



Parent & Student Weekly Email Nitschmann Middle School Weekly Update Sunday, October 21, 2018, to Sunday, October 28, 2018 <u>Home of the Nitschmann Nation!</u> All of this information can be viewed at our <u>Nitschmann Middle School Website</u> under <u>Weekly Announcements (Click Here!)</u>

Attachments to Review

NIMAS Bingo Flyer

# **Upcoming Dates to Be Proactive!**

(All dates are listed from our <u>NMS Website</u>, <u>BASD Event Calendar</u>, & <u>BASD Academic Calendar</u>)

10/21 NMS in Saucon Valley Parade; 10/22-10/26- Spirit Week; 10/26 Walk a Thon; 10/30 Free PIAA Sport Physicals at Northeast 5-7PM; 10/30 LHS Wrestling Organizational Meeting 3:05 Gym; 10/31 11:30 Dismissal Teacher In-Service & End of 1st Quarter; 11/1 Free PIAA Sport Physicals at Freedom 5-7PM; 11/2- Dance; 11/6 Teacher In-Service - Schools Closed; 11/9 NIMAS Bingo; 11/18 Spanish Club Bingo; 11/19 11:30 Dismissal Student Conferences (Evening); 11/20 11:30 Dismissal Student Conferences (Afternoon); 11/21-26 Thanksgiving Holiday - Schools Closed; 12/24-1/2/19 Winter Holiday; 1/21 MLK Day - Schools Closed; 1/24 End of 2nd Quarter; 2/15 Teacher In-Service Schools Closed; 2/18 Presidents Day - Schools Closed; 3/12 11:30 Dismissal Teacher In-Service; 3/29 End of 3rd Quarter 4/9 11:30 Dismissal Teacher In-Service; 4/15-26 PSSA ELA Exams (exact dates TBA); 4/29-5/3 PSSA Math Exams (exact dates TBA); 4/18-4/22 Spring & Easter Break - Schools Closed; 5/13-24 Keystone Exams (exact dates TBA); 5/27 Memorial Day -Schools Closed; 6/5 Tentative LHS Graduation; 6/6 Tentative 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony 7pm; 6/7 Tentative Last Day of School & End of 4th Quarter

# Weekly Schedule & Highlights

Monday, 10/22/18 Day 2 Spirit Week Camo Day, Volleyball Championship Tournament @ FHS
Tuesday, 10/23/18 Day 3 Spirit Week Superhero/Character Day
Wednesday, 10/24/18 Day 4 Spirit Week Twin & Teacher Look Alike Day
Thursday, 10/25/18 Day 5 Pep Rally Schedule, Spirit Week Blue & White Day; NMS Pep Rally 2pm; Student/Staff
Volleyball Game; Night Football Game @ LHS 6:30pm vs. EHMS
Friday, 10/26/18 Day 6 Friday Pink Out! Spirit Week Pink Out Day, NMS Walk-A-Thon; City of Bethlehem
Trick-Or-Treat 6pm-8pm
Saturday, 10/27/18
Sunday, 10/28/18 City of Bethlehem Halloween Parade 2pm

Next Week Weekly Schedule & Highlights Monday, 10/29/18 Day 1 Tuesday, 10/30/18 Day 2 Wednesday, 10/31/18 Day 3 11:35am Dismissal Schedule Teacher In-Service Thursday, 11/1/18 Day 4 Friday, 11/2/18 Day 5 Saturday, 11/2/18 Sunday, 11/4/18 Clocks "Fall Back" One Hour

BASD Dining Services Menu & Website https://bethlehemareasd.sodexomyway.com/landing/mid

**PE/Health Schedule (Villani, Long, Weinert)** Mr. Villani in Health starting Day 1 Mrs. Long and Miss Weinert in the gym.

**Recent Nitschmann News!** (Always posted on our Social Media sites too!) *Twitter @NitschmannMS; Facebook @NitschmannMiddleSchool; Instagram @BASDNitschmannMS; NMS School Website ; YouTube* 





Is your child sick? You can submit your child's sick note by email to <u>ni-attendance@basdschools.org</u>, as long as the email on your child's account matches the email address. Please keep your email address up-to-date by emailing our Student Services Guidance Secretary Mrs. Scott at <u>sscott@basdschools.org</u>! Please note that this is ONLY for sick notes, not for early release or any other questions!

