Dear Parents & Guardians,

Happy New Year! It is my hope that 2021 brings us back together as a school community and allows us to reflect & rebuild on the things that make Nitschmann Middle School great and fix the things we've learned during this challenging year that we can do better. As my resolution, I am working to balance keeping my focus on the day-to-day, but also plan for the long-term as we move forward this year! After this second week of short-term remote learning, I will be sending out a survey for parents & guardians to provide us feedback on our progress and what we can do to improve for the 2nd semester. I do not have any information yet on if this will be extended or return to hybrid yet, but we can expect that announcement from Dr. Roy this week.

Please make sure to help your child get back into the swing of things with classes this week and complete assignments. 2nd Quarter report cards will be prepared at the end of January. We want to make sure all students are on track for the end of the school year. If your child is struggling, reach out to your child's team leader (emails are below). If our school counselors, Mr. Horlick, or myself can help, reach out to us too!

Sincerely,

Dr. Mayes, Principal



Parent & Student Weekly Email Nitschmann Middle School Weekly Update, <u>Home of the Nitschmann Nation!</u> Sunday, January 3, 2020, to Sunday, January 11, 2020

- Short-Term Remote Schedule Continues Monday 1/4!: Students should begin the new year by returning to the Short-Term Remote Schedule we used before the Christmas & Winter Break. See the schedule below! We are waiting for word if the schedule will continue past Friday, January 8. Dr. Mayes will email all students & parents when a change is announced. Please note that homeroom & LEAD has been added for this week starting at 8:30am each day.
- Student Chromebook Restart & Update: Students need to charge & restart their computers daily to allow Chromebooks to update to have the Chromebook ready for school each day. If students are having an issue with their Chromebook, they should enter a request on the NMS Website at https://basdwpweb.beth.k12.pa.us/nitschmann/ In addition, the Student Services Office will be open daily 7:30am to 3:30pm for assistance from our office staff.

- Student Behavior during Short-Term Remote Learning: All students should be reminded that all use of the BASD Chromebook is being monitored by our GoGuardian system. Students are expected to follow the Code of Conduct during Zoom classes & when using their BASD Chromebook.
- Double-checking Student BASD Email: All students are assigned a BASD email with their Google account.
 Today is a great day to go through the email account, delete old messages, and double check for any messages from teachers. Not every message comes through Schoology & may be posted in their email. Students are expected to check their email daily.
- Winter Sports: Dr. Mayes & Mr. Sukanick will email out winter sports information as soon as the district provides it to NMS. Winter sports are tentatively delayed until Monday, January 11. Tryouts for basketball & the start of morning basketball will be announced.
- Food Distribution during Short-Term Remote Learning: Come pick up free breakfast and lunches during the BASD Short Term Remote Learning days. Our meal distribution sites are open Mondays and Wednesdays, from 10:00am to 5:00pm on December 21st, 23rd, and January 4th and 6th. Meals can be picked up from any middle school or the following three elementary schools: Donegan, Fountain Hill and Marvine. Meals are FREE and available for all BASD students in addition to all children age 18 and under. Please come and get up to 14 FREE meals for each week on us!
- Student 1-1 Help during Short-Term Remote Learning: If your child needs help on a day when they are not in live Zoom classes, your child can enter a help request by using the following links:
 - Need help with general questions and need some 1-1 help? Students! Click this link to enter a request and one of our teachers will contact you by BASD email to Zoom for help.
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 - o Is your child a special education student? Your child should contact their case manager for help!
- Need Help Using Schoology? Check out our new Parents & Guardian Guide to Schoology by clicking this link. Need your parent/guardian login & password? Contact Mrs. Mrs. Scott, our Student Services Guidance Secretary at sscott@basdschools.org.

Links to Review

BASD Parent Portals Link (Schoology, Home Access Center, SchoolCafe, etc.)
BASD Dashboard & Internet Provider Resources at this link.

