

## Parent & Student Weekly Email

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

Sunday, December 6, 2020, to Sunday, December 13, 2020

- **Sad News:** It is with sadness that we share that our former Nitschmann Middle School principal, A. Thomas Kartsotis, passed away this weekend. Mr. Kartsotis led the transition of Nitschmann Junior High School to Nitschmann Middle School in 1982 and served as our principal for many years. Many of our alumni will remember him for his tenacious leadership, commitment to technology, and pride in our school and community. He embodied the strength of a lion through his career. Obituary information will be posted to our school social media accounts this week.
- **Student Covid Information:** A reminder to report your child exposure or Covid testing to Mrs. Valvik, our school nurse, at [jvalvik@basdschools.org](mailto:jvalvik@basdschools.org).
- **New Encore Classes Begin Monday 12/7:** All students 6-8 begin their new Rotation 3 (R3) Encore classes on Monday. In addition, all 6th grade students begin their new World Language Rotation (T2) on Monday. Students should report to their new classes this week.
- **Reminder for Students to Check Schoology Folders:** A reminder for all students to check the folders inside of each class, not just the upcoming assignments, in each course. The master list of all assignments is in each course. If your child is unsure, they should email or message their teacher ASAP!
- **2nd Quarter Mid-Quarter IPR:** Stay on your child to submit their assignments and complete their work. The mid-quarter cut-off for grades is Wednesday, December 16. A paper copy will be sent home with your child for a signature & mailed to your home. Don't forget that you can set Schoology to send you a summary of your child's daily or weekly work to review with them. [Click here for directions!](#)
- **Good news!** We wish Dr. Sierra good health as she recovers from emergency surgery over the Thanksgiving holiday break. We expect to see her in the new year! Dr. Sierra will be teaching from home with a substitute in the classroom. Please contact her at [tsierra@basdschools.org](mailto:tsierra@basdschools.org) for help or information.
- **Remote Learning:** In the event of the need for school-wide short-term remote learning for students due to a school closure, Dr. Mayes will release emails & videos to help with quick turnaround for the next day. Please make sure your emails & phone numbers are always updated with Student Services by emailing Mrs. Scott at [sscott@basdschools.org](mailto:sscott@basdschools.org). We rely upon this system for our messaging to parents & guardians.
- **[Lion's Pride Newspaper 2020-2021 First Edition](#)**

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#### Links to Review

[BASD Parent Portals Link \(Schoology, Home Access Center, SchoolCafe, etc.\)](#)

[BASD Dashboard & Internet Provider Resources at this link.](#)

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#### Upcoming Dates to Be Proactive! Weekly Schedule & Highlights [NMS Website](#) & [BASD Event Calendar](#)

Day	Date	Cycle Day	Notes	Hybrid A-L	Hybrid M-Z	e-Classroom
Monday	12/7		Remote @ Home Day (Schoology Login Required for Attendance) e-Classroom Zoom Meetings in afternoon (12pm-3pm) <b>Encore &amp; World Language Rotations Begin (R3 &amp; T2)</b>			

Tuesday	12/8	Odd Day No Activity Period Today	Wreath Lighting Ceremony Encore & World Language Rotations Begin (R3 & T2)	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home	Remote @ Home
Wednesday	12/9	Odd Day No Activity Period Today	Wreath Lighting Ceremony Virtual Winter Band Concert 7pm	Remote @ Home	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home
Thursday	12/10	Even Day LEAD	Dress Down Theme: Ugly Sweater Hanukkah Begins at Sundown Happy Hanukkah!	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home	Remote @ Home
Friday	12/11	Even Day LEAD	Dress Down Theme: Ugly Sweater	Remote @ Home	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home

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Monday	12/14	Remote @ Home Day (Schoology Login Required for Attendance) e-Classroom Zoom Meetings in afternoon (12pm-3pm)				
Tuesday	12/15	Odd Day Lion's Pride Activity		In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home	Remote @ Home
Wednesday	12/16	Odd Day Lion's Pride Activity	2nd Quarter Mid-Quarter Virtual Winter Choral Concert 7pm	Remote @ Home	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home
Thursday	12/17	Even Day No LEAD Today	Elf Day Celebration Dress Down Theme: Elf Wear	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home	Remote @ Home
Friday	12/18	Even Day No LEAD Today	Elf Day Celebration Dress Down Theme: Elf Wear Hanukkah Ends at Sundown Last @school day until 2021!	Remote @ Home	In-Person @ School	Remote @ Home