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#### School-wide Announcements

**BASD E-News (Dr. Roy) The BASD e-News** is designed to highlight BASD student and staff achievements and share events and activities going on in the BASD and the Lehigh Valley. It is our hope that you find it informative. The latest edition is available at <u>BASD e-News from Dr. Roy.</u>

**Registration Gateway (Mayes)** A reminder that start of the school year paperwork is due no later than October 31, 2018 on the Registration Gateway (<u>https://www.beth.k12.pa.us/ParentsStudents/</u>)

**Shoe Drive (Mayes)** We are collecting gently used shoes in a box in Student Services to help pay off student lunch debts around the BASD. Please see the attached flyer for more information!

**Marker Collection (Novatnak)** Boxes to collect used markers for recycling through the Crayola ColorCycle program have been placed on each floor. They are located by the cafeteria TV screen and near rooms 107, 207 and 307. Markers of any brand or type (sharpies, watercolor markers, highlighters, dry erase) are eligible for the recycling program.

**6th Grade Gifted Seminar (Mendez) -** Reminder that the Archaeology Dig is a week away - Monday, October, 29, weather permitting, along the canal in Freemansburg. Parents, please join us if your schedule allows. Email Mrs. Mendez with any questions: dmendez@basdschools.org.

Día de los Muertos Café (Srta. Bouhana)Wednesday October 31st from 7:45 to 8:30am Spanish club will be selling churros, empanadas, flan, and beverages. Everything is \$1, so skip breakfast and come down to the large group room for some Spanish treats.

**Día de los Muertos Dance (Srta. Bouhana) Friday November 2nd 6-8pm.** We will be hosting the November dance themed after the Day of the Dead, which is a Spanish holiday that celebrates the lives of our loved ones who have passed and their impact on our lives. If you've seen Coco, you have an idea of what it will look like. We will have a face painting station and a photo booth (\$2). There will also be a piñata raffle at the end of the night.

**Spain Trip (Srta. Bouhana)** We still have a few spots left that are still available. 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 and siblings (at least eleven years old) 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 get more detailed information, and to register for the trip and save your spot. www.eftours.com/2119250hy

**Spanish Club Bingo (Srta. Bouhana) November 18**. We will have a Bingo event on Sunday, November 18 from 12 pm to 5 pm. Tickets cost \$20 if you buy them in advance, and \$25 if you buy at the door. There will be cash prizes, basket raffles, and food for sale. Join us for our Pre-Thanksgiving celebration. If you're interested in reserving tickets fill out the following Google form <u>Bingo Ticket Reservation</u>

**Quebec Trip (Mme Lare)** Nitschmann will go on its first-ever winter trip over Presidents' Weekend in 2019. This trip is open to all 6th graders, to 7th and 8th-grade students in French, and space permitting, to all other students. There are only 8 seats left on the bus! If you're a sixth grader or if you're a 7th or 8th grade French student wanting to go on the trip but you have not registered, please contact Mme Lare right away to get information and registration instructions. Madame Lare's email ist <u>alare@basdschools.org</u>.

**Yankee Candle Fundraiser (Srta. Bouhana)** If you like shopping from Yankee Candle, or simply want to support club activities, please use the following link when shopping <u>Yankee Candle Fundraiser Link</u>





Nitschmann Parent Group (NPG) -Follow us on Twitter! <u>@NitschmannPG</u> nitschmannparentgroup@gmail.com

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Hello Parents:

Our next meeting will be November 5th at 6:30 in the library. We will be planning for our next dance and our Holiday Extravaganza.

Speaking of the Extravaganza it will be Monday evening November 19th this year and if anyone would want to be part of our committee please just email me at ecogs76@gmail.com. It's a great night for shopping and I am hoping to get some amazing vendors.

If you or someone you know is a vendor please email me at ecogs76@gmail.com and I will send you an application. The cost is \$20.00 for a table and if you could donate something we can raffle off in our silent auction that would be great.

We are also doing a Box Top Drive this month so please send in any box tops you have. The class in each grade that brings in the most box tops will get a pizza lunch in November. So clip and send them in!!

