

Parent & Student Weekly Email

Nitschmann Middle School Weekly Update

100 Years of Learning @ [Home of the Nitschmann Nation](#)

Sunday, May 1, 2022, to Sunday, May 8, 2022

[Download the BASD App and select "Nitschmann" to receive all alerts to your phone.](#)

- **COVID Monitoring & Symptoms** Students & parents should review the Daily Symptom Checklist on the BASD Website. If your child is not feeling well and tests positive for COVID, please report this on the BASD Website. There has been a slight increase in cases county-wide. Please wear a mask if you need to!
- **PSSA Testing Continues Tomorrow, Monday, May 2, 2022.** Students should remember their fully charged Chromebooks and chargers for testing tomorrow. We encourage students to make sure their Chromebooks are updated and restarted before testing tomorrow.
- **Absences/Lates/Early Dismissals** - Once students begin testing for the morning at 8:30am, no students will be dismissed for any reason until testing is completed at 11:00am.

*****Links to Review** *****

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

[BASD 2021-2022 Calendar](#)

[BASD 2022-2022 Calendar \(Next School Year\)](#)

- **Soccer! FREE Middle School Soccer Clinics** - hosted by the LHS Boys' and Girls' Soccer programs on *SATURDAY, MAY 14TH* - [Any 6th, 7th or 8th grader interested, please sign up with this link!](#)
- **Basketball! Liberty Hurricane Basketball Camp** - hosted by LHS Basketball from June 20-23, 2022. [Students in 5th-8th grades interested? Please sign up with this link!](#)
- **Tennis!** The Liberty Tennis team will be hosting summer programming on Fridays throughout the summer! This opportunity is open to upcoming 5th graders through 9th graders who will be attending Liberty. If you are interested, please feel free to complete the Google Form found [HERE](#)

*****Weekly Schedule & Highlights @ [BASD NMS Event Calendar](#)*******

[2022 PSSA Testing Dates & Information at this link!](#)

Day	Date	Cycle Day	Notes
Monday	5/2	2	Math PSSA Exam 1 (Students need their Chromebook & Charger!)
Tuesday	5/3	3	Math PSSA Exam 2 (Students need their Chromebook & Charger!) National Teacher Day! Thank you to our incredible teachers!
Wednesday	5/4	4	8th only Science PSSA Exam 3 (Students need their Chromebook & Charger!) National School Nurses' Day! Thank you to our incredible school nurses! Spring Band Concert 7pm Auditorium
Thursday	5/5	5	8th only Science PSSA Exam 3 (Students need their Chromebook & Charger!) Cinco de Mayo
Friday	5/6	6	May Pride of the Lions

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Monday	5/9	1	Acadience & MAZE Testing Begins (All Grades)
Tuesday	5/10	2	
Wednesday	5/11	3	8th Grade Team NCC Field Trip to Philadelphia
Thursday	5/12	4	
Friday	5/13	5	

Day	Date	Cycle Day	Notes
Monday	5/16	6	ELA PSSA Exam 1 (Students need their Chromebook & Charger!) Start of R6 Rotation
Tuesday	5/17		No School Teacher In-Service State Primary Election Day
Wednesday	5/18	1	Algebra Keystone Exams (Algebra 1 Students Only)
Thursday	5/19	2	Algebra Keystone Exams (Algebra 1 Students Only)
Friday	5/20	3	

School-wide Announcements **

BASD eNews from Dr. Roy - BASD Staff and Faculty:

Looking for something to do this weekend? The FHS LAX Community Event is taking place on Saturday, April 30. This is a FREE Event at Freedom. For more details see the Upcoming Events Section of the eNews.

Our spotlight individuals this week includes a **student** from **Governor Wolf Elementary School**, **staff member** from **Lincoln Elementary School**, and **Freedom High School 2006 Graduate**.

I hope you enjoy the [BASD eNews from Dr. Roy](#).

