



**Thurston Middle School**  
***After-School Activities Program 2019-2020***  
Session 1 Activities

The following is a list of after-school activities offered to students **on Tuesdays and Thursdays only, beginning Tuesday September 24, 2019**. These programs will start promptly at 2:30 and end at 3:30 p.m. To sign up, please complete the accompanying permission slip. **Permission slips must be signed and returned to the office before a student can participate.** The late bus schedule is printed on the permission slip for your convenience. Participants in fall sports or the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Play may join with the permission of the instructor at any time.

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| <b>After School Art Club with Ms. Aubry (Grades 6-8)</b><br><br>Do you want a space to create art after school? Come join After School Art Club in Room 102 with Ms. Aubry and work independently in your own sketchbook, collaborate with other art enthusiasts, practice your drawing or painting skills or to just have a relaxing space after school to color. This club is open up to 6th, 7th and 8th grade and for all levels of artistic ability. Each student will have the freedom to work on the art that they choose, or have close guidance from Ms. Aubry to learn new skills. | <b>Tuesday</b>                    | <b>Rm. 102<br/>Art Room</b>                   |
| <b>MathCounts with Mr. Lamb (Grades 6-8)</b><br><br>Excited about math? Want to advance your problem-solving skills? Have fun with math activities and challenge yourself and classmates...perhaps even put your skills to the test with competitions against other schools! Represent TMS at the Annual MathCounts competition in February or just come to challenge your mind. <a href="https://www.mathcounts.org">https://www.mathcounts.org</a>                                                                                                                                         | <b>Tuesday</b>                    | <b>Rm. 219</b>                                |
| <b>Yoga Flow with Ms. Pratt (Grades 6-8)</b><br><br>Come clear your mind after classes! We will stretch and flow with breath through different postures while staying present in the moment. Bring comfy clothes and a mat!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Tuesday</b>                    | <b>Rm. 113<br/>(Outside on<br/>warm days)</b> |
| <b>Select Chorus with Ms. Legere (Grades 6-8)</b><br><br>Select Chorus meets on Tuesday afternoons from 2:30- 3:30 for the full academic year. This group is by audition only and is open to students in grades 6, 7, and 8 who are enrolled in chorus, band, or orchestra. This group is open to highly motivated students who want to further their singing studies. Audition time slots are posted in the auditorium. Please see Mrs. Legere for the audition songs.                                                                                                                      | <b>Tuesday</b>                    | <b>Auditorium</b>                             |
| <b>Grade 8 Math Drop In with Ms. Donovan and Ms. McHugh (8th Grade only)</b><br><br>Do you have math questions? We can help you get answers! Is there a big math quiz coming up and you want more time to study? This is your place! This drop in activity is a great chance for you to get the help you need from one of your Grade 8 math teachers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Tuesday &amp;<br/>Thursday</b> | <b>Room 124</b>                               |

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| <p><b>TMS Newbery Committee with Ms. Iden (Grades 6-8)</b></p> <p>Do you love to read? Are your opinions about books better than adults' opinions about books? Do you want access to the shiniest, new-book-smelliest, freshest titles? Join TMS's Newbery Committee! The Newbery Medal is a real award that is decided by a special committee of librarians and authors each year. Our Newbery Committee will, of course, be better...because it will have you! Come relax and read, snag new titles, get excited about books, and figure out who should win the top prize.</p>                                                      | <p><b>Tuesday</b></p>                | <p><b>Rm. 121</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Writing Center with Ms. Iden (Grades 6-8)</b></p> <p>In high school and college, students can go to a writing center when they need help with assignments. Someone there will help them get started, organize ideas, or edit their final work. Middle schoolers deserve the same treatment. Come work on whatever you need; it could be a science lab report, social studies essay, or ELA creative writing. You can even work on non-school things; it's a great spot to get feedback on your personal writing! Show up every Thursday, or drop in whenever you have a big assignment. The Writing Center is here for you.</p> | <p><b>Thursday</b></p>               | <p><b>Rm. 121</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Creative Writing with Ms. Kalman (Grades 6-8)</b></p> <p>Do you enjoy journaling and creative writing? Do you want to hone your creative writing skills in a collaborative and supportive environment? If so, join me in Room 212 after school! There will be plenty of new prompts each week to inspire you, and participants will end the semester with a printed book of their best work to take home.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p><b>Thursday</b></p>               | <p><b>Rm. 212</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Open Library with Mrs. Bolger and Sr. Witt (Grades 6-8)</b></p> <p>Come to the library to do homework, work on a project (alone or with a friend or group) or just chill and read a book or magazine or listen to an audio book. All the resources of the library will be available including computers and printers.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <p><b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b></p> | <p><b>Library</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Taking and Creating Amazing Photographs with Ms. Hanley (Grades 6-8)</b></p> <p>A great photo can tell a story without using a single word. It can make you feel happy, sad, scared or excited. This class will help you take better photographs and learn how to edit them to make them even better. Amaze your family and friends with your new found photography skills!</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <p><b>Tuesday</b></p>                | <p><b>Rm. 117</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Jazz Band with Dr. Sanders (Grades 6-8)</b></p> <p>Jazz band meets on Thursdays after school. Auditions will take place starting in the end of September. The instrumentation is saxophone, trombone, trumpet, keyboard, guitar, bass, and drum set. Please see Dr. Sanders for the audition materials. We play jazz, blues, and some rock tunes. The jazz band is always popular on the concert.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <p><b>Thursday</b></p>               | <p><b>Band Room</b></p> |

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| <b>Chef's of Thurston with Mrs. Albert, Mrs. Durant and Mrs. Longoria (Grades 6-8)</b><br><br>Is cooking your jam? Then come feed your culinary curiosity as we explore both the savory and the sweet side of food. Get creative and sharpen your chef skills, pick up pro tips and create recipes that will inspire the Chef inside of you!<br>(Mrs. Durant – Thursdays; Mrs. Longoria – Tuesdays)                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Tuesday OR Thursday (Choose one)</b> | <b>CACE Room</b>                                                                                            |
| <b>After School Open Basketball, Gr. 6-8, Mr. Kuklantz</b><br><br>Anyone interested in joining us after school in the Palladino gymnasium is more than welcome. Any and all skill levels are invited to join.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Tuesday</b>                          | <b>Palladino Gym</b>                                                                                        |
| <b>Green Team with Mrs. Rubino and Ms. Kalman (Grades 6-8)</b><br><br>Do you agree that every day should be Earth Day? Are you interested in helping the environment, starting with our school? Join us as we brainstorm and begin projects that address areas of need in our own school. Topics could include a school garden, composting, reducing single-use plastics, energy conservation, and more. We need your ideas!<br><br>“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”<br>—Margaret Mead | <b>Tuesday</b>                          | <b>Room 216</b>                                                                                             |
| <b>Homework Club</b><br><br>Homework Club offers a quiet study space with teacher support, so students can boost their academic performance.<br><br><b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade in Room 129 - Mrs. Whelan and Ms. Peterson</b><br><br><b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade in Room 120 – Mrs. Goodwin</b><br><br><b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade in Room 203 on Tuesdays - Ms. Palermo</b><br><br><b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade in Room 210 on Thursdays - Ms. Lund</b>                                                                                                                                                   | <b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>           | <b>8<sup>th</sup> - Room 129<br/>7<sup>th</sup> – Room 120<br/>6<sup>th</sup> – Room 203 &amp; Room 210</b> |

**Please note:** Enrollment for some classes is limited. If an activity is filled, students will be placed on a waiting list and notified when a space becomes available. There is also a minimum enrollment requirement. If too few students sign up for activity, it will not be offered.

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