Day	Date	Cycle Day	Notes	Hybrid A-L	Hybrid M-Z	e-Classroom
Monday	12/21	Remote @ Home Day (Schoology Login Required for Attendance) e-Classroom Zoom Meetings in afternoon (12pm-3pm)				
Tuesday	12/22	Remote @ Home Day (Schoology Login Required for Attendance) Assignments Posted in Schoology for all students (hybrid & e-Classroom)				

Wednesday	12/23	Schools & Offices Closed Winter & Holiday Break
Thursday	12/24	Schools & Offices Closed Winter & Holiday Break
Friday	12/25	<b>Christmas Day - Merry Christmas!</b> Schools & Offices Closed Winter & Holiday Break

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#### **School-wide Announcements (All Hybrid & e-Classroom Students)**

**Dr. Roy's Weekly Message:** The BASD e-News from Dr. Roy is available to view. [BASD e-News - December 4, 2020](#)

**Nitschmann Mask Fundraiser (Nonnemacher, Pearson, Werkheiser):** The Reading Olympics team is selling Nitschmann masks. The money raised will go towards registrations fees for the competition, team shirts, team activities, and other costs incurred throughout the year. Masks cost \$10 each and can be purchased with cash or a check made out to Nitschmann Middle School. They will be sold on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during Lions Pride in the library. An image of what one looks like is included below. Please help support our team this year and at the same time help yourself stay healthy.



**Lions' Service Club:** The Lions' Service Club is collecting used eyewear.. The eye glasses should not have broken lenses or frames. Once we collect the glasses, we will be giving them to the Lions Club who will have them reconditioned and the glasses will then be given to those in need at no cost on mission trips. There will be collection containers on each floor after the break. Please place the glasses in the containers which will be located in the common area on each floor.

**Mountain Bike Raffle:** The Nitschmann Mountain Bike Club is raffling off 2 new mountain bikes. One is 24" and the other is 26". The bikes can be seen in the Cafeteria. Tickets are \$1 each or 3 for \$2. See Mrs. Getz, Mr. Miller, or Mr. Bellucci to purchase tickets. The drawing will be December 17th, just in time for holiday gift giving.

#### **Schoolwide Library Services (Werkheiser)**

Email Mrs. Werkheiser at [lwerkheiser@basdschools.org](mailto:lwerkheiser@basdschools.org) for help with books or services!

The library website is full of resources for students. <https://beth.libguides.com/NitschmannMiddleSchool>

#### **BOOK SUGGESTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK**

**December 7 is PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY. Choose a book about World War II.** 🇺🇸

🍪 Do you LOVE brownies? BROWNIE DAY is December 8! 🍪

We have lots of cookbooks with brownie recipes for you to try.

🦙🦙 Finding a book is NO Prob-llama on NATIONAL LLAMA DAY (December 9th)! 🦙🦙

📖 Celebrate DEWEY DECIMAL SYSTEM DAY on December 10th by checking out a nonfiction book! 📖.

🕯️🕯️🕯️🕯️ Hanukkah begins December 11th. Learn more about this holiday at the library. 🕯️🕯️🕯️🕯️

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### Hybrid Only Announcements

ALL Students MUST log into Schoology each day for attendance.

@ Home Students MAY attend Homeroom on Zoom daily Tuesday-Friday to check in with their homeroom teacher!

Students have assignments every day to compete in Schoology Monday-Friday.

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### e-Classroom Only Announcements

ALL Students MUST log into Schoology each day for attendance.

@ Home Students MAY attend Homeroom on Zoom daily Tuesday-Friday to check in with their homeroom teacher!

Students have assignments every day to compete in Schoology Monday-Friday.

Office Hours will be posted by teachers in their Schoology courses.