The Lion's Den School Store (Roufakis & Evancho) - The school store is selling **100th Birthday shirts** to celebrate Nitschmann's birthday. They are \$10. Be sure to get yours and your child's to wear to all of this year's special events. Help us celebrate 100 years of Lion's pride!



Nitschmann Color Guard Tryouts (Hriniak): Color Guard tryouts for next year will be held May 9-13, 4:00-5:00 in the band room.

Click here for information and to register for tryouts:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Vcz9H8flh0KLkmpo1x3cUAzcZvSGWSb2BC69ZW5Wwlc/edit?usp=sharing>

2022 End of Year Schedule for 8th Grade Students

Algebra 1 Keystone Testing

Wednesday, May 18th & Thursday, May 19th

8th Grade Academic Awards Assembly

Celebration for Lamp of Learning & Presidential Award Honorees

Wednesday, June 1 at 5:30pm

Nitschmann Auditorium

BASD 8th Grade Track Meet

Interscholastic competition between the 4 BASD Middle Schools

Thursday, June 2 during the school day

Liberty High School

8th Grade Dance

Semi-Formal Dance for 8th Grade Nitschmann Students

Tickets will be sold by NMS Leadership Council during May, 2022.

Students MUST attend full day of school on Friday, June 3 to attend dance

Friday, June 3 from 6:30pm-9:00pm

Nitschmann Middle School

8th Grade Field Trip to Hershey Park

Full Day Field Trip for students who have registered.

All others will attend school as normal.

Tuesday, June 7

Busses depart & return to Nitschmann Middle School

8th Grade Assembly for Students

Distribution of Teacher Awards & Activities, will be live-streamed for parents/guardians

Wednesday, June 8 During the School Day

Nitschmann Middle School

*****Student Services Updates *******

Contact Members of the Student Services Team by email; [Mrs. Scott, SSC Guidance Secretary](#); [Mr. Kelher, 6th Grade Counselor](#); [Mrs. Hipp, 7th Grade Counselor](#); [Mrs. Stewart, 8th Grade Counselor](#); [Officer DeFrank, SRO](#); [Dr. Sierra, Dean of Students](#).

Parents can email excuse notes to [Nitschmann Middle School Attendance](#).

Arrival at school We have seen a recent increase in students arriving late to school. The first bell rings at **8:05**. Students are to be **in their homerooms by 8:13**. Students who are late will receive detention for being tardy to school. Students can come into school at 7:45 to eat breakfast at no cost to students.

Early Dismissal Notes- If your child has an appointment and is leaving school early, please send a note with your child in the morning or call to have your child waiting in the office for you.

Please remind your child to follow the Framework for Citizenship.

They are reminded not to touch anyone or their belongings.

Phones are to be kept off and away unless they are given permission to use them. If they are seen or heard, they will be confiscated. **Parents are to pick up confiscated phones.**

Ear pods, earphones, listening devices are to be away unless they have permission to be used.

6th Grade: [Mr. Kehler's Counseling Google Site for Students](#) Donate: [Library Equity](#), [A Quiet Place](#), [Hanging around](#)

7th Grade: [Mrs. Hipp's Counseling Google Site for Students](#)

8th Grade: [Ms. Stewart's Counseling Google Site for Students](#)

Tutoring Opportunity through Bethlehem Area Public Library

*****Core & Encore Team Updates *******

Team Lafayette (6th) (Twitter [@NMSLafayette](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Hackman](#)) [See our welcome letter on the NMS Website](#). Our project for Earth Day was a great success. Next week we will be rearranging schedules for PSSA testing, as well as starting our final rotation. Most importantly... have laptops charged when you arrive at school, and also bring your chargers for any unexpected battery issues.

