

# Northern York County School District Student Extracurricular, Co-Curricular and Club Listing 2016-2017

**Extracurricular activities** - those activities, which are approved by the Board, but are not offered for credit toward graduation. Such activities shall be available to all students who voluntarily elect to participate.

**Co-curricular activities** - those activities that are approved by the Board, are offered for credit towards graduation, and have components of their program that include attendance at and participation in activities scheduled during nonschool hours.

**Student Activity Clubs/Organizations** - those extracurricular activities that seek to meet the interests of students that are not provided by the curricular program of the school. As is the case with all extracurricular activities, Student Activity Clubs/Organizations must be sponsored by or approved by the Board. These clubs/organizations are marked by student participation in the process of initiating, planning, organizing and executing the mission and purpose of the club/organization.

	Student Activity	Extra- Co- or Club?	Advisor	Statement of Purpose
*	Gifford Pinchot FFA	Со	Richwine, Smyers	To make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education
*	FBLA	Со	Vacant	For students who are interested in perusing a career in any type of business field or finding out if they may be interested in the field of business. This club offers various conferences for the students to participate in learning more about the business world and what it has to offer.
	DECA	Со	Kluck Stone	<ol> <li>To plan, organize, and implement chapter activities on a local, state and national basis.</li> <li>To help students identify a career objective in the field of marketing.</li> <li>To develop leadership ability and to promote patterns of success for students of marketing.</li> <li>To encourage students to compete in their chosen marketing area at the district, state, and national level.</li> <li>To develop a realization of the responsibilities of citizenship in our free enterprise system.</li> </ol>
	Concert Band	Со	Balseiro	Focuses on Fundamentals of music (rhythm and note reading, ensemble skills, sight reading skills, etc.), the Concert Band plays standard high school repertoire that is fun and enjoyable, and develops the basic skills of an instrumental musician.
*	Orchestra	Со	Durlin	To expose students to orchestral music. This is accomplished through the study and performance of a variety of orchestral arrangements, in accordance with the mission of the Northern York County School District and the national arts standards.
*	Mixed Chorus	Со	Bissell	To give the high school students the opportunity to develop and learn the art of singing; and perform music in a large group setting to foster an appreciate of choral music.
	Freshman Percussion Ensemble	Со	Nebistinsky Balseiro	To learn rhythm and note reading skills, refine techniques on all percussion instruments, including mallet percussion, and gain ensemble skills that will better prepare them for success in Concert Band or Wind Ensemble their following year.
	Wind Ensemble	Со	Balseiro	The Wind Ensemble is comprised of about 40 instrumentalists in grades 9-12. Most of these students are juniors and seniors, and have more advanced skills on their instruments. The repertoire played by the Wind Ensemble is more difficult and intricate, and requires a high level of musicianship, dedication, and discipline.

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*	Marching Band	Extra	Balseiro/ McCartney/ <del>DeRemer</del> Smith	Performs at all football games and competes at 5-6 competitions throughout the first two months of the school year. Marching Band is an opportunity for high school students to drastically improve their instrumental skills, learn and utilize discipline and time management skills, refine math and geometry skills, and build teamwork and character traits that will positively impact their lives.
*	Pit Orchestra	Extra	Balseiro	Provides music for the annual Spring Musical.
*	Jazz Band	Extra	Balseiro	To expose music students to jazz music. Jazz is a necessary component in a well-rounded music education. Studying Jazz presents invaluable aesthetic opportunities for students-opportunities to improvise, to perform as part of an ensemble, and, most importantly, to discern the sounds and elements that make jazz sound like jazz in its many unique stylistic, cultural, and historical contexts.
	Pep Band	Extra	Balseiro	Provides music for the winter basketball games.
*	Indoor Percussion, Guard and Dance Teams	Extra	Balseiro/ <del>DeRemer</del> Smith	Teaches members (grades 6-12) advanced percussion skills and/or the art of dance, spinning, choreography, showmanship, musicianship, performance qualities, teamwork skills, and a strong dose of discipline.
*	Musical	Extra	Bissell/ Roach	To give high school students the opportunity to learn and perform an entire Broadway Musical on the live stage which helps the students grow academically, aesthetically and personally. Students have the opportunity to engage in literary analysis of both the story line and its relation to historical content, theme and symbolism; and engages them in how choreography, staging, music, lighting and sets contribute to the live show.
*	Envirothon	Club	Fryer	To provide students with an understanding of principles of environmental sciences, as well as teaching them about related current issues. Goals of the Envirothon are:  1. To develop students knowledge in areas of Forestry, Wildlife, Aquatics, Soils and a current issue.  2. Create a better understanding of environmental sciences.  3. To encourage teamwork.
*	Key Club	Club	Reinaman	To empower its members to lead and serve by cultivating leadership skills, developing friendships, and performing community service.

