

GARDEN CITY MIDDLE SCHOOL CLUBS and ACTIVITIES

2021-2022

<p>Anti-Bullying/Anti-Bias Club (“ABC”) Dr. K. Greenwald Library 3:15-4:15 p.m. (1st and 3rd Mondays of month)</p>	<p>Do you want to make a difference in GCMS? Do you like to create projects, plan special events, and do community service activities? Do you consider yourself an upstander? If so, the Anti-Bullying Club (“ABC”) is for you. ABC will meet twice a month on Mondays after school from 3:15-4:10pm in the library. The first meeting will be held on September 27th. Please contact Dr. Greenwald in room 151 for more information or to receive the Google Classroom code for updates on the club.</p>
<p>Art Club Ms. L. Biondi, Room 246 Mondays 3:30-4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Do you like to Draw, Paint, Create? Why not join the GCMS Art Club? Art Club will be held once a week after school in a studio environment. Students may work on a club assignment or artwork of their choice. Students can connect with others who love art in this fun, positive and creative environment!</p>
<p>GSA Club Ms. E. Messier, A. Fasulo Room 114 Tuesdays 3:20 p.m.</p>	<p>The GSA Club is a community where everyone belongs: students who identify as LGBTQ+, their allies, and those who want to learn more or join a supportive community. Our first meeting will be held on Monday, September 27 at 3:20 in Room 114.</p>
<p>Student Store - Mr. D. Hakes Tuesday through Friday 8:05-8:25 a.m.</p>	<p>Please see Mr. Hakes in room 213 with questions about the Student Store.</p>
<p>Stock Market Club Mr. D. Bradshaw, Room 101 Tuesdays 7:30 a.m.</p>	<p>The Stock Market Club is open to any 6th, 7th or 8th grader interested in finding out about the workings of the stock market. Each team (individual) is given an imaginary \$100,000 to invest in stocks. Students learn how to read the stock page as well as track their stocks. They are sent a portfolio each week with an update on their investments. Meeting times are Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. in room 101.</p>
<p>Morning Jazz Band (starts 11/16) Ms. D. DeMarco, Room 136 Tuesdays 7:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Morning Jazz Band is designed for students who have had limited exposure to jazz, or who are unable to make the extensive effort and time commitment needed for the Late Night Jazz Ensemble. It will provide them with a solid foundation in swing, Latin, and rock. The weekly rehearsals for the Morning Jazz Band will begin promptly at 7:30 a.m. every Tuesday morning (alternate days when necessary).</p>

<p>Math Research Club Ms. J. DiLorenzo, Room 110 Tuesdays 7:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Math Research - Garden City Middle School students will compete in NCAMS (Nassau County Association of Mathematics Supervisors), a math fair for schools across Long Island. The goal of NCAMS is to get children excited about math and research topics they don't learn through a typical math curriculum. In NCAMS, the students do the work!</p>
<p>Recreations Connections Mr. J. Camilleri, Mr. F. Caputo Room 148 Tuesdays 3:30-4:30 p.m.</p>	<p>The Recreation Connections Club offers students the opportunity to build teamwork and positive communication skills through interactive activities that vary from games and sports to role-playing and volunteer activities. Throughout the year, students will be provided with opportunities to utilize computers to share their interests in games or interactive websites, interact through organized gameplay and play board games. The activities are designed to foster students' understanding of the importance of working together to accomplish tasks.</p>
<p><i>Spearhead</i> Yearbook Ms. N. Saltas, Room 115 Wednesdays at 7:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Spearhead Yearbook Club gives students the opportunity to leave a lasting impression at Garden City Middle School. Students will become photographers, graphic designers and marketing planners. The goal is to create and promote the sale of the school yearbook. Join the yearbook club and help leave your mark!</p>
<p>Festival Chorus Ms. N. Menges, Room 135 Wednesdays at 7:30-8:15 a.m.</p>	<p>Festival Chorus is the premier singing group at the Middle School and features our hardest working musicians from all the music disciplines (Band, Music in our Lives and Orchestra as well as Chorus). The music studied is more challenging than that in other chorus classes and provides an opportunity for motivated students to explore new horizons. Festival Chorus is open to all MS students. Festival Chorus performs at the winter and spring concerts.</p>
<p>6th Grade Student Council Ms. S. Shea <i>Note day change:</i> Fridays 7:40 Room 204</p>	<p>There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, September 29th at 7:30 a.m. in the cafeteria for any student in grades 6th-8th interested in participating in Student Council. Please drop students at front entrance of building. ALL ARE WELCOME!!</p>
<p>7th Grade Student Council Ms. R. Madden 7:40-8:05 a.m. Every other Wednesday Room 214</p>	<p>There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, September 29th at 7:30 a.m. in the cafeteria for any student in grades 6th-8th interested in participating in Student Council. Please drop students at front entrance of building. ALL ARE WELCOME!!</p>
<p>8th Grade Student Council Mr. M. Tullo <i>Note day change:</i> Fridays 7:40 Room 204</p>	<p>There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, September 29th at 7:30 a.m. in the cafeteria for any student in grades 6th-8th interested in participating in Student Council. Please drop students at front entrance of building. ALL ARE WELCOME!!</p>