Thank you and have a great week! Erin Coughlin

# Academic Team Updates

**Team Lafayette** (6th) (Twitter <u>@NMSLafayette</u>) Team Lafayette went on a trip to see Lafayette College on Thursday. Students received a tour of the campus and were given a math lesson by a Professor. Each student received a Lafayette College drawstring bag to take home. This week is Spirit Week. Every day has a different theme, and on Thursday we have a Pep Rally. Next Friday is the Walkathon. Please send in your contributions. We are near the end of the first marking period. Please continue to check your child's planner for work to do.

**Team Lehigh** (6th) (Twitter <u>@NMSTeamLehigh</u>) We are quickly approaching the end of the first marking period. The year is flying by. Please be sure to continue to monitor the students' planners as well as checking on the Home Access center to see their current grades and any missing assignments. In addition, Math progress reports were sent home this past week, they are to be signed and returned not later than Tuesday.

This coming week is Spirit Week so check the flyer to see what day it is. The annual Walk-a-thon is Friday, it would be great if everyone could make a small contribution to the school as these funds help pay for our field trips and other fun events for the students. With that being said, our trip to Lehigh University will be this Wednesday, October 24th. Students do not need to pack a lunch as we get to eat in the University Cafeteria (Our funds well spent). We will be back for Encore classes that afternoon, so students will still need to bring their book bags to school.

**Team Moravian** (6th) - (Twitter <u>@NMSTeam Moravian</u>) We had a wonderful time at Moravian College on Friday. Be sure to check our Facebook or Twitter pages for some pictures. Please have your child check Home Access Center to see current grades and turn in any missing assignments.

**Team Kutztown** (7th) (Twitter <u>@TeamKutztown</u>) - **Team** - We had a great field trip to Kutztown University on Friday! The students got to go on a tour of campus, see a planetarium show, and learn about different academic majors, clubs, and sports offered at the university. **English (Mr. Falteich)** - This week students will continue their study of Literature. The





following literary terms will be explained and/or reviewed. (irony - verbal, dramatic, situation), conflict, characterization, and theme. The students will read "Gabriel Ernest", "Sredni Vashtar", and "The Mouse" as we continue our author study. These short stories were all written by Saki. Unit 1 in Vocabulary is now completed; there will be no new word lists until the second marking period. Homework - All students should read the story, "Gabriel Ernest" by Monday, October 22 and be ready to discuss it in class. **Science (Mr. Pearson)** - We will be finishing our metric system unit. Students will be learning how to measure density and convert between temperature scales. There will be a test on measuring distance, mass, volume, density, and converting between temperature scales early on during the week of October 29th.

Team Penn State (7th) Follow us on social media!! (Twitter @NMSPennState) (Facebook @NMSTeamPennState) (Instagram pennstatenms)We are looking for 100% participation for the walk-a-thon....please support your child and our school....Donations are due by next week! Team Penn State T-shirts have arrived!! We will Tie Dye shirts on Thursday. Washing instructions will come home with the shirt. If your child did NOT purchase one...they may bring in their own white cotton T-shirt to participate. Our team reward this month (for students who are passing all classes and have demonstrated true lion pride behavior) will be a "make your own ice cream sundae" on Friday. ELA- The students did an AMAZING job this week on text dependent analysis questions. They worked on pulling evidence from a story and analyzing its meaning. We will continue the process this week to create the essay for the text dependent analysis questions. In addition, all classes have a vocabulary quiz on Tuesday. SCIENCE- Lab report on schoology is due on Wed. 10/24 at 4 pm. Early submissions by Sunday at 9 pm can earn 5 bonus points. MATH - Periods 1,2,5 and 7 are starting a new unit on Ratio and Proportion. At this point, they should start bringing their calculators to class every day. Period 8 will have a quiz on Monday on Sections 3-1 - 3-4. Expect students to have homework in math almost every day, all year. Most students are demonstrating responsibility in this area, but others are earning zeros. **<u>Reading-</u>** We will be finishing our book this week and watching the movie to compare and analyze. The movie for class 1,2,5 and 7 is PG-13. I will send a note this week with more information. Social Studies- We will have the 5 Themes of geography vocabulary test Monday 10/22. Our "create a place" project is due 10/30.

