

**Parent & Student Weekly Email**

**Nitschmann Middle School Weekly Update, [Home of the Nitschmann Nation!](#)**

**Sunday, February 28, 2021, to Sunday, March 7, 2021**

- **Change from Zoom to Go Guardian Conferencing for students begins Monday 3/1:** On Monday 3/1, Nitschmann teachers will be transitioning all students from using Zoom to our more secure system called Go Guardian Conferencing. This system provides greater security & monitoring systems for teachers. This will require students to use their BASD Chromebook and teachers will invite them to join the online session. Students will no longer be able to connect through any other device other than their BASD laptop. [Directions for students are posted at this link.](#) Zoom will continue to be used for parent online meetings. [You can find our BASD Go Guardian policies at this link.](#)
- **2020-2021 Yearbooks:** NMS Yearbooks are now on sale at [www.yearbookordercenter.com](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com). Enter NMS Code: 5049 when ordering. Yearbooks must be ordered ahead of time - there are usually very few extras at the end of the year! [The cut-off date for ordering is Monday, March 1st!](#)
- **2021 PSSA & Keystones Exams:** Dates for the 2021 PSSA & Keystones will be announced shortly. We are planning to administer these exams in April & May online at school. Dr. Mayes will have a video prepared with everything when this plan is updated.
- **eClassroom Monday Schedule Changing Monday 3/1:** Core teachers will be communicating slight changes to the eClassroom schedule. The time schedule will remain the same, but the order of classes may change. There are no Zoom links for Mondays - all students will need to be on their BASD Chromebooks and expect calls from their teachers through Go Guardian Conferencing.
- **End of the Year Dates:** While it is hard to imagine, the end of the 2020-2021 school year is not far off. With the 3rd Quarter mid-quarter next Friday 3/5/21, these dates will be rushing quickly. You will find important dates below now listed above the weekly schedule and will expand as we add more events to this calendar. The BASD NMS Calendar will also be updated below.

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**Links to Review**

[BASD Parent Portals Link \(Schoolology, Home Access Center, SchoolCafe, etc.\)](#)

[BASD Dashboard & Internet Provider Resources at this link.](#)

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**Upcoming Dates to Be Proactive! Weekly Schedule & Highlights [NMS Website](#) & [BASD NMS Event Calendar](#)**

*3/5 3rd Quarter Mid Quarter; 6/4 Tentative Date 8th Grade Dance; 6/9 Tentative Date 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony 6pm*

Day	Date	Cycle Day	Notes	Hybrid A-L	Hybrid M-Z	e-Classroom
<b>Schoology Login Required for Attendance Daily!</b>						
Monday	3/1	Remote @ Home Day (Schoology Login Required for Attendance) e-Classroom Meetings in afternoon (12pm-3pm) All City Orchestra @ NMS				
Tuesday	3/2	Odd Day Lion's Pride Activity		In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home	Remote @ Home

Wednesday	3/3	Odd Day Lion's Pride Activity		Remote @ Home	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home
Thursday	3/4	Even Day LEAD	Pride of the Lions (Feb & Mar)	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home	Remote @ Home
Friday	3/5	Even Day LEAD	Pride of the Lions (Feb & Mar) Grade Cut-Off for 3rd Quarter IPR	Remote @ Home	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home

Day	Date	Cycle Day	Notes	Hybrid A-L	Hybrid M-Z	e-Classroom
<b>Schoology Login Required for Attendance Daily!</b>						
Monday	3/6	Remote @ Home Day (Schoology Login Required for Attendance) e-Classroom Meetings in afternoon (12pm-3pm)				
Tuesday	3/7	Odd Day Lion's Pride Activity		In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home	Remote @ Home
Wednesday	3/8	Odd Day Lion's Pride Activity		Remote @ Home	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home
Thursday	3/9	Even Day LEAD		In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home	Remote @ Home
Friday	3/10	Even Day LEAD		Remote @ Home	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home

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

**Dr. Roy's Weekly Message:** The BASD eNews February 25, 2021, edition contains:

- The Academic Calendar Changes for this school year.
- Info from Moravian College on Accelerated Summer Courses.
- A super Recipe for Caribbean Shrimp Bowl.

PLUS Check out our new #BASDproud section. Each week we will highlight a student, graduate, or employee that we are #BASDproud of. If you know someone you would like to nominate to be highlighted in an upcoming issue, please forward their info to me. See who our first #BASDproud person is...

For this and other BASD news see this week's edition of the [BASD eNews](#).

