



Woodlands
Middle/High School



CLUBS

2023-2024

All Clubs begin at 3:10 p.m.

(last updated 12/8/23)

Academic Challenge (Club/team) – Grades 9–12

Advisor: Mr. Sam Washington swashington@greenburghcsd.org

Is a quiz bowl-type competition (like a team Jeopardy) where we practice different types of formats that are presented at various competitions. Our mission is to expose students to academic content and knowledge in a beneficially competitive environment and to encourage and enrich academic studies and team camaraderie through local, regional, and national competitions.

Fridays, Room 214

Animal Care Club – Grades 7–12

Advisor: Mrs. Belfiore jbelfiore@greenburghcsd.org

Students care for the live animal collection and learn about veterinary science.

Wednesday, Room 215

Anime Club – Grade (7/8)

Advisor: Mrs. Cinquemani acinquemani@greenburghcsd.org

We are a Japanese culture club, studying language, and traditions, celebrating holidays and forms of Japanese art. We watch anime (age-appropriate), and classic films and partake in artwork. We also read mangas, go Pokémon hunting (in the building!), and participate in charity toy drives during the holidays.

Wednesdays, Room 210

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Advisor: Mrs. Cinquemani acinquemani@greenburghcsd.org

We are a Japanese culture club, studying language, and traditions, celebrating holidays and forms of Japanese art. We watch anime, and classic films and partake in artwork. We also read manga, engage in video game tournaments, enjoy Japanese tea time, and ramen tastings, and participate in charity toy drives during the holidays. We also take a trip to the Met to view Asian art and armory.

Thursdays, Room 210

Band (MS)

Advisor: Douglas Denniston ddennison@greenburghcsd.org

Middle School Concert Band is open to instrumentalists in grades seven and eight who want to further their study of instrumental music. The Middle School Concert Band meets weekly during the academic day and performs at the annual winter and spring concerts each year. This course develops additional skills necessary for students to perform in the Senior High School Instrumental Ensembles.

***Meetings at the discretion of the director and student schedules,
Room 3***

Black Student Union (BSU)

Advisor: Mandel Holland mholland@greenburghcsd.org

The BSU meets to discuss the issues and challenges facing the people of the African diaspora in the United States and beyond. This club is designed to fill the void left by the U.S. and World History curriculums.

Thursdays, Room 136

Builders Club

Advisor: Kathleen Blenk kblenk@greenburghcsd.org

Builders Club is a student-led community service club for 7th and 8th grade students which meets after school on Wednesdays in room 303. Students learn to work together and develop leadership skills while serving their school and community. The goal of Builders Club is to develop competent, capable, caring leaders through the vehicle of service.

Wednesdays, Room 303

Chorus (HS)

Advisor: Hillary Johnson hjohnson@greenburghcsd.org

The High School Chorus meets in 2 sections on day 1 (periods 7 and 8) and one section on day 2 (IB students period 8). We have a few joint rehearsals, and then we perform two concerts at night during the year. We also sing for Greenburgh community and district-wide events. Students also have rotational lessons that enable them to get small group and individual vocal training. The goal is to sing 2-part harmony consistently and artistically by the end of the year.

***Meetings at the discretion of the director and student schedules,
Room 5***

Chorus (MS)

Advisor: Hillary Johnson hjohnson@greenburghcsd.org

The Middle School Chorus meets every other day with the 2 sections on alternating days. The students sing two concerts a year and attend rotational lessons as well. The goal is to get to two-part harmony consistently and artistically by the end of the year.

***Meetings at the discretion of the director and student schedules,
Room 5***

Debate Club

Advisor: Steven Rounds srounds@greenburghcsd.org

The mission of the Debate Club is to allow students to strengthen their verbal and presentation skills along with creating reasoned arguments using evidence from various sources. Students will also come to understand various points of view and be able to discuss controversial issues without using insults or engaging in derogatory behavior. As the International Debate Education Association (IDEA) states, "A trademark of debate is that it rarely ends in agreement, but rather allows for a robust analysis of the question at hand."

