

Parent & Student Weekly Email

Nitschmann Middle School Weekly Update

Sunday, June 3, 2018 to Sunday, June 10, 2018

Home of the Nitschmann Nation!

All of this information can be downloaded at our [Nitschmann Middle School Website!](#)

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Attachments to Review

None at this time.

Upcoming Dates to Be Proactive! (All dates are listed on our [NMS website](#))

2017-2018 School Year

6/4 Student/Staff Basketball Game; 6/5 ACES Day, FHS Physicals, LHS Graduation; 6/6 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony 7pm @ NMS & 6th Grade Greek Olympics; 6/7 8th Grade Cookout; 6/8 Last Day of School 11:30 Dismissal; 6/11 Teacher In-Service Day; 6/12 Teacher Record Day; 6/13 Teacher In-Service B-Flex Day #2; 6/22 Report Card Mailing for the 4th Quarter

2018-2019 School Year

8/5 First Day of Band Camp; 8/10 Fall Sports Meeting @ NMS; 8/13 First Day of Fall Sports Practice; 8/23 New Student Walkthrough 7pm; 8/27 First Day of School (6th Grade 8:05am Arrival, 7th & 8th Grade 11:05am Arrival); 9/17 Back to School Night 6:30pm; 9/11 Patriot Day; 9/18 Founder's Day;

Monday, 6/4/18 Day 4/No Team Time Student/Staff Basketball Game & Pep Rally 2pm

Tuesday, 6/5/18 Day 5 ACES Day, 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony Ticket Distribution

Wednesday, 6/6/18 Day 6 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony, 7pm

Thursday, 6/7/18 Day 1

Friday, 6/8/18 Day 2/No Encore Classes 11:30am Dismissal/Last Day of School

Saturday, 6/9/18

Sunday, 6/10/18

8th Grade End of Year Activities

6/5 ACES Day, Nitschmann Middle School

6/6 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony, 7pm

6/7 8th Grade Cookout 1pm

Recent Nitschmann News! (Always posted on our Social Media sites too!)

Twitter [@NitschmannMS](#); Facebook [@NitschmannMiddleSchool](#); Instagram [@BASDNitschmannMS](#); Google+ [@NitschmannMiddleSchool](#); Pinterest [@NitschmannMS](#); [NMS School Website](#) ; [YouTube](#)

School-wide Announcements

BASD E-News (Dr. Roy) The June 1, 2018, edition of the BASD e-News from Dr. Roy can be viewed at [BASD e-News](#).

Late Bus (Mayes) - The late busses will not be running this week. Please make arrangements to get home!

Library- All library books are past due. Please ask your child if they owe any books to the library. Bills for books that have not been returned will be mailed in the next week. Many students have indicated that their overdue books are at home and are simply not being returned to the library.

Reminder to Parents - Home Access Center Down In Summer (Mayes) A reminder for parents that Home Access Center will be down for the summer as we conduct system rollovers. While a notice will be placed on the

Parents and Students website from the district website, many parents may have a favorite set to the direct Home Access Center URL.

Reminder to Parents - 4th Quarter Report Cards (Mayes) A reminder for parents that all 4th Quarter report cards are mailed home. Mail for students that is returned will be required to provide new up-to-date address information before starting school this fall.

Student Council (Ellis & Kocon) CALL FOR HELP: New Bethany Ministries' food pantry has hit its lowest supply levels in 17 years! Hundreds of families count on their pantry. **Student Council is sponsoring a last week of school food drive to help boost New Bethany's food pantry.** This food pantry feeds children in Bethlehem, many who rely on these donations when school is not in session. **ALL DONATIONS SHOULD BE BROUGHT DIRECTLY TO THE LIBRARY.** Donations will be accepted through June 8th.

Quebec Trip (Lare) Nitschmann's first ever winter trip to Quebec, Canada is scheduled for Presidents' Weekend of 2019, and the trip is nearly half full. Current 7th grade French students as well as current sixth grade students who have signed up for French may register for the trip at any time. A \$100 deposit will hold your spot. Students will have four days of marvelous indoor and outdoor winter activities, including the Quebec Winter Carnival. If you would like more information about the trip, please email Mrs. Annette Lare at alare@basdschools.org to get a detailed itinerary and cost as well as instructions about how to register at Jumpstreet Tours. We hope to take 48 students to Quebec. Space permitting, we anticipate opening up the trip to non-French students early in the fall semester of 2018.

Spain 2019 (Bouhana) Join us next summer in Spain during our 8 day trip to Madrid, Córdoba, Toledo, and Seville; where we will experience the culture first hand with an authentic cooking class and flamenco lesson. We will visit El Palacio Real and El Prado Museum among other amazing locations. All Nitschmann students are welcome on this trip, as well as siblings who are under the age of 18 and over the age of 11 during the time of travel. Parents are welcome to accompany their children as fellow travelers.