### **Nitschmann 2020-2021 Yearbook (Markovic, Gomez)**

Place your order for a 2020-2021 Nitschmann Middle School yearbook. There will be no extra yearbooks ordered this year, you **MUST** order by **March 1, 2021** to be guaranteed a book.

Cost: \$35.00; Make checks to Nitschmann Middle School

Order online:

Go to: [yearbookordercenter.com](http://yearbookordercenter.com).

Enter NMS Code: **5049**

For In-School Order Form: Please see Mrs. Markovic or Mrs. Gomez

### **Schoolwide Library Services (Werkheiser)**

Email Mrs. Werkheiser at [lwerkheiser@basdschools.org](mailto:lwerkheiser@basdschools.org) for help with books or services!

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

🔴 **Remember to shut down your Chromebook EVERY DAY**

### **BOOK SUGGESTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK**

😊 Share a book with a friend on "SHARE A SMILE DAY" on March 1. 😊

🇺🇸 Why not check out a book about a war in honor of "HUG A G.I. DAY" on March 4? 🇺🇸

🎬 "REEL FILM DAY" is March 5. Our library has lots of books that are also movies. (Hunger Games, Divergent, The Giver, Maze Runner, and MANY MORE) 🎬

### **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](mailto: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.

### **MathCounts Update: (Lafey)**

**Congratulations** to Stefan Christiansen who qualified to represent Nitschmann at the Chapter Invitational Competition later this month. He ranked 14th out of students from schools throughout the Lehigh Valley and the Poconos. Stephanie Zheng was 22nd and Carsten Rothbauer was 25th. **Great Job!**

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**Student Services Updates:**

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

**Schoology Directions for Parents**

**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>

**Free! Dental Patients being accepted:**

Cleanings, exams, fluoride treatments and more to be offered.

<https://www.northampton.edu/today-at-ncc/dental-patients-accepted-.htm>

**Free! Parenting Teens Series:**

**Registration Required. 7 Mondays, Begins March 8th.**

<https://www.thehc.org/public-online-programs-calendar.html/event/2021/03/08/step-systemic-training-for-effective-parenting-1-on-mondays-from-3-8-4-26/316613>

**Registration Required. 7 Tuesdays, Begins March 9th**

<https://www.thehc.org/public-online-programs-calendar.html/event/2021/03/09/step-systemic-training-for-effective-parenting-1-on-tuesdays-from-3-9-4-20/326644>



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

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**Core & Encore Team Updates**

**Team Lafayette** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSLafayette](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Hackman](#)) It was great to have the kids in “all week”! Work has been getting completed, and we have seen great energy in class. Spring is close, be sure to continue putting your work in the forefront and making your health a priority. Thank you for your efforts in classes and at home.

**Team Lehigh** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamLehigh](#)/ Facebook [@NitschmannTeamLehigh](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Oliver](#))

The middle of the third marking period is this Friday. Check your grade report to see if all your grades are in good standing. Look not only for missing assignments, but also assignments for which you did not do well on and you may be able to remediate.

As we have mentioned before, the library is open both before (7:30 am) and after (til 4:00) school for students who need a place to come in and work. As of now very few have taken advantage of coming in before school. If you have trouble finding a quiet place to work at home or your internet is not all that stable, before school is an excellent solution to the problem. We are also here after school til 3:30 for extra help and Mr. Fritzinger is here for math help at 7:30 as well.

**Team Moravian** (6th) - (Twitter [@NMSTeam Moravian](#)/Facebook [@NMSTeamMoravian](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Roufakis](#))

With the snow days in the last few weeks, we have noticed several students missing work. Grade sheets have been handed out and need to be signed. Please return them on Tuesday/ Wednesday this week. We are available before and after school. Talk to your teacher if you would like to work on any assignments during those times.

**Team Kutztown** (7th) (Twitter [@TeamKutztown](#) Team Leader [Mr. Falteich](#)) - The third marking period has begun. Please keep up with assignments on Schoology. We can't stress how important it is not to fall behind and let assignments pile up. As always, check in with your teachers in person or via email if you have any questions. **Math (Mrs. Evancho)** - Reminder: All students should be bringing calculators to class with them! **Science (Mr. Pearson)** - This week we will be reviewing the last two sections and preparing for a test on them next week. The test will cover material from the "What is Life?" and "Chemical Compounds in Cells" sections and will be on Thursday, March 11th (A - L); Friday, March 12th (M - Z); and due by Sunday, March 14th (E-Classroom). **English (Mr. Falteich)** - This week students will review the 8 types of speech introductions. Students will start putting their speech together. Each student will also deliver an impromptu speech to "break the ice" in front of their classmates. **Geography (Mr. Danyi)** - Students will learn about the physical and human features of Mexico.