Team Lehigh (6th) (Twitter [@NMSLehigh](#)/ Facebook [@NitschmannTeamLehigh](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Oliver](#)) [See our welcome letter on the NMS Website!](#) Everyone enjoyed our Earth Day Activities on Friday. PSSA has come. Make sure everyone gets a good a good night rest and comes to school with a fully charged laptop and their charging cord just in case. Mid quarter will be here at the conclusion of the PSSA's. Check Schoology to look for missing assignments and/or assignments that need to be remediated. To those of you who are all of you who are caught up: Thank you for your hard work; to those of you are not: use the the next week and half to clean the plate and get those grades in good standing for a successful end of the year. Finally, **please make sure you child has a calculator for math class. The TI-30x is probably the best buy as it is the cheapest of the calculators that are versatile enough to last throughout middle school. This one will also be very useful on the upcoming math PSSA There are still some of these at the school store for \$10**

Team Moravian (6th) - (Twitter [@NMSTeamMoravian](#)/Facebook [@NMSTeamMoravian](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Roufakis](#)) [See our welcome letter on the NMS Website!](#) **PLEASE make sure your child has a calculator for math. It will make their life much easier and it is a tool they will use through middle and high school.** The TI-30X is the easiest one to use. As always, continue to check grades/assignments on Schoology. We are always available for extra help, if needed. Sniffle season is here for a little bit longer. If you would like to send tissue donations in, it would be greatly appreciated. Also, please make sure your child has a supply of pencils and other everyday items. Many students are coming unprepared without supplies.

Team Kutztown (7th)(Twitter [@TeamKutztown](#)) **Team Announcement - We will be going on the 7th grade Bike & Boat Trip this Thursday May 5th, Friday May 6th, and Monday May 9th. Students will find out what day they are going in homeroom on Monday. Please see the information that was sent home for how to dress and what to bring.**
Science (Mr. Pearson) - This week students will continue to learn about how materials are transported in and out of a cell through the cell membrane. **English (Mrs. Gómez)** - Please continue to read everyday, **Novel Overview Form #5 will be due Wednesday, March 23, 2022.** **English (Mr. Falteich)** Literature Unit continues - We will finish reading our John

Steinbeck novel this week. **Social Studies (Mr. Danyi)** - We will begin studying Sub-Saharan Africa. **Math (Mrs. Evancho)** - Classes will spend this week focusing on PSSA Prep for next week's math tests.

Team Penn State (7th) (Twitter [@NMSPennState](#)/Facebook [@NMSTeamPennState](#)/ Instagram [pennstatenms](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Getz](#)) **Mrs. Markovic (social studies)** - We will begin studying Sub-Saharan Africa. **Mr. Downey (ELA)** We will be reading fables and myths with the emphasis on author's purpose. **Mrs. Getz (ELA)** - Women in History Brochure due 4/11. Students will wrap up the Women in History mini unit with learning about Bessie Coleman. **(Math)** - Periods 3,6 and 9 will be working probability. Period 2 will continue our discussion / practice with Total Surface Area.. **Mr. Khalife (Science)** - This week we will learn about the levels of organization among living things. We will then begin prep for our unit 5 test. *****Yearbook Help- If you have pictures of sports games or activities please email them to Mrs. Markovic (Imarkovic@bsadschools.org).** We are especially in need of football and volleyball pictures.***

Team DeSales (8th) (Team Leader [Mrs. Pogue](#)): Instagram [@NMSTeamDSU8](#)
Please remember that if you are at home and are able, check your courses on Schoology for what you're missing. Math and ELA: bitmoji classrooms are posted with daily agendas and assignments. Science and Social Studies: assignments are posted! Of course, we are available if you need help!

*****Thank you to everyone who donated snacks and drinks for our team celebration. The students were well-fed, and we hope you hear stories about how well they did on their teams!*****

*****Our team is collecting paper towel and toilet paper tubes for an upcoming project! Please send any you have (or can collect over the next couple weeks) into school with your child!*****

History: We will finish the Revolutionary War and discuss the outcomes of the war. **Mrs. Tannous and Mrs. Pogue's ELA classes:** Get ready to develop a multi-genre writing assignment related to our inquiries into animals, humans, and the environment! In Mrs. Pogue's/Miss Dorsey's class, we will be digging into our novell, *Refugee*, as we continue to reflect on "Who are we in a crisis?" **Science:** We will be diving into Newton's 2nd Law of Motion **Math: Algebra-** Will be starting data analysis **Math 8:** Students will be teaching their lessons to their classes this week!

