

At Irvington Middle School students have opportunities to get involved in clubs, school activities, and modified sports.

Students are encouraged to participate in activities outside of the classroom environment; involvement will both enrich the lives of our individual students as well as the entire IMS community.

Irvington Middle School's



Join us to share and explore your creativity!

With Ms. Rios and Mrs. Zanki Before School - 8:05 Every other Tuesday Open to all grades

Painting * Drawing * Crafts and More

BAKING CLUB



IMS Baking Club is open to all middle school students. This club provides an opportunity for students to learn baking skills while preparing fun foods they can share with their family and friends! Besides developing food preparation skills, students can make new friends and have fun.

To participate, students simply need to join the 2023-2024 IMS Baking Club Google Classroom. Communications and posted recipes will all take place through this platform. Baking Club will meet once or twice a month after school from approximately 3:30 to 4:30. View posted messages in the classroom stream to find out which day Baking Club is meeting.

Baking Club Classroom code is: acfxciz

Contact:

Jon.Mancini@irvingtonschools.org





Do you enjoy reading and discussing what you have read with others?

Wish you had more opportunities to read a variety of genres of texts outside of class?

Do you want to be a part of a community who will be discussing varied issues and themes within a specific text that reflects the world around you?

Come join The Middle School Book Club where each session we will discuss a specific text within our club. Part of the discussion will be to question and discuss what we found interesting, confusing, and or important. We will also be mindful that we all have our own unique point of views and will be able to share them in the safety of a small group.

Advisor: Ms. Meiseles

Contact: Alison.Meiseles@irvingtonschools.org

Where: Room D204

When: Wednesday mornings, every other week Who: The club welcomes all 6,7, and 8th graders



Building Connections Club 2023-2024

Do you want to make a difference and impact someone for a lifetime? Become a part of our neurodiverse community as we work and play together to build relationships. We will strengthen social skills through games, cooking, art, and nature. The students in the VIP program can't wait to meet you and grow with you!

Grade 7: Students are able to <u>volunteer on Fridays during their p5 lunch</u> <u>time</u> to eat with, play games and socialize with students.

Grade 8: Students are able to <u>volunteer during lunch on Thursday or</u> <u>Friday A-days</u> to play games with and socialize with students.

Grade 7 & 8 can volunteer during their study hall, Period 8 to help with art.

Contact: Ms.Leite

liza.leite@irvingtonschools.org

CHEER CLUB SPIRIT SQUAD



Students in 7th and 8th grades are welcome to join the Cheer Club Spirit Squad.

IMS Cheer Club Spirit Squad is a group of students who create, choreograph and perform cheer/dance routines and sideline chants to be performed at various IMS Modified sporting events. The goal of this club is to provide school spirit and in doing so, develop the program.

Contact:

Ms. Liza Leite and/or Mrs. Amy Panitz Guidance Suite/\$106 <u>liza.leite@irvingtonschools.org</u> <u>amy.panitz@irvingtonschools.org</u>

Meetings will be held in room \$106 with dates and times to be determined. Please check the club bulletin board for additional information.





The 'Game of Kings' has something for everyone.

It takes minutes to learn, but a lifetime to master.

Join Mr. Byers for fun with this great game.

We will explore puzzles, discuss strategy and play to learn.

Students of all levels are welcome.

Where: Room B106

When: Tuesdays - 7:45am to 8:25am

Who: YOU!!!

Email Mr. Byers with questions <u>eli.byers@irvingtonschools.org</u>

Comedy Club



Come join the Middle School Comedy Club. This club is open to all 6th, 7th, and 8th graders.

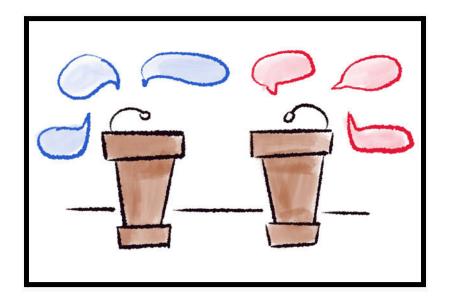
Are you someone who enjoys a good laugh or making others laugh? At this bi monthly club, you will be taught the varied techniques of comedy. You will learn how to improvise, listen to others, tell a joke, and get your sillies out before you start your day.

The club meets in Room D-204 and is run by Ms. Meiseles

Contact her at Alison.Meiseles@irvingtonschools.org

Hope to see you and get ready to laugh!

DEBATE CLUB



The Debate Club welcomes all IMS students. In this club, we begin by selecting compelling topics for discussion. Once a topic is chosen, students delve into research to deepen their understanding of the selected topic. Armed with knowledge, we then immerse ourselves in the art of debate. We use the Middle School Debate Format to engage in debate as well as evaluate our fellow debaters.

