

Clubs & Activities at Northwest Middle School, 2023-24

- **Asian Culture Club (ACC)**

Dive into Asian culture through many avenues including food, music, media, traditions, holidays, popular culture, and anime.

Sponsor: Mr. McNicholas

Asian Culture Club Remind: text @accnwms to 81010

Meetings: Quarterly, to be determined. 3:45 pm until 5pm in Room 215

- **Astronomy Club**

Sponsor: Mr. Groce and Mr. McNicholas

Astronomy Club Remind: text @starscopes to 81010

Meetings: Evening events to be determined. Meeting in Oak Ridge Town Park.

- **Battle of the Books**

This is a book club culminating in a district / statewide quiz bowl competition. Students must read 16 books on a list provided by NC School Library Media Association, who sponsors the competition. Competition Team Member selection occurs just prior to Winter Break. The Preliminary Virtual Competition will be held in February. Final Competition will be at UNC-Greensboro in March. Parent permission form is required to participate once the team has been selected.

Sponsors: Mrs. Stringer & Mrs. Potter

Battle of the Books Remind: text @nwbobteam to 81010

Battle Website: <https://www.gcsnc.com/Page/26219>

Meetings: Thursdays @ 3:40 – 5:00 in the Media Center beginning in October following the Interest Meeting on October 5th.

- **Chess Club**

On Monday afternoons come and learn different strategies to beat your opponent, then come Tuesday morning and play games against other club members to practice what you learned on Monday.

Sponsor: Mrs. Bock and Mr. Woodrow

Chess Club Remind: text @ef93cf to 81010

Meetings: Monday afternoons from 3:30 until 4:15 pm and Thursday mornings @7:30 am in Room 114.

- **Family, Career & Community Leaders of America**

Leadership & Service - Affiliate with the national organization - part of Family & Consumer Sciences. Parent permission form required to participate.

Sponsor: Mrs. Minner

Meetings: 2 time a month on Thursdays (to be determined) from 3:45- 4:45, Room 102

- **FBLA-Future Business Leaders of America**

FBLA-ML inspires and prepares students to become community-minded business leaders in a global society through relevant career preparation and leadership experiences. Parent permission form required to participate.

Sponsor: Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Minner

Remind: Text @8afkeb to 81010

Meetings: Every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 am, Media Center

- **Gamers Unite: Minecraft Esports Club**

Compete in build challenges and eSports as teams. Build A Better World!!!!

Sponsors: Mr. McNicholas

Remind: text @gamernwms to 81010

Meetings: 6th Grade – start 9/11, after school (Room 215), 7th/8th Grade – start 9/18 (Media Center). Team Selection following initial dates. Every other Monday after school until 5 pm in the Media Center.

- **Impact Club – Christian Faith Based Meetings**

Parent permission form is required to participate.

Sponsors: Mrs. Matherlee (students & pastors help lead, too)

Remind: text @impactnwms to 81010

Meetings: Friday mornings @ 7:30 am in Mrs. Matherlee's room, Rm. 216
Parent Permission Form linked here.

- **International Thespian Society (Drama)**

The International Thespian Society is the theatre honor society in the United States. Affiliation brings credibility and distinction to students, theatre programs, and schools. Students will discuss service projects for the Drama club, host Improv performances, musical performances, and plays, talent shows, and fundraise for the Drama department.

Sponsor: Mr. Luck

Remind: @thespiannw

Meetings: meets 1st Monday of each month beginning October 2nd in Room 207.

- **Ketchup Club**

Did you miss school because you were out sick? Have you been on a fun vacation and can't get that make-up work completed? Did you day dream in class? Come to the Ketchup club and "Catch UP" on all that missing work.

Sponsor: Mrs. Bock

Remind: text @af64eh to 81010

Meetings: Wednesdays @ 3:30 – 4:15, room 114

- **Math Club**

The purpose of Math Club is to have fun working on challenging math problems and learn skills and get practice needed to participate in the MathCounts competition.

Sponsor: Mrs. McMillan

Remind: text @866ebd to 81010

Meetings: Mondays @ 3:30 – 4:15, first week in October – March in Rm. 313

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- **Band Rehearsal Club**

Open to students who are practicing for auditions for All County and/or All District Band OR any 7th or 8th grade student who needs to work with Ms. Cox. Parent permission form is required to participate.

Sponsor: Ms. Cox

Meetings: To be determined.

- **Jazz Band**

Sponsor: Mr. Brooks

Meetings: Mondays & Wednesdays, 7:55-8:25 am beginning in January, 2024.

- **Pep Band**

Perform at home basketball Games; Open to all 6-8 grade band students. Parent permission form is required to participate.

Sponsor: Ms. Cox

Meetings: To be determined.

- **The Pretty Cool Book Club**

This book club is for students who like to read, discuss and share their favorite books. Monthly books will be “assigned” but not required reading. Club members will nominate books for the year in October and books will be voted on by attendees for monthly discussions. Various activities may be provided to coincide with a book or to support reading fun.

Sponsor: Mrs. Stringer

Remind: text @nwreaders to 81010

Meetings: The second Monday of the month beginning on October 9th. We will meet in the Media Center.

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- **Run and Walk Club**

The purpose is to stay fit and active. Start each Wednesday by moving outside while making new friends. Students must adhere to the rules of the track.

Sponsor: Mrs. Swayze and Mrs. Hopkins

Remind: @nwrunc to 81010

Meetings: Meets each Wednesday morning on the High School track from 7:15-7:55 beginning 9/20. Students will be walked to the front door at 8am. Note: Run Club will be cancelled in bad weather. A remind text will be sent if club is cancelled. Run club will not meet in December and January due to dark and cold weather.

- **TAS Robotics Club**

This is a competitive robotics team that will be focused on building and coding VEX Robotics and competing in the TSA Middle School Robotics competition for the 2023-24 school year.

Sponsor: Mr. Reeves

Meetings: Every other Monday from 3:45-5:00 in Room 101.

- **Spanish Club**

Learn about the different Spanish-speaking countries and their culture. You do not have to take Spanish to be in the club.

Sponsor: Amanda Scott

Meetings: Every Wednesday from 7:15-8, in room 208.

- **Student Council**

Our goal is to lead and support student life at Northwest. Students can take an active role in school spirit, encourage school involvement and leave Northwest a better place than where we found it! We will be planning fundraisers, Spirit Weeks, Career Day, Spring Dance, etc. Anyone is welcome to attend and help!

Sponsor: Mrs. C Williams

Remind: @a7c4hb9

Meetings: Every other week on Mondays afterschool until 4:45 (starting September 18th) in Room 410

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