

## This Week's Major Headlines

- Have you checked your child's [Schoolology account](#) for the upcoming week? [Directions are listed below & online!](#)
- 11:30am Dismissal on Monday, September 23 due to Teacher In-Service. All students will be dismissed at this time.
- Please update your phone & email information on the [Registration Gateway](#) before the window closes on September 30!
- 8th Grade Parents - Only 8 more days to purchase the [optional insurance for your child's Chromebook!](#)

## Parent & Student Weekly Email

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

Sunday, September 22, 2019, to Sunday, September 29, 2019

All of this information can be viewed at our

[Nitschmann Middle School Website](#) under [Weekly Announcements \(Click Here!\)](#)

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## Links to Review

[Schoolology Directions for Parents](#)

[2019 10 12 NIMAS Pancake Breakfast Information](#)

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## Upcoming Dates to Be Proactive!

All dates are listed from our [NMS Website](#), [BASD Event Calendar](#), & [BASD Academic Calendar](#)

9/23 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 10/9 Yom Kippur/No School; 10/12 NIMAS Pancake Breakfast; 10/14 Teacher In-Service/No School; 10/15-18 BASD Education Week; 10/27 Bethlehem Halloween Parade; 10/29 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 10/30 End of 1st Quarter/School Photo Make-Up Day; 11/3 Daylight Savings Time Ends; 11/5 Election Day/Teacher In-Service/No School; 11/18 11:30 Dismissal Student Conferences; 11/11 Veteran's Day; 11/19 11:30 Dismissal Student Conferences; 11/27-12/2 Thanksgiving Holiday/No School; 12/23-1/3/20 Christmas/Winter Break/No School; 1/20 MLK Day/No School; 1/23 End of 2nd Quarter; 2/14 Teacher In-Service/No School; 2/17 Presidents' Day/No School; 3/8 Daylight Savings Time Begins; 3/11 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 3/27 End of 3rd Quarter; 4/7 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 4/8 11:30 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service; 4/9-4/13 Easter/Spring Break/No School; 5/TBA Primary Election Day/No School 5/25 Memorial Day/No School; 5/29 8th Grade Dance 6pm @ Ice House; 6/4 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony 6pm; 6/8 8th Grade HersheyPark Trip; 6/9 Last Day of School/End of 4th Quarter

## Weekly Schedule & Highlights

Monday, 9/23/19 Day 2 **11:30 Dismissal (Teacher In-Service)**

Tuesday, 9/24/19 Day 3 **NMS FH home PME (4PM); NMS VB home South Mountain (4PM)**

Wednesday, 9/25/19 Day 4 **NMS FH @ Raub MS (4PM)**

Thursday, 9/26/19 Day 5 **NMS XC at Lower Mac (4PM); NMS VB @ Saucon Valley (4PM)**

Friday, 9/27/19 Day 6 September Pride of the Lions **NMS FH home Orefield (4PM)**

Saturday, 9/28/19 **NMS FB vs Broughal (at Northeast 10:30AM)**

Sunday, 9/29/19

## Next Week Weekly Schedule & Highlights

Monday, 9/30/19 Day 1

Tuesday, 10/1/19 Day 2

Wednesday, 10/2/19 Day 3 National Custodian Day!

Thursday, 10/3/19 Day 4

Friday, 10/4/19 Day 5

Saturday, 10/5/19

Sunday, 10/6/19

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## Important Links

[BASD Dining Services Menu & Website](#)

[NMS Staff Email Directory](#)

[BASD Volunteer Information](#)

## Recent Nitschmann News! (Always posted on our Social Media sites too!)

Twitter [@NitschmannMS](#); Facebook [@NitschmannMiddleSchool](#); Instagram [@BASDNitschmannMS](#); [NMS School Website](#); [YouTube](#)

**Is your child sick?** You can submit your child's sick note by email to [ni-attendance@basdschools.org](mailto:ni-attendance@basdschools.org), as long as the email on your child's account matches the email address. Please note: If you are submitting a written or doctor's note do not submit an email. It should be one or the other. Please email Mrs. Falcone at [mfalcone@basdschools.org](mailto:mfalcone@basdschools.org) with any questions or concerns. Please note that this is ONLY for sick notes, not for early release or any other questions!

