



# DUMBARTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

## CLUBS & TEAMS 2016-2017

MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND DEVELOP YOUR MANY TALENTS! JOIN ONE OR MULTIPLE DMS CLUBS WHICH START THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13TH. LISTEN TO DMS ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MORE INFORMATION.

### Before School Clubs

*Parents provide transportation*

#### HONORS BAND (starts in late fall)

**TUES 7:15 to 8:00 a.m. Mr. Miskimon, Mrs. Long;**  
Consists of advanced instrumentalists and is open to all grades by audition. They perform at the Baltimore County Band Assessment and the Honors Concert in May.

#### HONORS ORCHESTRA (starts in late fall)

**WED 7:15 to 8:00 a.m. Mr. Miskimon, Mrs. Long;**  
**Auditorium** Consists of our advanced instrumentalists and is open to all grades by audition. This group performs at the Baltimore County Orchestra Assessment and in the Honors Concert in May.

#### JAZZ ENSEMBLE (starts in late fall)

**THURS 7:15 to 8:00 a.m. Mr. Miskimon, Mrs. Long;**  
**Auditorium** Consists of advanced instrumentalists and is open to all grades by audition. Group performs in our Winter and Spring Concerts.

#### DUMBARTON SINGERS

**THURS 7:15 to 8:00 a.m. Ms. Hoffman and Ms. Sills;**  
**Modular 6.** We are an auditioned group of 30-40 singers from all grades. We specialize in advanced choral music and perform in the Honors Concert. Students need an excellent ear and strong ability to sight read music. Regular attendance is required.

#### SHOW CHOIR

**FRI 7:15 to 8:00 a.m. Ms. Hoffman & Ms. Sills; Modular 6.**  
This is an auditioned group of 30 singers from all grades who sing and dance with passion! We perform for the community and at the spring Honors Concert. Regular attendance is required.

#### LIBRARY HELPERS

**Mornings from 7:45 – 8:00 a.m. Mrs. Hutchison; Library**  
Love sight, feel, and smell of books? Skilled at organizing? Good with people? The library might be the place for you! Earn service learning hours while aiding your fellow students in the library by becoming a library helper.

#### BROADCAST WDMS: YOUR MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MON-FRI (On assigned days): 7:50 to 8:15 a.m. Mr. Adams.**  
Let your voice be HEARD throughout the school! Join WDMS – Your Morning Announcements. You can broadcast for one or more days each week. Be part of the team!

#### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

PARENTS PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION PROMPTLY AT 3:45 PM

#### BOARD GAMES CLUB

**THURS (every other) with Mr. Finkelstein; Room 125**  
We've got game. Actually, we have lots of games with new ones arriving monthly. Let yourself play!

#### CHESS CLUB

**THURS with Mr. Kampes; Room 211**  
Novices and experts welcome! In addition to friendly competition among peers at DMS, we travel to Cockeysville Middle for a "chess party" and to play other students.

#### FOREIGN LANGUAGE CLUB

**TUES (every third) with Mrs. Leon & Mr. Conty; Room 122 & 124**  
We share cultural experiences such as meals, movies, music, customs, and traditions in a friendly environment.

#### EDUCATORS RISING CLUB (starts September 23<sup>rd</sup>)

**FRI (every other) with Ms. Turner; Room 107**  
Explore the option of teaching as a career! We develop leadership skills, plan ways to assist teachers, and explore service opportunities related to teaching. Each member is required to serve as a teacher's assistant once during the year. We know that TEACHERS influence **ALL CAREERS!**

#### GREEN TEAM

**TUES (every other) Mr. Kampes, Mr. Pettitt, Mrs. Leon in 211**  
The Green Team works on projects that improve the environment and the beauty of DMS. Students take care of the indoor plants, the outdoor gardens, maintain our "No Mow Zone", and work on outdoor projects. Students who care about the environment, enjoy taking care of plants, and want to earn service learning hours are encouraged to join us.

#### DRAMA CLUB: "Pride Productions": (Start date TBD)

**TUES & WED with Ms. Robidoux in the Cafeteria**  
Lights, camera, action! If you are interested in stage performance, join us! Develop your acting talents and "improv" skills as we prepare for our school play to be held in March/April.