Upcoming Dates to Be Proactive! Weekly Schedule & Highlights NMS Website & BASD Event Calendar

| Day | Date | Cycle Day | Notes | All A-L Students (Hybrid & e-Classroom) | All M-Z Students (Hybrid & e-Classroom) |
|---------|--|--|---|---|---|
| | Schoology Login Required for Attendance Daily! | | | | |
| Monday | 1/4 | Independent Asynchronous @ Home Day Teacher Office Hours 12pm-3pm (See schedule below) | | | |
| Tuesday | 1/5 | Odd Day | Short-Term Remote Learning Continues | Synchronous Day @ Home Follow Short-Term Remote Schedule for | Independent Asynchronous Day @ Home No Zoom Classes |

| | | | Zoom Classes | |
|-----------|-----|-------------|---|--|
| Wednesday | 1/6 | Odd Day | Independent Asynchronous Day @ Home No Zoom Classes | Synchronous Day @ Home Follow Short-Term Remote Schedule for Zoom Classes |
| Thursday | 1/7 | Odd Day | Synchronous Day @ Home Follow Short-Term Remote Schedule for Zoom Classes | Independent Asynchronous Day @ Home No Zoom Classes |
| Friday | 1/8 | Even Day | Independent Asynchronous Day @ Home No Zoom Classes | Synchronous Day @ Home Follow Short-Term Remote Schedule for Zoom Classes |

We are waiting to post next week's schedule until we hear from Dr. Roy about the upcoming decision on returning to hybrid or continuing the short-term remote schedule.

School-wide Announcements (All Hybrid & e-Classroom Students)

Dr. Roy's Weekly Message: None at this time.

<u>Monday Short-Term Remote Schedule for all Students</u> (Mayes) All students should work asynchronously on their assignments on Mondays. All students may access their teachers for assistance in the afternoons using the schedule below. Zoom links are located in your child's Schoology courses.

| | Nitschmann Middle School Synchronous Courses on Mondays | | | | |
|-------------|---|---------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Time Period | 6th Grade Course | 7th Grade Course | 8th Grade Course | | |
| 8:00-11:30 | Co | implete Assignments in Schoolog | gy | | |
| 11:30-12:00 | | Lunch | | | |
| 12:00-12:20 | Encore Rotations | Academic Period 2 | Academic Period 3 | | |
| 12:25-12:45 | Encore (Health/PE 6) | Academic Period 3 | Academic Period 4 | | |
| 12:50-1:10 | Encore (World Language/ Lit Dev.) | Encore (Health/PE 7) | Academic Period 6 | | |
| 1:15-1:35 | Academic Period 2 | Encore Rotations | Academic Period 8 | | |
| 1:40-2:00 | Academic Period 3 | Encore (Language/Lit Dev.) | Academic Period 9 | | |
| 2:05-2:25 | Academic Period 4 | Academic Period 6 | Encore (Health/PE 8) | | |

| 2:30-2:50 | Academic Period 7 | Academic Period 8 | Encore Rotations |
|-----------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2:55-3:15 | Office Hours if Needed | Academic Period 9 | Encore (Language/Lit Dev.) |

<u>Tuesday-Friday</u> <u>Short-Term Remote Schedule for all Students</u> (Mayes) All students are expected to report to their classes on Tuesday-Thursday (A-L) and Wednesday-Friday (M-Z). Homeroom has been added on Tuesday & Wednesday, LEAD has been added on Thursday & Friday.

| | BASD NMS SHO | DRT-TERM Remo | te Schedule (A-L | or M-Z) |
|------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | | 6th | 7th | 8th |
| | 8:30-8:40 | HR/Lead | HR/Lead | HR/Lead |
| nal | 8:45-9:25 | 2nd Period (Core) | 2nd Period (Core) | 2nd Period (Encore) |
| struction Block | 9:30-10:10 | 3rd Period (Core) | 3rd Period (Core) | 3rd Period (Core) |
| AM Instructiona Block | 10:15-10:55 | 4th Period (Core) | 4th Period (Encore) | 4th Period (Core) |
| AN | 11:00-11:45 | Homeroom Teacher Support | 6th Period (Core) | 5th Period (Encore) |
| | 11:45-12:45 | Lunch | Lunch | Lunch |
| onal | 12:45-1:25 | 7th Period (Core) | 7th Period (Encore) | 6th Period (Core) |
| PM Instructional Block | 1:30-2:10 | 8th Period (Encore) | 8th Period (Core) | 8th Period (Core) |
| Inst | 2:15-3:00 | 9th Period (Encore) | 9th Period (Core) | 9th Period (Core) |
| | 3:00-3:25 | Tutoring/Support | Tutoring/Support | Tutoring/Support |