<p>Early Morning Science Research Dr. P. Zaferiou, Room 244 Thursdays at 7:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Early Morning Science Research Club - a place where students interested in exploring different Science topics can gather and have fun. Science Olympiad is the main focus where teams of 15 students can prepare to be challenged in any of 23 science competitions of their choosing in March with other middle school students from Western Long Island.</p>
<p>6th Grade Speech & Debate Mr. J. Cronin, Room 203 Thursdays 3:30-4:30 p.m.</p>	<p>In 6th Grade Speech & Debate, students will learn the basics of public speaking. After knowing the basics of speaking in public, they will learn how to make sound, valid arguments and refute them. They have in-class debates. Prepares them for 7th and 8th grade Speech and Debate with tournaments.</p>
<p>7th and 8th Grade Speech & Debate Mr. J. Cronin, Room 203 Thursdays 7:30-8:15 a.m.</p>	<p>In 7th and 8th Grade Speech & Debate students will build on skills from 6th grade. Although not a prerequisite, it really helps if 6th grade club was attended. There will be tournaments among my league of three other middle schools. Additionally, students learn and participate in American Debate League (ADL) tournaments, with a chance for a National Debate Championship at Harvard.</p>
<p><i>Phoenix</i> Newspaper Ms. E. Feerick, Room 141 Thursdays 7:40 a.m.</p>	<p>The <i>Phoenix Newspaper Club</i> meets weekly on Thursday mornings at 7:40 in room 141. Students work on writing news articles, sports articles, editorials, advice columns, and interviews for publication in the school newspaper, <i>Phoenix</i>. Students are encouraged to write about events, issues, and people that they are interested in and feel others should know about. There is an electronic version of the newspaper and past issues and the link is located on the front page of the school website. We have a rolling admission throughout the year, and we are always on the lookout for new reporters. We hope to see you there!</p>
<p>Dead Poets' Society Ms. K. Aguilo, Room 206 Alternate Thursdays 7:50-8:15 a.m.</p>	<p>Dead Poets' Society is Garden City Middle School's literary magazine. The annual literary magazine serves to celebrate the students' talents by publishing their writing and artistry for the enjoyment of the GCMS school community. Students meet every other week to write and experience each stage of the publishing process.</p>
<p>Environmental Science Mr. J. Augi, Room 146 Thursdays 3:30-4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Please speak with Mr. Augi regarding Environmental Club.</p>
<p>Italian Club (next is 10/14) Ms. D. Caruthers, Room 113 Alternate Thursdays 3:30-4:15 p.m.</p>	<p>The Italian Club meets two Thursdays a month after school from 3:30-4:15 in Room 113. Signora Caruthers is the club advisor. Each month students learn about different aspects of the culture through recognizing Italian holidays and celebrations or through learning about music, art, food, and language. Join the fun and live a little of the <i>dolce vita</i> in room 113!</p>

<p>Late Night Jazz (starts 10/7) Ms. J. Iovino, Room 136 Thursdays 7:00-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p><u>Late Night Jazz Ensemble</u> offers opportunities for the most experienced and highly motivated middle school musicians to engage in rigorous rehearsals, perform advanced music and meet the highest expectations. This group rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m. (alternate days when necessary). This ensemble has earned first place and Best Overall Jazz Ensemble at the “Music In The Parks” Festival every year they have attended. We hope to attend again this year.</p>
<p>Music in Our Lives Ms. D. DeMarco in Room 137 Thursday mornings at 7:40 a.m.</p>	<p><u>Music In Our Lives</u> is designed for students who have a strong interest in learning a musical instrument but have not yet had the opportunity to try one. This group will meet on Thursday mornings at 7:40 a.m. Throughout the course of the year, students will have the opportunity to explore the following instruments: piano, ukulele, electric guitar and bucket drums.</p>
<p>Best Buddies Ms. J. Novack/Ms. M. Daniello Library Fridays 7:45-8:15 a.m.</p>	<p>The <u>Best Buddies Club</u> focuses on fostering friendships between middle school students with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities in which they share interests, experiences, and activities. The Best Buddies club helps to create an inclusive middle school culture for all students. The first meeting will be for our peer leaders only, next Friday 10/1.</p>
<p>German Club Ms. S. Rupes, Room 105 Fridays 7:40-8:15 a.m.</p>	<p>The <u>German Club</u> is for German and non-German speaking students to increase awareness of German culture. We take trips to experience German cultural events, such as: Plattdeutsch Park’s Ompahfest, the Goethe Institute for German Cultural Awareness & Heidelberg Restaurant.</p>