### Monday e-Classroom Schedule

Nitschmann Middle School Synchronous Courses on Mondays			
Time Period	6th Grade Course	7th Grade Course	8th Grade Course
8:00-11:30	Complete Assignments in Schoology		
11:30-12:00	Lunch		
12:00-12:20	Encore Rotations	Academic Period 2	Academic Period 3
12:25-12:45	Encore (Health/PE 6)	Academic Period 3	Academic Period 4
12:50-1:10	Encore (World Language/ Lit Dev.)	Encore (Health/PE 7)	Academic Period 6
1:15-1:35	Academic Period 2	Encore Rotations	Academic Period 8
1:40-2:00	Academic Period 3	Encore (Language/Lit Dev.)	Academic Period 9
2:05-2:25	Academic Period 4	Academic Period 6	Encore (Health/PE 8)
2:30-2:50	Academic Period 7	Academic Period 8	Encore Rotations
2:55-3:15	Office Hours if Needed	Academic Period 9	Encore (Language/Lit Dev.)
3:15-3:25	Office Hours if Needed	Office Hours if Needed	Office Hours if Needed

**e-Classroom Guidance Office Hours on Mondays! (e-Classroom ONLY!)**

**6th Grade: 11:00am- 12:00pm (Mrs. Hipp)**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83839691637?pwd=VkZNM0hqZUhlNm9EUjZhTVhEMkYjZz09>

Meeting ID: 838 3969 1637; Passcode: HG0cPA

**7th Grade: 9:30am to 10:30am (Mrs. Stewart)**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86785937713?pwd=ZUg4VVV4S1p5elZlMjdJeEZncllPUT09>

Meeting ID: 867 8593 7713; Passcode: 5LitUi

**8th Grade: 9:00am- 10:00am (Mr. Kehler)**

<https://zoom.us/j/93407284919?pwd=L1lyUTVsWnh5bUICRFgrMjE0M25rdz09>

Meeting ID: 934 0728 4919; Passcode: 639948

**Schoolwide Library Services (Werkheiser)**

**GREAT NEWS!! 🎉🎊🎁**

While you are learning at home, Nitschmann Middle School Library books are available for you to check out and read!

**It's easy!**

**Step 1:** Browse through the NMS Library collection on OPAC in my Libguides website.

<https://beth.libguides.com/NitschmannMiddleSchool>

**Step 2:** Email me the titles of one or two books that you would like to check out at

[lwerkheiser@basdschools.org](mailto:lwerkheiser@basdschools.org)

**Step 3:** Wait for a return email from me, letting you know that your books can be picked up from the cart between the front doors at Nitschmann.

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**Student Services Updates:**

**The Lehigh Valley Church of Christ is sponsoring a Food Drive on December 18th. Free USDA Farmers to Families food boxes will be available on a first come first serve basis. These boxes of food include frozen meats, fresh produce, fresh dairy and a gallon of milk. All are welcomed to participate in this program.**

Date: December 18, 2020

Time: 11AM - Until all boxes are collected

Place: 3400 Brodhead Rd. Bethlehem, PA 18020



Contact Members of the Student Services Team by email: [Mr. Horlick, Assistant Principal](#); [Mrs. Scott, SSC Guidance Secretary](#); [Mrs. Falcone, SSC Attendance Secretary](#)

**6th Grade: Mrs. Hipp's Counseling Google Site for Students**

<https://sites.google.com/basdschools.org/hippcounselingcorner/home>

**7th Grade: Ms. Stewart's Counseling Google Site for Students**

<https://sites.google.com/basdschools.org/stewartscounselingcorner/home>

**8th Grade: Mr. Kehler's Counseling Google Site for Students**

<https://sites.google.com/basdschools.org/mr-kehlers-counseling-corner/home>

**Schoolology Directions for Parents**



<https://www.safe2saypa.org/> If you have a concern for the well being of a fellow student or yourself, you can make an anonymous referral to SAFE2SAY.

