

***CANDLEWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL
EXTRACURRICULAR
CLUBS & ACTIVITIES
2018-2019***



We invite you to explore all of the opportunities we have to offer through our clubs, activities, intramurals and our athletic program. Please read through our offerings for the 2018-2019 school year and see why Candlewood Middle School is the perfect place for you to get involved and find your passion!

"We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths."

-Walt Disney

ART CLUB/VISUAL ARTS CLUB (Half year club)

Advisor: Mrs. Karolyn Casazza

The art club gives students the chance to make detailed art projects and be part of a community of children who are passionate about art. Students in the Art Club work in various media to further their artistic skills. The members have the opportunity to explore and take different art mediums beyond what is offered in the regular classroom setting.

Meeting Time: Club will meet on Wednesdays. Starts October 3rd in Room 602 from 2:45 – 3:45 pm



BOOK CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. Erica Schultheis

The Book club promotes reading and literacy without the pressure of assignments or grades. Kids read selections in literature circles and participate in guided book talks in a relaxed and supportive environment. A lifelong love of literature is a page-turn away!

Meeting Time: Club will meet weekly on Tuesdays. Starts September 25th in Room 210 from 2:45 – 3:45 pm.



CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Advisor: Mrs. Nicole Abrams

The purpose of the club is to provide an extension of the exiting orchestra program. Students need to be currently enrolled in 6th, 7th or 8th grade orchestra.

The music is typically more advanced than what students learn during regular class time. Students will be auditioned to assess their readiness for the group and will be seated according to ability. If accepted into the group students will learn skills needed to perform with a small group such as playing without a conductor, blending with their section and the whole ensemble, and more advanced expression and phrasing techniques. There will be 2 concerts during the year on December 20, 2018 and May 30, 2019.

Meeting Time: Auditions: Tuesday, September 25th at 2:45 – 3:45 pm in the Orchestra Room. Club start date TBA

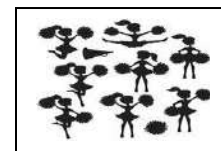


CHEERLEADERS CLUB

Advisor: Ms. Susan Smith

The purpose of the club is to promote and uphold school spirit and to develop a sense of good sportsmanship among students and fans. The members of the club are expected to create and promote teamwork, collaboration, encourage quality performance and high academic standards. Through the development of spirit and cheer technique, leadership, cooperation, self-discipline, and sportsmanship, the cheerleading team encourages their student body and their community through support of athletic events and activities.

Meeting Time: TBA



CODING CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. Krista Calvanese

The coding club is designed to demystify “code”, to show that anybody can learn the basics, and to broaden participation in the field of computer science. It helps nurture problem-solving skills, logic and creativity. By starting early, students will have a foundation for success in any 21st century career path. We will use code.org and a few other sites to learn the basics.

Meeting Time: Club will meet weekly on Mondays. Starts September 24th in Room 204 from 7:15 – 7:45 am.

CRAFTS CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. Karen Andres

Students interested in expanding their knowledge of art through mediums not taught in Art class are the perfect candidates for this club. Students work in various mediums and create both 2 dimension and 3 dimensional pieces.

Meeting Time: Club will meet Wednesdays from 2:45 – 3:45 pm in Room 601. Starts September 26th

CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. Maria Lennon and Mrs. Erica Schultheis

The creative writing club is the perfect place for students to explore poetry, narrative and other writing styles. Challenge yourself to be creative...we dare you!

Meeting Time: Club will meet on Wednesdays. Starts September 26th in Room 105 from 2:50 – 3:50 pm.



DANCELINE KICKLINE CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. Taylor Steffek / **Assistant Advisor:** Mrs. Andrea Kinsella

The Dance line Team is a competitive team that will compete at the Scholastic Competitions at Nassau Community College.

Meeting Time: Club will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:45 – 4:45 pm in the Cafeteria. Tryouts will begin September 24th first official practice will be October 1st.

DOUBLE DUTCH CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. Janice Boccasini

The Double Dutch club teaches students how to develop hand-eye coordination as well as the ability to work cooperatively turning rope with a partner to practice the skill of jumping Double Dutch. Students are encouraged to take risks when jumping in the rope. The club also fosters the making of new friendships.