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Nitschmann Mask Fundraiser (Nonnemacher, Pearson, Werkheiser): The Reading Olympics team is selling Nitschmann masks. The money raised will go towards registrations fees for the competition, team shirts, team activities, and other costs incurred throughout the year. Masks cost \$10 each and can be purchased with cash or a check made out to Nitschmann Middle School. They will be sold on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during Lions Pride in the library. An image of what one looks like is included below. Please help support our team this year and at the same time help yourself stay healthy.



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Schoolwide Library Services (Werkheiser)

Email Mrs. Werkheiser at lwerkheiser@basdschools.org for help with books or services!

The library website is full of resources for students. https://beth.libguides.com/NitschmannMiddleSchool

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- 1. Don't lose your library books while we are learning from home. Keep them in your backpack when you are not reading them.
- 2. Did you get an email about an overdue book? Disregard overdue emails about class novels. If you would like to renew any other books, email me at lwerkheiser@basdschools.org, and I will renew them for you virtually.
- 3. OVERDRIVE is a fantastic site to sign out ebooks and audiobooks. You can find Overdrive in the E-books tab of my website →https://beth.libguides.com/NitschmannMiddleSchool

BOOK SUGGESTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

This week, give Overdrive a try!

■Log in via my website (see #3 above), check out a book virtually, and read it online. 📖

🌲 🎅 You can find books about Christmas, Diwali, winter, and SO MANY other topics. 🏶 壺

Have a fantastic break, and I look forward to seeing you back in the library again SOON!

e-Classroom Guidance Office Hours on Mondays!

6th Grade: 11:00am- 12:00pm (Mrs. Hipp)

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83839691637?pwd=VkZNM0hqZUhINm9EUjZhTVhEMkJyZz09

Meeting ID: 838 3969 1637; Passcode: HG0cPA

7th Grade: 9:30am to 10:30am (Mrs. Stewart)

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86785937713?pwd=ZUg4VVV4S1p5elZ1MjdJeEZncllPUT09

Meeting ID: 867 8593 7713; Passcode: 5LitUi

8th Grade: 9:00am- 10:00am (Mr. Kehler)

https://zoom.us/j/93407284919?pwd=L11yUTVsWnh5bUlCRFgrMjE0M25rdz09

Meeting ID: 934 0728 4919; Passcode: 639948

Schoolwide Library Services (Werkheiser)

GREAT NEWS!! 🙌 🞉

While you are learning at home, Nitschmann Middle School Library books are available for you to check out and read!

It's easy!

Step 1: Browse through the NMS Library collection on OPAC in my Libguides website.

https://beth.libguides.com/NitschmannMiddleSchool

Step 2: Email me the titles of one or two books that you would like to check out at

lwerkheiser@basdschools.org

Step 3: Wait for a return email from me, letting you know that your books can be picked up from the cart between the front doors at Nitschmann.

Student Services Updates:

The Lehigh Valley Church of Christ is sponsoring a Food Drive on December 18th. Free USDA Farmers to Families food boxes will be available on a first come first serve basis. These boxes of food include frozen meats, fresh produce, fresh dairy and a gallon of milk. All are welcomed to participate in this program.

Date: December 18, 2020

Time: 11AM - Until all boxes are collected Place: 3400 Brodhead Rd. Bethlehem, PA 18020

Contact Members of the Student Services Team by email: Mr. Horlick, Assistant Principal; Mrs. Scott, SSC Guidance

Secretary; Mrs. Falcone, SSC Attendance Secretary

6th Grade: Mrs. Hipp's Counseling Google Site for Students

https://sites.google.com/basdschools.org/hippcounselingcorner/home

7th Grade: Ms. Stewart's Counseling Google Site for Students

https://sites.google.com/basdschools.org/stewartscounselingcorner/home

8th Grade: Mr. Kehler's Counseling Google Site for Students

https://sites.google.com/basdschools.org/mr-kehlers-counseling-corner/home

Schoology Directions for Parents



<u>https://www.safe2saypa.org/</u> If you have a concern for the well being of a fellow student or yourself, you can make an anonymous referral to SAFE2SAY.