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**BASD Dining Services**

<https://www.basdschools.org/dining>

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

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

**Executive Committee President**

**PAC Representatives**

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**Core & Encore Team Updates**

**Team Lafayette** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSLafayette](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Hackman](#)) This week we are having our 6th grade level Spelling Bee. The kids who won the team bees will compete Thursday and Friday to be 6th grade Spelling Bee champions. Good luck to those spellers. We will also be doing some art projects in class. Please be sure to have markers and/or colored pencils for this week. We will also be having the students work to prepare some “Covid-friendly” holiday activities for Elf Day! Continue checking Schoology courses for classroom expectations and due dates, so you can make sure that your work is submitted on time.

**Team Lehigh** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamLehigh](#)/ Facebook [@NitschmannTeamLehigh](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Oliver](#)) **Congratulations to our November Pride of the Lions: Tegan Evans, Ben Miller and Ava Dancho.** Their work habits and attitude illustrate what being a Nitschmann Lion is all about. The 2nd Mid Quarter is approaching very quickly. Go on to your grade reports and see if there are any missing assignments and/or assignments that need to be re-done. If so, work on them and get all of your grades in good standing.  
**BE SMART AND STAY WELL !!!**

**Team Moravian** (6th) - (Twitter [@NMSTeam Moravian](#)/Facebook [@NMSTeamMoravian](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Roufakis](#)) It was great to see your entire face at the zoom conferences this week! They went well and many of you shared how you persevered through a tough transition year. We hope everyone is enjoying their holiday break.

We look forward to a much smoother 2nd quarter with assignments completed on time. Students should continue to look for assignments on Schoology and talk to their teachers about any questions they may have. We have started extra help sessions before and after school. Please have your student speak with his/her teacher if interested. Stay safe!

**Team Kutztown** (7th)(Twitter [@TeamKutztown](#) Team Leader [Mr. Falteich](#)) - **Science (Mr. Pearson)** - This week students will learn how to write a good scientific hypothesis and then design an experiment based on the hypothesis. Next week there will be a test on the Scientific Method on Tuesday, December 15th (A - L students); Wednesday, December 16th (M - Z students); and by Friday, December 18th (E-Classroom students). **Math (Mrs. Evancho)** - We will try to finish up Unit 2 on proportional relationships and prepare for a test next week before break.

**Team Penn State** (7th) (Twitter [@NMSPennState](#)/Facebook [@NMSTeamPennState](#)/ Instagram [pennstatenms](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Getz](#)) Wear your ugly sweater this Thursday/Friday!! **ELA (Getz)** - Students are reading “A Christmas Carol” and will be writing a mock interview with Scrooge. Students will write the questions, and also write the answers based on the story. **ELA Downey**- We will be reading the climax of the book, *Flesh and Blood So Cheap*. Students will be connecting to modern fire codes and analyzing cause and effect. **MATH: Students should be bringing their calculators to class every day.** Students periods 3,6 and 9 have a quiz on Monday or Tuesday (for Hybrid Z) on the first four sections of their unit. Later in the week, we will continue to work with proportional relationships. Students in periods 2 and 8 will have a quiz on Monday or Tuesday (for Hybrid Z) on the first 3 sections of their unit. Later in the week, we will be working with some applications of the percent equation - percent change and percent error. **SCIENCE:** We will be studying the levels of organization within multicellular organisms and start comparing the similarities and differences in Eukaryotes and Prokaryotes.



**Team DeSales** (8th)

**History Classes:** Oral History Projects are Due on December 15th or 16th. Do Not Wait to complete your project. (Team Leader [Mrs. Pogue](#)):

**Team Northampton** (8th) (Twitter [@TeamSpartanNMS](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Hood](#))

ALL students should be looking at the **AGENDA for EACH COURSE** to complete daily assignments. If you are only looking at the “upcoming assignments” listed in Schoology, you ARE missing additional information/assignments to complete for each class.

**HISTORY** - The Road to the Revolution continues with a look at the Boston Massacre and it’s use of propaganda. The Boston Tea Party will also be studied to see if it was an Act of Vandalism or an act of Activism? **In Wallach’s ELA** class, we are currently reading the Outsiders. Students need to bring their novel everyday to class. Please check their updates on their learning guide. Mrs. Hinkel’s **ELA** class will begin reading a literature selection entitled “Commencement Address to the Santa Fe Indian School.” We will also continue practicing our new comma rule. Quizzes

on this topic are scheduled for Dec. 15 and Dec. 16. . **SCIENCE** Students are exploring Atoms. We will be reviewing Atoms on Tues/Weds and a Quiz on Atoms will be Thursday/Friday. **MATH:** Grade 8 Math is working on solving linear equations. Algebra 1 students will be working with linear functions.