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	National Art Honor Society	Club	Brink	Designed specifically for high school students in grades 10-12. The program inspires and recognizes students who show an outstanding ability and interest in art. The NAHS strives to aid members in attaining the highest standards in art scholarship, character, and service, and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community.
	School Store	Club	Stone	The store is operated by the marketing students to simulate skills necessary to set up and maintain a retail operation. Buying and merchandising, inventory control, internal control of cash, budgeting are but a few of the skills demonstrated through its operation. Profits earned through sale of merchandise are used for store operations.
	News Club	Club	Fobes	Provides a venue for all school related and newsworthy events.  1. To strengthen their understanding of broadcast media.  2. Help produce the morning news show and other cable programs.  3. Take part in fundraising activities to purchase and/or repair studio equipment.  4. Establish a real world connection that may lead to a future career in this field.
*	Art Service	Club	Brink	Designed specifically for high school students in grades 9-12 who do not meet the requirements of National Art Honor Society but would still like to participate in an art related organization. The Art Service Club works with the NAHS to bring art education to the attention of the school and community while providing student artists with the opportunity to use their talents to serve others.
	Caring Team	Club	Deal	To provide support to grieving students during the school day that has lost a loved one. It is also an avenue to create awareness to the students of the Caring Place, which is a center for grieving children and their families.
*	Class of	Club	Bucher	To raise funds through class sales for the Junior-Senior Prom and for roses at graduation.
	Direct Call	Club	Witt	To foster positive peer relationships among students through various student directed and student lead lessons, activities and song. Direct Call is a student led, faith based gathering currently held Wednesday mornings prior to school (7 am – 7:30 am). Annually, the leadership team uses the nationally recognized "Meet at the Pole" event as its inaugural meeting.
	French Club	Club	Gasbara <del>Barndt</del>	To promote the French language in a setting beyond the classroom and to experience French culture as it pertains to topics such as food, art, music, and film.

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	History Club	Club	Ramsey <i>Vacant</i>	To present opportunities for the Northern High School students to expand their knowledge of, and enhance their appreciation for, American History. The club will specifically focus on the role Dillsburg played in different historical ears of the United States and the impact national events had on our local community.
*	Model UN	Club	Gladfelter/ Mowery	Students take on the role of ambassadors to debate the current issues. The students, known as "delegates," prepare draft resolutions, plot strategy, negotiate with supporting "countries," and resolve conflict in a virtually peaceful manner.
	Spanish Club	Club	Crawford/ Brubaker	To expand students' use and interest in the language. The Spanish Club will provide opportunities for students to practice Spanish and to examine different cultures. It will help them develop insight into the nature of the language and culture.
*	Student Council	Club	Anderson/ Weidemann	Representative body composed of officers chosen by their classmates and 48 representatives to organize social and extracurricular activities and to participate in the government of our school.
	Tri-M Music	Club	Nebistinsky	To inspire music participation, create enthusiasm for scholarship, stimulate a desire to render service, and promote leadership in music students.
	World Language Honor Soc	Club	Pietropola Barndt	To honor those students who have achieved superior levels of competence in a world language and have demonstrated an honors level in other school subjects.
*	Yearbook	Club	Brink	To provide a review in pictorial form of the school year's activities and events. This student run organization collects photos, designs the layout of the pages, and submits all finished work to Balfour publishing for printing.
	REMOVE Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Club	Anderson	To provide students who attend Northern High School the opportunity to reach out to others both in the school and in the community. The club will specifically focus on serving others throughout the campus and the town in order to positively influence the school.
	T.A.L.L. (Tolerance, Awareness, Leadership, Love)	Club	Vacant Carey, C.	To promote acceptance for differences among people. Students will engage in activities throughout the year that will encourage their peers to be kind and accommodating of all people, regardless of differences. To promote a tolerant climate/culture within the walls of Northern High School and to encourage students to be productive citizens in our ever-evolving, global community.
*	Newspaper	Club	Small	To report world, local and school news as it is relevant to the student body at Northern High School