**Team Penn State** (7th) (Twitter [@NMSPennState](#)/Facebook [@NMSTeamPennState](#)/ Instagram [pennstatenms](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Getz](#))

**E-Classroom Students:** Mrs. Getz sent an email with your new E-Classroom schedule for Monday afternoon. Class times have not changed, but the order of your classes has changed. You should have received either the Blue Schedule OR the White Schedule. We are moving to using Go Guardian, and will NOT be using Zoom. In order to attend class, be on your school laptop at the time of class, and your teacher will call you through Go Guardian. Please email with any questions.



**ELA (Getz)** - WeVideo projects are due on Friday, March 5th. This week we will move to a poetry unit focused on civil rights. **Downey(ELA)** - We are finishing We Beat the Street. WeVideo projects should be finished this week.

**Geography:** Students will learn about the physical and human features of Mexico. **Math:** Reminder: All students should have their calculators with them in class every day. Periods 3,6 and 9 are working with applications of the percent equation, markups and markdowns. Periods 2 and 8 are working with algebraic expressions. **Science:** Students will start to learn about cell transport and how things move in and out of the cell.

**Team DeSales** (8th) (Team Leader [Mrs. Pogue](#)): Instagram [@NMSTeamDSU8](#) **E-classroom students:** Remember that we will be switching over to Go Guardian on Monday for your classes! See any updates in the Desales E-classroom group on Schoology.

**ELA:** We will continue reading *Monster* this week! You should be finished reading up to page 116, have your digital folder updated, and complete your E/I chart for class this week. Get ready to participate in a jigsaw as we explore some non-fiction articles about the justice system. **HISTORY:** We are almost to the best Unit of the Year, this week we will be learning about the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation. Get your pocket Constitutions ready!!! **SCIENCE:** Get ready for your science on Balanced and Unbalanced Forces on Thursday and Friday! We'll be reviewing in class, but you also have notes to review. Start the marking period off strong! **MATH:** All folder work is due by Monday night, 3/1, at midnight in order to be counted on your progress report. Remember... No Zeroes = Donuts! Algebra 1 will have their Topics 2 & 4 Exam (finally!) on Tuesday and Wednesday. **Parents:** You may use these links to see what your child's week ahead in math looks like. [\[DSU Math 8 Weekly Agenda\]](#) [\[DSU Algebra 1 Weekly Agenda\]](#)

**Team Northampton** (8th) (Twitter [@TeamSpartanNMS](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Hood](#))

In **History**, students will look at the impact of George Washington's presidency on shaping the new republic. We will also learn how political parties first developed. Hamilton vs. Jefferson - Cabinet Battles 1 & 2 from the Broadway show Hamilton will be analyzed. In **Mrs. Hinkel's ELA class**, we will apply our poetic terms to Robert Frost's "The Road Not Taken." Poetry term quizzes are scheduled for Wednesday, March 3 and Thursday, March 4. In **Wallach's ELA class**, we are continuing to read *The Outsiders*. We are working on giving detailed responses with text-based evidence along with higher-level thinking skills. Students are currently reading chapters 7-8 and working on critical analysis and quote analysis. **Science:** We will be reviewing Newton's Laws and the Test on all of Newton's laws will be Thurs/Fri. In **Grade 8 Math (Periods 4 and 9)**, students will take their Slope Quiz (Tuesday/Wednesday) and continue to learn/work with Slope Intercept Form (Write an Equation and Graphing). In **Grade 8 Math (Period 3)**, students will take their Proportional Relationship Quiz (Tuesday/Wednesday), continue to work on Slope and be introduced to Slope Intercept Form. In **Algebra 1**, students will take their Solving Systems of Equation (focus on Graphing and Substitution) Quiz

(Tuesday/Wednesday), continue to work on Solving Systems by Elimination and be introduced to Systems of Equations Word Problems..

**Team Pitt** (Encore) (Twitter [@NMSTeamPitt](#) Team Leader Mrs. Hoffman [Mrs. Hoffman](#))

**Music** ([Mrs. de Vries](#) [Twitter](#))-Keep checking Schoology for those assignments! Need help? Message me on Schoology. Reminders: **Hybrid students need earbuds and an encore folder for each class.** E-learners will be meeting on zoom every Monday, unless there is no school. Check your music class on Schoology for the time and link.