**Team Pitt** (Encore) (Twitter [@NMSTeamPitt](#) Team Leader Mrs. Hoffman [Mrs. Hoffman](#))

**Health and Physical Education** - Make sure to wear your gym clothes to school; athletic clothes and sneakers that tie! Bring water bottles and inhalers if you have them. **With the weather changing, make sure to be prepared to be outside on the turf!** Stay up to date with your Schoology assignments. The weekly folder with the assignments is posted every Monday and closes every Sunday night at 11:59pm. Email or schoology message your teacher with any questions or concerns. [S.Weinert](#) [K. Long](#) [M.Villani](#)

**Family and Consumer Science** - Mrs. Woodring's 6th and 7th grade classes will be moving on to our cross stitch sewing project on Friday, November 6. Please send in \$7 for the cost of the cross stitch kit in an envelope labeled with the student's name.

**General Music/Integrated Music** (de Vries)- I'm excited to start encore rotation 3! Please remember that **hybrid students need earbuds and encore folders for every class.**

**Engineering Design and Fabrication** - Parents please check your students schedules for their rotation 2 encore class. Any student enrolled in Engineering Design and Fabrication will need to provide their own clear safety glasses.

**Team Bloomsburg** (Encore World Language and Library) (Twitter [@NMSBloomsburg](#) / Team Leader [Dr. Sierra](#))- **Grade 6:** New language rotation for gr. 6 starts this week. Please contact your teacher with any questions. **\*IPR week is already here!** Gr. 6 will not receive IPR grades for language, but Grs. 7 & 8 will receive IPR grades. Make sure all work is in on time.



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### Extracurricular Activities

*Is your child interested in an after-school club or activity? Email the advisor for more information!*

**LHS Wrestling (Coach Hall)** Interested in the 20-21 wrestling season? Click [HERE](#) and sign up to start getting info from Coach Hall - Liberty Hurricane Wrestling Coach.

**AM Basketball** (Advisor Dr. Mayes) AM basketball will begin in December after Thanksgiving. Watch Sunday email & announcements for details.

**Anime Club** (Advisors [Ms. Fehr](#)/[Mrs. Wallach](#)) We will have our next meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday 12/8 and 12/9 in room 104. We will meet once a month. Listen for announcements.

**Art Club** (Advisor [Mrs. Lund](#)) Wednesday **Afterschool Art Club** will meet this Wednesday, December 9, in room 011 from 3:10pm to 4:10pm. The next Tuesday **Afterschool Art Club** will meet Tuesday, December 15, in room 011 from 3:10pm to 4:10pm.

**Artsmart @ Banana Factory** ([Advisor Mrs. Lare](#)) This is the last week to sign up and start Art Smart classes. Classes will be held virtually here at Nitschmann via streaming from the professional artists at the Banana Factory. You will need your charged laptop. Classes will be held immediately after school and include Cartoon & Anime on Tuesdays (in Mrs. Lare's Room 317) and Mosaics on Thursday (in Mrs. Lund's Room 011). Classes will start at 3:10 and last one hour. Students will finish in time to make the late bus. Class size is limited so email Mrs. Lare right away if you're interested. [alare@basdschools.org](mailto:alare@basdschools.org) YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO START ART SMART AFTER THIS WEEK.

**Dance Team** ([Advisor Dr. Sierra](#)) No practice during the month of December- Not during activity pd. nor after school. Please refer to Schoology for info.

**French Club** - ([Advisor Mrs. Lare](#)) None at this time.

**German Club** ([Advisor Mrs. Sofka](#)) **Guten Tag!!!** We will meet Tuesday and Wednesday morning in room 313 during Lion's Pride (hybrid students only). Did Skt. Nikolaus arrive? Were you behaving?? This week we will find out if Skt. Nikolaus left treats or if Krampus was here.... See you then!