**Team East Stroudsburg** (8th) (Twitter <u>@NMSTeamESU</u>) History classes will finish our unit on Colonization. The test will be Thursday and Friday. Don't forget Spirit Week and the Nitschmann Walk a Thon on Friday. Reading classes will have a vocabulary quiz on Monday. We will read the next 3 chapters in Manhunt/Chasing Lincoln's Killer. All book reports are due by October 29. Algebra 1 will begin Topic 2 - Linear Equations. Math 8 is going to finish up Topic 1. Look for a major exam coming up soon.

Team Northampton (8th) (Twitter @TeamSpartanNMS) - Please be sure your child has headphones so they can work independently in class viewing the techbook videos as well as using the embedded reader tools Discovery offers. In ELA this week, Periods 1, 3, 5, and 8 have the brainstorms for their mysterious narrative accounts due on Monday. We will begin learning about characterization and begin creating our complex characters for our story. We will also continue to work on our pronoun uses and can expect a quiz on this topic late in the week. Period 7 has their final poem project due on Friday, Oct. 19. In Reading, we are continuing our nonfiction unit with Manhunt and Chasing Lincoln's Killer. Students all have their own copy of the novels and are expected to bring them to class every day. There is a grade assigned for being responsible and bringing all materials to class. We will continue to work on citing text-based evidence and using our critical thinking skills. The artifact project is due on 10/24. This is also when students will start presentations. Copies of the rubric are available on Schoology. Please continue to check your Schoology class for updates, announcements, assignments and any handouts used in ALL classes. In Algebra 1, students will be working with Linear Equations - writing and graphing all 3 forms (Unit Test will be coming up soon). In Grade 8 Math, students will be working with proportional relationships, slope and graphing basic linear equations. Students will continue to use both the IXL and Math XL programs. Please continue to check Schoology for all assignments, assessments and due dates. In Science, we will be reviewing for the Chapter Test. (States of Matter, Elements Compounds and Mixtures and Physical and Chemical Changes.) Please be sure your child is writing in his or her planner to stay on top of their course work. There is FREE HOMEWORK HELP at the Bethlehem Public Library with Moravian College and Lehigh University Students - take advantage of this!

Team Temple (Encore) (Blog) None at this time.

Counseling Corner (Kehler, Litak, Hipp)





Bethlehem Area Vocational Technical School will be having a community open house on Wednesday, October 24th from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. This is a good opportunity for prospective students to tour the programs at vo-tech and ask individualized and specific questions should there be an interest. For further information visit: <u>https://bethlehemavts.org.</u>

Student Services Updates None at this time.

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#### **Extracurricular Activities**

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

AM Basketball (Off. Conley) Basketball each Thursday morning at 7:05am. Don't be late!

**Anime Club** (Advisors Mrs. Fehr/Mrs. Wallach) Our next meeting will be on Monday, October 22 from 3:05-4:00 in room 104. Please bring all your anime supplies with you. We will be starting our drawing contest.

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

#### Band front/Color Guard - Information can be found under Performing Arts Department Updates

Artsmart @ Banana Factory (Advisor Mrs. Lare) Art Smart classes at the Banana Factory have started. Classes meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from September 26 through November 20. Students are creating beautiful work! Parents should pick up their children at 6pm sharp at Nitschmann's main entrance.

Cheerleading (Advisor Mrs. Long) Practice Tuesday and Thursday this week!

**Dance Team** (Advisor Ms. Sierra) **Practice for the tryout routine will be 10/24 and Tryouts 10/31.** Practices and tryout ends at 5:00.

German Club (Advisor Ms. Schwartz) None at this time

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

FCS/DIY Club (Advisor Mrs. Hoffman) None at this time.

**French Club** (Advisor Mrs. Lare) French Club meets on Day One during the activity period and is open to 7th and 8th graders in French. As a follow-up to the last club meeting about "haute couture" fashion in Paris, this week students worked together to create their own haute couture designs. They will finish these designs at the next meeting.

Intramurals (Advisor Mr. Ortwein) None at this time

Lion Service Club (Advisor Mrs. McLaughlin) Any student interested in joining the Lion Service Club should see Mrs. McLaughlin in room 209 for information and a parent permission form. Our club will be coordinating many great volunteer and service projects such as The Clothing Closet, acknowledging special people in our school and community, etc. Please come and see what we are all about. Club starts on Wednesday, September 26th.

