

# NMHS Bridges Afterschool

**Registration & Enrollment | Session 3, Jan. 6 – Feb. 21**

Dear NMHS families:

Please fill out the attached registration and enrollment forms to get signed up for session three of Bridges. (**Registration forms** only have to be completed once each school year, so you skip straight to the **enrollment form** if you already completed a registration form after July 1<sup>st</sup> of 2024.)

## Important notifications/reminders:

- Bridges will be training a team to compete in this year's statewide *Jr. Iron Chef*, held on March 29<sup>th</sup> in Essex Junction. The team will be capped at ten students, and, of those ten students, only about half may end up competing at the state level (depending on competition rules, budget, interest, etc.). Those not competing at the state level will participate in all NMHS-based activities before and after the competition, and they will also be encouraged to attend the competition as supportive non-competing teammates. The ten students enrolled in the activity will be selected by lottery, and those representing NMHS at the statewide competition will be selected based on a skills assessment prior to the event date. Event information is available at <https://vermontafterschool.org/jr-iron-chef-vt/>
- Please do not sign up for Bridges if you (the child) are not planning to participate in the planned activities. People have been showing up expecting to be able to just hang out, and that is not an option. Occasionally, participants who are struggling are allowed to take breaks from the programmed activities, but this is the exception and not the rule. If, for example, you do not wish to do "Tea Time" or "Minecraft," please do not sign up for Monday afternoons this session.
- Bridges is on the lookout for adult staff and volunteers. Please let me know if you or someone you know is interested.
- Guardians, please remember to call or email me if your child will be absent from Bridges on a day when they are signed up. Alternatively, you can fill out and submit the Bridges Opt-Out Permission form, attached and located on our website. This form will grant your child blanket permission to opt out of Bridges whenever they wish (in which case I will not worry if they don't show up).

As always, I welcome all feedback and questions.

Sincerely Yours,

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## Step 1: provide your contact information

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Step 2: circle your activity choice for each day (activity descriptions on reverse side)

### **Mondays**

Tea Time

Minecraft

Not attending  
 Bridges this day

### **Tuesdays**

Outdoor Adventures

Game Room

Not attending  
 Bridges this day

### **Wednesdays**

Dungeons &  
Dragons

Halfway Hangout

Not attending  
 Bridges this day

### **Thursdays**

Jr. Iron Chef

Crafting Club

Not attending  
 Bridges this day

### **Fridays**

Jr. Iron Chef

Crafts with Judy

Not attending  
 Bridges this day

### **Sundays**

Weekend Game Knight (3:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.)

Not Attending Sundays

Step 3: hand completed form to Ryan (Bridges room) or to the front desk

# Bridges Activity Descriptions

## **Minecraft with Asahi**

Welcome to a cubic universe where we'll learn about things such as teamwork, strategy, and more. You'll be joined by many others in your Minecraft adventure, including your experienced Minecraft master of ceremonies, Asahi!

## **Crafting Club with Anastasia**

Crafts will always be a popular favorite! We've got the glue guns, scissors, popsicle sticks, etc. You bring the creativity! And, if you have a favorite craft of your own, let Anastasia know so she can try to work it in.

## **Tea Time with Sonya**

In this activity, participants will explore tea cultures of the world while also playing games and enjoying social time.

## **Halfway Hangout with Asahi**

The weeks are long, and being a kid can be exhausting. This group will socialize, watch movies, listen to music, etc. Consider this a midweek chill time!

## **Crafts with Judy**

Judy is a crafting master, and she's here to share those skills with you! This is another great activity for those who love art, or who love getting to bring something home with them at the end of the day!

## **Game Room Leadership with Luke**

Come hang out with friends in the NMHS student gaming center on the middle school floor. Together, you'll learn teamwork, sportsmanship, and leadership as a gaming community!

## **Outdoor Adventures with Sonya**

Enjoy the brisk winter air! An outdoor adventure could include anything from a hike to sledding. Please bring warm clothes and footwear appropriate for winter weather.

## **Dungeons & Dragons with Luke**

Feed your inner paladin (or barbarian, or wizard, or rogue...) by participating in this classic fantasy game. Let the adventure begin!

## **Jr. Iron Chef**

You will hone your skills in preparation for a statewide cooking competition held on March 29<sup>th</sup> in Essex Junction. Only ten students can be on the team, and only some of those students may end up representing NMHS at the competition. This activity spans the third and fourth sessions of the school year, so plan to stick with it, please.

## **Game Knight with Luke (Sundays 3:30–6:30 pm)**

This one's for all the die-hard gamers out there looking for extended gaming and social opportunity. Game harder, longer, and smarter than ever before!