BASD Dining Services

https://www.basdschools.org/dining

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Nitschmann Parent Group (NPG) (Twitter!@NitschmannPG)

nitschmannparentgroup@gmail.com

Executive Committee President

PAC Representatives

Core & Encore Team Updates

Team Lafayette (6th) (Twitter <u>@NMSLafayette</u> Team Leader <u>Mrs. Hackman</u>) Happy New Year to all of you! 2020 is over, and we are all ready for a happy and healthy 2021 to begin! We are all looking forward to getting back to our school routines, and be sure to take this time to review all of your work. Continue to reach out to us if there are any needs you may have. Office hours continue this week, and our zoom classes begin Tuesday. See you then!

Team Lehigh (6th) (Twitter <u>@NMSTeamLehigh</u>/ Facebook @NitschmannTeamLehigh Team Leader <u>Mrs. Oliver</u>) Happy New Year's!!!! A time for new beginnings. As is custom, many people make New Year's resolutions. Unfortunately, many people do not make it through the first week. Think of it as starting a new habit. Research shows it takes 21 days to form a habit. Find something that you could do a better job at. It could have to do with school but does not have to. It could be something to make you healthier, it could be to help out around the house, or it could be something to make the world a better place. Be specific, start today, and make it a habit - do it for 21 days and see if it sticks. Good Luck.

Team Moravian (6th) - (Twitter <u>@NMSTeam Moravian</u>/Facebook <u>@NMSTeamMoravian</u> Team Leader <u>Mrs. Roufakis</u>)
Happy New Year! Team Moravian is excited to see everyone back this week and get back into the swing of things. Please double check the schedule and assignments for this week.

Team Kutztown (7th)(Twitter <u>@TeamKutztown</u> Team Leader <u>Mr. Falteich</u>) - Happy New Year & welcome back! We hope everyone was able to relax and recharge over the break. Virtual learning will continue Monday as we get back to learning. (**Math - Evancho**) - Please use Monday to make sure that your IXL Diagnostic is up to date with a single score. **Science (Mr. Pearson) -** This week students will begin learning about the microscope. We will be discussing the names and uses for the parts of the microscope and how to use a microscope. Students will also be completing a lab where they will be using a microscope to learn how it works.

Team Penn State (7th) (Twitter <u>@NMSPennState</u>/Facebook <u>@NMSTeamPennState</u>/ Instagram <u>pennstatenms</u> Team Leader <u>Mrs. Getz</u>)

ELA (Getz) - check Schoology for your "to do list", students will take the Unit #2 test (Tuesday/Wednesday), we will also begin a new novel We Beat the Street and complete some setting and vocabulary assignments with the novel.



Team DeSales (8th) (Team Leader Mrs. Pogue): Instagram @NMSTeamDSU8 We are so excited to see you all virtually this week! Please be sure to check Schoology on Monday afternoon for any new assignments or course updates. ELA: If you have not gotten your copy of Walter Dean Myer's *Monster* from the library (because you were absent the week of 12/14 or are an e-learner), please be sure to do so.

Team Northampton (8th) (Twitter <u>@TeamSpartanNMS</u> Team Leader <u>Mrs. Hood</u>)

Check Monday, January 4th HOT TOPIC assignment. In **History**, we will take a look at the specific structure of the Declaration of Independence and understand the historical process that took place in protest of unfair conditions. Students will use KAMI to work through the game changing battles/settings of the Revolutionary War: Saratoga, Valley Forge, Women/African American roles, French involvement and Yorktown. Students should continue to make up past work. In **Mrs. Hinkel's ELA class**, we will wrap our discussion of "Commencement Address to the Santa Fe Indian School" with assignments on January 4th and 5th. We will then begin on our new grammar topic and our next reading selection, "So where are you from?

Team Pitt (Encore) (Twitter @NMSTeamPitt Team Leader Mrs. Hoffman Mrs. Hoffman (Mrs. Hoffman)

Team Bloomsburg (Encore World Language and Library) (Twitter @NMSBloomsburg / Team Leader <u>Dr. Sierra</u>)-

Bonne année, Frohes neues Jahr, Feliz año nuevo~ Happy New Year! Be sure to contact us if you have any questions. We are available via email and during our office hours. *Office hours are **not mandatory** meetings. Class meetings as scheduled Tues-Fri are mandatory class meetings.



