

### **This Week's Major Headlines**

- **The Moving Up Ceremony is on Monday, June 3. Tickets will be distributed tomorrow in 8th period. There will be a separate email later this evening with more details.**
- **If your child is playing fall sports @ NMS or LHS, please take advantage of the free physicals this week. See below for information. They are due to the Student Services Office by Friday, August 9. Students MUST have a physical to try out on Monday, August 12.**
- **The last day of school is this Friday, June 7 at 11:30am. It will also be “Slides and Flip Flop Day” in honor of the summer vacation.**
- **Yearbook Sales: Students who would like to purchase a yearbook should see Mrs. Ellis. The cost of the yearbook is \$40. Yearbooks will be sold at the Moving Up Ceremony & all week.**

### **Parent & Student Weekly Email**

#### **Nitschmann Middle School Weekly Update**

**Sunday, June 2, 2019, to Sunday, June 9, 2019**

**[Home of the Nitschmann Nation!](#)**

**All of this information can be viewed at our**

**[Nitschmann Middle School Website](#) under [Weekly Announcements \(Click Here!\)](#)**

### **Attachments to Review**

*None*

### **Upcoming Dates to Be Proactive!**

**(All dates are listed from our [NMS Website](#), [BASD Event Calendar](#), & [BASD Academic Calendar](#))**

*6/3 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony 6pm; 6/3 Fall FREE Physicals 5:00 – 7:00pm @ Liberty High School 6/4 8th Grade Trip to Hershey Park; 6/5 Fall FREE Physicals 5:00 – 7:00pm @ Freedom High School; 6/7 Last Day of School & End of 4th Quarter*

### **Weekly Schedule & Highlights**

**Monday, 6/3/19 Day 4** 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony 6pm (*See information below*); Spring Sports Pep Rally & Student-Staff Basketball Game; Free Athletic Physicals @ LHS 5-7pm

**Tuesday, 6/4/19 Day 5** 8th Grade Field Trip to Hershey Park; Team PSU Monocacy Trip; 6th Grade Greek Olympics

**Wednesday, 6/5/19 Day 6** LHS Graduation; ; Free Athletic Physicals @ FHS 5-7pm

**Thursday, 6/6/19 Day 1** FHS Graduation

**Friday, 6/7/19 11:30 Dismissal & Last Day of School; “Slides & Flip Flop Day”**

**Saturday, 6/8/19**

**Sunday, 6/9/19**

### **Upcoming Summer Highlights**

**6/10/19** 4th Quarter Report Card Distribution by US Mail

**7/1/19** First Day of Summer School @ Liberty High School

**8/5/19** Tentative 2019-2020 Schedule Mailing; Sunday Emails Resume for All Students & Parents/Guardians  
First Day of Summer Band Camp for Instrumental Music Students (watch for email from Mr. Zettlemoyer)

**8/9/19** Completed Student Physicals Forms Due to Student Services Office for Fall Sports

**8/12/19** First Day of Fall Sport Practice @ Nitschmann Middle School (watch for emails from coaches)

**8/22/19** Open House & Summer Schedule Walkthrough for All Students 7pm Auditorium

**8/26/19** First Day of School (6th Grade starts 8:05am; 7th & 8th Grades start @ 11:05am)

**9/16/19** Back to School Night 6pm Auditorium

**\*\* Please note! Summer Office Hours are 8am to 3pm Monday-Friday. Summer Hours begin Wednesday, 6/12 \*\***

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

#### **PE/Health Schedule (Villani, Long, Weinert)**

Mrs. Long's 6th and 7th grade classes will be in health starting day 3 (5/21) through 5/24. Ms. Weinert and Mr. Villani will be in gym. ALL CLASSES OF 8TH GRADERS REPORT TO THE GYM FOR TRACK MEET PREPARATIONS.

\*\*\* *Now that the weather is getting warmer, make sure all students are changing their **entire** outfits for PE class as we start to go outside on the turf. Due to health concerns, students who are not changed for class will not be able to participate and their grades will be impacted*

#### **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 [ni-attendance@basdschools.org](mailto:ni-attendance@basdschools.org), as long as the email on your child's account matches the email address. Please note: If you are submitting a written or doctor's note do not submit an email. It should be one or the other. Please keep your email address up-to-date by emailing our Student Services Guidance Secretary Mrs. Scott at [sscott@basdschools.org](mailto:sscott@basdschools.org)! 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. This edition spotlights Twinning in BASD and highlights an upcoming June 1 performance by the Broughal Middle School Vocal Music Department. It also includes the third series of videos highlighting graduating seniors who are Built by Bethlehem. Watch for additional graduating seniors on BASD social media sites. The May 31, 2019, edition is available to view at [BASD e-News](#).