**Do you need help with BASD Transportation?** Call 610-861-0360!

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## School-wide Announcements

**BASD E-News (Dr. Roy)** This week's edition of the BASD e-News from Dr. Roy features BASD Employee of the Month - Charisse Pfeiffer. Read how Dr. Roy surprised Charisse with the award. This week's edition also showcases Bethlehem Area Vocational Technical School Staff who are #BuiltbyBethlehem. We hope you enjoy it. [BASD e-News September 20, 2019, Edition](#)

**Giant Card (Mayes)** Please share! Do you shop at Giant? Please support our school through the A+ School Rewards Program! Log into your account at [www.giantfoodstores.com](http://www.giantfoodstores.com) and select Nitschmann Middle School under your Rewards & Savings to support us!

**Registration Gateway (Mayes)** Please complete the Registration Gateway to update phone and email information before the system closes on September 30, 2019. Use your Home Access Center password at <https://www.beth.k12.pa.us/ParentsStudents/>

**8th Chromebook Optional Insurance (Mayes)** If you want to purchase optional insurance it is critical that parents/guardians purchase it within 30 days of your child/children receiving it. [More information is posted here.](#)

**Instrumental Music Department Show your Stripes Service project (Zettlemoyer)** The band and orchestra officers council are selling red and white striped socks, sock monkeys and red and white t-shirts in support of the 2019 Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House Show Your Stripes Campaign. The Show Your Stripes Fundraiser began in 2014 as a celebration of the 40th birthday of the House. It is a fun and easy way for everyone to get involved and support PRMH in three easy steps: 1) families, friends, and companies purchase our striped items; 2) they then take creative photos of themselves wearing the gear; 3) they choose their best photo and post it on social media to garner much-needed awareness for the House. Show Your Stripes day will be on October 15, 2019. The items are available for purchase during lunch periods. [Images of the Show Your Stripes items](#)

**Applebee's® Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast (Zettlemoyer)** support Nitschmann Middle School Instrumental Music \$7.00 per person; Kids \$5; *WHEN*: Saturday, October 12, 2019; 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.; *WHERE*: Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar; 3730 Nazareth Pike; Bethlehem, PA 18020. [More information is posted here!](#)

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## Counseling Corner (Stewart, Kehler, Hipp)

Contact your child's counselor by email: [6th Grade Mrs. Stewart](#); [7th Grade Mr. Kehler](#); [8th Grade Mrs. Hipp](#)

Throughout the year, we will be working with students to cultivate goal setting and career awareness. The district is using a program called "Naviance" that will expose students to career exploration in middle school, and build a foundation for their career pathway in high school. Please see your grade level school counselor with any questions.

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### **Student Services Updates (Mr. Horlick)**

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](#)

**Dropping Off Forgotten Items (Falcone):** We strive to encourage each student to be responsible and organized in preparation for their future high school years. Recently there has been an increased volume of items that students have forgotten at home and parents have brought into the school for them. This has caused a decrease in class instruction time caused by frequent interruptions. We understand some items are necessary to conduct a normal school day such as: BASD Chromebooks, eyeglasses and lunch. Items such as clothing, sports equipment and phones do not warrant interruption to the entire class. To prevent interruptions to all our students, we ask that should you decide to drop off an item, you label that item with your child's name and grade and place the item in the designated area located within the Student Service Office. Send your child an email at their BASD email account to remind them, please do not text or call your child during the school day, which can lead to their cell phone confiscation.