Extracurricular Activities

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

LHS Wrestling (Coach Hall) Interested in the 20-21 wrestling season? Click <u>HERE</u> and sign up to start getting info from Coach Hall - Liberty Hurricane Wrestling Coach.

AM Basketball (Advisor Dr. Mayes) None at this time.

Anime Club (Advisors Ms. Fehr/Mrs. Wallach) We will meet again after we are back in school. Look for updates on our Schoology Group.

Art Club (Advisor Mrs. Lund) Afterschool Art Club will meet again after we are back in school.

Artsmart @ Banana Factory (Advisor Mrs. Lare) This is the last week to sign up and start Art Smart classes. Classes will be held virtually here at Nitschmann via streaming from the professional artists at the Banana Factory. You will need your charged laptop. Classes will be held immediately after school and include Cartoon & Anime on Tuesdays (in Mrs. Lare's Room 317) and Mosaics on Thursday (in Mrs. Lund's Room 011). Classes will start at 3:10 and last one hour. Students will finish in time to make the late bus. Class size is limited so email Mrs. Lare right away if you're interested. alare@basdschools.org YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO START ART SMART AFTER THIS WEEK.

Dance Team (Advisor Dr. Sierra) None at this time. Contact me if you have any questions.

Environmental Club (Advisor Ms. Stewart) - Greetings Students, we are launching a new club at Nitschmann that aims at educating and energizing students to live more environmentally conscious. All students are welcomed to participate. Simply search for this club in Schoology and request to join. Zoom links or meetings will be posted there!

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

German Club (Advisor Mrs. Sofka) None at this time.

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

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

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

Lacrosse Intramurals: (Advisor Ms. Weinert) None at this time.

Leadership Council (Advisor Mr. Kocon) None at this time.

Lion Service Club (Advisor Mrs. McLaughlin) Our next meeting will be 12/17 at 12pm. A Zoom link will be posted in our Schoology Group. The Lions' Service Club is collecting used eyewear. The eye glasses should not have broken lenses or frames. Once we collect the glasses, we will be giving them to the Lions Club who will have them reconditioned and the glasses will then be given to those in need at no cost on mission trips. There will be collection containers on each floor after the break. Please place the glasses in the containers which will be located in the common area on each floor.

Lion's Pride (online school newspaper) (Advisor Ms. Bouhana) We will not meet this week in school. I will post a link for a zoom meeting on Monday in the Schoology group page. We have finished our first edition for the Newspaper. Click on the following link to access it. Lion's Pride Newspaper 2020-2021 First Edition

Mathcounts (Advisor Mrs. Novatnak Lafey) We're still welcoming new members in grades 6, 7 and 8.

MathCounts is a nationwide mathematics enrichment and competition program. Nitschmann has had a long tradition of success. If you do well in math and are looking for a challenge, then you should get involved. Students in all 3 grades are welcome to participate. We will be meeting after school (both in person and through Zoom), alternating between Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:05 - 3:50. Our **sixth meeting will be Thursday, December 10th** at 3:05 in Room 213 (and on Zoom for those in the Hybrid Z and e-Classroom groups). If you haven't already registered on the AOPS website, please do so using the link in the Schoology group. You need to create an account in order to participate in the competitions.

Students MUST fill out this Google form in order to attend.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfRKjpYx4-QJlunsh7Qx3PUtuE2lrd6TIheVTFshIKDdndEwA/viewform?usp=sf-link Any questions? Please contact Mrs. Lafey, nnovatnak@basdschools.org

National Junior Honor Society (Advisors Mrs. Wallach/Mrs. Druckenmiller) (Twitter-@Njhs Nitschmann; Instagram-@Njhs Nistchmann) Please check and post an idea/update in our Schoology Group. The goal is to have a service learning project for when we return to school.

Nitschmann Dramatics (<u>Advisor Mrs. Hriniak</u>) No rehearsals this week. See the update emails from Mrs. Hriniak for information. Keep doing some online research about Hairspray background topics so you have a better understanding of our show. Listen to your music at home and read your script so you know the show forwards, backwards, and inside-out!