**8th Grade Moving Up Tickets (Mayes)** Students will receive their tickets for the ceremony in 8th period on the day of the ceremony. Students **MUST** be in school for the day on Monday to attend the ceremony. Students will not be dismissed for hair or beauty appointments early from school. Students who are not present in 8th period will not receive their ticket and will not be permitted to attend the ceremony.

#### **Flowers & commemorative t-shirts are on sale ahead of the Moving Up Ceremony at**

<https://www.thecommentgroup.com/nitschmann-middle-school/> Shirts & flowers will also be on sale at the ceremony on Monday 6/3. This link is for you to use if you wish to pre-order ahead of time. Please note - the t-shirt photos is a mockup of the actual shirt.

**Yearbook Sales:** Students who would like to purchase a yearbook should see Mrs. Ellis. The cost of the yearbook is \$40. Yearbooks will be sold at the Moving Up Ceremony.

#### **Library:**

- All library books are overdue. Students have received notices regarding books that need to be returned. Parents will receive a bill for any items that have not been returned.

**Nitschmann Parent Group (NPG) -Follow us on Twitter![@NitschmannPG](#)**

nitschmannparentgroup@gmail.com

**Executive Committee**

Pres. - Erin Coughlin [ecogs76@gmail.com](#)

VP - Deb Clark [clark70g@msn.com](#)

Treasurer -

Secretary / Volunteer Coordinator - Kimberly Marcantonio [JK0359@HOTMAIL.com](#)

**PAC Representatives**

1) Amy Wuertele

2) Therese Gyauch

**Academic Team Updates**

**Team Lafayette** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSLafayette](#)) Hope you all enjoyed your Memorial Day weekend. As we come back for the last few days of school, please be sure all work is completed and turned in. Summer is right around the corner! Let's finish strong!

**Team Lehigh** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamLehigh](#)) LAST WEEK!!! We will have several fun events this week including our Greek Olympics on Tuesday and our final team celebration on Thursday. We would like to congratulate our May Mountain Hawk award winners in advance: Alexis Wong, Emily Tavares, and Angelina Fisher. We also would like to thank Cailey Benway, Reilly Wuertele, and Gianalese Fernandez for organizing the The Save the Turtles campaign which sold reusable straws to try to limit the amount of plastic being dumped into our oceans. Nice job ladies.

We would like to thank everyone for their support throughout the year. We truly enjoyed having your children in our class. Have a safe and happy summer! We are there!!!

**Team Moravian** (6th) - (Twitter [@NMSTeam Moravian](#) and Facebook [@NMSTeamMoravian](#)) Our Medieval Times Field trip is this Wednesday, May 22. We do not have school on Tuesday, May 21, so please be prepared for our trip the next day!!! Stay on top of your grades by visiting Home Access Center regularly! Please check HAC to see the assignments that still need to be completed.

**Team Kutztown** (7th) (Twitter [@TeamKutztown](#)) - **Team** - We would like to thank all our students and their parents and guardians for a successful 2018-2019 school year and wish all our Golden Bears good luck during the 2019-2020 school year!

**Spanish (Srta. Bouhana & Sra. Sierra)** - Students are responsible for any work missed. All work is on Schoology. Estar/plurals quiz May 29 and May 30, Chapter 2B test June 4 and June 5

**Team Penn State** (7th) Follow us on social media!! (Twitter [@NMSPennState](#)) (Facebook [@NMSTeamPennState](#)) (Instagram pennstatenms) **There are a number of events planned this week for the team. The trip to the MONOCACY( Illick's Mill) is June 4. Students need to wear sneakers for walking, (change of shoes for creek), packed lunch and materials listed on the letter sent home. Students need to bring in \$3 cash by Wednesday to homeroom teacher for ice cream. We are walking Thursday to Main Street to go to the creamery .ELA - All classes will be writing a letter to their "future selves". I will hold onto the letter for the next 5 years, and mail it back to you when you are ready to graduate from Liberty! Period 7 & 8 - Descriptive "Monster Writing" is due Wednesday, May 29th by 10pm. **READING-** Please encourage your child to read over the summer. Maybe read a book together, take a trip to the bookstore or go to the library. I was honored to teach your children this past school year. **MATH** - Students in periods 1,2,5 and 7 are working on their data analysis unit. Our focus will be box and whisker plots. Period 8 is learning about properties of exponents. **SOCIAL STUDIES-** We will continue to work on our projects in class this week. The final**

project is due May 28th. **Spanish (Srta. Bouhana & Sra. Sierra)** - Students are responsible for any work missed. All work is on Schoology. Estar/plurals quiz May 29 and May 30, Chapter 2B test June 4 and June 5

**Team East Stroudsburg (8th)** (Twitter [@NMSTeamESU](#)) In Social Studies, students will be working on a self-guided project about the causes, events and outcomes of the United States Civil War. Reading classes will continue with their novels. All book reports are due May 31.