Meeting Time: Club will meet on Tuesdays. Starts September 18th from 2:45 – 3:45 pm in Room 206



DRAMA CLUB

Director: Mrs. Lucille Kenney / **Assistant Director:** Ms. Lois Krawitz

This club will provide students with the opportunity to explore the art of theatre through the production of 2 show – Fall Musical and Spring Musical. The student are provided an opportunity in acting, singing, dancing, stage production, lighting and sound.

Meeting Time: Auditions: September 14th – Females A-L; September 17th – Females M-Z; September 20th Males. Club meets in Auditorium. Please see morning announcements for further information of club meeting dates, times.



ENL Diversity Club

Advisor: Ms. Yousra Benslama and Ms. Gwen Shaw

This club aims to provide students with opportunities to practice English and experience American and other cultures in a relaxing, enjoyable environment.

Students will practice spoken English while chatting with peers, making new friends, playing games.

Meeting Time: Club will meet Thursdays from 2:45 – 3:45 pm in Room 214. Start date TBA.



FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. Beth Ann Magali

Do you enjoy playing games and helping other children? If your answer is yes, then this is the club for you. The friendship club is a great after school club that gives opportunities for children throughout the building to socialize and make friends from outside of their classroom.

Meeting Time: Club will meet twice a month on Wednesdays. Starts October 10th in Room 604 from 2:45– 3:45 pm.

HOME & CAREERS CLUB

Advisor Fall: Ms. Waren Kaplan / **Advisor Spring:** Ms. Susan Smith

Like to cook? Like to help others? Then the home & careers club is the club for you! The club will be cooking a variety of culinary delights and will also work on a community service project to assist those in need. The club is limited to the first 20 students who apply.

Fall Club Meeting Time: TBA



JAZZ CLUB

Advisor: Mr. Brian Brozzoski

To provide students the opportunity to work on music from the jazz repertoire, learn how to improvise, and prepare pieces for the Winter and Spring concerts.

Meeting Time: Club will meet on Tuesdays. Starts September 25th from 2:50 – 3:40 pm in the Band Room



KALEIDOSCOPE

Advisor: Ms. Marina Hallaran

The purpose of this club is to create a safe, welcoming and accepting place where all students can feel part of the Candlewood community. Kaleidoscope will be a social outlet for students to voice their opinions without fear of judgement and share ideas on how to make Candlewood a warm, welcoming, and safe place for all students. They will focus on community service within Candlewood, concentrating on kindness, acceptance, and respect for all.

Meeting Time: Club will meet every other Thursday. Starts September 27th from 2:45 – 3:45 pm in the Cyber Café

MATHLETES – 7th & 8th Grade (Bi-Weekly)

Advisor: Mrs. Krista Calvanese

Do you like working with numbers, solving equations and unraveling logic problems? Whether you are interested in fast-paced competition with peers, or relaxed projects exploring the math in the world around you, Mathletes is the place for you. The MOEMS goals are to:

- develop enthusiasm for problem solving and mathematics,
- deepen understanding of mathematical concepts and strengthen ability to use these concepts,
- consider concepts that they might not otherwise encounter,
- enrich experiences in intellectually stimulating and significant mental activities, and
- build a stronger foundation for assessments and for future mathematics studies.

Meeting Time: Club will meet biweekly on Wednesdays. Starts October 3rd in Room 204 from 7:15 – 7:45 am.



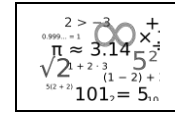
MATH OLYMPIADS – 6th Grade (Bi-Weekly)

Advisor: Ms. Gwen Shaw

The purpose of the club is to provide opportunities for Grade 6 children to engage in creative problem solving activities which develop a child's ability to reason, be logical, resourceful, and occasionally ingenious. The Olympiad's goals for children are: 1) Develop enthusiasm for problem solving and mathematics; 2) Deepen understanding of mathematical concepts and strengthen ability to use these concepts; 3) Consider concepts that they might encounter in their life; 4) Enrich experiences in intellectually stimulating and significant mental activities.