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

Photography Club: Students please continue to edit your Bokeh photos we took at the beginning of December. When you are finished editing in Pixlr, submit to Ms. Krause via email at rkrause@basdschools.org. Would be a great way to share holiday spirit on the Nitschmann Instagram page.

Reading Olympics (Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher) Happy 2021!!! Hope you all had a healthy, relaxing holiday break! During the short term remote learning, we will NOT be meeting through Zoom. Please continue to read the books and write summaries for the books on the booklist. The 2020-2021 Reading Olympics book list and summaries are available online on Nitschmann's website under the library. You can contact Mrs. Nonnemacher, Mr. Pearson or Mrs. Wekheiser if you have any questions. When we return from our short term remote learning, our Nitschmann Mask fundraiser will continue on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during the Lion's Pride period in the Library! (Mrs. Werkheiser will also sell them throughout the day in the library if you can't make it during Lion's Pride on a Tuesday or Wednesday)

They are \$10.00 a piece. A picture of what one looks like is below. The competition will be virtual this year on April 15th, 2021 at 3:30 P.M. Please contact Mrs. Nonnemacher, Mr. Pearson or Mrs. Werkheiser if you have any questions.



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

The Lion's Den School Store (Advisors Ms. Roufakis & Mrs. Evancho)
Application for 6th graders

Online order form....click here. Orders will not be processed until payment is received!

Save the Sea Turtles Club (Advisor Mrs. Oliver) None at this time.

**Ski & Snowboard Club (<u>Advisors Mr. Downey</u> and Mrs. Druckenmiller) Passes were handed out. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Mr. Downey. Please utilize your passes at your convenience.

Spanish Club (<u>Advisor Ms. Bouhana</u>) We will not meet this week. I will post a link to a zoom meeting in our Schoology group later this week for Monday.

Student Lighthouse (Advisors Mr. Kocon / Mrs. McLaughlin / Miss Bouhana) We meet every Tuesday for M-Z students and every Wednesday for A-L students. These meetings are mandatory for all members, unless you have spoken with one of us prior. Meet in room 201. Email us if you have any questions or concerns.

Step Team (Advisor Dr. Sierra) None at this time. Contact me if you have any questions.

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

Student Lighthouse Team (Advisors Mr. Kocon, Miss Bouhana, & Mrs. McLaughlin) We have announced who will be part of our 2020-21 Student Lighthouse Team. We thank all students who applied. We had a great response. We look forward to working with you. More information will be available during LEAD this week.

Yearbook (Advisor Mrs. Markovic & Mrs. Gomez)



Nitschmann Middle School Performing Arts Department Updates
Nitschmann Middle School Instrumental Music Website (Click Here!)
Mr. Daniel Zettlemoyer, Instrumental Music

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Monday 1/4: No Rehearsal

Tuesday 1/5: Online Zoom lessons only

Wednesday 1/6: Online Zoom lessons only

Thursday 1/7: Online Zoom lessons only

Friday 1/8: Online Zoom lessons only

VIRTUAL WINTER CONCERT

The virtual winter concert can be viewed at https://youtu.be/drSBfMAhrrI

SCHOOL INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS:

- 1) Lesson schedule and Zoom links can be found in your Schoology Activity Section 1-11 class.
- 2) Some necessary changes to the lesson schedule have been made. I have emailed anyone who was affected by a change.
- 3) This is a short video on HOW TO FIND YOUR LESSON DAY, TIME, and ZOOM LINK.

COLOR GUARD UPDATES:

- Rehearsals are before school at 7:15am on Thursdays/Fridays.
- We are currently working on routines for the Winter Performance.
- Review basic skills, spins, and routines.
- YOUTUBE Playlist of skills, spins, and routines.

NIMAS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next NIMAS general membership meeting is on Wednesday, January 20 at 7:30PM.
- The \$25 registration fee has been added to your child's financial obligation page on Cut Time. There are 3 ways you can make a payment.
- You can use funds from your fair share account. Please email the treasurer at NIMAStreasurer@gmail.com if you would like to use your fair share to pay the registration fee.
- You can pay online with a credit or debit card.
- You can mail a check to: (Make your check payable to NIMAS. Write your child's full name on the memo line.)