#### MAGIC CARD CLUB

**WED with Mr. Bacon; Room 115**  
Northern Paladin, Pharaoh's Bodyguard, Charzard – if you know what I am talking about, then this is the club for you! Bring your Magic, Yu-Gi-Oh and Pokemon Cards and battle it out for control of the universe.

#### Robotics Club with Ms. Rosen

**WED (First and last of Month starting in October) Room 111**  
Think like an engineer! Take control! Command a robot to do what you want it to do! Join the Robotics Club! The club will use the school's Lego Mindstorm kits to create and program robots. If you like teamwork, problem solving, and a feeling of accomplishment, this is the club for you!

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: PARENTS PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION**

**PROMPTLY AT 3:45 PM**

### **KINDNESS CLUB**

**Last WED of the month with Ms. Sharbonda; Room 210**

Do you want to make Dumbarton as nice as it can be? Do you like to brighten someone's day? Then the Kindness Club is for you! We plan ways that students can encourage acts of kindness and we promote appreciation of others. In the past, we wrapped holiday gifts for needy children and painted bowls for charity. You can also earn service hours while having fun with your friends and making a difference.

### **MATH 24 Club**

**WED with Mr. Russell; Room 212**

Use all the numbers on a card and any combination of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division to get 24! This fun and challenging game supports the NCTM standards in problem solving, communication, number relationships, and Algebra.

### **MATH COUNTS COMPETITION CLUB**

**TUES with Mrs. Ninos; Room 218**

Ready to take your math game to the next level? Join Math Counts! This club is ideal for students who have a talent and passion for math and enjoy being challenged. Students prepare for "bee-style" contests in which they will compete against and alongside other bright, motivated students.

### **ART: NATIONAL JUNIOR ART HONOR SOCIETY**

**TUES with Mr. Krantz, Mr. Jones; Room 121**

We are a nationally sponsored Art Society that is focused on creating artwork for the surrounding communities and DMS. Members of the NJAHS come from many different art backgrounds and include 7th and 8th graders. Using a wide range of art materials, members strive to solve many art problems that are created to advocate for the arts and better the community. Students are committed to exploring, and building on their skills outside of the art class.

### **STEM CLUB**

**TUES (every other) with Mr. Pettitt, Ms. Damon; Room 123**

Be part of a competitive team! Work with others to design, improve, and extend ideas for the STEM fair. Work through the scientific method to solve challenges, such as an Egg Transport Vehicle & Flying Machine.

### **QUIZ BOWL**

**WED 3:00 – 3:30 Mr. Conty in Room 124**

Love Jeopardy? Sports trivia buff? Quiz Bowl is for you! Teams match their knowledge of current events, geography, history, entertainment, and sports in this fast moving competition. The team practices once a week and competes with other schools several times a year.

### **HOMEWORK CLUB**

**TUES with Ms. Hummel in Room 213**

This is a great opportunity to do your work and get organized in order to boost achievement. Students may come each week or on a drop-in basis. Stay after a little each day and then you have more time to play!

### **DANCE CLUB: (starts September 30<sup>th</sup>)**

**FRI (every other) Ms. Turner; Cafeteria**

Dance Dance Dance! Come enjoy creating dance routines with your friends.

### **Book Club:**

**TUES (Every other) Mrs. Manz in room 221**

We will meet to select books to read as a club, to discuss our thoughts and understandings of the books, and to collaborate on activities centered around the books we read.

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

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### **STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (SGA)**

**THURS with Mrs. Denmyer-Prenger; Room 113**

SGA is an excellent venue in which you can participate in school wide governance. (Note: there is an application process) The SGA provides leadership and community involvement opportunities. We also sponsor fun activities like Spirit Weeks. More information on how to become an SGA member will be shared via announcements in mid-September.

### **WRITER'S CLUB**

**TUES (every other) with Mr. Adams; Modular #7**

If you like to write, this club is for you! We do it all—contests, community service projects, poetry, short stories, essays, art-writing, and others. "We Build New Worlds—One Word At A Time!"

### **YEARBOOK CLUB**

**WED (end of month) Mrs. Denmyer-Prenger & Mrs. Evans; Rm 113**

We create the DMS yearbook and focus on photography, page construction and yearbook design. We also work in collaboration with teachers and staff at different DMS events.

