

This Week's Major Headlines

- **Student Schedules to be mailed home this week. Please read the parent letter with schedules.**
- **Summer Band Camp begins next Monday, August 5, 2019. See information below.**
- **Fall Sports try-outs & practice begin Monday, August 12, 2019. See information below.**
- **Start of School information has been posted to our website. See information below.**

Parent & Student Weekly Email

Nitschmann Middle School Weekly Update

Sunday, July 28, 2019, to Sunday, August 4, 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](#)

8/5 Start of Summer Band Camp; 8/6 FREE Sports Physicals NCC Gym 5pm-7pm; 8/9 Alice's Crouquet Party 5pm-7pm; 8/12 Start of Fall Sports Try-Outs & Practice; 8/22 Open House & Summer Walkthrough 7pm Auditorium; 8/26 First Day of School (6th grade @ 8:05am, 7th/8th @ 11:05am); 9/2 Labor Day/No School; 9/16 NMS Back to School Night 6pm; 9/19 School Photo Day; 9/23 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 10/9 Yom Kippur/No School; 10/14 Teacher In-Service/No School; 10/15-18 BASD Education Week 10/29 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 10/30 End of 1st Quarter/School Photo Make-Up Day; 11/3 Daylight Savings Time Ends; 11/5 Election Day/Teacher In-Service/No School; 11/18 11:30 Dismissal Student Conferences; 11/11 Veteran's Day; 11/19 11:30 Dismissal Student Conferences; 11/27-12/2 Thanksgiving Holiday/No School; 12/23-1/3/20 Christmas/Winter Break/No School; 1/20 MLK Day/No School; 1/23 End of 2nd Quarter; 2/14 Teacher In-Service/No School; 2/17 Presidents' Day/No School; 3/8 Daylight Savings Time Begins; 3/11 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 3/27 End of 3rd Quarter; 4/7 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 4/8 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 4/9-4/13 Easter/Spring Break/No School; 5/TBA Primary Election Day/No School 5/25 Memorial Day/No School; 5/29 8th Grade Dance 6pm @ Ice House; 6/4 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony 6pm; 6/8 8th Grade HersheyPark Trip; 6/9 Last Day of School/End of 4th Quarter

Weekly Schedule & Highlights

Monday, 7/29/19

Tuesday, 7/30/19

Wednesday, 7/31/19

Thursday, 8/1/19 2019-2020 NMS Student Schedule Mailing

Friday, 8/2/19

Saturday, 8/3/19

Sunday, 8/4/19

Next Week Weekly Schedule & Highlights

Monday, 8/5/19 Summer Band Camp Begins (see below for more information)

Tuesday, 8/6/19

Wednesday, 8/7/19

Thursday, 8/8/19

Friday, 8/9/19 Alice's Croquet Party 5-7pm; Fall Sports Physicals Due for the start of the season on Monday, 8/12

Saturday, 8/10/19

Sunday, 8/11/19

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

Important Links

[BASD Dining Services Menu & Website](#)

[NMS Staff Email Directory](#)

PE/Health Schedule ([Villani](#), [Long](#), [Weinert](#))

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, 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! Please note that this is ONLY for sick notes, not for early release or any other questions!

School-wide Announcements

BASD E-News (Dr. Roy) None at this time.

Calendar (Mayes) Please double-check our NMS calendar links above to stay ahead of events coming up as school begins.

Student Schedules (Mayes) Student schedules will be mailed this week. Your child's schedule will list all of their classes for the 2019-2020 school year. Please refer to the letter & notes about how to read your child's schedule. This information is also posted on our website at <https://basdwpweb.beth.k12.pa.us/nitschmann/parent-resources/>

Open House Walkthrough (Mayes) Please join us on Thursday, August 22, 2019, at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium with your child to walk around Nitschmann Middle School with your child's schedule to orientate yourself with the school. This is a great opportunity to make sure you have all of your questions answered for the first day of school!

First Day of School (Mayes) The 2019-2020 school year begins on Monday, August 26, 2019. 6th graders will report at 8:05 am for orientation. 7th & 8th graders will report at 11:05 am.

School Supply List (Mayes) The 2019-2020 school supply list has been posted on our NMS website at <https://basdwpweb.beth.k12.pa.us/nitschmann/parent-resources/>.

Student Dress Code (Horlick) The 2019-2020 NMS dress code has been posted at <https://basdwpweb.beth.k12.pa.us/nitschmann/parent-resources/>.