Thursdays (HS) (MS), Room 201

Drama Club

Advisor: Hillary Johnson hjohnson@greenburghcsd.org

Drama club is a place where students can come together to learn fun ways to express themselves through the performing arts. Students and staff work together to put on a musical production each Spring combining their acting, dancing, vocal, artistic, and instrumental talents. Meetings are held on Thursday afternoons leading up to play rehearsals. If you have a passion for theater and appreciate all the magic that goes into a musical, join us!

***Meetings at the discretion of the director and student schedules,
Room 5***

Environmental Club

Advisor: Claire Cronin ccronin@greenburghcsd.org

This club will focus on sustainability education helping students take responsibility for their actions and to contribute their vision for a sustainable future. This club will enable students to develop knowledge, skills, values, and motivations for action, allowing them to maintain their wellbeing - and that of their community and the planet - in an increasingly interconnected world.

Wednesdays, Room 7

Exploratory Business Careers Club (EBCC)

Advisor: Lori Lwanga llwanga@greenburghcsd.org

The Exploratory Business Careers Club (EBCC) is a career exploration club for high school students that would give them insights into different jobs, pairing them with industry professionals to shadow in the workplace. EBCC offers valuable opportunities like (a) Activities focused on professionalism, self-improvement, and leadership; (b) Roleplaying business scenarios and skills testing; (c) Access to workshops and seminars on business; and (d) Networking with business professionals.

Thursdays, Room 139

eSports/Gamers Club

Advisor: Dr. Charles Fritz cfritz@greenburghcsd.org

The Electronic Sports Club races drones and holds video game tournaments school-wide and with other schools in our area. We aim to provide a safe environment that also instills appropriate protocols for the use of games.

Thursdays, Room 113

Gender & Sexuality Alliance (GSA)

Advisor: Andrew Nichols anichols@greenburghcsd.org

The Gender and Sexuality Alliance has two main goals: (1) to provide a safe place for students to meet, support each other, and talk about issues related to sexual orientation and gender identity and expression. (2) To educate the larger school community about these issues and to work to end homophobia and transphobia at Woodlands MHS.

Wednesdays, Room 239

Girl Talk Club

Advisor: Alison Mort amort@greenburghcsd.org

Girl Talk is an empowerment group for young ladies to build confidence through self-respect and commitment to the community. The young ladies work on setting up academic and personal goals and modifying their goals throughout the year. Finally, they build a bond with each other to be each other's support system and biggest cheerleaders.

Wednesdays, Room 209

Girls Club

Advisor: Ms. Kyle Cornell (7-8) kcornell@greenburghcsd.org

The Girls Club will meet to talk about different topics regarding girls and what they go through from hygiene to self-image. The purpose of this club is to give the middle school girls an outlet to talk about questions regarding being a young lady.

Mondays, Room Library

Global Travel School

Advisor: Dr. Charles Fritz cfritz@greenburghcsd.org

The Global Travel Club explores cultures and places that people want to travel to or think about. We also examine the food, clothing, and customs of other cultures. Often we have exchanges with people from different parts of the world.

Tuesdays, Room 113

Jazz Band (7–8)

Advisor: Douglas Denniston ddenniston@greenburghcsd.org

This activity is offered for Middle School students who wish to learn to play basic styles of jazz. Jazz Band performs at school concerts, for the student body, and community, and at festivals. Only traditional big band instruments are used in this course (saxophones, trumpet, trombone, baritone horn, euphonium, electric guitar, bass guitar, piano, and drum set). This club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school throughout the year.

Thursdays, Room 3

Jazz Club (9–12)

Advisor: Brian Kennedy bkennedy@greenburghcsd.org

Jazz Club: Audition/Teacher selection. This group performs at various school and community events either in its entirety or in small combos of students.

Thursdays from 6:30–8:30 p.m., Room 4

Key Club

Advisor: Steven Rounds srounds@greenburghcsd.org

Students meet in room 201 to develop skills in networking, fundraising, and community service. Key Club members organize events in the school WMHS CO-CURRICULAR CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES DESCRIPTIONS Page 3 of 4 and in the community that bring everyone together for the common cause of service.