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**Nitschmann Parent Group (NPG)** (Twitter! [@NitschmannPG](#))

[nitschmannparentgroup@gmail.com](mailto:nitschmannparentgroup@gmail.com)

**Executive Committee**

**PAC Representatives**

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### **Academic Team Updates**

**Team Lafayette** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSLafayette](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Hackman](#)) We would like to thank everyone who was able to join us for Back to School Night. It was great to meet so many of you! Please continue to check Schoology for your child's grades and missing assignments.

**Team Lehigh** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamLehigh](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Oliver](#)) We would like to thank everyone for coming out to Back to School Night this past Monday evening. We greatly appreciate the fantastic turn-out; we know all too well how important your involvement is to our students' success. We would also like to thank everyone who donated to the Pajamas for Trauma drive. It is nice to see our Team Lehigh family living up to our Motto "Be a Decent Human Being" Go Mountain Hawks!! Remember that Monday is a half day for students. Dismissal time is 11:30 AM. No lunch will be served. On Tuesday, 9/24 the National Junior Honor Society will be holding a tutoring session after school from 3:05 to 3:30 in Mrs. Druckenmiller's room. This is a great opportunity for 6th grade students to get some extra help from our 8th grade NJHS students! On the academic side of things, please be sure you are checking your child's work and grades online through the clever hub. If your child still can not get on to the sites they need to in order to complete their work they can come before school from 7:30 to 8:00 to work in the computer lab or stay after school in one of our rooms to use the computer. Thank you for your continued support in this matter. The two links that you can use to access the Clever Hub are : BASD G Suite for Education (<https://sites.google.com/a/basdschools.org/google/>) then clicking on Clever or by going to the BASD district home page and clicking on parents/students (<https://www.beth.k12.pa.us/ParentsStudents/>)

**Team Moravian** (6th) - (Twitter [@NMSTeam Moravian](#)/Facebook [@NMSTeamMoravian](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Roufakis](#)) We have had a great start to the year. Students are learning the routines. Please ask your child to show you how to access the online resources that they have been using. All of sixth grade is participating in a service project to help 'Pajamas for Trauma'. We are asking for any donations to be brought into school by September 18th. Your child received a flyer with a list of items and the flyer is posted on schoology.. If you would like to know more about this cause, Fox 29 did an interview with the local Bethlehem family. <https://www.fox29.com/video/596332> Items needed are chapstick, colored

pens/pencils, journals, teen coloring books, and socks (sizes 2t-5t and adult sizes). Cash donations can also be made. Thank you!

**Team Kutztown** (7th) (Twitter [@TeamKutztown](#) Team Leader [Mr. Hess](#)) **Team** - A reminder that there is an 11:30 AM dismissal for students on Monday, September 23rd due to teacher in-service. **Math (Mrs. Van Woert)** - Period 8 will have a test on Tuesday, September 24th. Periods 2, 3, 6, and 9 will have a test on Friday, September 27th.

**English (Mrs. Gomez and Mr. Falteich)** - This week our students will review the elements of plot, theme, and literary genre. This week's stories include "Thank You, Ma'am", "The Monsters are Due on Maple Street", and "Woodson". (Langston Hughes, Rod Serling, and Gary Paulsen) **Science (Mr. Pearson)** - This week students will continue to learn about the structure of the metric system, how it is used to measure in the Science lab, and how to convert between units. They will have a quiz on this information sometime during the following week of September 30th (tentative).