Band & Athletics (Mayes) All information about the start of school activities for band and athletics are listed below under the headings in this email.

Alice's Croquet Party: Join us for Alice's Croquet Party hosted by Nitschmann Dramatics on Friday, August 9 from 5:00-7:00 pm at Nitschmann on the back lawn. There will be games, music, crafts, and flamingo croquet. Bring money for souvenirs and snacks. Meet some new friends and experience the world of this year's musical, Alice in Wonderland Jr. This event is open to all Nitschmann families, even if you're not in Nitschmann Dramatics. A special welcome to our incoming sixth graders...this is a great opportunity to meet your new classmates. Hope to see you there!

Color Guard: Did you miss Color Guard tryouts in May? We will be having additional practices/tryouts for FLAGS Monday, July 29 10:00-11:00 am and Wednesday, July 31 1:00-2:00 pm in the Nitschmann Band Room. Click here for information:

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Email Mrs. Hriniak with questions shriniak@basdschools.org. If you are interested in joining Honor Guard or Rifles, please contact Mrs. Hriniak directly. We are not having additional tryouts for majorettes at this time.

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

nitschmannparentgroup@gmail.com

Executive Committee

PAC Representatives

Academic Team Updates

Team Lafayette (6th) (Twitter [@NMSLafayette](https://twitter.com/NMSLafayette) Team Leader [Mrs. Hackman](#)) None at this time.

Team Lehigh (6th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamLehigh](https://twitter.com/NMSTeamLehigh) Team Leader [Mrs. Oliver](#)) None at this time.

Team Moravian (6th) - (Twitter [@NMSTeamMoravian](https://twitter.com/NMSTeamMoravian)/Facebook [@NMSTeamMoravian](https://www.facebook.com/NMSTeamMoravian) Team Leader [Mrs. Roufakis](#)) None at this time.

Team Kutztown (7th) (Twitter [@TeamKutztown](https://twitter.com/TeamKutztown) Team Leader [Mr. Hess](#)) None at this time.

Team Penn State (7th) (Twitter [@NMSPennState](https://twitter.com/NMSPennState)/Facebook [@NMSTeamPennState](https://www.facebook.com/NMSTeamPennState)/ Instagram [pennstatenms](https://www.instagram.com/pennstatenms) Team Leader [Mrs. Miller](#)) None at this time.

Team East Stroudsburg (8th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamESU](https://twitter.com/NMSTeamESU) Team Leader [Mr. Amen](#)) None at this time.

Team Northampton (8th) (Twitter [@TeamSpartanNMS](https://twitter.com/TeamSpartanNMS) Team Leader [Mrs. Hood](#)) None at this time.

Counseling Corner (Stewart, Kehler, Hipp)

Contact your child's counselor by email: [6th Grade Mrs. Stewart](#); [7th Grade Mr. Kehler](#); [8th Grade Mrs. Hipp](#)

None at this time.

Student Services Updates (Mr. Horlick)

Contact Members of the Student Services Team by email: [Mr. Horlick, Assistant Principal](#); [Mrs. Scott, SSC Guidance Secretary](#); [Mrs. Falcone, SSC Attendance Secretary](#)

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 Open Field/ Gym (TBA) None at this time.

Anime Club (Advisors [Ms. Fehr/Mrs. Wallach](#)) None at this time.

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

Artsmart @ Banana Factory ([Advisor Mrs. Lare](#)) 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 TBA) 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](#)) None at this time.

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](#)) None at this time.

Mathcounts ([Advisor Ms. Novatnak](#)) None at this time.

National Junior Honor Society (Advisors [Mrs. Wallach/Mrs. Druckenmiller](#)) (Twitter-[@Njhs_Nitschmann](#); Instagram-[@Njhs_Nistchmann](#)) None at this time.

Nitschmann Dramatics ([Advisor Mrs. Hriniak](#)) Join us for Alice's Croquet Party hosted by Nitschmann Dramatics on Friday, August 9 from 5:00-7:00 pm at Nitschmann on the back lawn. There will be games, music, crafts, and flamingo croquet. Bring money for souvenirs and snacks. Meet some new friends and experience the world of this year's musical, Alice in Wonderland Jr. This event is open to all Nitschmann families, even if you're not in Nitschmann Dramatics. A special welcome to our incoming sixth graders...this is a great opportunity to meet your new classmates. Hope to see you there!; Young Playwrights Lab will be held during a summer session again this year! Dates are August 5-9 and 12-16, noon to 2:30. If you are also participating in the summer band during these mornings, bring your lunch so you don't have to go home and come back to school. If you are participating in jazz band rehearsals, you may join us as soon as jazz practice is over. Thanks to a generous grant to Touchstone Theater, Nitschmann Dramatics will be able to cover all remaining program fees so there is no cost to you. We only ask that you commit to all days of the program and take this opportunity seriously. Space is extremely limited, so sign up soon to reserve your spot!