Team Northampton (8th) (Twitter [@TeamSpartanNMS](#) Team Leader [Mrs. Hood](#)) [See our welcome letter on the NMS Website!](#) *Students who are at home are responsible for turning in their work in a timely manner, to check Schoology on a daily basis and to communicate with their teachers so they continue to stay on pace with their work.* In **Mrs. Wallach's ELA class**, we are continuing with our new unit on taking risks. We will work on informational text and argumentative writing. Continue to check Schoology for grades and updates. In **Mrs. Hinkel's ELA class**, we have finished reading *A Night to Remember*. Final analysis essays are due on Sunday, May 1 at 8 pm. We also began our last grammar unit on infinitives! On Monday we will begin our Research-Based Speech unit. Due dates will be assigned by the end of the week. **Advanced Math** students will continue discussing and practicing Total Surface Area. **Math 8** - students will continue discussing and practicing Angle Relationships. **Algebra 1** - students will continue discussing and practicing Graphing Square Root Functions. In **History**, we will take a look at the events leading up to the Civil War. We will also take a look at which side had the advantage at the start of the war. In **Science**, next week we will be starting the Egg Drop Lab.

Team Pitt: (Encore Health and PE, and All 30 day rotation classes) (Team Leader [Mrs. Long](#)) (Twitter [@NMSTeamPitt](#)) [See our welcome letter on the NMS Website!](#) As of Dec 1st, 2021, all students are required to wear sneakers that tie for PE class. (No uggs, crocs, slides, slip on vans). If a student wears inappropriate footwear they will receive half credit due to the safety concern for themselves and other students around them. If a student is not prepared for class 3 times with the appropriate footwear, they will stay after school for detention with the Health and PE staff. The student will be spoken with and given a minimum of one day's notice about their detention and will also receive an email reminder to their school emails and their parents/guardians. If you have any questions about this new policy, please feel free to contact the Health and PE staff. **Villani's classes in health 3/28-3/30 while Long and Weinert's classes are in the gym. Weinert's classes start health 3/31/22- 4/07/22. We will be starting our Lacrosse unit. If students have a stick they want to bring into school to use for the PE period, they may place their stick in the hallway closet outside the gym at the beginning of the day.**

Team Bloomsburg (Encore World Language and Library) (Twitter @NMSBloomsburg / Team Leader [Dr. Sierra](#))- **Gr. 8, if you got your course requests from LHS, please check the level of the language.** Gr. 6: Language choice form were sent to students. Gr. 7: You will have part 2 of your language next year.

*****Extracurricular Activities*******

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

AM Basketball (Advisor Dr. Mayes) AM Basketball is completed for the season. .

Anime Club (Advisors [Ms. Fehr](#)/[Mrs. Wallach](#)) Our next club meeting is Monday, April 11 in room 104 after school from 3:05-4:00. New members are always welcome!

Art Club (Advisor [Mrs. Lund](#)). Art Club will be held afterschool on Mondays from 3:05-4:05. **There is no Art club March 28, 2022. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 4, 2022**

Artsmart @ Banana Factory ([Advisor Mrs. Lare](#)) No program this semester.

Environmental Club ([Advisor Ms. Stewart](#) & [Mrs. Hoffman](#)) The Environmental Club will host its next meeting on Monday, April 11, in room 017. We hope to see you there!

French Club - ([Advisor Mrs. Lare](#)) - French Club is filled.

German Club ([Advisor Mrs. Sofka](#)) German club will meet on Day 1 during Lion's Pride. German club is full.

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

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

Glee Club ([Advisor Mrs. de Vries](#)) ([@ldvriesmusic](#)) | [Twitter](#) Spring membership closes 3/15. No audition needed. Contact Mrs. de Vries. Please scroll down to the very bottom of the newsletter for more information and current schedules. [Click here](#) to see our choral groups in action!