Wednesdays, room 201

Knitting Club

Advisor: Katherine Tovar ktovar@greenburghcsd.org

The Woodlands Knitting Club is committed to bringing the joy of knitting to students. From learning the basic stitches to knitting scarves and hats, we take pride in the items we create.

Thursday, Room 305A

LASO Club (9–12)

Advisor: Victoria Stellato vstellato@greenburghcsd.org

LASO is an organization whose purpose is to increase the interest and awareness of all students to the Latin culture, to be active in the Hispanic community through volunteer activities, and to encourage diversity. We welcome all individuals regardless of race, gender, religion, class, creed, or national origin. We aspire to strengthen our fellow Latinos through unity, wisdom, and pride; and develop lifelong bonds filled with laughter, cultural awareness, and a sense of pride and leadership that can be taken back to the real world.

Thursdays, Room 305

LINKS/UN

Advisors: Joe Foy jfoy@greenburghcsd.org
Lori Lwanga llwanga@greenburghcsd.org

LINKS UN is an organization that looks to mold students into 21st-century, globally aware citizens, through several engaging and enriching activities. Our organization meets in room 203 for approx. 30–60 minutes depending on our activity. Typically our organization plans upcoming trips/experiences, reads or views films to engage in academic discussions, as well as work on various service learning projects.

Wednesdays, Guidance Suite

Mandarin Club

Advisor: Dr. Hui-Chin Yang hyang@greenburghcsd.org

Students will learn to do dragon dance, lion dance, and traditional Chinese dance as well as make Chinese crafts and arts.

Wednesdays, Room 202

Media Production Club

Advisor: Claudia Amaya camaya@greenburghcsd.org

The media production club is a club where students will be able to learn the process of filmmaking by writing, creating, filming, and editing their media projects. They will be able to have hands-on experience on how to create their animations, films, and/or documentaries. Students will have the experience of going on field trips to learn about the art of filmmaking and photography.

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, Room 205

Math Team

Advisor: Jason Fisher jfisher@greenburghcsd.org

The purpose of the math team is to provide a forum for students who share a passion for mathematics and the elegance of solving non-traditional, challenging, thought-provoking questions. Our students have the opportunity to compete against other students in neighboring schools. The club aims to promote good sportsmanship and the ability to think "outside the box" in a timed and high-pressure situation.

Wednesdays (weekly) and Mondays (monthly), Room 239

Musical Theater – Drama

Advisor: Claire Cronin ccronin@greenburghcsd.org

Musical Theatre Drama is a club dedicated to helping students build skills in (a) Self-confidence, (b) Public Speaking, (c) Creativity, (d) Commitment, and (e) Dedication. A final musical performance will showcase the work students have done learning and telling the story, learning movement on the stage through blocking and dance, and overall sharing their work with the community.

Daily - January through April

National Honor Society

Advisor: Dr. Joe Foy jfoy@greenburghcsd.org

The Executive Board and students meet weekly to evaluate the planned/proposed and completed activities. Ultimately, the Advisor evaluates the club with strongly considered input from the Principal and Club Activities Coordinator.

Thursdays, Guidance Suite

National Jr. Honor Society

Advisors: Kasie Peralta kperalta@greenburghcsd.org

Kathleen Blenk kblenk@greenburghcsd.org

The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) is a prestigious organization that focuses on scholarship, character, leadership, service, and citizenship. Students in grades 7 and 8 must have a cumulative GPA of 90 or above over three marking periods to receive an application to become a member of NJHS.

At the discretion of advisors, Room 321

Newspaper/Passages/The Falcon

Advisor: Samantha Angilletta sangilletta@greenburghcsd.org

Students meet every Wednesday in room 201 to write, edit, and create the school newspaper and literary magazine. Using digital software, students design the layout and learn the basics of layout and media literacy. Please feel free to submit original news stories, creative writing, and/or illustrations to Mr. Rounds.