**Team Penn State** (7th) (Twitter [@NMSPennState](#)/Facebook [@NMSTeamPennState](#)/ Instagram [pennstatenms](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Miller](#)) Your child should be checking schoology/planner every evening in order to make sure all assignments are complete. Thank you to all parents/guardians that attended open house on Monday! **Science:** Students will be finishing using the equipment for a performance assessment. They will be learning how to design a controlled experiment this week and practice this skill with a red cabbage lab. **English:** This week, students completed a close read of *The Wise Old Woman*. They wrote their first literary analysis answer which examined relationships and theme within the story. They used textual evidence to support their written answers. Next week we will read an excerpt from *Stargirl* and read *Seventh Grade* in order to write a comparative response. **Math:** All classes are working working with integers and rational numbers in Unit 1. Periods 2,3 and 9 have a quiz Monday on Sections 1-1 - 1-5. Periods 6 and 8 have a short quiz on all 4 integer operations on Monday and their first Unit Test on Thursday. **Social Studies:** We will start our 5 Themes unit on Monday.

**Team East Stroudsburg** (8th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamESU](#) Team Leader [Mr. Amen](#) Instagram [@nmsteamesu8](#)) English classes will continue Unit 1 and will be comparing and contrasting the poem, "Sympathy" with the short story, *Ten Days in a Mad House*. We will also be reading *The Conjure Man* and the *Monkey's Paw*. The Lottery and The Monkey's Paw will be read. History classes will be looking at the systematic racism that begin in 1609 at Jamestown Virginia.

**Team Northampton** (8th) (Twitter [@TeamSpartanNMS](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Hood](#)) It was GREAT to meet our parents who were able to make it to Open House! Thank you for introducing yourselves and sharing information about your child! In History, we will continue looking at Jamestown and early colonization. We will work on text-dependent analysis to see how Historians view Pocahontas's contributions. We will also watch a Nat Geo special entitled Nightmare at Jamestown, which looks at the science behind the first successful colony. In ELA classes this week (Wallach and Hinkel), students will be working on comparing and contrasting "Sympathy" with *Ten Days in a Mad House* and determining author's purpose in the text. With all class textbooks online this year, it is ESSENTIAL that your child has a pair or two of earbuds with them daily! Students will be able to use the text to speech feature, be able to watch videos as part of the curriculum, and create their own WeVideo projects. Earbuds are sold at the school store if needed. Responsibility points in each class will be deducted IF your child is unprepared with earbuds, uncharged laptop, pencils, etc. **If your child is absent, it is his/her responsibility to EMAIL their teacher and CHECK Schoology to see what was missed, so your child can stay on pace.**

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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 Open Field/ Gym** (TBA) None at this time.

**Anime Club** (Advisors [Ms. Fehr](#)/[Mrs. Wallach](#)) Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 24 in room 104. Please bring your drawings and books to the meeting.

**Art Club** (Advisors [Mrs. Kozero](#)/[Mrs. Lund](#)) None at this time.

**Artsmart @ Banana Factory** ([Advisor Mrs. Lare](#)) Classes are nearly filled for the free after school lessons at the Banana Factory. Tuesday classes will start on October 1. Thursday classes will start on October 3. Parents will be contacted next week via phone or email to confirm their child's participation in classes. If students are in school, it is expected that they

will attend the Art Smart classes that they signed up for. Many students have been disappointed to learn that their first and second choice classes were filled. If your child signed up for classes but is unable to attend, please notify Mrs. Lare right away ([alare@basdschools.org](mailto:alare@basdschools.org)) so she may offer the spot to another student. Parents must be able to pick up their children at Nitschmann promptly at 6 p.m. on Art Smart days. Art Smart is a great experience. Mrs. Lare and Mrs. Lund look forward to supervising children in this fall's program.

**Dance Team** ([Advisor Ms. Sierra](#)) Learn and practice the tryout routine: Wednesday 9/25 from 3:05-5. **Tryout day THURSDAY 9/26 3:05-5.**

**German Club** ([Advisor Mrs. Sofka](#)) German club meets every day 1 during 1st period. If you are interested in joining German club to learn about German culture and festivities, see Mrs. Sofka in room 313 for a list of all the meeting dates. Our next meeting is Monday, September 30th. German club is open to all grades! I hope to see you there!