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Mock Trial Club	Club	Ramsey	To expand their knowledge of, and enhance their appreciation for, the legal system and give the students the opportunity to act as layers and witnesses in simulated trails before actual judges and panels of juries.
Senior Year in Review	Club	Fobes	To provide a review in movie format of the school year's activities and events, and showcase this prior to the graduation ceremony.
Bear Singers	Club	Bissell	The Bear Singers a cappella vocal group is comprised of students in grades 9-12 enrolled in the Mixed Chorus, who are selected by audition, and make a commitment to the group for the duration of the school year. The repertoire for Bear Singers is more difficult and intricate, and requires a higher level of musicianship and dedication. This ensemble is perfect for students wishing to push their musical skills to a more advanced stage.
Brain Busters Club	Club	Ramsey	To expand their knowledge of, and enhance their appreciation for, celebrating academics in a way that is typically reserved for athletics, recognizing the talent and hard work of the competitors and shining a spotlight on the schools with winning teams.
Cystic Fibrosis	Club	Trostle	Raise awareness, and possibly raise money for the CFF.
NGSA	Club	Carskadon	The purpose of the NGSA is to create a more welcoming environment for all students, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity, through support, education, and awareness. This includes all LGBTQ+ students and their allies.
National Honor Society	Club	Bucher	NHS serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Four main purposes of National Honor Society are: to create enthusiasm for scholarship; to stimulate a desire to render service; to promote leadership; and to develop character in the students of secondary schools.
Tech-Ed Club	Club	Mauck	Created for students to put woodworking skills as well as people skills to good use. It is offered to students who take a Tech-ed course at Northern High School. This will benefit the students regarding their career choices as local businesses will come in to speak to the club members. Funds will be raised through projects constructed by the club students. The main goal of the Tech-ed Club is for us to help families in the district who cannot afford to pay for the work or who cannot physically do the work.

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Sign Lan	guage Club	Club	Crawford/ Swope	To expand students' use and interest in the language. The Sign Language Club will provide opportunities for students to learn and practice sign language. We will accomplish this by including sign language activities and new signs in every meeting throughout the year.
Political I	Debate Club	Club	Wire	To provide in-depth exposure to the pros and cons of existing political ideologies that are not fully covered in the current curriculum. To establish an in-depth understanding of global politics, to establish and refine the ability to identify and understand the objectives of multiple political ideologies, and to foster critical thinking of high school students.
	nonds Mini- 'hon	Club	Vacant	Raise funds for the Four Diamonds Fund, an organization committed to conquering childhood cancer.

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	Junior FFA	Со	Richwine	To make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education.
*	Concert Band	Со	McCartney	MS concert band is a co-curricular organization of young musicians that strive to improve their understanding and performance of music, and share the results of their labor with the community. The primary purpose of this ensemble is threefold:  1. To challenge young musicians by rehearsing and performing appropriate MS literature  2. To create independent, educated performers and consumers of music  3. To bring together the community for purposes of celebration, relaxation and musical conversation and to elevate that conversation by both the musicians and the audience about the music that is performed.
*	Chorus	Со	<mark>Ometz</mark> <del>Kenyon</del>	<ul> <li>The Middle school Chorus is a co-curricular organization of young musicians that strive to improve their understanding and performance of music, and share the results of their labor with the community. The primary purpose of this ensemble is threefold:</li> <li>1. To challenge young musicians by rehearsing and performing appropriate middle school choral literature.</li> <li>2. To create independent, educated performers and consumers of music.</li> <li>3. To bring together the community for purposes of celebration, relaxation and musical conversation; to elevate that conversation by educating both the musicians and the audience about the music that is performed.</li> </ul>
	Drum Club	Extra	McCartney	MS Drum Club is an extra-curricular club that is open to any student, regardless of ability, who would like to play a wide variety of percussion instruments. Music literacy in not a prerequisite and some fundamental reading skills are taught and reviewed throughout the year. This is also an opportunity for high school students to enter the middle school classroom as a mentor and teaching assistant.
	Jazz Band	Extra	McCartney	MS Jazz Band is an extra-curricular club that is open to any band member, regardless of experience. The traditional instrumentation for this ensemble is as follows: Saxophone, Trombone, Trumpet, Bass, Guitar, Piano, and Drum Set.
	Select Choir	Extra	Ometz Kenyon	MS Select Choir is a small chamber choir, typically around 30 students, that is open to any 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> grade chorus student through an audition process. The purpose is for students to experience, study, rehearse, and perform advanced middle school choral repertoire.