**Mathcounts** (Advisor Ms. Novatnak) MathCounts is a nationwide enrichment and competition program in math. Students in grades 6,7 and 8 are welcome. They will have the opportunity to work with other motivated students on challenging problems and possibly earn the right to represent Nitschmann against schools from three counties at the Chapter Competition in February (date TBA). This week, we will be meeting at 7:30 on Wednesday morning and after school on Thursday until 4:00 in room 213. Attendance is flexible, we can work around other activities students might be involved in. It isn't too late to join if you're interested! Parents of interested students are asked to fill out this information form: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9DaHSMmg0kFDfTDhvsj1gyX-jByu1X2bH0f9QuaYUYPcmrw/viewform?usp=sf\_link">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9DaHSMmg0kFDfTDhvsj1gyX-jByu1X2bH0f9QuaYUYPcmrw/viewform?usp=sf\_link</a>





**National Junior Honor Society** (Advisors Mrs. Wallach/Mrs. Druckenmiller) (Twitter-@Njhs\_Nistchmann; Instagram-@Njhs\_Nistchmann) Our annual sidewalk clean-up was held on 10/13 and was a huge success. Check Twitter for posted pictures of all the trash we collected around our Nitschmann neighborhood. Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 7, both before and after school. Members must attend ONE of these meetings. Check our Schoology group for updates and announcements.

**Nitschmann Dramatics** (Advisor Mrs. Hriniak) Monday 10/22 Ensemble until 4:30, Tuesday 10/23 Principal Characters/Understudies until 4:30, Wednesday 10/24 Make Em Laugh until 4:30, Thursday 10/24 Crew until 5:00, Friday 10/25 Ensemble until 4:30. See the email from Mrs. Hriniak and the website for more updates and details.

**Lion's Pride** (Advisor Ms. Bouhana/Ms. Dentith) We will have a meeting after school on Wednesday until 4:10. We will be reviewing the layout and editing the final version of our first edition Wednesday after school, so make sure all your articles and videos have been submitted.

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

**Reading Olympics** (Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher) We have a large group of 6th, 7th and 8th graders! We are looking forward to great year of reading and preparing for the competition held in mid April at Easton High School! The students were given the list of competition books to be read and summaries forms to fill out after they have read the book. They are available in our Nitschmann library and at the Bethlehem public library. Our next meeting is Wednesday, October 24th from 3:05 - 4:00 P.M> in the library. Unless we let the students know ahead of time, we will meet every Wednesday. (There is no Reading Olympics on Wednesday, Oct. 31 due to a half day dismissal.)

Riding for Focus (Advisors Mr. Miller & Mr. Hess) None at this time.

**The Lion's Den School Store** (Advisors Ms. Roufakis & Mrs. Evancho) Come to visit the Lion's Den for your Nitschmann hoodies, t-shirts, and beanies! This year we are also stocking the NMS school approved calculator for \$10. Be sure to stop and browse on your way to lunch!



New to the store- drawstring bag for \$5!

**Ski Club** (Advisors Mr. Downey) FAQs; Can parents join? Yes, discounts are available for all Nitschmann Nation. Can I use the passes on other nights if Monday does not work? Yes, passes are good Monday through Thursday. If my child already has a season pass can they

attend? Yes, we want students to meet up and ski together. The more the merrier. Online sign ups will close October 31. Here is the link;

https://webstoreskibluemt.com/?groupId=2a0ff184-9032-4362-820a-c4e933734a78

**Spanish Club** (Advisor Ms. Bouhana) We will be meeting Tuesday after school with all members. We are currently planning Día de los Muertos Café fundraiser. Make sure to sign up for food donations with Miss Bouhana prior to the meeting.

**Step Team** (Advisor Ms. Sierra) Practice for the tryout routine will be **10/23 TRYOUTS 10/25**. The performance at Lincoln on Nov. 3 has been cancelled. Practice and tryout ends at 5:00.

Strategy Club (Advisor Mr. Kehler) No update at this time.

**Student Council** (Advisors Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Kocon) **The Annual NMS Walk a Thon will be held on Friday, October** 26th. This is our only school wide fundraiser for the year. There are great individual and homeroom prizes for participation. Please send in donations by Oct. 24h for your child to be eligible for prizes!

Yearbook (Advisor Mrs. Ellis) No update at this time.