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

Lacrosse Intramurals: ([Advisor Ms. Weinert](#)) Tee shirts are still available if you would like to purchase them. Please see Ms. Weinert if you would like one. Rec lacrosse teams in Bethlehem are accepting new players, feel free to reach out for more information. [BTAA Bulldogs](#) [BTAA Girls 5/6](#)

Leadership Council ([Advisor Mr. Kocon](#))

Lion Service Club ([Advisor Mrs. McLaughlin](#)) Lion Service Club will be after school the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month until 3:45. We will be working on activities such as organizing our 2nd Annual Blood Drive, The Clothing Closet, etc.

Lion's Pride (school newspaper) ([Advisor Mrs. Werkheiser](#)) Student journalists continue to generate questions and schedule interviews for our third edition. They have shown tremendous growth in the area of writing questions that encourage more than yes/no answers, and their enthusiasm for the newspaper is amazing!

Mathcounts ([Advisor Mrs. Lafey](#))

Chapter Competition results are available on the AOPS website. Thanks for a great year!

National Junior Honor Society (Advisors [Mrs. Wallach](#)/[Mrs. Druckenmiller](#)) (Twitter-[@Njhs_Nitschmann](#); Instagram-[@Njhs_Nistchmann](#)) Our next tutoring session will be on 3/30 in room 303.

Nitschmann Dramatics ([Advisor Mrs. Hrinia](#)) Current spring opportunities: Cops n Kids event in April, Curtains at Freedom, Touchstone's Young Playwrights Festival. See your email for more details!

Nitschmann Singers ([Advisor Mrs. de Vries](#)) ([@ldevriesmusic](#)) | [Twitter](#) Nitschmann Singers is now closed. Students interested in singing should contact Mrs. de Vries about joining Glee Club. Info for current members is at the bottom of this newsletter.

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

Photography Club ([Advisor Ms. Krause](#)) We're heading into the last two meetings of the year =(Meeting on March 28th after school till 4:05 pm. Last meeting will take place April 11th for our End of the year PIZZA PARTY! Please let me know what everyone would like to bring in just like our Holiday party. I will be providing the pizza ~Ms. Krause

Reading Olympics ([Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher](#)) This Wednesday, April 20th, is our awards / pizza celebration party. **We will meet until 4:30 P.M.** We will provide pizza, water and some snacks. If anyone would like to donate a dessert, veggies or fruit, please let Mrs. Nonnemacher, Mr. Pearson, or Mrs. Werkheiser know. Thank you.

Riding for Focus (Advisors [Mr. Miller](#), [Mr. Bellucci](#), and [Mrs. Getz](#)) Are you interested in joining mountain biking club? For the spring, the club will be open to 20 riders. You can get an application from Mr. Miller in room 115 or Mrs. Getz in room 214. All applications are due back by Friday, the 18th.

The Lion's Den School Store (Advisors [Ms. Roufakis](#) & [Mrs. Evancho](#)) If you are interested in working at the school store, please fill in this application <https://forms.gle/47drkO2612wpD6CE8> We will be opening the store soon.

****Ski & Snowboard Club** ([Advisors Mr. Downey and Mrs. Druckenmiller](#))

Student Lighthouse ([Advisors Mr. Kocon / Mrs. McLaughlin / Mrs Markovitz](#))-.

Step Team ([Advisor Dra. Sierra](#)) - Practices are Mondays and Tuesdays in front of the Auditorium from 3:05- 4:15. Calypso Carnival performance is May 13 at 5:30pm.

Strategy Club ([Advisor Mr. Kehler](#)) Welcome Mr. Khalife! Strategy Club will be on Wednesdays for the Month of February. Mr. Khalife will be leading activities while Mr. Kehler is finishing up with Music Man Jr.