Highlights/Special Events of Club: Math Olympiad participants complete five official contests, one per month. Challenging math application problems and math games complete our sessions. Discussion is an important component of the group. Candlewood will send two teams of Math Olympiads to the Suffolk County Math Tournament in May. The participating students will compete in individual and team events.

Meeting Time: Club will meet on designated Tuesdays from 7:10 – 7:40 am in Room 214. Starts October 2nd - See Mrs. Shaw's eboard for further details



MOCK TRIAL CLUB

Advisor: Mr. Adam Stern / Assistant Advisor: Mrs. Elese Marks

To provide students the opportunity to prepare a mock case and argue it against another school at a competition. The club's defense will argue against another school's

Meeting Time: Club will meet Wednesday mornings 7:10 – 7:40 am in Room 215. Starts September 26th. This club will also have after school sessions.

MURAL CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. Karen Andres

Students who have an interest in art and painting are urged to participate in this school beautification club. Students will design original works of art which will be transferred to places in our building through mural painting.

Members need to be independent, creative people able to work in small groups.

Meeting Time: Club will meet on Thursdays from 2:45 – 3:45 pm in Room 601. Club start date will be announced in the morning announcements.



NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

Advisors: Mr. Andrew Black and Mrs. Patricia Hobson

NJHS is a service organization and the members (by induction) are encouraged to complete their required community service in a variety of ways. This includes activities like office duty, volunteering at the community library, local hospitals and elderly care facilities, ushering at concerts, or helping out with school charitable organizations. The members support in-school clubs as well, including student government, Candlewood Cares, Friendship Club and SOAR. 7th & 8th grade students are admitted to the NJHS based on established NJHS criteria.

ONE WORLD YOUTH CLUB

Advisor: Mrs. Sharon Holzman

One World Youth Club is a global citizenship club where students will explore how to be leaders in their local and global communities. Students will complete service projects which include: Breast Cancer Walk, Sunshine Toy Drive, Spring Food Drive, and other activities.

Meeting Time: Club will meet weekly on Wednesdays. Starts September 19th in Room 213 at 2:45 – 3:45 pm.

ROCKETRY & DRONE CLUB

Advisor: Mr. Andrew Black

This club will have students learning how to power, launch, recover and repair model rockets and drones.

Meeting time: Club will meet on Fridays. Starts September 21st from 2:45 – 3:45 pm in Room 708



SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

Advisor: Ms. Shawn Dunn / Assistant Advisor: Mrs. Elese Marks

The purpose of Science Olympiad is to compete in the Science Olympiad Middle School tournament. It is a national organization that competes on a regional, state and national level. The regional competition is held on a Saturday sometime in February or March. The student prepare to compete in over 15 science, technology and engineering events. In the past, we have 2 teams of 15 students each with a few alternates.

Meeting Time: Club will start to meet mid-October. Further details will be posted in October.



SCHOOL STORE

Advisor Fall: Mrs. Krista Calvanese / Advisor Spring: Mrs. Patricia McCarthy

If you like shopping or spending money, this club may be for you. Employees will be trained in departmentalizing, inventory, and ordering merchandise. They will also learn how to operate a cash register/box and count change, a valuable skill for a future job in high school. The School Store will be open daily at dismissal for student shoppers.

Meeting Time: Club meets daily from 2:45 – 3:45 pm in the Cafeteria. Club starts October 4th first meeting in Room 204 at 2:45 pm.

STEM-ROBOTICS

Advisors: Mr. William Ulrich and Mr. Andrew Black

Students will learn to build and program robots using the LEGO EV3 system.

Meeting Time: Club meets Thursdays from 2:45 – 4:45 pm in Room 301. Club starts September 13th.



STUDENT COUNCIL 6th & 7th Grade

Advisors: Mrs. Karen Andres and Mr. Christopher Maiorino

Student Government meets every morning during advisory in room 104A to discuss current school events, organize school activities such as dances, the pep rally, and "Spirit Week", and also organize fundraisers throughout the year.