# Nitschmann Middle School Performing Arts Department Updates

Nitschmann Middle School Instrumental Music Website (Click Here!) Mr. Zettlemoyer, Instrumental Music <u>dzettlemoyer@basdschools.org</u>

### **<u>SCHEDULE</u>**: Auditorium entrance doors will open at 7 AM.

- 10/22 Monday band 7:15 AM
- 10/23 Morning orchestra 7:15 AM
- 10/24 Morning jazz band 7:15 AM
- 10/25 Morning band 7:15 AM
- 10/26 Morning orchestra 7:15 AM
- 10/27 Breathe and sleep
- 10/28 Bethlehem Parade Report to NMS by 12:00 PM.

LESSON SCHEDULE can be found at http://www.nmsim.org/lessons/

# FAIR SHARE

Check your student's current fair share balance: <u>https://tinyurl.com/NIMASFAIRSHARE2018</u> More information regarding Fair Share: <u>http://www.nmsim.org/fair-share/</u>

**BANDFRONT/COLOR GUARD** - (Advisor Mrs. Hriniak) Flags, Majorettes, and Rifles should be practicing routines at home. Regular rehearsals Monday and Thursday before school at 7:15 am. Parades this weekend and next weekend. Pep Rally and Night Football Game on Thursday. See email updates for more information. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication!

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 8th grade music and drama NYC trip registration can be found at: <u>http://www.nmsim.org/8th-grade-trip/</u>
  - The third band trip payment of \$50 is due on November 14. Trip information can be found at <u>http://www.nmsim.org/spring-trip/</u>.
  - SANTA AT THE SANDS: Click <u>HERE</u> for more information and to sign up to participate.
  - Volunteer: Application packet and clearance requirements.
  - Take a look at all the fundraising opportunities we currently have. <u>FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES</u>
     New fundraiser: Matey's Pizza October 17-November 9. Delivery is 11/17 at 10 AM.
- Photos from Show Your Stripes Day can be seen at <u>http://www.nmsim.org/photos/</u>.
- Stay up to date on the latest by following the instrumental music groups on Twitter. <u>@NMSBandOrch</u>
- 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. <u>Go here for more information</u>.

# **INSTRUMENTAL EVENTS CALENDAR**

10/20 Nazareth Parade (click on parade for more information)

10/21 <u>Saucon Valley Parade</u> (click on parade for more information)

10/25 Pep Rally (In school) Students wear their **BLUE ID SHIRTS.** 

- 10/25 Night Football Game Report 6:15 PM BASD STADIUM South entrance on the school side.
- 10/26 NYC 8th grade trip deposit is due \$50.00

10/28 <u>Bethlehem Parade</u> (click on parade for more information)

11/9 NIMAS BINGO

11/14 Jazz band field trip to Moravian

- 11/14 NIMAS Meeting 7:30 PM
- 11/17 Matey's Pizza Delivery 10-11 AM
- 11/19 Chipotle Dine to Donate Event





### 11/24 Santa at the Sands

12/6 Orchestra and Jazz Band Winter Concert 7:00 PM.
12/9 Barnes & Noble Book Fair and Performance
12/18 String Ensemble performances at retirement homes.
12/19 Jazz Band LVIA performance
12/19 NIMAS Meeting 7:30 PM

# **Choral Music**

Mrs. de Vries, Choral Music Director <u>ldevries@basdschools.org</u> Mrs. Parris, Choral Music Director <u>jparris@basdschools.org</u>

**Please take note of the rehearsal schedule as well as the performance dates below.** There are some changes. Thursday, **October 25:** We will be performing the National Anthem at the fall pep rally and also at Nitschmann's night football game played at Liberty stadium. Meet at Liberty parking lot steps at 6:00 PM sharp. We'll walk inside for warm up. Perform about 6:30 PM. Students may leave when they are done or stay with a supervising parent. **Dress for both performances:** Jeans and blue band ID shirt or any similar navy blue t-shirt/sweatshirt.

**Looking ahead**: For the winter concert on December 13, students will need to wear **black dress pants** (no jeans or leggings please), **black shoes and a plain white shirt.** Nitschmann Singer shirts must have a collar.

**Congratulations to our new Glee officers:** Sophia Quartuch (President); Tommy Fortsch (Vice President); Marley Hartnett-Cody (Secretary); Sarah Cardona (Treasurer); Bianca Justance, Lizzy Dewey, Kathryn Krausz (Librarians); Morgan Lotito and Ashlynn Shiller (Media & Marketing).