<https://forms.gle/RDcmUawrBuEdLiJTA>

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

Reading Olympics ([Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher](#)) None at this time.

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.

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

Step Team ([Advisor Ms. Sierra](#)) None at this time.

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

Yearbook ([Advisor Mrs. Ellis](#)) None at this time.

Nitschmann Middle School Performing Arts Department Updates

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

[*Mr. Dan Zettlemyer, Instrumental Music*](#)

Summer Band Camp Information (Zettlemyer) Dear Parents and Guardians Welcome to the Nitschmann Middle School instrumental music program. While we are wrapping up the end of the current school year we are also already starting the preparation work for the next school year. I know there are many of you with questions regarding the events of the upcoming school year. We have an excellent resource to answer many of your questions and to keep you informed of events and activities throughout the school year. You can find the website at www.nmsim.org. We also have a twitter account at [@NMSBandOrch](#). SUMMER MUSIC CAMP Each August, orchestra, band, and jazz band students take part in Summer Music Camp. This is a requirement of participation in the ensembles during the school year; however, if family commitments unavoidably conflict with attendance at Summer Music Camp, exceptions can be made. Every effort should be made to have your child present for Summer Music Camp. During Summer Music Camp students prepare for school year performances and have the opportunity to develop and strengthen relationships with their fellow ensemble members. This is an excellent time for students to prepare and practice for their chair auditions which take place at the very beginning of the school year. Students are to dress in school appropriate attire with shoes suitable for marching (no sandals or flip flops). It is recommended that students bring water in a non-glass container. Snacks are sold between orchestra/band and band/jazz band rehearsals. The Summer Music Camp schedule for 2019-2020 is as follows: Point of clarification: The color guard is a section of the band and falls under the label of the band. There are a few times when they will be separated for specific events. August 5-9 7:30-8:30 Strings Only 9:00- 11:00 Band 11:30-12:30 Jazz Band August 12-16 7:30-8:30 Strings Only 9:00- 11:00 Band 11:30-12:30 Jazz Band

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Choral Music (Twitter [@ldevriesmusic](#))

[Mrs. Linda de Vries, Choral Music Director](#)

[Mrs. Jody Parris, Choral Music Director](#)

Lions/Lady Lions Athletics Updates (Twitter [@NMS_Athletics](#))

[Mr. Jon Ortwein, NMS Athletic Director](#)

Fall Interscholastic Sports begins Monday, August 12, 2019.

Sports Physicals (Ortwein) Please make sure your child has their physical completed before Monday, August 12, 2019. This can be dropped off at the Nitschmann Student Services Office for the St. Luke's Trainer. Always keep a personal copy of this document! The form can be found on our NMS website at <https://basdwpweb.beth.k12.pa.us/nitschmann/athletics-general-information/>.

FREE Sports Physicals (Ortwein) There will be a free physical makeup date at Northampton Community College from 5-7PM on August 6th. It will be held in the Main Gym at NCC.

Year-long

Cheerleading (Head Coach Mrs. Long kllong@basdschools.org)

Fall

Boys Football (Head Coach Mr. Villiani mvilliani@basdschools.org)

Practice begins on Monday, August 12 on the turf field from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Practices continue on this schedule until Tuesday, August 20, 2019, then return to the normal school year schedule. See the [NMS Calendar](#) for details.

Co-Ed Cross Country (Head Coach Miss Schwartz lschwartz@basdschools.org)

Practice begins on Monday, August 12 outside the gymnasium entrance from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. Practices continue on this schedule until Tuesday, August 20, 2019, then return to the normal school year schedule. See the [NMS Calendar](#) for details.

Girls Volleyball (Head Coach Mrs. Hinkel ahinkel@basdschools.org)

Practice begins on Monday, August 12 in the gymnasium from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. Practices continue on this schedule until Tuesday, August 20, 2019, then return to the normal school year schedule. See the [NMS Calendar](#) for details.

Girls Field Hockey (Mr. Burzynski bburzynski@basdschools.org)

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