**Health and Fitness:** Make sure to complete outstanding assignments before the marking period ends. Speak with your teachers for questions, comments and concerns.

**Team Bloomsburg** (Encore World Language and Library) (Twitter [@NMSBloomsburg](#) / Team Leader [Dr. Sierra](#))-

Be sure to contact us if you have any questions. **Please note due dates and times written on assignments. \*Mid marking period is March 5.** We are available via email. If you would like a conference call, email your teacher so a go guardian call can be set up.



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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** (Advisor Dr. Mayes) None at this time.

**Anime Club** (Advisors [Ms. Fehr](#)/[Mrs. Wallach](#)) Our next meeting will be March 16-17 during Lion's Pride in room 104. We are still accepting new members to the club. Listen for announcements.

**Art Club** (Advisor [Mrs. Lund](#)) The Afterschool Art Club students should come to room 011 on Tuesday 2/16 and Wednesday 2/17 **morning** during Lion's Pride. We missed meetings due to the snow and I would like to regroup. Bring your drawings with you so we can get back on track!!

**Artsmart @ Banana Factory** ([Advisor Mrs. Lare](#)) The Winter/Spring Art Smart classes from the Banana Factory started last week! The Tuesday creative writing class is held from 3:10 - 4:10 in Mrs. Lare's class, Room 317. Students should bring a pen and pencil. The Thursday jewelry/wiring class is held from 3:10 - 4:10 in Mrs. Lund's ground floor art class. All materials will be provided. There are still spaces available in each class, but this week is the last week students may sign up. **PLEASE NOTE: WEDNESDAY/FRIDAY HYBRID STUDENTS AND E-CLASS STUDENTS MAY SIGN UP FOR AND JOIN THE CLASSES VIA ZOOM.** Email Mrs. Lare right away if you are interested: [alare@basdschools.org](mailto:alare@basdschools.org) Students who have already signed up should return their permission forms to Mrs. Lare.

Course descriptions are below:

Creative Writing with Josh Berk

"The creative writing program is called Write Now! and is offered in conjunction with the Bethlehem Area Public Library. Author/Library Josh Berk makes writing fun. Students will learn about all different types of creative writing - poetry, fiction, memoir, and more - then try their hand at each. We will work together to publish a literary journal to share creations in a fun and creative way."

Jewelry and Wirework with Allison Mackenzie

"Twist, tie, wrap, and bend." Work with wire, leather, and beads to explore ancient jewelry making techniques with your own modern creativity. No special tools needed - everything easily made with supplied kits. This session will explore Native American wire dream catcher pendants, Nordic leather cord knotting, and Celtic inspired braided wire."

**Dance Team** ([Advisor Dr. Sierra](#)) **Activity pd. will be in the auditorium on Tue/Wed. After school practices will begin again- please check w/ Dr. Mayes- looking to continue Tues and Friday until 4 pm.**

**Environmental Club** ([Advisor Ms. Stewart](#)) - Our next meeting will be held on **Monday, February 22nd** at noon. For more information, please search for our club on Schoology. Information and zoom links will be posted there.

**French Club** - ([Advisor Mrs. Lare](#)) Mardi Gras is Tuesday, February 16! All French classes will be celebrating throughout the week. Students are encouraged to wear the Mardi Gras colors - purple, green, and gold - on their day in French. Students will have the option of making an on-line or actual mask in class. If they'd like to make the latter, they may bring their own arts & crafts decorations. Laissez les bons temps rouler! Let the good times roll!

**German Club** ([Advisor Mrs. Sofka](#)) **Hallo alle!** German club will meet Tuesday & Wednesday in Frau Sofka's room 313 during Lion's Pride! This week we will be testing your German knowledge by playing a German Trivia Game and watching a Film in German!

**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](#)) Thank you to everyone who donated used eyewear for the Lion's Club who will have the glasses reconditioned and distributed on mission trips. Our next project will be in February. Once again, we will be collecting for Roadtrip Rescues. Please look for more information to come out. Members--our next meeting will be on 2/22 at 12:00pm.