**Fitness Club** ([Advisor Mrs. Oliver](#)) None at this time.

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

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

**Lacrosse Intramurals:** ([Advisor Ms. Weinert](#)) Fall Intramurals are now complete! [Tee Shirt](#) order is optional (\$10, cash only). Email Ms. Weinert with any questions. [Parent consent form](#)

**Leadership Council** ([Advisor Mr. Kocon](#)) None at this time.

**Lion Service Club** ([Advisor Mrs. McLaughlin](#)) Our next meeting will be 12/17 at 12pm. A Zoom link will be posted in our Schoology Group. [The Lions' Service Club is collecting used eyewear.](#) The eye glasses should not have broken lenses or frames. Once we collect the glasses, we will be giving them to the Lions Club who will have them reconditioned and the glasses will then be given to those in need at no cost on mission trips. There will be collection containers on each floor after the break. Please place the glasses in the containers which will be located in the common area on each floor.

**Lion's Pride (online school newspaper)** ([Advisor Ms. Bouhana](#)) We will not meet this week in school. I will post a link for a zoom meeting on Monday in the Schoology group page. We have finished our first edition for the Newspaper. Click on the following link to access it. [Lion's Pride Newspaper 2020-2021 First Edition](#)

**Mathcounts** ([Advisor Mrs. Novatnak Lafey](#)) **We're still welcoming new members in grades 6, 7 and 8.**

MathCounts is a nationwide mathematics enrichment and competition program. Nitschmann has had a long tradition of success. If you do well in math and are looking for a challenge, then you should get involved. Students in all 3 grades are welcome to participate. We will be meeting after school (both in person and through Zoom), alternating between Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:05 - 3:50. Our **sixth meeting will be Thursday, December 10th** at 3:05 in Room 213 (and on Zoom for those in the Hybrid Z and e-Classroom groups). If you haven't already registered on the AOPS website, please do so using the link in the Schoology group. You need to create an account in order to participate in the competitions.

Students MUST fill out this Google form in order to attend.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfRKjpYx4-QJlunsh7Qx3PUtuE2lrd6TlHeVTFshIKDdndEwA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfRKjpYx4-QJlunsh7Qx3PUtuE2lrd6TlHeVTFshIKDdndEwA/viewform?usp=sf_link) Any questions? Please contact Mrs. Lafey, [nnovatnak@basdschools.org](mailto:nnovatnak@basdschools.org)

**National Junior Honor Society** (Advisors [Mrs. Wallach](#)/[Mrs. Druckenmiller](#)) (Twitter-[@Njhs\\_Nitschmann](#); Instagram-[@Njhs\\_Nistchmann](#)) Our next meeting will be 12/8-12/9 after school in room 104.

**Nitschmann Dramatics** ([Advisor Mrs. Hriniak](#)) Tues 12/8 & Wed 12/9 cast for Scene 1, Wed 12/9 & Thurs 12/10 Crew & House, Thurs 12/10 & Fri 12/11 cast for Scene 2. No rehearsals the week of 12/14. See the update emails from Mrs. Hriniak for information on upcoming Zooms. Keep doing some online research about Hairspray background topics so you have a better understanding of our show. Listen to your music at home and read your script so you know the show forwards, backwards, and inside-out!

**Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS)** (Advisor TBA) None at this time.

**Photography Club:** None at this time

**Reading Olympics** ([Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher](#)) Due to the pandemic, we are meeting during school hours, during Period one, Lion's Pride, on a Tuesday / Wednesday, 8:30 A.M - 9:06 A.M. The 2020-2021 Reading Olympics book list and summaries are available online on Nitschmann's website under the library. They are also available in the library. **Our Nitschmann Mask fundraiser starts this week on Tuesday / Wednesday ! They are \$10.00 a piece. A picture of what one looks like is below. They will be sold weekly on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during Lion's pride in the library!** The competition will be virtual this year on April 15th, 2021 at 3:30 P.M. Please contact Mrs. Nonnemacher, Mr. Pearson or Mrs. Werkheiser if you have any questions. We are looking forward to a great year!



