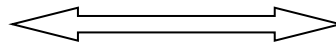




2019-2020

Today We Learn



Tomorrow We Lead

LIBRARY and COMPUTER SCIENCE CLUB

Starts 11/25/2019

This club is for library volunteers and Battle of the Books participants! You can help out in the library and earn community service hours. You also practice for Battle of the Books with your team. Please join the TJMS Library Google Classroom (code: k88yiq) to sign up each Wednesday morning you plan to attend. Space is limited to 20 students. This club will meet on WEDNESDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM in the Library. **Sponsor: J. Volk**

MEMORY YEARBOOK

Students will complete the TJ Memory Book. The Yearbook Club is a great way for 8th grade students to get involved at TJMS! Students will help design yearbook pages, assist with photography at events, and will help promote yearbook sales. The Yearbook committee will meet on MONDAY and THURSDAY mornings from 7:50 AM – 8:20 AM in Room 217 (Or when your bus arrives) **Sponsor: E. Lalor**

SCHOOL STORE

The club will acquaint students with money and making change as they satisfy student’s requests. It also gives students the opportunity to practice their English skills as they communicate with other students. The club meets on MONDAYS, THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS at 8:05 AM in Room 214. **Sponsor: M. Weber**

STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council Club will provide a student body community that will take part in collaboration of school functions, community service, and fundraising. This club will meet on WEDNESDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM in Room 213.

(All Student Council grades will meet in Room 213)

Co-Sponsors: (Gr. 6) M. Margovskaya, (Gr. 7) D. DeStefano, (Gr. 8) J. McGrory, M. Banach

NATIONAL JUNIOR ART HONOR SOCIETY

The NJAHS program is designed to inspire and recognize those students who have shown an outstanding ability in art. The NJAHS strives to aid members in working toward the attainment of the highest standards in the area of art, and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community. Students in Thomas Jefferson’s NJAHS will strive to incorporate art into our school community through participating in higher-level art projects, awareness activities and art related service projects. The Art Honor Society is by invitation only and students were selected at the end of last year. This club will meet as follows in Room 119:

Sponsor: S. Bovadikov

7th Grade —WEDNESDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM

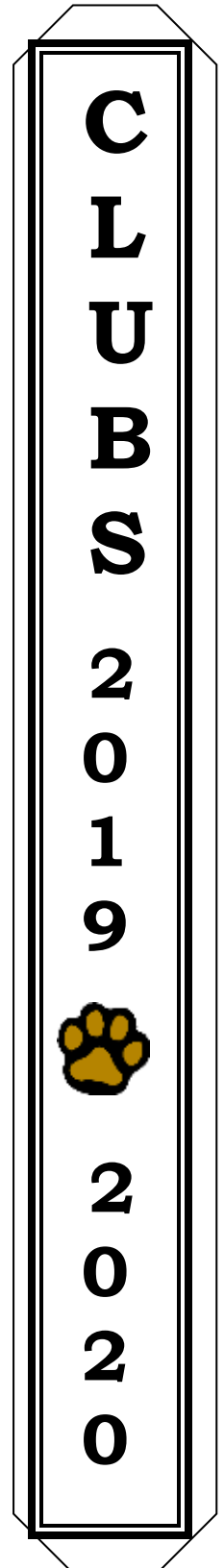
8th Grade —THURSDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM

NATIONAL SCIENCE BEE & ROBOTICS CLUB

Do you have an interest in science? Do you like competition? Test your science skills against other schools around New Jersey and represent TJMS in the National Science Bee, a science-themed, buzzer-based academic quiz competition for individual students 6th- 8th grade.

This club will meet on THURSDAYS from 3:05 PM to 3:55 PM in Room 118.