When debating, students are on teams of 3– each standing at the "podium" (a desk) and delivering their points. At the appropriate time, students on the opposing team or in the audience can stand and ask for a "Point of Information" or participate in "heckling". Join us for some fun and hone your debate skills.

Contact: Ms. Evanko

olivia.evanko@irvingtonschools.org

Ms. Zanki

marina.zanki@irvingtonschools.org

Diversity Alliance



The IMS Diversity Alliance will provide a safe and comfortable atmosphere for all IMS students, including LGBTQ+ students, minorities and their allies. The Diversity Alliance will work to maintain an inclusive environment to create a safe place for all students, while supporting our diverse populations. We will look to promote an understanding and acceptance of all IMS students, promote a safe and caring school environment, and educate students about issues related to all the cultures and communities that are part of our school. This will be a student centered and student led group, so we want your voice heard.

Contact: Mrs. Calapai

julianna.Calapai@irvingtonschools.org

We will meet every other Monday in C204 before school!



DRAMA CLUB

This club is open to students in grades 6, 7 and 8. The Drama Club puts on a full-scale production every year. Students may audition to be performers in the show. Students may also work behind the scenes on Tech Crew, building scenery, creating costumes, applying makeup, running sound and designing the lighting. Past performances include "High School Musical Jr.", "Legally Blonde Jr.", "Peter Pan", "Aladdin Jr." and "Lion King Jr.", "Frozen."

Contact:

Ms. Ricciardi: luann.starr@irvingtonschools.org

Auditions will be in January 2024.

Rehearsals are after school beginning early February 2024! The performance will be on April 12, 13 - 2024 Code: vqvlxmk



The Dungeons & Dragons Club is open to all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students.

Dungeons & Dragons is a co-operative fantasy roleplaying game where everyone works together to tell a story. We will learn how to play D&D, talk strategy, create characters, and collaborate to create a fun and exciting environment where everyone gets to tap into their imaginations!

Dungeons & Dragons Club meets at the library every Friday after school in the Campus Presentation Room (CPR).

Hope to see you there, adventurers!

Contact: Mr.Shuart joel.shuart@irvingtonschools.org



The Environmental Club

Come join the Environmental Club and be part of a greater good! By being part of the club we will bring awareness to the needs of our campus and Mother Earth! Come help us beautify the campus, learn actionable steps toward conserving energy, composting, recycling and ways we can support the environment and avoid toxic chemicals. Grades 6-8 are welcome to join!

Club Advisors:

Ms. Knudsen and Mr. Mancini

<u>caroline.knudsen@irvingtonschools.org</u> <u>jon.mancini@irvingtonschools.org</u>

Classroom Code:

txpnwqs

FRENCH CLUB



French Club offers French students an opportunity to practice speaking French in a fun and lively atmosphere. The emphasis is on French and francophone culture, and students will enjoy traditional foods, watch films, play board games and other traditional games such as pétanque (bocce ball). French Club students perform community service by fundraising for worthy causes, including purchasing French books for middle schools in Sénégal and raising money for Médecins Sans Frontières (Doctors without Borders). French Club students take a leadership role in our school—wide celebrations of National French Week and Mardi Gras.

FRENCH CLUB

Contact: Madame Tessler

deanna.tessler@irvingtonschools.org

6th & 7th Grade meets before school - on Friday

8th Grade meets Period 6 - on Friday





All are welcome to the History Club! This club gives students a fun and challenging way to learn about historical and current events. What we do in History Club is based on you and what you want to do. We can have deep discussions about topics of your interest, we can study current events and decide to take action on a social issue, we can focus on global, national, or local history, we can even recreate history. We can even focus on Living History activities and fundraising. The possibilities are endless!

We meet Tuesday mornings each month from 8:05-8:25 in room A104

Contact: Ms. Mitchell

Christina.mitchell@irvingtonschools.org

6th, 7th and 8th Grade HOMEWORK CENTER

The Homework Center is an after-school program where students can work to complete homework assignments and study for upcoming tests. Students can also receive assistance with assignments they find difficult. Please note, that the Homework Center does not replace extra help with individual teachers.

Contact:

Ms. Tessler: Grade 7/8 –Room B104

Deanna.tessler@irvingtonschools.org

Ms. Nadler: Grade 6 –Room D201

Judy.nadler@irvingtonschools.org

This program is available every Monday,

Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30pm until

4:05pm. Homework Center will begin in October.

IMS MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY

Membership in this "Honor Society" is for 7th and 8th graders who are part of the IMS music department. IMS band, IMS chorus and IMS orchestra students are nominated by IMS music teachers to be inducted into this "Honor Society" based on their academic achievement, musical aptitude, overall character and leadership skills.

After accepting a nomination, students complete an application packet, submit the packet to the IMS-MHS club advisor and are inducted into IMS-MHS in the fall.