# Weekly Choral Rehearsal Schedule

Monday 10/22-No rehearsal Tuesday 10/23-7:15 AM Glee rehearsal for members not in the orchestra 3:05-4:00 Nitschmann Singers rehearsal Wednesday 10/24-7:15 AM rehearsal for all Glee **and** Singers not in Jazz Band Thursday 10/25-7:15 AM Glee rehearsal for members not in the band 2:00 Nitschmann pep rally performance 3:05-4:00 Nitschmann Singers rehearsal 6:00 PM Arrive at Liberty HS parking lot steps. Warm up, then perform at 6:30. Friday 10/26- No rehearsal

# 2018-2019 Important Choral Performance Dates

October 25-Pep rally (2:00 PM) and night football game (6:00 PM arrival) at Liberty High School December 13-7:00 PM Winter Choral Concert March 9-9-noon optional All City rehearsal at Northeast March 23-9-noon optional All City rehearsal at Northeast March 27-7:00-11:30 AM mandatory All City rehearsal at Northeast March 28-7:00 -11:30 AM mandatory All City rehearsal at Northeast; 7:00 PM All City Concert at Northeast April 11-5-7:00 PM International Night showcase performance May 6-7:00 PM Spring Choral Concert May 15-Nitschmann Talent Show performance (sponsored by Glee and Singers) June 6-Tentative 8th grade moving up ceremony performance

Love to sing? Glee Club is open to anyone who likes to sing and attends rehearsals regularly. Our usual rehearsal schedule is Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 7:15 AM in room 141. Please enter the building through the auditorium doors. Instrumental students are excused to attend their morning band/orchestra/jazz rehearsals. Glee also rehearses during day 1 activity periods. No formal audition is required, but students will need to have their voice range evaluated by Mrs. de Vries.

Lions/Lady Lions Athletics Updates (Twitter @NMS\_Athletics)





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

These are the dates for Winter/Spring St Luke's Sports Physicals:

# LHS (@ NEMS) – 10/30/2018 – 5 pm to 7 pm

FHS - 11/1/2018 - 5 pm - 7 pm

PIAA sports physical packet is required\*

<u>Cross Country</u> Season is Complete

<u>Field Hockey</u> Season is Complete

<u>Football</u> 10/25 East Hills 6:30PM at BASD Stadium

<u>Volleyball</u> 10/22 City Championship Tournament @ Freedom High School Starts at 5:30PM

Fall Sports Cross Country, Boys & Girls Head Coach <u>Ms. Schwartz</u>

<u>Field Hockey, Girls</u> Head Coach <u>Mr. Burzynski</u> NMS Field Hockey Website (Click Here!)

<u>Football</u> Head Coach <u>Mr. Villani</u>

<u>Volleyball, Girls</u> Head Coach <u>Mrs. Hinkel</u>

The Varsity team's record improved to 12-0 as we head into the final week of our season. Please note that we have a game on Monday, Oct. 15 at Eyer Middle School. This is a rescheduled game from earlier in the season. The JV team's season officially ends on Oct. 16 with our last home game against Easton. Our varsity team will continue to practice until the BASD championship tournament on Monday, Oct. 22 at Freedom High School. The tournament begins at 5:30 pm, and the varsity girls should plan to arrive at Freedom at 4:45 pm to begin getting ready and warming up. There will also be a student vs. faculty volleyball after school on Thursday, Oct. 25. All girls are welcome to play, and parents are welcome to come and watch the fun. Finally, information on the new fall sports banquet will be forthcoming.

# **Intersession Intramurals**

<u>Lacrosse Intramurals</u> Coordinator <u>Ms. Weinert</u>

<u>Volleyball, Boys Intramurals</u> Coordinator Mr. Kocon

Winter Sports Basketball, Boys Head Coach Mr. Wills





<u>Basketball, Girls</u> Head Coach <u>Mr. Ortwein</u>

<u>Wrestling @ Liberty High School</u> Head Coach Mr. Klingborn (<u>noahklingborg@gmail.com</u>) Organizational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at 3:05pm in the Gymnasium.

Spring Sports Soccer, Boys & Girls Co-Ed Head Coach <u>Mr. Rodenbach</u>

<u>Softball, Girls</u> Head Coach <u>Mr. Kocon</u>

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