves in a safe and supervised manner. All interested students may join the team which begins practice in early November. The team practices and hold meets at MMS and travels to other schools for meets as well. For away meets, students will always be bused back to MMS. Sports physicals are required.

Coaches: Mr. Collins and Mr. Jay

SPRING SPORTS

BASEBALL BOYS GRADES 6-8 - Tryouts will be held in March. Games will be played after school on a competitive level against other schools in the area. Athletic ability, sportsmanship, and academic proficiency are prerequisites for team selection. Boys in all grades are encouraged to tryout. Forms will be available prior to tryouts in order to provide information on positions played and personal strengths. Players must be available to practice daily until 4:00pm, and to be at all games, following a predetermined schedule, until 6:00pm or later. Sports physicals are required.

Coach: Mr. DeNora

SOFTBALL GIRLS GRADES 6-8 - Tryouts will be held in March. There is one team that plays in the MCMSSC conference. Athletic ability, sportsmanship, academic proficiency, and work ethic are prerequisites for team selection. Sports physicals are required for participation. All girls are highly encouraged to try out for the team.

Coach: Ms. Vento

TENNIS BOYS AND GIRLS GRADES 6-8 - Tryouts for this very competitive team begin in March. Home matches are played at the Marlboro Swim Club or Marlboro High School. Students will be transported back to the school following competitive matches at “away” locations. Sports physicals are required.

Coach: Mr. Conkling

TRACK AND FIELD BOYS AND GIRLS GRADES 6-8 - This year there are tryouts for Track and Field, as it is a cut sport, and tryouts will begin mid March. Practice is held daily from 2:30pm-4:00pm and starts in mid March and runs through the end of May. Time and distance trials, sportsmanship, and academic proficiency are prerequisites for team selection. Those on the team are expected to attend practice daily and ALL scheduled meets. Sports physicals are required. Track and Field consists of running, throwing, and jumping events. Meets will be scheduled beginning in April.

Coaches: Mrs. Girard and Ms. Kearney

PERFORMING MUSIC GROUPS

Students may choose to audition for and may be selected to participate in Griffin Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Chorale (formerly Show choir) and Jazz Band.

MARLBORO GRIFFIN ORCHESTRA Grades 6-8 - This ensemble is for string orchestra students from both middle schools in grades 6-8 who have advanced ability. Acceptance is through audition only; auditions will take place in June with reauditions for eligible 6th graders in September. Rehearsals will be after school on Tuesdays from 2:30-4:00 pm from October through May. Students are bused to the host school and must be picked up from that school; there is no return bus. Audition requirements include scales, a prepared solo selection and sightreading. Accepted students must attend all rehearsals, any conflicts must be discussed with Mrs. Dokus in advance. There is a participation fee, and cost for the performance outfit for accepted students. Griffin Orchestra will be participating in an overnight competition trip.

Advisor: Mrs. Dokus

WIND ENSEMBLE Grades 7 & 8 - Wind Ensemble is an auditioned group selected from the general band population. Only those students who are members in good standing are eligible to audition. Wind Ensemble is open to students in grades 7 and 8 only. Auditions are held in June for the following school year. Rehearsals are scheduled, during the school day, for 2 of the 6 day Related Arts Cycle. Members must also be enrolled in their regular grade level band. The Wind Ensemble rehearses after school every Wednesday from 2:30-4:00. The Wind Ensemble performs at the winter and spring concerts, various community events and adjudications during the school year. Students receive a letter grade on their report card every marking period.

Advisor: Ms. Garabaldi

CHORALE Grades 7 & 8 - An auditioned group of singers and is only open to 7th and 8th grade members who have been in chorus previously. All Chorale members must also be enrolled in either the 7th or 8th grade chorus. Chorale rehearsals meet during the school day, along with an after school rehearsal every Wednesday from 2:30 to 4:00 pm. The Chorale performs in both the winter and spring concerts, various community events and adjudications during the school year. Students receive a letter grade on their report card every marking period. **Advisor: Ms. Chandler**

JAZZ BAND Grades 7 & 8 - Jazz Band is an auditioned group selected from the general band population. Only those students who are members in good standing are eligible to audition. Jazz Band is open to students in grades 7 and 8 only. Auditions are held in June for the following school year. There are no rehearsals during the school day. Students are expected to attend one after-school rehearsal per week on Tuesdays, from 2:30-4:00. The Jazz Band performs at the winter and spring concerts, various community events and adjudications during the school year. **Advisor: Ms. Garabaldi**