The focus of IMS-MHS activities is community service work both on and off the IMS campus as well as opportunities to grow musically by hearing other musicians speak, perform, compose and collaborate.

Contact: Mr. Scattaretico - CM 105
Paul.Scattaretico@irvingtonschools.org



Irvington Intramural activities provide students with opportunity to interact with peers from all grade levels.

The intramural program provides students with the ability to work together in a group setting and develop physical/social skills. All activities foster social, physical, and emotional growth. We encourage all students to get involved in INTRAMURALS!



Participation is the cornerstone of the intramural program. Students are encouraged to participate in at least one activity throughout the school year.

All activities are held before school from 7:45 – 8:25am

Students may participate in any Intramural activity on a drop in basis Monday and Friday. Sports are co-ed unless otherwise specified. All grades are welcome unless otherwise specified (some sports are split by grade level due to the high level of participation).

Contact: Ms. Becker

kate.becker@irvingtonschools.org



LITERATI:

IMS LITERARY MAGAZINE

Become a staff member of the **IMS Literary Magazine**.

Students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade are welcome to join our sessions to work on original writing pieces and art design. This is an exciting way to **express yourself** through your **writing and artistry** in creative ways outside of your ELA classroom. Your work will be **published** in the June publication of **The Literary Magazine!**

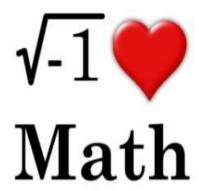
Contact:

Karen Acrish - karen.acrish@irvingtonschools.org

Meetings will take place Thursday mornings, twice a month in B102. Interested students can join our Literary Magazine

Google Classroom with this code: pnzmwbq Please check the club bulletin board for additional information.

IMS Math Club



Do you love solving interesting problems?

Wish you had more chances to show your stuff?

Come join the math club to work on independent and group problem solving. We will prepare to compete against other top schools in Westchester and hope to take down the grand prize.

Where: Room B106

When: Thursdays - 7:45 to 8:25am

Who: YOU!!!

email Mr. Byers or Mr. Pernick with questions:

eli.byers@irvingtonschools.org
gregg.pernick@irvingtonschools.org

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY



This is **not** an open enrollment club.

NJHS is a nationally recognized honor society with a focus on academics, leadership, integrity and community service. Students' cumulative GPAs will be calculated at the end of the first marking period of their 8th grade year and invitations to apply will be sent out to all students whose GPA meets the NJHS requirement of 3.9 or higher.

8th grade students are continually monitored throughout the year that they maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.9. Throughout the remainder of their 8th grade year, prospective members will have multiple opportunities to complete community service projects both independently and within NJHS. Students will be formally inducted into the NJHS during a ceremony in May.

Contact: Ms. Arvanites

nicole.arvanites@irvingtonschools.org

Ms. Bodnar

karen.bodnar@irvingtonschools.org

This club meets in rooms \$103 and \$104. Additional information about meeting dates and community service opportunities will be announced via google classroom.

PALS

The Peer Assistance Leadership or PAL Program is a mentoring



program at IMS. End of year seventh graders sign up to be PALS and these students meet with end of year fifth graders when they visit IMS for the first time in the spring before they start middle school. PALS connect with their assigned 6th graders on the first day of middle school. The students eat a BBQ lunch sponsored by the PTSA and then participate in a multitude of activities throughout the afternoon, including a tour of the campus.

Contact: Ms. Leite, Mr. Pernick and Mr.Murray
liza.leite@irvingtonschools.org
griffin.murray@irvingtonschools.org
gregg.pernick@irvingtonschools.org

POSITIVE IMPACT CLUB

The Positive Impact Club is a leadership group that promotes self-esteem & healthy decision-making. Club members spread messages of prevention & awareness to Irvington Middle School and the local community about stress, media literacy, alcohol, tobacco, & other drug use. The club will connect 1 time per month during the first 10 minutes of lunch period for a brief meeting, and an additional 1-2 times per month, for a limited amount of time each lunch period, to carry out planned activities. The club advisor is Ms. Gamar.

- Google classroom code: avergrl
- Email: Danielle.gamar@irvingtonschools.org





Love science, math and technology?

Want to become a science and technology leader of tomorrow?

Like to discover, create and challenge yourself?

Join the Science Olympiad Team!

Who can join?

Students Grades 6-8

When do we meet?

Once a week starting in November

What do we do?

Build, plan and train for the ultimate problem- solving, knowledge based Regional Competition in the spring

WIN MEDALS, HAVE FUN, AND BE PART OF A TEAM

CONTACT:

Ms. Bodnar—Room S103 karen.bodnar@irvingtonschools.org

Ms. Arvanites—Room S104 nicole.arvanites@irvingtonschools.org



Students in Grades 6, 7, & 8 are welcome to join! Have you ever wondered how people communicate with sign language? Come join the IMS Sign Language club and learn how to communicate using our hands instead of just our voices. We will learn all about American Sign Language, including finger spelling the alphabet, simple signing, and maybe even learn to sing in ASL.