8TH GRADE ADVISOR

Advisors: Mrs. Maureen Mott and Mrs. Jennifer Cinelli

The 8th grade advisors start the year off with a pie sale fundraiser, in order to benefit the 8th graders and off-set the cost of their class trips. The 8th grade advisors work hard to plan a boat trip around NYC, which will take place in May. We are also collaborating to plan a fun-filled, exciting dance for all 8th grade students. Lastly, the 8th grade advisors plan and facilitate the moving up ceremony in June.

Meeting Time: There will be 8th grade assemblies to discuss the many events planned for the 8th grade.

TECHNOLOGY CLUB

Advisor: Mr. William Ulrich

Students will learn to use a variety of hand and power tools to create a variety of projects depending on their skill level.

Meeting Time: Club meets Wednesdays from 2:45 – 4:45 pm in Room 303. Club starts September Introductory club meeting on September 14th from 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm in Room 303.

WORLD LANGUAGE CULTURE CLUB (Bi-Weekly)

Advisor: Mrs. Lori O'Connor

This club will offer students a place to reunite with their peers in a relaxed setting where they will be given the opportunity to share/learn new information about the culture and civilization of the country they are studying their classes. The goal of the club will be to enhance cultural understanding of the 4 languages studied at Candlewood. This will be accomplished through target language movies, songs, discussions about traditions and customs. Meetings will be conducted in English. Sufficient time will be allocated for each country dividing meetings equally among the 4 countries: China, France, Italy and Spain. Additional activities/events may include fund raiser, pastry contests, painting, and holiday events.

Meeting Time: Club meets every other Wednesday. Starts October 3rd from 2:50 – 3:40 pm in Room 103. Club will run from October – April (14 sessions).



YEARBOOK

Advisors: Mrs. Alissa Stanco and Ms. Nazanene Yaqubie

The purpose of this club was to create and distribute the Candlewood Yearbook, Abstractions.

Meeting Time: Club meets twice per month on Wednesday from 2:45 – 3:45 pm. Club starts September 26th in Room 207.



Intramurals 2018-2019

The intramural program at Candlewood Middle School is an outgrowth of the physical education program. All students are invited to attend on a voluntary basis regardless of their sport skill level. Participation – rather than competition – is emphasized. A variety of activities are offered with most meeting twice weekly for a ten-week period of time. Activities change seasonally and are led by staff members. The intramural program is publicized through public address announcements in advisory, written notices, announcements in physical education classes, and posters. Candlewood students are offered participation in the following:

Flag Football
Soccer (Boys and Girls)
Ping Pong
Yoga
Weight Room
Basketball (Boys and Girls)
Softball
Volleyball

Further details for the Intramurals will be posted in the morning announcements.

CANDLEWOOD ATHLETICS

It is our goal to see that all coaches promote fitness, sportsmanship, skills improvement, team and school spirit, and character. There are twenty-six boys and girls interscholastic teams and Candlewood continues a solid athletic tradition with over 50% of all seventh and eighth grade students participating on at least one team during the school year. (7th & 8th grade students only)



FALL SEASON (September – October)

Co-Ed	Cross-Country
Boys	Football 8 th Grade Football 7 th Grade Soccer 8 th Grade Soccer 7 th Grade
Girls	Field Hockey Soccer 8 th Grade Soccer 7 th Grade

EARLY WINTER SEASON (November – January)

Boys	Basketball 8 th Grade Basketball 7 th Grade
Girls	Volleyball 8 th Grade Volleyball 7 th Grade

LATE WINTER SEASON (February – March)

Boys	Volleyball Wrestling
Girls	Basketball 8 th Grade Basketball 7 th Grade

SPRING SEASON (April – June)

Co-Ed	Swimming CW/WH
Boys	Baseball 8 th Grade Baseball 7 th Grade Lacrosse 8 th Grade Lacrosse 7 th Grade Track & Field 7 th & 8 th Grade
Girls	Lacrosse 7 th & 8 th Softball – 8 th Grade Softball – 7 th Grade Track & Field – 7 th & 8 th Grade

Fall Season begins: September 5, 2018

Early Winter Season begins: November 5, 2018

Late Winter Season begins: January 22, 2019

Spring Season begins: March 25, 2019