

2020-2021 CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

Please check the QMS morning announcements for updates

GENERAL INTEREST

Book Chat/Library Club*

This Club is for students who like to talk about the books they are reading, share their ideas and work with other students and the librarian to promote the library and reading at QMS. Since we will meet virtually this year, students **will not** be helping in the library, but we will talk about books and authors we enjoy, keep the website updated (<https://sites.google.com/mansfieldschools.com/qmslibrary/home>), and discuss ideas to spread the joy of reading. Fan Art competition? Book trivia? Author "visit"? Bring your ideas and love of reading to our club! Interested students can email QMS librarian, Mrs. Breef-Pilz at nancy.breefpilz+bookchat@mansfieldschools.com

Advisor: Nancy Breef-Pilz

Meeting Day: Wednesday

Math Team

The QMS Math Team is a competitive team made up of 6th, 7th, and 8th graders who enjoy working on mathematics in a cooperative environment. The team competes throughout the year in the Intermediate Mathematics League of Eastern Massachusetts (IMLEM), a collaboration of Massachusetts' middle schools providing students with a challenging mathematics competition, and MathCounts, a national math enrichment, coaching and competition program that promotes middle school mathematics achievement in every U.S. state & territory. We will be meeting virtually this year. Interested students, please email Ms. MacMurray at jennifer.macmurray@mansfieldschools.com

Advisor: Jennifer MacMurray

Meeting Day: Thursday

French Club

French Club will meet twice a month on Wednesdays at 3:30PM. We will learn French words, sing French songs, share recipes and do other activities remotely. Interested students please email Ms. McNeilly at nora.mcneilly@mansfieldschools.com or Ms. Donovan at elizabeth.donovan@mansfieldschools.com to be able to join our Google Classroom.

Meeting Day: Wednesday

GSA Club

This student-centered and led group of LGBTQQ+ and Ally supporters will meet virtually via the Meets link in the GSA Google Classroom and/or the GSA Group Hangouts every Tuesday. In order to promote inclusion and learn how to be more supportive of the diversity of our peers, we will use these meetings to research relevant topics, read and discuss LGBTQQ+ literature/articles and discuss ways to promote tolerance and acceptance for ALL people throughout our school. Interested students please email Ms. Skidmore at rene.skidmore@mansfieldschools.com or Ms. Taylor at meredith.taylor@mansfieldschools.com or their Guidance Counselor directly for an invitation to join the Google Classroom.

Meeting Day: Tuesday

Student Council

****Elected and Volunteer Positions*

Students will be working on many of our community based projects (remotely) but also involving students to help spread the word about Stinger Events and school activities that will be taking place from September-June. If you are interested in joining please email Ms. Clifford at brooke.clifford@mansfieldschools.com

Advisor: Brooke Clifford

Meeting Days: Weekly Meetings varies; check QMS Morning Announcements

Yearbook

Students will be making decisions on the overall look and contents of the annual yearbook. There are photos to be taken, edited, arranged and placed in the digital application for production. We have a unique year with all the remote learning and activities going on so you will need to bring your creative problem solving ideas to the Wednesday Google Meets. Interested students please email Ms. Tibbetts at virginia.tibbetts@mansfieldschools.com

Advisor: Virginia Tibbetts

Meeting Day: Wednesday

LITERARY & VISUAL ARTS

The Hive Literary Magazine

The Hive is QMS's long-running literary magazine. It's a collection of student visual and literary work that comes out once a year in June. All students are welcome to contribute submissions, but our Hive club members are the ones who select the pieces for publication. We also encourage club members to use part of our meeting time to create their own submissions for the magazine. The club will run from December until the end of the year (**day of the week TBA**) All are welcome! Interested students please email Ms. Simas at marissa.simas@mansfieldschools.com or Ms. Pimble at kaleigh.pimble@mansfieldschools.com

Advisors: Marissa Simas and Kaleigh Pimble

Meeting Day: **December – May:** check with advisors and the QMS Morning Announcements.

Art Club

Students will gather on Tuesdays after school, unless there is a conflict and then we will meet on Thursdays. There will be a daily drawing prompt, sculpture challenges from time to time, and possibly break-out groups once we find out what types of art everyone is interested in. You are always welcome to work on and share your own personal art projects.