Yearbook (Advisor Mrs. Markovic & Mrs. Gomez)- Yearbooks will now be sold for \$~~36~~, please see information and order form at bottom of page (end of email) *****Yearbook Help- If you have pictures of sports games or activities please email them to Mrs. Markovic (Imarkovic@basdschools.org). We are especially in need of football and volleyball pictures.*****

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

Year-long

Cheerleading (Head Coach Mrs. Long kllong@basdschools.org)

Fall

Boys Football (Head Coach [Mr. Shemanski](#) mshemanski@basdschools.org;
(Asst. Coach Mr. Villani, mvillani@basdschools.org)

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

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

- Volleyball intramurals will be held May 10, 11, and 12 from 3:05-4:30 in Nitschmann's Main Gym for 6th and 7th grade girls. Any interested 6th or 7th grade girl should see Mrs. Hinkel in Room 102 for a permission form. Students may not participate in intramural sports without a permission slip.

- All players should be dressed in appropriate athletic wear with sneakers to participate.

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

Winter

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

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

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

Spring

Girls MS Softball (Head Coach Mr. Kocon ekocon@basdschools.org)

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

Middle School Soccer Clinics - **FREE** - hosted by the LHS Boys' and Girls' Soccer programs

SATURDAY, MAY 14TH

Any 6th, 7th or 8th grader interested, please sign up using the link provided:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdWT-uYv_6IGCHteo01A7TIF-CjEkV_ssuXUdmuprAO253l8Q/viewform

Please contact Head Coach Rodenbach if you have any questions.

srodenbach@basdschools.org

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

[Nitschmann Middle School Instrumental Music Website \(Click Here!\)](#)

Mr. Daniel Zettlemoyer, Instrumental Music

Follow us on Twitter at [@NMSBandorch](#) and [@NIMASParents](#), online at www.nmsim.org, and on

Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/nitschmanninstrumentalmusicassociation/

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MAY 2 - Day 2

Early morning band 7:15am

TUESDAY, MAY 3 - Day 3

Early morning full orchestra 7:15am

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4 - Day 4

CONCERT DAY - EARLY MORNING BAND REHEARSAL 7:15 am

Band concert at 7 pm - Students report NO LATER than 6:30 pm.

Wind and percussion students wear their band jacket, band pants, black shoes and black socks

Color Guard students wear their color guard skirt or pants, band jacket, white boots or black shoes, band hat and white gloves.

THURSDAY, MAY 5- Day 5

Early morning jazz band 7:15 am

FRIDAY, MAY 6 - Day 6

NO EARLY MORNING REHEARSAL

NO INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, April 26: Band uniform refit night 7:30-9pm. (Check email sent on 4/23 for details)

Saturday, April 30: Band performance at the LV Phantoms season finale ([Click for details](#))

Wednesday, May 4: Spring band concert 7 pm

Tuesday, May 17: 8th grade music and drama trip to *Hairspray* ([Click for details](#))

Friday, May 20: Music Department trip to PPL Center for *Star Wars: A New Hope* in concert with the Allentown Symphony Orchestra. ([Click for details](#))

Wednesday, May 25: Spring Orchestra, Nitschmann Singers, Jazz Concert 7 pm

Saturday, May 28: Jazz band performance at Hotel Bethlehem

August 8 - 12: Summer Music Camp for band and orchestra

August 15 - 19: Summer Music Camp for band and orchestra

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS

Check your Schoology updates for this week OR your Cut Time profile page under the News section OR check the website at www.nmsim.org

PARENT VOLUNTEERS:

MUSIC IN THE PARKS FESTIVAL

We are hosting a Music in the Parks festival on Friday, May 13 and Friday June 3. I need 3-4 parent volunteers to assist with the distribution and record keeping of registration materials attending and to help keep things organized at the door.

There are wristbands and tickets that you will need to count and collect any last minute payments the director may need to submit. Everything is handled by Music in the Parks and is extremely organized. Your job would entail the distribution of the materials to the directors when they arrive.

I need assistance on Friday, May 13 from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and on Friday, June 3 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

If you are available and can assist, please send me an email and I'll walk you through everything.