### **S.A.D.D.**

**WED (every other) Dr. Laurent; School Counseling Office**

Students Against Destructive Decisions promotes a safe and drug-free environment. Together we can make a difference.

### **SPEECH & DEBATE CLUB**

**THURS - Mr. Richards & Mr. Bacon in the Library**

Do you like to argue with others? Do you get passionate about discussion ideas and topics? Are you interested in current events or controversial issues? If this applies to you, come join us for the brand new Speech & Debate Club starting fall 2016.

### **FBLA - Future Business Leaders of America (Starts late Oct.)**

**TUES (every other) with Mrs. Batistta and Mrs. Koch**

The FBLA introduces middle school students to the world of leadership and business with career exploration, community service, and immersive educational programs. Students gain an appreciation of business and the free enterprise system through a variety of leadership programs, community service projects, and educational activities.

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**Note: Release forms required to attend the following:**

### **INTRAMURALS: RUNNING Club**

**WED with Mr. DePrima, Mrs. Melanson; Gymnasium**

Let' get in shape and learn proper form, technique, mechanics, drills, and stretching for running. If you want to increase speed or your endurance, running is a great way to do it. Whether you are advanced or a beginner our club will accommodate you.

### **INTRAMURALS: JUMP ROPE**

**TUES with Mrs. Hostetler in the Gymnasium**

Join us to learn group jump rope strategies and maneuvers with our radical roper student experts from last year.

# DMS COMPETITIVE TEAMS

These are BCPS sponsored teams that involve DMS students competing with other middle school teams. DMS adheres to the BCPS Middle School Eligibility Policy listed below. More information will be shared by the coaches when it is time for tryouts. There is no cost associated with joining these teams.

## **Badminton – Fall BCPS Sport**

(Wednesday-Friday) 2:55-3:45 Mr. Blockston – coach ([jblockston@bcps.org](mailto:jblockston@bcps.org))

## **Cross Country – Fall BCPS Sport**

Mr. DePrima & Mrs. Melanson ([jdeprima@bcps.org](mailto:jdeprima@bcps.org)) & [rmelanson@bcps.org](mailto:rmelanson@bcps.org)

## **Track & Field – Spring BCPS Sport**

Mr. DePrima & Mrs. Melanson ([jdeprima@bcps.org](mailto:jdeprima@bcps.org)) & [rmelanson@bcps.org](mailto:rmelanson@bcps.org)

## **BCPS Middle School Athletic Eligibility Policy**

**Scholastic Requirement:** Students are academically ineligible if:

- \*They have less than a 2.0 grade point average.
- \*They have more than one failing, incomplete, or medical grade in the marking period prior to the start of the season of participation.
- \* First, second, third, and fourth grading period will be used for determining scholastic eligibility for winter, spring, and fall.
- \*Any student who is entering the 6<sup>th</sup> grade from an elementary school will be exempt from the Academic Eligibility Policy during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter only. These incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students have until the release of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter report cards before they can become ineligible.

## **Physical Examination/Athletic Permit Blank:**

\*All students must be examined by a licensed physician, physician's assistant under the supervision of a licensed certified physician, or certified nurse practitioner. The back of the form must be signed, dated and stamped by the physician, and the front completed and signed by the student's parent or legal guardian. This physical is valid for one year from the date of the exam.

\*The athletic permit blank must also be completed and signed by the student's parent or legal guardian; including *up-to-date* insurance policy information.

\*\*Both forms must be completed, certified, and provided to the middle school principal prior to participating in any tryout, practice, or interscholastic competition.

\*\*\*For more information regarding eligibility, please email DMS Assistant Principal, Mrs. Heil at [ehail@bcps.org](mailto:ehail@bcps.org), call the Office of Athletics at 410-887- 2328 or visit this website:

<http://www.bcps.org/offices/athletics/pdf/AthleticEligibility-MS.pdf>

**Please note:** Towson Recreational Council has historically used the Dumbarton name and colors for athletic teams (basketball, soccer, lacrosse, etc.) however they are not affiliated with DMS or BCPS, are not supervised or coached by DMS staff nor are the BCPS eligibility requirements applicable. In addition, we utilize DMS announcements to celebrate BCPS sponsored DMS team achievements. 😊