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*	Musical	Extra	Vacant Jones/ Kenyon Ometz	Designed to engage students from grades 6-8 to participate in an enriching musical program with the end goal of a musical production. Students are encouraged to participate in varying roles such as actors/singers/dancers (through audition), stage crew, lights and sound, costumes, and volunteering during show nights.
	Wind Ensemble	Extra	McCartney	MS Wind Ensemble is a smaller, select group of musicians that will serve two purposes:  1. To challenge advanced young musicians by rehearsing and performing advanced middle school literature  2. To supplement the middle school orchestra, by playing the wind arrangements that accompany any symphonic arrangements that the middle school orchestra may perform.
*	Envirothon	Club	Brindle	Envirothon is an environmental learning experience created by Pennsylvania Conservation Districts for Middle School and High School students. Studying our natural resources and taking part in an annual competition are both part of the Envirothon.
*	Builders Club	Club	Smith	To encourage middle school students in community service, patriotism, and developing leadership skills while helping others in need and encouraging fellowship amount students in all middle school grades.
*	Art Club	Club	Carroll	Designed specifically for middle school students in 6, 7, & 8. The Art Club inspires and recognizes students who show an outstanding ability and interest in art. Art Club was established to offer students (who have an interest in art) more opportunities to pursue and further their creative abilities and talents, increase an awareness of art in relation to other areas of the school curriculum and to bring art to the attention of the school and community through various school projects.
	Media Club	Club	Marshall	Offered to students in 6th, 7th & 8th grades with the intention of disseminating pertinent information that students and faculty will need throughout the course of the day. It allows those in Media Club to learn the working of putting together a broadcast and running the various machines that allow the announcement to be transmitted throughout the middle school building.
	French Club	Club	Magill	To provide more opportunities to pursue and further French language abilities; to increase an awareness of the French culture in relation to the US and other areas of the school curriculum; to allow interested students to practice and play with the French language with other interested students.

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	Spanish Club	Club	Wicker	To offer students who are interested in the Spanish language and Hispanic culture more opportunities to pursue and further their Spanish language abilities; increase an awareness of the Hispanic culture in relation to the US and other areas of the school curriculum; allow interested student to practice and play with the Spanish language with other interested students.
*	Student Council	Club	Barber/ Atkinson	To develop attitudes of, and practice in, good citizenship; promote harmonious relations throughout the school; improve school morale; provide a forum for student expression; and promote the general welfare of the school. The NMS Student Council shall consist of representative from the 6th, 7th, & 8th grades, and the officers, all elected by the student body.
*	Yearbook	Club	Stermer/ Griffie- Gross	For a group of students to work together to create a yearbook sharing a year's worth of memories that have been captured in photographs with their classmates.
	Ski Club	Club	Brindle	To foster good health through outdoor activities during the winter months, and to introduce students to a sport they can enjoy the rest of their lives.
*	MathCounts	Club	Eisenhart	Provides the extra incentive and the perfect atmosphere for students to push themselves to achieve more in mathematics. Consisting of fun and creative problems that promote critical-thinking and problem-solving skills, the MATHCOUNTS competitions have written and oral rounds, as well as individual and team components.
	Continent Connections Geography Club	Club	Frederiksen/ Hack	Promote geographic awareness and to allow students with a common interest in geography to connect. Club members may explore aspects of geography with fun educational opportunities, such as participation in the Geography Bee and a Geography Fair.
	Mini THON	Club	Barber/ Atkinson	Raise funds for the Four Diamonds Fund, an organization committed to conquering childhood cancer.
	Mutual Respect	Club	Vacant	The purpose of the Mutual Respect Club is to provide students and parents with information and awareness regarding the challenge of "bullying" in schools. In addition it is designed to establish a system for anonymous reporting of bullying concerns as well as develop a student support organization, which provides assistance to the student body in the resolution of those concerns. (Board Approved 12/19/2013)

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Junior National Honor Society	Club	Vacant Mefford	The purpose of this chapter shall be to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of character in students of Northern Middle School. Academic growth, strength in character, and philanthropy will be demonstrated through various service projects, which are aimed to enhance the individual, school, district, and community.