If you are interested in the trip and haven't already enrolled, click on the following link in order to register for the trip and save your spot. www.eftours.com/2119250hy Please RSVP to our June 5th meeting at 3:15 by completing the google form below.

<https://goo.gl/forms/tEmplCSBORJ6Ug4K2>

Athletics (Ortwein)

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Cell Phones (Mayes) Just a reminder to all students that cell phones will be confiscated if seen during the school day without teacher permission in a classroom.

Gum (Mayes) Just a reminder to all students that gum is not permitted in school.

Dress Code (Mayes) Just a reminder to all students that Mr. Mayes reviewed the end of the year dress code with all students in assemblies.

Nitschmann Parent Group (NPG) -Follow us on Twitter! [@NitschmannPG](https://twitter.com/NitschmannPG)

nitschmannparentgroup@gmail.com

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- 1) Amy Wuertele
- 2) Kimberly Marcantonio
- 3) Therese Gyauch

Academic Team Updates

Team Lafayette (6th) (Twitter [@NMSLafayette](https://twitter.com/NMSLafayette)) This is the last week of school! Along with finishing up academics for the year, we have lots of fun things planned. Monday is a pep rally, Tuesday is ACES Day, Wednesday is the Greek Olympics, Thursday we'll play games in the park, and Friday is an 11:30 dismissal. Team Lafayette would like to thank you for a wonderful year!

Team Lehigh (6th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamLehigh](https://twitter.com/NMSTeamLehigh)) Happy end of school year Team Lehigh! We have had a wonderful and productive school year! Have a great summer and check back to say hi next year! Good luck in 7th grade!

Team Moravian (6th) - (Twitter [@NMSTeamMoravian](https://twitter.com/NMSTeamMoravian)) The last week of the school year has arrived! We'd like to wish everyone a happy and safe summer. Here is our schedule for this week: M - Activity Schedule with Faculty Basketball/Pep Rally, T - Cook-Off & ACE's Day, W - Greek Olympics, Th - May Reward - Walk to Hotel Bethlehem for PSU Creamery ice cream, F - Olympic Awards & Hercules (1/2 day). Looking forward to an amazing end to this fun-filled school year!

Team Kutztown (7th) (Twitter [@TeamKutztown](https://twitter.com/TeamKutztown)) Our final week of school will be a busy one. Hopefully, some of our team activities will make it an enjoyable one as well. Students must return all textbooks and school library books on Monday. All lockers should be emptied of all coats, gym clothes, and trash. Arrangements for any make-up work should be made with teachers on Monday. **Science** - This coming week we will be finishing up the section on cell division, as well as, preparing for the end of the year, which includes collecting textbooks. **English** - The Cumulative Vocabulary Exam will be given on Tuesday. (Lessons 1-15)

Team Penn State (7th) (Twitter [@NMSPennState](https://twitter.com/NMSPennState)) We will be walking downtown on Thursday, June 7th, and visiting the Penn State Creamery in Hotel Bethlehem to get ice cream. Any student who would like ice cream must bring \$4.00 in an envelope with the student's name on it to their homeroom teacher by Thursday morning. We will also be having a Team Awards Assembly on Thursday to recognize outstanding Team Penn State Students. We had a great day on Friday investigating the watershed and learning about our environment at Illicks Mill Park at Monocacy Creek. Several students were interviewed by the Morning Call. Watch for an article in the next few days. ELA - 5 Year Letters are past due. Please hand them in on Monday if you have not handed it in yet. Geography - All students must take their Africa poster projects home by Monday. Any student who has a Geography Textbook at home or in their locker must return it to Mrs. Augello.

Team East Stroudsburg (8th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamESU](https://twitter.com/NMSTeamESU)) Team ESU wishes our 8th Grade students good luck this week and in their transition to Liberty High School!

Team Northampton (8th) (Twitter [@TeamSpartanNMS](https://twitter.com/TeamSpartanNMS)) Our Team hopes your child has taken away a few things from this school year...That your teachers are passionate about their subject and love what they do! To surround yourself with people who inspire you and challenge your thinking. Hold yourself accountable for your actions. Invest in relationships with people - it is what makes a meaningful life lived. Step outside your comfort zone while enjoying some laughs along the way, and of course our motto - Work Hard, Play Hard - a great life lesson! Although the school year has ended, we will always be available in the future if or when called upon. If you need us, Vajda will be drinking his diet coke - cheering on his Michigan sports teams, Landino will be watching the next Star Wars movie somewhere in the world - Wallach will be putting together her newest spirit outfit for next year -

Hinkel will be buying the latest J. T. memorabilia online and Fehr and Hood will be running around town. Have a great summer!

Team Temple (Encore) ([Blog](#)) None at this time.

Counseling Corner (Kehler, Litak, Hipp) None at this time.

Student Services Updates None at this time.

Extracurricular Activities

Is your child interested in an after-school club or activity? Email the advisor for more information!

AM Basketball (Off. Conley) None at this time.

Anime Club (Advisors Mrs. Fehr/Mrs. Wallach) Thanks for a great year. See you next year!