**Lion's Pride (online school newspaper)** ([Advisor Ms. Bouhana](#)) We will meet virtually at 11:30 Monday 11/25/21. The link can be found in the calendar in our Schoology group. [Lion's Pride Newspaper 2020-2021 First Edition](#)

**Mathcounts** ([Advisor Mrs. Novatnak Lafey](#))

We will be meeting after school (both in person and through Zoom), alternating between Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:05 - 3:50. Our **next meeting will be Wednesday, February 17th** at 3:05 in Room 213 (and on Zoom for those in the Hybrid A and e-Classroom groups). Congratulations to Stefan who finished 14th in the Chapter Competition and qualified to attend the Chapter Invitational Competition on 2/25. I'd also like to congratulate Stephanie, who finished 22nd, and Carsten, who finished 25th. All students who participated should be able to log into the AOPS website to see their answers and the correct ones, as well as the questions.

Any questions? Please contact Mrs. Lafey, [nnovatnak@basdschools.org](mailto:nnovatnak@basdschools.org)

**National Junior Honor Society** (Advisors [Mrs. Wallach](#)/[Mrs. Druckenmiller](#)) (Twitter-[@Njhs Nitschmann](#); Instagram-[@Njhs Nistchmann](#)) Our first zoom and in-person tutoring sessions were a great success! We will offer tutoring once a month so listen for announcements.

**Nitschmann Dramatics** ([Advisor Mrs. Hriniak](#)) Rehearsals now go until 5:00. Check your email for the March schedule. 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:** None at this time

**Reading Olympics** ([Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher](#)) We continue meeting Tuesdays and Wednesdays during Lion's Pride. Our Nitschmann Mask fundraiser will continue during the time we meet. (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. The competition will be virtual this year on April 15th, 2021 at 3:30 P.M. We will begin preparing for the competition and meeting as teams starting Tuesday / Wednesday, March 16 / 17 during lion's pride and continuing until the competition. 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** ([Advisors Mr. Downey 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** ([Advisor Ms. Bouhana](#)) We will meet virtually at 11:00 Monday 11/25/21. The link can be found in the calendar in our Schoology group.

**Student Lighthouse** ( [Advisors Mr. Kocon / Mrs. McLaughlin / Miss Bouhana](#)) We meet every Tuesday for A-L students and every Wednesday for M-Z students during activity period. 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](#)) **Activity pd. will be in the auditorium on Tue/Wed. After school practices will begin again- please check w/ Dr. Mayes- looking to continue Tues and Friday until 4 pm.**

**Strategy Club** ([Advisor Mr. Kehler](#)) Want to participate, request to join the group, or email Mr. Kehler to get the Schoology group link.

**Yearbook** (Advisor Mrs. Markovic & Mrs. Gomez)

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**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 3/1: ALL-CITY ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL for selected students**

**Doors open at 7:00am and rehearsal begins at 7:15am.**

**Tuesday 3/2: A Hybrid ALLString Orchestra students 7:15am**

A Hybrid Jazz band 8:30am

**Wednesday 3/3: Z Hybrid ALLString Orchestra students 7:15am**

Z Hybrid Jazz band 8:30am

**Thursday 3/4: A Hybrid Percussion & Color guard 7:15am**

**Friday 3/5: Z Hybrid Percussion & Color guard 7:15am**



## SCHOOL INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS

- 1) Lesson schedules and Zoom links are located in the students Activity 1-11 course on Schoology.
- 2) 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.
- **Our pre-recording date for the virtual Winter Performance has been rescheduled for Monday, March 22, 8:00am to 3:00pm in the gym. Because this is a normal Monday home learning day, we will be able to have both A-L and M-Z groups rehearse together at school in the gym before recording our performance. Please make transportation arrangements, as buses will not be running on this day.**

More details will be sent out closer to March 22, but at this time please update your calendar to cancel the evening of March 3 and save the date for Monday March 22 during the day.

- Review basic skills, spins, and routines.
- YOUTUBE Playlist of skills, spins, and routines.

## NIMAS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next NIMAS general membership meeting is on **Wednesday, March 17 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.
- **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](mailto: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](mailto:NIMASTreasurer@gmail.com).

## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

The Nitschmann Middle School band and orchestra is collecting NEW items for the Lehigh Valley Reilly Children's Hospital.

Our goal is to fill 100 bags to help make a child's stay in the hospital a brighter experience. Help us make a huge difference and put a smile on a child's face!

Please see the attached list of accepted donations. No glass or food items. You can view the list of items here: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1n7PSb3BP8FNODuirmEvdXC4hloZFI\\_fw/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1n7PSb3BP8FNODuirmEvdXC4hloZFI_fw/view?usp=sharing)

Please drop off your donation in the boxes located outside the band room beginning **Tuesday, March 2, 2021 and running through Friday, March 26, 2021.**

**FUNDRAISING:**

- Help raise funds for our Instrumental Music Program while enjoying a salon experience at Among Friends Hair & Nail Design. Among Friends Hair & Nail Design will generously donate a portion of sales from the salon service that you receive. Appointments must be booked by February 27, 2021.