**Heart & Sole Club** (Advisor TBA) None at this time.

**Fitness Club** ([Advisor Mrs. Oliver](#)) Fitness Club will start up this week and will be after school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays until 4pm. You can come each day or just when you are able to make it. We will go over proper use of equipment before getting started. This is an opportunity for all students from grades 6, 7, and 8 to come work out at their own pace.

**FCS/DIY Club** ([Advisor Mrs. Hoffman](#)) None at this time.

**French Club** ([Advisor Mrs. Lare](#)) French Club has gotten off to a great start with 2 dozen students! French Club is a great way to learn more about French language and culture. During the first week, students learned about high-wire walker Philippe Petit. This past week students learned about the world of "haute couture" (high fashion) as students learned about fashion week in Paris.

**Intramurals** ([Advisor Mr. Ortwein](#)) None at this time

**Leadership Council** ([Advisor Mrs. Ellis](#)) Leadership Council will meet every Day 4 during Team Time in the library.

**Lion Service Club** ([Advisor Mrs. McLaughlin](#)) Lion Service Club starts Wednesday, October 2nd in Room 209. The club plans on meeting on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 3-4. If you want to positively contribute to your school and community, please join us. Previous activities which have been done are: Nitschmann Closing Closet, holiday cards for the elderly, positive notes to peers, assisting with school functions, etc. We are always looking for new ideas and activities. If interested, please pick up a permission form in Room 209.

**Lion's Pride (online school newspaper)** ([Advisor Ms. Bouhana](#)) Members will meet after school on Wednesday in room 201. Biography and photo should be uploaded to Newspaper Drive before the meeting.

**Mathcounts** ([Advisor Ms. Novatnak](#)) We had a great turnout at our first meeting, but new students are still welcome to join. Just come to room 213 after school on Thursday! In the fall, MathCounts is an enrichment activity. Students will be working together and helping each other. We meet every Thursday from 3:05 - 4:00, and everyone is welcome. We will hold our school level competition soon after the holiday break to determine which students will be representing Nitschmann at the Lehigh Valley Chapter Competition in February (typically held on a Saturday, date TBA). Students who don't qualify can still come to practices to get stronger for next year. Students are reminded to bring the completed information form to next week's meeting or complete it online here: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfrKefvKFSc8UwmxEZCy3MAFxlmt8On08ezfc\\_wvBENFm5mhw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfrKefvKFSc8UwmxEZCy3MAFxlmt8On08ezfc_wvBENFm5mhw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**National Junior Honor Society** (Advisors [Mrs. Wallach](#)/[Mrs. Druckenmiller](#)) (Twitter-[@Njhs\\_Nitschmann](#); Instagram-[@Njhs\\_Nistechmann](#)) Please listen for updates via announcements and Schoology. Any members running for an elected position should prepare a short speech and be ready to present on September 25. Elections will take place during team time in the morning.

**Nitschmann Dramatics** ([Advisor Mrs. Hriniak](#)) Auditions begin Tuesday. Make sure you have registered on the website: <https://sites.google.com/a/basdschools.org/mrs-hriniak/dramatics> Auditions sign up sheets are located in the auditorium lobby. Break a leg (but not literally!) as you prepare for your auditions! Check Mrs. Hriniak's website for updates, calendar, and information.

**Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS)** ([Advisor Mr. Amen](#)) First meetings for PJAS will be held next week after school in Mr. Amen's Room 110. They will be from 3:05 PM to 3:45 PM. 8th Grade Girls are invited Tuesday 9/17 and 8th Grade Boys are invited Wednesday 9/18. If needed, he will hold meetings the following week as well. General Information on PJAS can be found [HERE](#), developed by our own students. Official PJAS site is [HERE](#).