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**Team Northampton (8th)** (Twitter [@TeamSpartanNMS](#)) - **Our last TEAM Celebration will be this Thursday, June 6th - Beach Theme is in full effect!!!!** We would appreciate anyone who would like to donate a gift card toward our last celebration! **LAST CALL for BABY pictures - please send them electronically to Mrs. Hood OR bring in a hardcopy by June 3rd! WE have over 75 but would LOVE more:)** If you have any questions regarding the **Hershey Park Trip**, please email Mrs. Hood. We will be going over last minute instructions on Monday. *WE hope our students walked away this year with a new found understanding of working hard, challenging your limits, taking risks, appreciating what others have to give, and knowing the importance of forming lasting relationships. Who can forget the many laughs our team shared on a daily basis! Thank you to all the parents who held their children accountable and supported our team's vision! We will ALWAYS be here to help as your child continues their life path over the next 4 years and then some. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us! Have an enjoyable summer and please feel free to share any great news with us over the summer.* In periods 1,5,7,8 we finished our Adobe Spark web page to use in conjunction with our novel, *Curveball*. My period 3 class finished their literature circles and Adobe Spark web page.

**Spanish (Srta. Bouhana & Sra. Sierra)** - Students are responsible for any work missed. All work is on Schoology. Final exams through May 30 followed by exam make up/ missing work completion.

**Counseling Corner (Kehler, Litak, Hipp)** Pinebrook Family Answers will be hosting a FREE support group for Grandparents parenting grandchildren called Second Time Around. This group will allow grandparent caregivers to have an opportunity to gain valuable information while building peer support and exchanging ideas and information. Weekly, 90 minute meeting will begin shortly. 402 North Fulton Street, Allentown PA, 18102. Call Now to reserve your spot. (610) 432-3919 ext. 4040.

**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 Open Gym** (Mayes) None at this time.

**Anime Club** (Advisors Ms. Fehr/Mrs. Wallach) See you next year:)

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

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

**Cheerleading** (Advisor Mrs. Long) **2018-2019 Cheerleaders-** I need your dry cleaned uniforms by Monday June 3rd at the latest! **2019-2020 Cheerleaders-** There will be a cheerleader and parent meeting on June 4th at 6pm in the gym about the upcoming season.

**Cross Country** (Advisor Ms. Schwartz) None at this time.

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

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

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

**Fitness Club** ( Advisor Mrs. Oliver) None at this time.

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

**French Club** (Advisor Mrs. Lare) Thanks to all students and parents who attended and contributed to the French displays at the recent International Night. **French - 8th grade** students were thrilled to receive letters from a middle school in the south of France and have been working hard on writing letters back in both French and English.

**Intramurals** (Advisor Mr. Ortwein) None at this time

**Leadership Council** (Advisor Mrs. Ellis) None at this time.

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

**Lion's Pride (online school newspaper)** (Advisor Ms. Bouhana/Ms. Dentith) None at this time.

**Mathcounts** (Advisor Ms. Novatnak) Congratulations to Wade, Owen, Josh and Neil who represented us at the Fifth Annual Mu Alpha Theta Math Competition at William Allen High School. It was a great day!

**National Junior Honor Society** (Advisors Mrs. Wallach/Mrs. Druckenmiller) (Twitter-@Njhs\_Nistchmann; Instagram-@Njhs\_Nistchmann ) Thank you for another great year of service. I look forward to working with our new inductees next year:)

**Nitschmann Dramatics** (Advisor Mrs. Hriniak) Rehearsal for the Rose Garden performance is June 3 in room 301. Alice in Wonderland movie afternoon is June 5. Rose Garden event is June 15. Watch your email for more updates. Upcoming August events are Young Playwright's Lab and Alice's Croquet Party.

**Nitschmann Stage Crew** (Advisor Mr. Kehler) Help us replace some of the items that were damaged by donating and spreading this link around. ONLY \$183.00 LEFT TO RAISE!!!

<https://www.donorschoose.org/B.Kehler>

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

**Reading Olympics** (Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher) The 2019- 2020 Reading Olympics competition book lists are out and available in the library for students to pick up! The 6th and 7th grade students can get a head start on the books for the next school year! All of the books are available at the public library for their Summer reading! A few of our students went to the Public Library to see Chris Grabenstein, author of the Mr. Lemoncello's Library book series. His book, "Escape From Mr.

Lemoncello's Library" was one of our Reading Olympic books this year. The students that went are also on the Bethlehem Public Library's website! Click on the link below to check them out!