We are a group that supports and celebrates creativity! Interested students please email Ms. Tibbetts at

virginia.tibbetts@mansfieldschools.com

Advisor: Virginia Tibbetts

Meeting Day: Tuesday

FITNESS & SPORTS

Intramurals

****Signed permission slip required.*

Welcome to Intramurals for the 2020-21 school year! The fall session Mr. Otto and Mr. Vartian will be running fantasy football with other exciting activities after school. The program will meet virtually on Mondays for all students who are interested to go over basic info and get things rolling. Students can email Mr. Vartian at

kevin.vartian@mansfieldschools.com or Mr. Otto at kevin.otto@mansfieldschools.com anytime for more information.

We look forward to an exciting time!

Meeting Days: Mondays – Thursdays

Fall Session: 9/14-11/5: Fantasy Football

Winter Session: 11/30-2/4: **TBA**

Spring Session: 3/22-5/20: **TBA**

Girl's Running Club*

****Signed permission slip required.*

Girl's running club will be virtual this year and we work with all levels of running. If you are interested in joining, please email Ms. Thompson at jayna.thompson@mansfieldschools.com or Ms. Shelley at

christine.shelley@mansfieldschools.com and we will add you to a Google Classroom. We look forward to seeing returning members and welcoming some new runners!

Advisors: Jayna Roberts, Christine Shelley, Natalie Visconti

Meeting Day: Wednesday - September – October and April – June

Boy's Running Club

****Signed permission slip require.*

Students will complete fitness forms, record the distance of their runs, as well as track "heart rate" and attend Google Meets. If you are interested in joining this club, please email Mr. Otto at kevin.otto@mansfieldschools.com or Mr. Vartian at kevin.vartian@mansfieldschools.com to receive a Google Classroom invite!

Advisors: Kevin Otto and Kevin Vartian

Meeting Day: Tuesday

PERFORMING ARTS

Jazz Ensemble

Jazz Band this year will take advantage of our virtual classroom and dive deeper into the music history, music theory, improvisation, and using technology in the music classroom. Students will meet remotely once a week with Ms. Pep and Mr. White, as well as have special jazz artists pop in for master classes. Interested students please email Ms. Pep at laurie.pepicelli@mansfieldschools.com or Mr. White at thomas.white@mansfieldschools.com

Advisors: Laurie Pepicelli and Tom White

Meeting Day: TBA

Percussion Ensemble

The Percussion Ensemble this year will focus on technique, while learning about the history of WGI and DCI. We will play together remotely, and watch videos and discuss performances of great percussionists and percussion sections. We will meet once a week. If interested, please email Ms. Pep at laurie.pepicelli@mansfieldschools.com

Advisor: Laurie Pepicelli

Meeting Day: TBA

QMS Drama

****Audition process required.*

We will be operating on a smaller scale for the 20/21 school year due to performance restrictions. All of our rehearsals and performances will be in the virtual realm. We will be presenting at least one original musical with auditions hopefully happening in November and rehearsals starting in December with an expected performance to happen at some point in the spring. The maximum number of participants at this time will be about 15. If all goes well, we will do a second show in the spring. For more info, please check out the QMS Drama website at gmsdrama@mansfieldschools.com or you can email Mr. McCrossan at patrick.mccrossan@mansfieldschools.com or Ms. Strunin at jessica.strunin@mansfieldschools.com

Advisors: Patrick McCrossan and Jessica Strunin

Meeting Day: Varies; see QMS drama website for schedules

QMS Rock Orchestra

Everyone wants to be a Rock Star! The QMS Rock Orchestra is for any student in Grades 6-8 who can sing, play strings, guitar, bass guitar, keyboards or drums. Students will work together to choose music, make arrangements, rehearse and perform. It's a rock band with strings! If interested, please email Ms. Erban at erin.erban@mansfieldschools.com

Advisor: Erin Erban

Meeting Day: TBA

Acapella Ensemble

The "Stinger Singers" is open to all students in Grades 6-8 who have a passion for singing. Whether it's pop, rock, jazz or any other genre, all are welcome to learn to arrange and perform vocal music in an acapella style! Under the guidance of Ms. Erban, members of the club choose the songs they want to sing, create arrangements, and work on individual parts in their once weekly meetings. If interested, please email Ms. Erban at erin.erban@mansfieldschools.com

Advisor: Erin Erban

Meeting Day: TBA

Tri-M Music Honor Society

****Selection process required*

Tri-M - Music Honor Society will meet weekly to discuss community engagement and music advocacy in our school community. We will create fun and innovative events for our remote and hybrid school communities with a focus on the arts and charity. If interested, please email Ms. Pep at laurie.pepicelli@mansfieldschools.com

Advisor: Laurie Pepicelli

Meeting Day: TBA

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