Parents, we are in need of volunteers for upcoming events in February - May. **YOU MUST HAVE YOUR BACKGROUND CHECKS** on file in the Nitschmann office in order to volunteer. Click on the following link for information on what clearances you need and how to apply for them.

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

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - Next meeting is **MAY 18** at 7:30pm.

The general membership meeting minutes from **March 9** are posted on your Cut Time account under the FILES/DOCS tab, NIMAS General Membership Meeting Minutes, and then select the meeting date you are searching for.

MARCHING BAND & COLOR GUARD GROUP PHOTOS

You can purchase the marching band and color guard group photos that were taken before the Bethlehem Halloween Parade from Christmas City Studios using the following link.

<https://christmascitystudio.smugmug.com/Middle-Schools/Nitschmann-MS/2021-2022-Band-Groups/>

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

The MUMI Summer Jazz Camp is open to students entering grades 8-12 in the fall of 2022, as well as COLLEGE STUDENTS. The camp is open to interested students of all levels, instruments and voice. Students with little or no experience will find challenging and rewarding opportunities for musical growth. For more information, go to <https://www.moravian.edu/music/community-lessons/camps/jazz>

Moravian Summer Music Institute for students grades 6-8. The MUMI Summer Music Institute is a summer music program offering student musicians a non-competitive program focusing on musical and personal growth. It is offered to meet separate interests of musical study: Instrumental, Classical Guitar and Vocal

The Instrumental track is open to students entering grades 6-12 in the fall. The camp is open to students of all levels who already have some experience on their chosen instrument. For more information go to <https://www.moravian.edu/music/community-lessons/camps/summer-music-institute>

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

[Gertrude Hawk Candy Fundraiser - Click for details](#) (OFFERED ALL YEAR)

[Grocery store gift cards - GIANT, WEIS, SHOPRITE - Click for details](#) (OFFERED ALL YEAR)

Gift cards are sold in \$100 increments. \$4 of every \$100 purchased goes to your child's fair share account. Contact Jennifer Roan at 610-509-9776 or jenlroan15@gmail.com

[Wawa Shorti Hoagie Coupons - Click for details](#) (OFFERED ALL YEAR)

\$4 for each coupon

\$1 of each coupon goes to your child's fair share account.

Contact Jennifer Roan at 610-509-9776 or jenlroan15@gmail.com

AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM

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.

You shop. Amazon gives.

- Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.
- AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.

- Support your charitable organization by starting your shopping at smile.amazon.com
- Questions? [Learn more about AmazonSmile](#)

Directions on how to sign up can be found at <http://www.nmsim.org/nimas/fundraising/>

Nitschmann Choral Music [Mrs. de Vries](#), **Glee Club & Nitschmann Singers director** ([@ldevriesmusic](#)) | [Twitter](#)

Do you or someone you know love to sing? Would you like to learn how to become a better singer to participate in things like Nitschmann dramatics? Would you like to make new friends? Then join the Nitschmann Glee Club! [Click here](#) to see our **choral groups in action!** Glee Club rehearses every Tues., Wed. and Thurs. at 7:15 AM in room 141. Instrumental students are excused to attend their rehearsals. Nitschmann Singers is our smaller, auditioned ensemble that sings more challenging repertoire. They have their own rehearsals every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00-4:00 PM. All Nitschmann Singers and Glee Club members rehearse during day one activity period.

WEEKLY CHORAL SCHEDULE and UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, May 17: 8th grade music and drama trip to *Hairspray*

Friday, May 20: Music Department trip to PPL Center for *Star Wars: A New Hope* in concert with the Allentown Symphony Orchestra. ([Click for details](#))

Wednesday, May 25

7:00pm Nitschmann Choral, Jazz, Orchestra concert (Nitschmann Singers & Glee Club)

Saturday, May 28: Singers performance at Hotel Bethlehem

Thursday, June 2 Nitschmann Performing Arts Banquet