Art Club (Advisors Mrs. Kozero/Mrs. Lund) None at this time.

Bandfront (Advisor Mrs. Hriniak) Practice your marching and basic skills over the summer. Enjoy your time off, and see you in August at Summer Band!

Artsmart @ Banana Factory (Advisor Mrs. Lare) None at this time.

Cheerleading (Advisor Mrs. Guerrieri) None at this time.

Dance Team (Advisor Ms. Sierra) None at this time.

German Club (Advisor TBA) None at this time

Heart & Sole Club (Advisor Mrs. Hipp/Ms. Bouhana) None at this time.

FCS/DIY Club (Advisors Mrs. Del Priore & Mrs. Hoffman) None at this time.

French Club (Advisor Mrs. Lare) None at this time.

Intramurals (Advisor Mr. Ortwein) None at this time

Lion Service Club (Advisor Mrs. McLaughlin) None at this time

Mathcounts (Advisor Ms. Novatnak) None at this time.

National Junior Honor Society (Advisors Mrs. Wallach/Mrs. Lanzetta) (Twitter-@Njhs_Nistchmann; Instagram-@Njhs_Nistchmann) We want to thank our 8th graders for a great year of service and wish you all well in your future. We look forward to next year's group to lead us through service to our school and community.

Nitschmann Dramatics (Advisor Mrs. Hriniak) Rose Garden rehearsals Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in Mrs. Hriniak's classroom. Rose Garden event is Saturday June 9. Sign up on Mrs. Hriniak's website. DVDs should be delivered by the end of the week.

Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) (Advisor Mr. Amen) None at this time.

Reading Olympics (Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher) All of the students on Team Wonder have received their award book from the competition! Please encourage all of the 6th and 7th grade students to read, read, read the Reading Olympics books and write summaries for them over the Summer! The books are available at the public library. We wish our 8th grade students the best of luck in high school! Have a safe and happy, relaxing Summer break!

Recreation Games Club (City of Bethlehem) None at this time.

The Lion's Den School Store (Advisors Mr. Dendrinis & Mrs. Evancho) None at this time

Ski Club (Advisors Mr. Downey) None at this time.

Spanish Club (Advisor Ms. Bouhana) None at this time.

Step Team (Advisor Ms. Sierra) Have a great summer! We will meet the first week that school starts to plan for the first even in Sept.

Strategy Club (Advisor Mr. Kehler) None at this time.

Student Council (Advisors Mrs. Ellis) None at this time.

Yearbook (Advisor Mrs. Ellis) None at this time

Nitschmann Middle School Performing Arts Department Updates
Instrumental Music

Mr. Zettlemoyer, Instrumental Music dzettlemoyer@basdschools.org

Instrumental Rehearsal Schedule

6/4 **Monday** - NONE

6/5 **Tuesday** - **String Ensemble for the Moving Up ceremony 7:15 AM**

6/6 **Wednesday** - NONE

6/7 **Thursday** - NONE

6/8 **Friday** - NONE

IMPORTANT DATES

June 5 - NIMAS General membership meeting - All new 5th grade parents are invited to attend. 7:30 PM NMS instrumental room.

June 6 - String ensemble Moving up ceremony performance 7 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All early morning band and orchestra rehearsals have ended for this school year.

SCHOOL INSTRUMENT RETURN - Any student who has a school owned instrument AND will not be continuing in band, orchestra or jazz next year, needs to return the instrument immediately.

Stay up to date on the latest by following the instrumental music groups on Twitter.

[@NMSBandOrch](https://twitter.com/NMSBandOrch)

The Nitschmann Instrumental Music Association is now part of the Amazon Smile program. Now you can shop at Amazon, get great deals and support the **Nitschmann Instrumental Music Association** all at the same time. Please share this with your friends and family. [Go here for more information.](#)

Choral Music

Mrs. de Vries, Choral Music Director ldevries@basdschools.org

Mrs. Parris, Choral Music Director jparris@basdschools.org

6/5-7:15 AM Glee club rehearsal for choral members with no instrumental rehearsal

3:05-4:00 Nitschmann Singer rehearsal

6/6-7:15 AM Glee Club rehearsal in auditorium with all choral members

June 6, 7:00 PM-Glee and Singers perform at 8th grade Moving Up Ceremony. 6:15 PM warm up in choral room.
6th and 7th graders Wear concert dress (black pants/white shirt). 8th graders may wear what they wish. More details to follow.

Lions/Lady Lions Athletics Updates (Twitter @NMS_Athletics)

Mr. Jon Ortwein, NMS Athletic Director jortwein@basdschools.org

Please note a few of these important dates.

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Questions over the summer would be best directed to the coach of your child's sport.

Cross Country Miss Schwartz lschwartz@basdschools.org

Field Hockey Mr. Burzynski bburzynski@basdschools.org

Football Mr. Villani mwillani@basdschools.org

Volleyball Mrs. Hinkel ahinkel@basdschools.org

Mr. Peter Mayes

Principal

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