Wednesdays, Room 201

MS Peer Mediation

Advisor: Carolyn Almonte calmonte@greenburghcsd.org

Conflict is a normal part of everyday life. Peer mediation is an effective way for students to problem-solve and resolve conflicts. Peer mediation is a “chance to sit face to face and talk, uninterrupted, so each side of the dispute is heard. After the problem is identified, solutions are brainstormed and then evaluated. When an agreement is reached, it is written and signed.”

To teach students how to deal with conflict situations. Students will learn how to communicate feelings and concerns with each other. Students will reduce the number of times they use violent and abusive language. This club will help in reducing the number of incidents and disagreements among middle school students.

Wednesdays, HS Guidance Suite

Pep Band [Band (HS)]

Advisor: Brian Kennedy bkennedy@greenburghcsd.org

This group performs at all home football games, including a field show for homecoming, and at several parades in the neighboring communities. We meet on an as-needed basis for rehearsals. Performance days typically take

Up to 6–8 hours and on an ‘as needed’ basis, Room 4

Science Honor Society

Advisor: Thomas Tokarski ttokarski@greenburghcsd.org

The New York State Science Honor Society recognizes students who excel in the sciences academically as well as in the community. The club looks to promote science within the school and the outside community.

Thursdays, Room 213

Ski Club

Advisors: Dr. Charles Fritz cfritz@greenburghcsd.org
Kevin O'Donohue kodonohue@greenburghcsd.org

The Ski Club is an outdoor club primarily. We demonstrate good stewardship for the environment and build skiing and snowboarding skills.

Wednesdays, Room 113

Spanish Club

Advisor: Juniet Rodriguez jrodriguez@greenburghcsd.org

Spanish Club is a club that welcomes all individuals regardless of race, gender, religion, class, creed, and national origin. We are committed to creating a strong presence on campus as well as fostering a support network among Latin American students through activities and experiences. Every other

Wednesdays, Room Dance Studio

Spanish National Honor Society

Advisor: Mallory Gorman mgorman@greenburghcsd.org

Spanish National Honors Society is a national association to celebrate high-achieving students in their Spanish language classes. Together we will do community service hours and discuss how to increase awareness of the importance of bilingualism in a globalized society.

Wednesdays, Room 204

Special Olympics

Advisor: Kevin O'Donohue kodonohue@greenburghcsd.org

Pioneer League is a school-age division of the Special Olympics. We compete with other area schools in Indoor Soccer, Basketball, and Volleyball. We also compete in the Hudson Valley Spring Games Track and Field event. Athletes practice

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday between November and June.
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Spring Musical/Pit Orchestra [Musical Theater – Music]

Advisor: Brian Kennedy bkennedy@greenburghcsd.org

This group meets every day from January through the end of March for 2–6 hours (depending on the proximity to the show date). Additionally, the pit orchestra will meet on an afternoon (or evening) to be determined in consultation with the students participating, myself, and any professionals who may be hired. The culminating activity is a production of four shows.

Daily, January through March, Auditorium

Student Council

Advisor: Lori Lwanga llwanga@greenburghcsd.org

The student council helps share ideas, interests, and concerns with teachers and school principals. They often also help raise funds for school-wide activities, including social events, community projects, helping people in need, and school reform.

Tuesdays, Room 139

W.I.S.E.

(Not a club, but a course)

The coordinator: Dr. Fritz cfritz@greenburghcsd.org

Yearbook

Advisors: Samantha Angilletta (9–12) sangilletta@greenburghcsd.org

Jodi Manne (7–8) jmanne@greenburghcsd.org

The Yearbook club starts on the first day of school and ends upon completion of the yearbook in April. There are three major components of the yearbook, which are photographs, design/layout, and editorial. The yearbook is worked on every day because history is being made every day. We collectively come together as a club twice a week to assess the progress of the book and make sure that everyone is staying on task and completing their assignments. All the physical work is done online using the Herff Jones software (eDesign).

Tuesdays and Thursdays, Room 306