Contact: Ms. Knudsen

Caroline.knudsen@irvingtonschools.org

Meetings will be held every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 8:05am in Room C202

SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club's goal is to promote diversity awareness and offer all students of IMS to be involved in Hispanic-themed events. Each month the Spanish Club will highlight a different country decided by the club membership. Students do the fact finding on their own and then we meet to discuss, watch videos and plan a cumulative celebration involving food, music and opportunities to FaceTime with native speakers. We will also have several community service projects which benefit local Spanish-speaking communities. So, Ciao, Au revoir, Sayonara, Auf wiedersehen Shalom!

Remember, the Spanish club is open to students of all languages. ¡Gracias y hasta pronto!

Contact: Señorita Gardner

Laura.gardner@irvingtonschools.org

Meetings will be on Fridays twice a month in D206.

8:05am (6 & 7th grade)

Period 6 (8th grade)

STUDENT COUNCIL

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Students in grades 6, 7 and 8 are welcome to join.

The Student Council represents students' opinions, interests and feelings. It gives members a chance to share in democratic decision-making, as well as to develop leadership skills and good citizenship. It is an organization of, by and for students. Members have the job of working with advisors and the school administration to promote activities which inspire school pride and spirit. We build community through fundraising for those in need and other student involvement/school pride projects.

Contact: Ms. LaBella

Carol.Labella@irvingtonschools.org

Or Ms. Lagana

Melissa.Lagana@irvingtonschools.org
Student Council will meet in B103 Thursday



8th Grade Talent Show

This club will only be open to students in the 8th grade. Sign up, auditions, and rehearsals will begin in the spring.

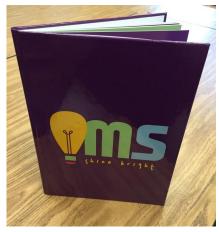
The 8th Grade Talent Show is a showcase of student talent held close to the end of the school year. There will be a school-wide assembly where students perform their unique talents.

We are looking for all types of talent, including, but not limited to: actors, singers, musicians, comedians, artists, and anybody interested in hosting the show.

There will be one mandatory rehearsal for all participants after school, prior to the talent show. Keep an eye out for more information.

Contact: Mr. Kendall Room D203 david.kendall@irvingtonschools.org

YEARBOOK "Riverview"



Students in 6th, 7th and 8th grades are welcome to join the yearbook staff.

FARBOOK

Each volume of "Riverview" tells the annual story of IMS through color photographs. Students document school wide events beginning on the first day of school and wrapping up in the spring. Events include athletics, field trips, club activities and other daily happenings in the life of an IMS student.

Contact:

Mrs. Amy Panitz

S106

amy.panitz@irvingtonschools.org

Meetings will be held in room S106 with dates and times to be determined.

Please check the club bulletin board for additional information.

Irvington Middle School's





Find Your Inner Peace and Build Strength
Yoga club is the place to find strength in
your mind and body. New to yoga...No
worries we will build your
practice...Already a yogi...Great we will
push your practice!

Ms. Rios allicia.rios@irvingtonschools.org Before School - 8:05 Room A102 Every other Friday Open to all grades

Club Name

Advisor(s)

Art Club	Ms. Rios & Mrs. Zanki
Baking Club	Mr. Mancini
Book Club	Ms. Meiseles
Building Connections	Ms. Leite
Cheer Club Spirit Squad	Ms.Leite & Ms. Panitz
Chess Club	Mr. Byers
Comedy Club	Ms. Meiseles
Debate Club	Ms. Evanko & Ms.Zanki
Diversity Alliance	Ms. Calapai
Drama Club	Ms. Starr
Dungeons & Dragons	Mr. Shuart
Environmental Club	Ms. Knudsen & Mr. Mancini
French Club	Ms. Tessler
History Club	Ms. Mitchell
Homework Center- Grade 6/7/8	Ms. Nadler & Ms. Tessler
IMS- Music Honor Society	Mr. Scattaretico
Intramurals	Ms. Becker
Literary Magazine	Ms. Acrish
Math Club	Mr. Byers & Mr. Pernick
National Junior Honor Society	Ms. Bodner & Ms. Arvanites
PALS	Ms. Leite, Mr. Murray & Mr. Pernick
Positive Impact Club	Ms. Gamar
Science Olympiad	Ms. Bodnar & Ms. Arvanites
Sign Language Club	Ms. Knudsen
Spanish Club	Ms. Gardner
Student Council	Ms.Lagana & Ms. LaBella
Talent Show	Mr. Kendall

Yearbook	Ms. Panitz
Yoga	Ms. Rios