**Reading Olympics** ([Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher](#)) Do you love to read? Do you love a friendly reading competition against many other middle schools? Then Reading Olympics is for you! Each year, in the late Spring, Easton High School hosts a reading competition with 40 schools from the Lehigh Valley and surrounding areas. This year the competition is on Thursday, April 16th, 2020. We have a list of books we are to read. We meet all year to read, discuss, and write questions about the books to help us prepare for the competition. Last year we took 3 teams and came in 1st, 3rd, and 7th place!! We are very proud of this! We look forward to another fabulous year! Permission forms will be in the library from Sept. 17th on if you are interested. Take it home, fill it out and have your parents sign it, bring it back and place it in the returned forms Reading Olympics folder in the library no later than October 8th. We can only take up to 36 students! We will accept forms on a first come first serve basis. We will begin meeting on Wednesday Oct. 16th! If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Nonnemacher or Mr. Pearson.

**Riding for Focus** (Advisors [Mr. Miller](#) & [Mr. Hess](#)) 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](#)) Thanks to a group of very ambitious 7th graders we are continuing our Save the Sea Turtles Club this year! We will meet Fridays after school until 4pm in room 307. Guess what? Nitschmann Middle School adopted a sea turtle this summer. His name is Gerry and he is a resident sea turtle that lives in South Padre Island, Texas. We will have the opportunity to do a virtual field trip and check in on Gerry and the other resident sea turtles. This club is open to grades 6, 7, & 8. We look forward to a great year full of lots of ideas and putting things in action to do our part in saving sea turtles!!

**Ski Club** ([Advisors Mr. Downey](#)) None at this time.

**Spanish Club** ([Advisor Ms. Bouhana](#)) All members must attend our first after school meeting Monday 9/23.

**Step Team** ([Advisor Ms. Sierra](#)) **Tryout day: TUESDAY 9/24 3:05-5.**

**Strategy Club** ([Advisor Mr. Kehler](#)) CANCELED for Monday due to Half day/ early release. Hours will be extended on Mondays from 3:00 to 5:00 so plan accordingly and make necessary travel arrangements. Tuesday's Strategy Club will remain from 3:00 to 4:00. Yes, I'm still working on making an e-Sports type league thing happen... more to follow. Also, WOO HOO!! the 3D Printer got funded!!

**Yearbook** ([Advisor Mrs. Ellis](#)) None at this time.

## **Nitschmann Middle School Performing Arts Department Updates**

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[Nitschmann Middle School Instrumental Music Website \(Click Here!\)](#)  
[Mr. Dan Zettlemoyer, Instrumental Music](#)

**Rehearsal Schedule:**

9/23 **MONDAY** Early Morning Band 7:15am (doors open at 7am) **We plan to be outside**  
 9/24 **TUESDAY** Early Morning Orchestra 7:15a, (doors open at 7 am)  
 9/25 **WEDNESDAY** Early Morning Jazz band 7:15am (doors open at 7 am)  
 9/26 **THURSDAY** Early Morning Band 7:15am (doors open at 7am) **Inside**  
 9/27 **FRIDAY** NO EARLY MORNING ORCHESTRA - NO LESSONS

**Fundraising - <http://www.nmsim.org/nimas/fundraising/>**

- Mum flower sale - Flower delivery Monday, September 30 4:30-6 PM
- SaveAround & Kid Stuff Books - Orders due Monday, September 30
- Gertrude Hawk Candy Boxes
- Wawa Shortie Hoagie Coupons
- Weis gift cards
- ShopRite gift cards
- Giant gift cards
- **News of Note**
  - Take a look at all the fundraising opportunities we currently have going to [HERE](#)
  - Stay up to date on the latest by following the instrumental music groups on Twitter. [@NMSBandOrch](#)
  - Don't forget to check the Instrumental Music Website for everything dealing with instrumental music. [www.nmsim.org](http://www.nmsim.org)
  - The Nitschmann Instrumental Music Association is now part of the Amazon Smile program. Now you can shop at Amazon, get great deals and support the **Nitschmann Instrumental Music Association** all at the same time. Please share this with your friends and family. [Go here for more information.](#)