Sponsor: M. Mawn



BAND

Calling all band students! Do you enjoy the thrill of performing in winter and spring concerts? How about the thrill of playing in competitions and festivals? Help us strive for a Superior ranking at Great Adventure this year by participating in band! Students will learn how to balance, blend, and contribute their individual instrument's sound within the group to create an impactful performance for an audience. Students who are not enrolled in band as a class should first obtain approval from the band director. The club will meet as follows in the Band Room: **Sponsor: E. Griffin**

6TH Grade Band—WEDNESDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM

7TH & 8TH Grade Band—THURSDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM

TJMS JAGUAR JAZZ BAND

Looking for a challenging, new style of music to perform? Do you play the piano, guitar, bass, drum set, trombone, saxophone, trumpet, clarinet, or flute? Jazz band is what you've been looking for! The TJMS Jaguar Jazz Band introduces music students to the history and performance practice of Jazz, Funk, Latin, and Big Band styles, as well as an introduction to improvisation and other forms found outside the traditional band curriculum. We perform at the winter and spring concerts, as well as District Jazz Night. This club will meet on MONDAY mornings from 7:30 AM – 8:15 AM in the Band Room. **Sponsor: E. Griffin**

6th GRADE CHORUS**Starts 10/9/19**

6th Grade Chorus will rehearse after school on Thursdays in the Chorus Room. We will be working on putting our pieces from class together in a full ensemble setting to prepare for concerts and build basic musicianship skills. It is encouraged for all students enrolled in 6th Grade Chorus Class to attend, but required in order to be eligible to go on the Six Flags trip at the end of the year. Make-up rehearsals TBA as needed. Any student that is not enrolled in Chorus but has a musical background is welcome to audition for Ms. Cruz. Please email noel.zucchero@edison.k12.nj.us if you are interested or have questions! **Sponsor: A. Cruz**

7TH & 8TH GRADE CHORUS**Starts 10/9/19**

7th/8th Grade Chorus will rehearse after school on Wednesdays in the Chorus Room. We will be working on putting our pieces from class together in a full ensemble setting to prepare for concerts and other performances, and continue to build musicianship skills. It is encouraged for all students enrolled in 7th or 8th Grade Chorus Class to attend, but required in order to be eligible to go on the Six Flags trip at the end of the year. Make-up rehearsals TBA as needed. Any student that is not enrolled in Chorus but has a musical background is welcome to audition for Ms. Cruz. Please email angelica.cruz@edison.k12.nj.us if you are interested or have questions! **Sponsor: A. Cruz**

ORCHESTRA 6

Students will prepare for upcoming concerts, assemblies, competitions, and performances. The club will meet on WEDNESDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM on the Stage.

Sponsor: D. Pasquarelli**ORCHESTRA 7/8**

Students will prepare for upcoming concerts, assemblies, competitions, and performances. The club will meet every THURSDAY from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM on the Stage.

Sponsor: D. Pasquarelli

CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

Whether students are interested in narratives, poetry, plays, or songs, creative writing club provides students with a safe space to experiment with all types of writing. This club will create a positive and supportive environment for developing writers to learn different genres, techniques, and craft moves, and will operate under a workshop model. There will be ample opportunities for students to share their work, and students will be encouraged to submit their final drafts for publication within TJMS, to other journals as well, and to the National Novel Writing Month platform. This club will meet on THURSDAYS from 3:05-3:55 PM in Room 114.

Sponsor: J. O'Leary

MATH CLUB

Math Club provides students an opportunity to come once a week for extra help or to reinforce current or past skills learned in their regular math classes. Students will have opportunities to peer tutor one another depending on strengths and weaknesses, and complete their homework with the ability to ask questions and have the teacher support if needed. It is a fun place for students to work and improve their mathematical thinking. Math Club will meet every THURSDAY from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM in Room 213.

Sponsor: M. Margovskaya

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY CLUB

If you are interested in IT or information technology, this is the club for you. This club will help those that need assistance with computers/Chromebooks and peripherals, as well as discuss and learn about current technology, especially Apps and Google innovations. (Hardware, Software, Extensions and Applications) This club will meet on WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS from 7:45 AM – 8:20 AM in Room 218.

Co-Sponsors: D. DeStefano and T. Schreiner

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

This club provides students with the opportunity to show off their creativity through group problem-solving activities. The Odyssey of the Mind team will meet on WEDNESDAYS and THURSDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM in Room 105 to solve mathematical, literary, and science-related problems. This club offers students the opportunity to compete amongst their peers, as well as work together to compete against other schools.