Visit [www.amongfriends.vpweb.com](http://www.amongfriends.vpweb.com) for a complete list of services

Among Friends Hair & Nail Design  
77 W Broad St Ste 16C  
Bethlehem, PA 18018  
(610) 866-4789

Please note:

Book your appointment through February 27, 2021.

Please mention the NIMAS FUNDRAISER when booking your appointment.

- **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 [@ldevriesmusic](#)) [Mrs. Linda de Vries, Glee & Nitschmann Singers Director](#)  
[Mrs. Jody Parris, Choral Music Director](#)

**Do you love to sing?** Come and join Glee Club, Nitschmann’s chorus! Watch our 2020 spring celebration video to take a peek into our beautiful choral family: [Glee Celebration Video](#). 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:** [Glee Registration](#)  
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	3/1-10:15-10:55 AM Glee Zoom ( <a href="#">Link on our Schoology page</a> )
Tuesday	3/2-Glee rehearsal for A-L during Lion’s Pride
Wednesday	3/3-Glee rehearsal for M-Z during Lion’s Pride
Thursday	3/4-3:05-4:00 Nitschmann Singers rehearsal for A-L
Friday	3/5-3:05-4:00 Nitschmann Singers rehearsal for M-Z

**Spring Concert: 7:00 PM on May 19 in the Rose Garden (Nitschmann Singers, Glee and Instrumental students)**

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

Spring Sports physicals will be held on Monday, February 22nd from 5-8pm in the Auxiliary Gym at Liberty High School. All BASD Middle School Student Athletes that have not obtained a sports physical for the 2020-2021 school year are encouraged to attend this **free** physical option provided by SLUHN.

Please know that if any student has tested positive for COVID-19 and per St. Luke's University Health Network, they will not be able to obtain a sports physical at this event. Any student who has contracted COVID-19 must obtain their sports physical from their primary care physician. If they do not have one, they need to see the trainer for assistance.

**Year-long**

Cheerleading (Head Coach Mrs. Long [kllong@basdschools.org](mailto:kllong@basdschools.org))

Basketball games this week Wednesday and Thursday at 4pm. If you are in school, you can change after school. If you are home, you should come dressed and ready at 3:05 at the gym doors. Upon arrival, check in with the trainer to answer the covid questions.

Weekly Schedule		
Monday	None	None
Tuesday	Practice during Lion's Pride	None
Wednesday	Practice during Lion's Pride, Basketball 4pm	None
Thursday	Basketball game 4pm	None
Friday	None	None

**Fall**

Boys Football (Head Coach [Mr. Shemanski mshemanski@basdschools.org](mailto:mshemanski@basdschools.org))

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

Girls Volleyball (Head Coach [Mrs. Hinkel ahinkel@basdschools.org](mailto:ahinkel@basdschools.org))

Girls Field Hockey ([Mr. Burzynski bburzynski@basdschools.org](mailto:bburzynski@basdschools.org))

**Winter**

Boys MS Basketball (Head Coach [Mr. Wills](mailto:Mr. Wills))

Weekly Schedule		
Monday	Basketball Practice 3:15pm - 4:45pm	None
Tuesday	Basketball Practice 3:15pm - 4:45pm	None
Wednesday	Game - <b>Northeast @ NMS</b> - 4:00pm	None
Thursday	Game - <b>NMS @ Northeast</b> - 4:00pm	None
Friday	None	None

Girls MS Basketball (Head Coach [Mr. Ortwein jortwein@basdschools.org](mailto:jortwein@basdschools.org))

Weekly Schedule		
Monday	Basketball Practice 3:15pm - 4:45pm	None
Tuesday	Basketball Practice 3:15pm - 4:45pm	None
Wednesday	Game - <b>NMS @ Northeast</b> - 4:00pm	None
Thursday	Game - <b>Northeast @ NMS</b> - 4:00pm	None
Friday	None	None

Boys & Girls LHS HS Wrestling ([Head Coach Mr. Hall](mailto:Head Coach Mr. Hall))

**Spring**

Girls MS Softball (Head Coach Mr. Kocon [ekocon@basdschools.org](mailto: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](mailto:srodenbach@basdschools.org) )

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

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