**Riding for Focus** (Advisors [Mr. Miller](#) & [Mr. Bellucci](#)) 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](#)) None at this time.

**\*\*Ski & Snowboard Club** ([Advisors Mr. Downey and Mrs. Druckenmiller](#)) As soon as passes are mailed here, we will distribute them to your child.

**Spanish Club** ([Advisor Ms. Bouhana](#)) We will not meet this week. I will post a link to a zoom meeting in our Schoology group later this week for Monday.

**Student Lighthouse** ( [Advisors Mr. Kocon / Mrs. McLaughlin / Miss Bouhana](#)) We meet every Tuesday for M-Z students and every Wednesday for A-L students. These meetings are mandatory for all members, unless you have spoken with one of us prior. Meet in room 201. Email us if you have any questions or concerns.

**Step Team** ([Advisor Dr. Sierra](#)) No practice during the month of December- Not during activity pd. nor after school. Please refer to Schoology for info.

**Strategy Club** ([Advisor Mr. Kehler](#)) Strategy Club will meet on 10/27(Tuesday A-L) and 10/28(Wednesday M-Z) in the Auditorium, during Lion's Pride time, for a brief informational meeting. Schoology group access code - **T8G6-4KWP-DTMC2**.

**Student Lighthouse Team** ([Advisors Mr. Kocon, Miss Bouhana, & Mrs. McLaughlin](#)) We have announced who will be part of our 2020-21 Student Lighthouse Team. We thank all students who applied. We had a great response. We look forward to working with you. More information will be available during LEAD this week.



**Yearbook** (Advisor Mrs. Markovic & Mrs. Gomez)

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**Nitschmann Middle School Performing Arts Department Updates**  
**[Nitschmann Middle School Instrumental Music Website \(Click Here!\)](#)**  
*[Mr. Daniel Zettlemoyer, Instrumental Music](#)*

**SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday 12/7:** No Rehearsal

**Tuesday 12/9:** A Hybrid String Orchestra 7:15am

A Hybrid Jazz band 8:30am

**Wednesday 12/9:** Z Hybrid String Orchestra 7:15am

Z Hybrid Jazz band 8:30am

**Thursday 12/10:** A Hybrid Percussion & Color guard 7:15am

**Friday 12/11:** Z Hybrid Percussion & Color guard 7:15am

**Saturday 12/12:** All virtual concert recordings are due.

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**VIRTUAL CONCERT RECORDINGS ARE DUE SATURDAY**

All students in band, orchestra and jazz band have been assigned to record their parts of the pieces we are using to create a virtual concert. All of the recordings need to be submitted by midnight Saturday using SmartMusic. I will then edit the recordings together to create a virtual concert.

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**SCHOOL INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS:**

Lesson schedule and Zoom links can be found in your Schoology **Activity Section 1-11** class.

This is a short video on **[HOW TO FIND YOUR LESSON DAY, TIME, and ZOOM LINK.](#)**

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**COLOR GUARD UPDATES:**

Rehearsals are before school at 7:15am on Thursdays/Fridays.

We are currently working on routines for the Winter Performance.

Review basic skills, spins, and routines.

**[YOUTUBE Playlist](#)** of skills, spins, and routines.

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**NIMAS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ❖ The next **NIMAS** general membership meeting is on Wednesday, December 16 at 7:30PM.

- ❖ The \$25 registration fee has been added to your child's financial obligation page on Cut Time. There are 3 ways you can make a payment.

- You can use funds from your fair share account. Please email the treasurer at [NIMASTreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:NIMASTreasurer@gmail.com) if you would like to use your fair share to pay the registration fee.
- You can pay online with a credit or debit card.
- You can mail a check to: (Make your check payable to **NIMAS**. Write your child's full name on the memo line.)

**NIMAS**

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If you have any questions, please contact the treasurer at [NIMASTreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:NIMASTreasurer@gmail.com).

The next NIMAS general membership meeting is Wednesday, December 16 at 7:30pm.

If you received an invitation email from Mr. Zettlemoyer from Cut Time, that is **because** you need to complete the activation of your Cut Time profile.