Co-Sponsors: K. Edwards and H. Rebovich

IMPROV CLUB

The Improv Club is a place where students are given a myriad of opportunities to use their imagination to collaborate, create, and grow. Through the course of this year, students are instructed about the benefits of each improvisational game and activity, which include increasing focus, improving quick thinking skills, collaborating with a diverse population of peers and significantly increasing self-confidence/awareness. The games and activities are fun and fast-paced. Each week, new games and exercises are taught. Student's success will be measured through meaningful engagement. This club will meet on THURSDAYS from 3:05 PM - 3:55 PM in Room 110. **Sponsor: M. Petersen**

LEGO EDUCATION CLUB

Build, create discover and challenge yourself with LEGO's! Through collaboration and creativity we will build our problem solving and critical thinking skills. Club members will work hands-on with our LEGO sets to explore STEM concepts and develop the knowledge to become our future creators. This club will meet on WEDNESDAYS from 3:05 PM - 3:55 PM in Room 121. **Sponsor: S. Fallon**

AVID CLUB

To spread AVID strategies and philosophies schoolwide by having students participate in team building, public speaking, community service, and WICOR activities. Club members will consist of any grade level students. These activities will design to promote a schoolwide culture of success and an understanding of the AVID system. This club will meet on WEDNESDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM in Room 207. **Co-Sponsors: K. McCoy and S. Laiso**

LITERARY MAGAZINE / NEWSPAPER CLUB

For creative writers, the club will explore a range of writing styles: poetry, short story, essay, literary criticism, drama, and graphic novels. We will assemble an end-of-the-year publication, *The Jaguar Print*, and host a live Coffee House celebration in the spring! For all future journalists, writers, newscasters, editors and publishers, this club will give you an opportunity to create and contribute to the school newspaper. Students will be conducting interviews, taking photographs, designing layout and reporting on school and world news! *Jaguar Journal* will publish seasonal issues, in addition to posting blogs throughout the year. This club will meet on WEDNESDAYS and THURSDAYS from 3:05 PM–3:55 PM in Room 108. **Sponsor: T. Brullo**

MOVIE CLUB

The Movie Club is for TJMS students who love movies. We will watch and discuss movies from different genres. We will explore comedies, action movies, animated movies, and much more! The club will analyze current and past movies through discussions and interactive activities. The club will meet on THURSDAYS from 3:05 PM - 3:55 PM in Room 120. **Co-Sponsors: F. Kousoulis, C. Vergara**

COMIC BOOK CLUB

This club allows students to work together to analyze comics and discuss their findings with their peers. Members of this club will focus on how the authors and illustrators bring words, colors, and pictures together to entice the reader and make them want to read more. They will also analyze the literary elements found in the comics. Students will then create their own comics using the strategies they noted in their discussions with other club members. They will then publish and share their comics in a Google Classroom. This club will meet on WEDNESDAYS from 3:05 PM to 3:55 PM in Room 203. **Sponsor: K. Byrnes**

HOMEWORK CLUB

Are you looking for a little homework help or just a quiet place to get it all done? After-school Homework Clubs are growing in many communities. Often when students get around to starting their homework, distractions from television, computers, friends, and family make studying a challenge and help is not available. More students are doing their homework in places other than home like libraries and homework clubs. This club will meet on THURSDAYS from 3:05 PM - 3:55 PM in the Library. **Sponsor: M. Banach**

SCRAPBOOKING CLUB

In the year 2019, it is very common for students to take many photos - from personal experiences to photos from daily after school activities. What's uncommon is students actually taking those photos off of their phones and enjoying them as keepsakes or a decoration. This club will turn memories into an inspired masterpiece! During club meetings, you will have the opportunity to make fun, creative scrapbook pages and creating a personal scrapbook! The Scrapbook club is for students to collaborate with their peers in order to showcase their creativity and provide support for one another's individual talents and personal experiences. This club will meet on WEDNESDAYS from 3:05 PM – 3:55 PM in Room 202. **Sponsor: M. Lowe**