**Color Guard: Early morning rehearsal on Monday and Thursday at 7:15am.**

It's not too late to join Color Guard! We are still looking for students to join Honor Guard to march with the band and color guard and carry honor equipment like the American flag, Pennsylvania flag, City of Bethlehem flag, and Nitschmann Banner. Contact Mrs. Hriniak for more information [shriniak@basdschools.org](mailto:shriniak@basdschools.org)

**Upcoming Events**

October 12	Applebee's pancake breakfast fundraiser	8-10 AM Everyone is invited
October 16	NIMAS Meeting at Nitschmann	7:30 PM PARENTS
<b>October 17</b>	<b>Night Football Game</b>	<b>7:00 PM BAND</b>
<b>October 19</b>	<b>Nazareth Halloween Parade</b>	<b>12:00 PM BAND</b>
<b>October 20</b>	<b>Saucon Valley Spirit Parade</b>	<b>1:00 PM BAND</b>
<b>October 23</b>	<b>LHS/FHS combined game rehearsal</b>	<b>6-9 PM BAND</b>
<b>October 24</b>	<b>LHS/FHS combined game rehearsal rain date</b>	<b>7:30 am-9:45 am BAND Time updated</b>
<b>October 26</b>	<b>LHS vs FHS Football Game (Report TIME TENTATIVE)</b>	<b>10:30 AM BAND</b>
<b>October 27</b>	<b>Bethlehem Halloween Parade &amp; Band Picture</b>	<b>12:00 PM BAND</b>
<b>November 3</b>	<b>Bethlehem Halloween Parade RAIN DATE</b>	<b>12:00 PM BAND</b>

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**Choral Music** (Twitter [@ldevriesmusic](#)) [Mrs. Linda de Vries, Choral Music Director](#)  
[Mrs. Jody Parris, Choral Music Director](#)

Thank you to the Nitschmann Singers who sang at Back to School Night. It was a great first performance!

**Student Drop Off for AM rehearsals**

Enter through the auditorium entrance which will be open and monitored by a staff member at 7 am.

**Choral Rehearsal Schedule:**

9/23	<b>MONDAY</b>	No rehearsal
9/24	<b>TUESDAY</b>	7:15 AM Glee rehearsal for members not in orchestra (doors open at 7) 3:05-4:00 PM Nitschmann Singers rehearsal
9/25	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	7:15 AM rehearsal for all Glee <u>and</u> Singers not in jazz (doors open at 7)
9/26	<b>THURSDAY</b>	7:15 AM Glee rehearsal for members not in band (doors open at 7) 3:05-4:00 PM Nitschmann Singers rehearsal
9/27	<b>FRIDAY</b>	No rehearsal

Do you love to sing? Then get involved in Glee Club! Interested students should attend one of the rehearsals listed above **at 7:15 AM**. Come and find out more about our Nitschmann Singing groups!

**Specifics: Glee Club** is open to all students without an audition. Glee rehearses every Tue., Wed. and Thurs. at 7:15 AM. Instrumental students go to their scheduled rehearsals and join us on days they are free. Glee also rehearses during activity period every day 1. **Nitschmann Singers** is a smaller, auditioned group. Selected members rehearse every Tues. and Thurs. From 3-4:00 PM. They are also required to participate in Glee Club every Wednesday morning and activity period. Nitschmann Singers auditions are now closed.

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

[Mr. Jon Ortwein, NMS Athletic Director](#)

**Year-long**

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

**Fall**

Boys Football (Head Coach [Mr. Villiani mvilliani@basdschools.org](#))

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

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

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, friends, and family who are coming out to support us at our games! Our girls are so lucky to have such supportive fans! We are off to a great start and are looking forward to another successful week!

Due to our early dismissal on Monday, Sept. 23, there will not be volleyball practice. Also, there will not be volleyball practice on Wednesday, Oct. 9 since schools are closed.

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

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