<https://www.bapl.org/author-chris-grabenstein-visits-bapl/> We wish all of our students and their families a fun and safe Summer! Don't forget to read the Reading Olympics books!

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

**The Lion's Den School Store** (Advisors Ms. Roufakis & Mrs. Evancho) **Online order form....click [here](#). Orders will not be processed until payment is received.**

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

**Spain Trip** (Advisor Ms. Bouhana) None at this time.

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**Step Team** (Advisor Ms. Sierra) None at this time.

**Strategy Club** (Advisor Mr. Kehler) Update: NEW Project Posted on DonorsChoose!

Thank you all for making the strategy club a success this year. It was all thanks to those of you that have donated time, games, and funding. We will be expanding our hours for next year. 1 hour is just not enough time to roll some dice.

**eSports UPDATE:** Over 50 student came to the informational meeting and many more were not able to make it. If you want in, just send me a note with: your name, your favorite platform (PC, XBox, PS, etc.) and your top 3 choices for potential games. This will most likely pick up next year, as we still need hardware, software, IT support and the like. Fear not current 8th graders, as you can still assist afterschool and maybe get community service hours for helping out.

Need some info

<https://www.cnn.com/2018/08/27/us/esports-what-is-video-game-professional-league-madden-trnd/index.html>

So, yeah, turns out you CAN make a living (a very comfortable one) playing games. Universities are offering scholarships even. There are plenty of reasons to support a program and get involved, and opportunities to network, learn skills and explore careers(lots of ways to earn a buck even if you don't play). To see the current ranking for game tournament prize, follow the link. <https://www.esportsearnings.com/games>

I am working up another project to help fund our needs for eSports which will post soon. In the meantime, you can help and donate for other things here: <https://www.donorschoose.org/B.Kehler>.

**Yearbook** (Advisor Mrs. Ellis) **Yearbook Sales:** Yearbooks will be available to purchase beginning Tuesday, May 28th in the library. Students who would like to purchase a yearbook should see Mrs. Ellis. The cost of the yearbook is \$40.

## **Nitschmann Middle School Performing Arts Department Updates**

**[Nitschmann Middle School Instrumental Music Website \(Click Here!\)](#)**

*Mr. Zettlemoyer, Instrumental Music [dzettlemoyer@basdschools.org](mailto:dzettlemoyer@basdschools.org)*

### **1) REHEARSAL SCHEDULE**

6/3 Monday - String Ensemble 7:15 am

6/4 Tuesday - NONE

6/5 Wednesday - NONE

6/6 Thursday - NONE

6/7 Friday - NONE

## 2) NIMAS meeting Thursday, June 6, 7 pm

[NIMAS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES for 4/24/19](#)

## 3) 2019 NIMAS CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

June 3	Moving up ceremony - String Ensemble	5:00 PM
June 6	NIMAS Meeting at Nitschmann	7:00 pm

**COLOR GUARD** (formerly BANDFRONT) - (Advisor Mrs. Hriniak) Congratulations on a spectacular performance at the National Memorial Day Parade! Thank you to everyone who attended the Performing Arts Banquet!

Evaluations and end-of-year materials will be delivered to you in homeroom.

### **Nitschmann Color Guard tryouts (Majorettes, Flags, Rifles, Honor Guard)**

- Thank you to everyone who came to tryouts! The list has been emailed out.
- It's not too late to tryout for color guard! Email Mrs. Hriniak at [shriniak@basdschools.org](mailto:shriniak@basdschools.org) for tryout schedule options.
- *Click here for Color Guard information:*  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PPXuECecAJnCT--1cEJIQlsCuzGEK9J-9P76HYGv-1U/edit?usp=sharing>

### **Choral Music** (Twitter @ldevriesmusic)

*Mrs. de Vries, Choral Music Director [ldevries@basdschools.org](mailto:ldevries@basdschools.org)*

*Mrs. Parris, Choral Music Director [jparris@basdschools.org](mailto:jparris@basdschools.org)*

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

*Mr. Jon Ortwein, NMS Athletic Director [jortwein@basdschools.org](mailto:jortwein@basdschools.org)*

Required to participate in Football, Field Hockey, Volleyball, and Cross Country in the fall.

Free Physicals @Liberty

Monday, June 3 · 5:00 – 7:00pm

Liberty High School

1115 Linden St, Bethlehem, PA 18018, USA

Description: Aux Gym

Free Physicals @Freedom

Wednesday, June 5 · 5:00 – 7:00pm

Freedom High School

3149 Chester Ave, Bethlehem, PA 18020, USA

Description: Main Gym

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*Mr. Peter Mayes*

*Principal*

*Nitschmann Middle School*

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