

Middle School Club Descriptions 2022-2023

Lunch/Recess Clubs:

MS Student Leaders (Ms. McCullough)

Tuesday lunch/recess, Room 290

This leadership opportunity is open only to 8th grade students. These students will help generate school spirit within the Middle School in such ways as contests, performing skits at Morning Meeting, creating meaningful and interactive bulletin boards, helping out grade level advisors, and being tour guides for the Middle School. They are expected to demonstrate leadership opportunities and be a positive role model for the school community.

POC Affinity Group: (Ms. Williams)

Tuesday 11:30-11:55

US Room 220

All students of color are welcome to participate in this group, which serves as an opportunity for people of color to come together on a regular basis. Students in this group are supported in uplifting one another while also being honest and realistic about challenges they may face. Through this group, students of color build connections with one another and foster a safe space where they can voice their feelings and experiences and proactively address issues related to race and racial identity at Rising Tide.

Dungeons and Dragons Club (Ms. Lenkei)

Tuesday lunch/recess, Room 185

Students will play Dungeons and Dragons, a creative, story-telling adventure game. Each person creates a character and during the game players join in the story and make decisions for their characters.

Tide Pool: LGBTQ+ and Allies (Ms. Grez-287)

Wednesday lunch time (10:42-11:02 7th & 8th grades; 11:02-11:22, 5th & 6th grades)

A club for students to meet peers in the LGBTQ+ community, support their friends, ask questions, or share their experiences as members of this group.

Lego Club (Mr. Brayton)

Wednesday recess time (10:42-11:02 [5th & 6th Grade] and 11:02-11:22 [7th & 8th Grade])

The Lego Club is a time and place for students to escape from the hectic school day and do something creative. They will be able to freely build, spend quality time with friends and occasionally compete with each other in creative builds. It is a great place for students to build positive relationships and exercise creative freedom.

Magic The Gathering (Ms. Lenkei)

Thursdays lunch/recess Room 185

Magic is a strategic fantasy card playing game. Students meet and challenge each other to games using decks of Magic cards.

Drama Club (Ms. Greenberg) (coming in OCTOBER!)

Fridays lunch/recess, Room 264

A club for students who have an interest in being in the spotlight! Open to all middle schoolers, we will spend our time playing improvisation games, and learning monologues & scenes. It is a great way to build your confidence and gain experience for future theatre endeavors!

After School Clubs:

Junior Classical League (JCL) (Mr. Whelan, Ms. Papillo, and Ms. Leong)

Monday 3-4 pm, Room 174/126

“The National Junior Classical League is an organization of middle school and high school students sponsored by the American Classical League. It is composed of local and state chapters and is the largest Classical organization in the world today. Its purpose is to encourage an interest in and an appreciation of the language, literature, and culture of ancient Greece and Rome and to impart an understanding of the debt of our own culture to that of Classical antiquity.”

<http://www.njcl.org/>

Rising Tide’s chapter of the Junior Classical League is open to Latin students in grades 7-12. The club meets on Mondays after school until 4:00 pm in either room 174 or 126. Rising Tide JCL also hosts different events for the community and takes part in additional optional competitions and field trips sponsored by the Massachusetts Junior Classical League and other local JCL chapters.

Animal Crossing Club (Mrs. Judin)

Grades 5-8, Tuesday 3-4 pm, Room 177

Students will meet to play the game, exchange tips and tricks, share items, and talk all things Animal Crossing. If you love Animal Crossing and want to play with friends, old and new, come to this club. There will be a limited number of Switches available to those who want to join but don’t have a Switch to bring in.

Service Learning Club (Ms. McCullough)

Tuesday 3-4 pm, Room 290

Service Learning Club is open to all students in grades 7-12. This club collaborates closely with Beacon Hospice to create memory boards for dementia patients (to help

service providers and family members trigger memory), as well as for other patients as a cheerful pick me up to see all of their amazing lifetime accomplishments. The club also creates paintings, cards, scrapbooks, holiday decor, and letters to brighten the day of many patients. Special projects are also made for veteran patients.

Book Club (Ms. Flynn)

Thursday 3-4 pm, Room 268

If you love books as much as I do...come hangout with your classmates and I in Book Club! We can talk about your favorite books, authors, books you are currently reading, etc. As a group, we can choose books that we want to read together!

OPEN TO GRADES 5 and 6

Puzzle Club (Ms. Hawes; coming in October)

Monday 3-4 pm, Library

Puzzle club is open to all students in grades 5-8 who love to overcome challenges and compete with themselves. It is an opportunity for students to learn how to work together to achieve a common goal. Together, we will be completing jigsaw puzzles, word searches, logic puzzles, crosswords, etc. This is also a time for all students to relax in a quieter environment and decompress by using their brains in a unique way.

Graphic Novel (Mrs. Nilosek; coming in October)

Tuesday 3-4 pm, Room 286

Graphic Novel Club will be open to all students 5-8. Students will have the opportunity to share their favorite Graphic Novel series and have discussions and will be able to make recommendations to other students who share their interest. Students will also have the opportunity to create their own stories using Graphic Novel designs.

RT Travelers (Ms. Bellan)

Thursday 3-4pm

RT Travelers Club is open to students in grades 5-7. In this club, students switch on their vacation mode, pack up their bags for an around the world tour.

Every week, we will visit a country (virtual tour), learn about its nature, its people, and must-visit places. We will learn keywords in their language, and get introduced to their culture and arts. Sometimes we will share recipes or even play their games. If you like to travel like I do & are curious to explore new destinations, come join your peers and myself every Thursday 3PM to 4PM and let's explore the world together.

Gardening Club (Ms. Weekly)

Day and Time TBD

Garden club will meet twice a month to design and plan our growing school garden. We will plant seeds in the fall and spring and harvest food for student/staff consumption and/or to donate. Students will learn about sustainable gardening as well as be involved in the long term plan for creating an educational space for all students and staff to access during the school day.

Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) Club (Ms. Papillo)

Thursdays 3:00 - 4:00 PM, MS Theater Room

This club is currently open to 8th grade students.

Students in the Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) club learn about a variety of Martial Arts with a particular focus on the basic hand, arm, and leg strikes, blocks, and clinches of Muay Thai as well as some basic techniques of Jiu Jitsu. Students will not participate in sparring but will practice defending, and they will learn to hold kick shields and focus mitts to receive strikes. Students of all levels of experience are encouraged to join, and those who already study martial arts are encouraged to share their knowledge with the rest of the club. Members will meet after school every Thursday until 4:00 p.m. in the Middle School Dance Room. Equipment (gloves, focus mitts, and hand wraps) will be available to borrow for any students who do not have their own.

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Graphic Novel	Ms. Nilosek	Tuesday	3-4 PM	286
Service-learning Club	Ms. McCullough	Tuesday	3-4 PM	290
RT Travelers	Ms. Bellan	Thursday	3-4 PM	TBD
Gardening Club	Ms. Weekly	Wednesdays	12:00-12:30 PM	TBD
Mixed Martial Arts Club	Ms. Papillo	Thursdays	3:00-4:00 PM	MS Theater Room