NIMAS

1002 W. Union Boulevard

Bethlehem, PA 18018

If you have any questions, please contact the treasurer at NIMAStreasurer@gmail.com.

- ❖ The next NIMAS general membership meeting is Wednesday, December 16 at 7:30pm.
- ❖ If you received an invitation email from Mr. Zettlemoyer from Cut Time, that is because you need to complete the activation of your Cut Time profile.
- All logo clothing has been distributed. If you have not paid for your logo clothing, you can pay online by going to your child's profile page on Cut Time or you can pay by check.
 - You can mail a check to: (Make your check payable to NIMAS. Write your child's full name on the memo line.)

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FUNDRAISING:

• Amazon Smile - Amazon Smile donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible Amazon Smile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. Go to http://www.nmsim.org/announcements/amazon-smile/ for more information

Choral Music (Twitter <u>@ldevriesmusic</u>) <u>Mrs. Linda de Vries, Glee & Nitschmann Singers Director</u> Mrs. Jody Parris, Choral Music Director

Do you love to sing? Come and join Glee Club, Nitschmann's chorus! Watch our spring celebration video to take a peek into our beautiful choral family: <u>Glee Celebration Video</u>. Hybrid students are currently meeting in person during Lion's Pride time. Come prepared to sing outside if the weather is nice. We also have weekly Zoom rehearsals every Monday from 10:15-10:55. **Students interested in Glee should register at this link:** <u>Glee Registration</u>
Please see Mrs. de Vries with any questions. Let's keep the family growing!

Please stay in touch by checking our Schoology page for current information!

Rehearsal Schedule

Monday 12/14-Glee Zoom 10:15-10:55 Link on Schoology group page

Monday 12/21-Glee Zoomabration! 10:15-10:55 Link on Schoology group page

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

Winter Sports (Basketball & Wrestling): Winter sports are delayed until January 11, 2021.

Year-long

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

There will be no cheerleading during Lion's Pride this week 12/1 & 12/2 or next week 12/8 &12/9.

| Weekly Schedule | | | |
|-----------------|------|------|--|
| Monday | None | None | |
| Tuesday | None | None | |
| Wednesday | None | None | |
| Thursday | None | None | |
| Friday | None | None | |

Fall

Boys Football (Head Coach Mr. Shemanski mshemanski@basdschools.org)

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

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

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

Winter

Boys MS Basketball (Head Coach Mr. Wills)

| | Weekly Schedule | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|------|--|--|
| Monday | None | None | | |
| Tuesday | None | None | | |
| Wednesday | None | None | | |
| Thursday | None | None | | |
| Friday | None | None | | |

Girls MS Basketball (Head Coach Mr. Ortwein jortwein@basdschools.org)

| Weekly Schedule | | | |
|-----------------|------|------|--|
| Monday | None | None | |
| Tuesday | None | None | |
| Wednesday | None | None | |
| Thursday | None | None | |
| Friday | None | None | |

Boys & Girls LHS HS Wrestling (Head Coach Mr. Hall)

LHS Wrestling (Coach Hall) - Interested in wrestling @ LHS? Click <u>HERE</u> and sign up to start getting info from Coach Hall - Liberty Hurricane Wrestling Coach.

| | Weekly Schedule | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|------|--|--|
| Monday | None | None | | |
| Tuesday | None | None | | |
| Wednesday | None | None | | |
| Thursday | None | None | | |
| Friday | None | None | | |

Spring

Girls MS Softball (Head Coach Mr. Kocon ekocon@basdschools.org)

| | Weekly Schedule | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|------|--|--|
| Monday | None | None | | |
| Tuesday | None | None | | |
| Wednesday | None | None | | |
| Thursday | None | None | | |
| Friday | None | None | | |

Co-Ed MS Soccer (Head Coach Mr. Rodenbach srodenbach@basdschools.org)

| Weekly Schedule | | | |
|-----------------|------|------|--|
| Monday | None | None | |
| Tuesday | None | None | |
| Wednesday | None | None | |
| Thursday | None | None | |
| Friday | None | None | |

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