❖ **Logo clothing has arrived.**

All logo clothing has been distributed. If you have not paid for your logo clothing, you can pay online by going to your child's profile page on Cut Time or you can pay by check.

- You can mail a check to: (Make your check payable to **NIMAS**. Write your child's full name on the memo line.)

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**FUNDRAISING:**

- Help raise funds for our Instrumental Music Program while enjoying a salon experience at Among Friends Hair & Nail Design. Among Friends Hair & Nail Design will generously donate a portion of sales from the salon service that you receive. **Appointments must be booked in December 2020 for services to be received in January 2021.**

Visit [www.amongfriends.vpweb.com](http://www.amongfriends.vpweb.com) for a complete list of services

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

**Do you love to sing?** Come and join Glee Club, Nitschmann's chorus! Watch our spring celebration video to take a peek into our beautiful choral family: [Glee Celebration Video](#). Hybrid students are currently meeting in person during Lion's Pride time. Come prepared to sing outside if the weather is nice. We also have weekly Zoom rehearsals every Monday from 10:15-10:55. **Students interested in Glee should register at this link:** [Glee Registration](#)  
 Please see Mrs. de Vries with any questions. Let's keep the family growing!

**Note that there are Glee rehearsals before school on 12/8 and 12/9. Come prepared to sing outside.**

#### **Rehearsal Schedule**

Monday 12/7-Glee Zoom **10:15-10:55** [Link on Schoology group page](#)  
**Tuesday 12/8-7:15 AM Glee rehearsal for performance at wreath lighting hybrid AL**  
**Wednesday 12/9-7:15 AM Glee rehearsal for performance at wreath lighting hybrid MZ**  
 Thursday 12/10-Nitschmann Singers **AL rehearsal** 3:05-4:00  
 Friday 12/11-Nitschmann Singers **MZ rehearsal** 3:05-4:00

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

**Winter Sports (Basketball & Wrestling):** Winter sports are delayed until January 11, 2021.

#### **Year-long**

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

There will be no cheerleading during Lion's Pride this week 12/1 & 12/2 or next week 12/8 & 12/9.

Weekly Schedule		
Monday	None	None
Tuesday	None	None
Wednesday	None	None
Thursday	None	None
Friday	None	None

#### **Fall**

**Boys Football** (Head Coach Mr. Shemanski [mshemanski@basdschools.org](mailto:mshemanski@basdschools.org))

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

**Girls Volleyball** (Head Coach Mrs. Hinkel [ahinkel@basdschools.org](mailto:ahinkel@basdschools.org))

**Girls Field Hockey** (Mr. Burzynski [bburzynski@basdschools.org](mailto:bburzynski@basdschools.org))

## Winter

Boys MS Basketball (Head Coach [Mr. Wills](#))

Weekly Schedule		
Monday	None	None
Tuesday	None	None
Wednesday	None	None
Thursday	None	None
Friday	None	None

Girls MS Basketball (Head Coach [Mr. Ortwein](#) [jortwein@basdschools.org](mailto:jortwein@basdschools.org))

Weekly Schedule		
Monday	None	None
Tuesday	None	None
Wednesday	None	None
Thursday	None	None
Friday	None	None

Boys & Girls LHS HS Wrestling ([Head Coach Mr. Hall](#))

**LHS Wrestling (Coach Hall)** - Interested in wrestling @ LHS? Click [HERE](#) and sign up to start getting info from Coach Hall - Liberty Hurricane Wrestling Coach.

Weekly Schedule		
Monday	None	None
Tuesday	None	None
Wednesday	None	None
Thursday	None	None
Friday	None	None

## Spring

Girls MS Softball (Head Coach Mr. Kocon [ekocon@basdschools.org](mailto:ekocon@basdschools.org))

Weekly Schedule		
Monday	None	None
Tuesday	None	None
Wednesday	None	None
Thursday	None	None
Friday	None	None

Co-Ed MS Soccer (Head Coach [Mr. Rodenbach srodenbach@basdschools.org](mailto:srodenbach@basdschools.org) )

Weekly Schedule		
Monday	None	None
Tuesday	None	None
Wednesday	None	None
Thursday	None	None
Friday	None	None

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