

# Tabb Middle School

## After School Activities

### 2018-2019

#### Open Membership

##### **Battle of the Books**

##### **Faculty Advisors –Mrs. Karatsikis, Mrs. Hehir, and Ms. N. Diggs**

The Battle of the Books is an annual reading competition that encourages quality reading, team spirit, and friendly competition. Students selected for the team read twelve books and then test their knowledge of the books in local and regional competitions. Meetings held in the Media Center the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

##### **CHROME Club**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mrs. Carter**

The CHROME club welcomes all students interested in the fields of engineering, technology, math, and science, especially young women and minorities. Students will experience hands-on demonstrations and activities with local scientists, doctors, technology experts, and engineers. Come have interesting fun! Meetings will be held in Room 209 the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

##### **The Robotics Club: Build a Lego Robot and learn how to program it!**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mrs. Goltermann**

Diverse student teams will use EV3 Lego Mindstorms Robots to learn the basics of programming, problem solving, and cooperation. Meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays October - January. Club members are encouraged to try out for the First Lego League Competition Team in January. Limited to 21 participants.

##### **Girls Who Code**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mrs. Engquist**

Club girls join a safe and supportive environment of peers and learn to see themselves as computer scientists. They begin by learning the basic concepts for all programming languages and then build a website. Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month in Computer Lab 403.

##### **WE Club**

##### **Faculty Advisor- Mrs. Shaske**

Have you ever thought about making our school, community, and even the world a better place? WE can make change happen. This school year, WE will continue to provide support for our Adopt a Village in Sierra Leone, Africa. Students are attending the school that WE built a couple of years ago and soon will have fresh water to drink! WE also purchased bikes for girls to go to school in Asia and donated money to an animal shelter destroyed by a hurricane. WE help with positive actions by organizing food drives, work on the tile wall in the cafeteria, sponsor the Valentine's Dance, and so much more. Come and join WE Club ... who knows what great changes we can make! WE meets twice a month on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays.

##### **Relay for Life Team**

##### **Faculty Team Captains - Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. Evans**

Relay for Life is a life-changing event that helps communities across the globe celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease. Our school has a team that will be participating the Newport News/York/Poquoson Relay for Life event sometime in May. Staff

members, students, and other TMS family members are welcome to join the team and/or help with fundraising and educating others about Cancer prevention and programs available through the American Cancer Society. Please look for updates in the Tiger Times and on the weekly morning PowerPoint for information about joining the team, fundraisers, and other ways to support our team and the American Cancer Society. We do not have regular meetings dates, but students who join will receive emails about upcoming events. Students will be able to go online and join the team. Information about this will be in the Tiger Times.

##### **Math Counts**

##### **Faculty Advisor– Mrs. Vedock-Gross**

Math Counts is a national enrichment club and competition program that provides engaging and challenging math skills to students who enjoy problem solving. Mathletes learn strategies to find answers to higher-level math questions. Students enjoy matching math skills against their peers and developing their mathematical minds. Meetings held in Room 307 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.

##### **Green Tigers**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mrs. Jacobs**

Green Tigers is a new environmental club at Tabb, which supports and encourages environmental activities and recycling. We will make and display posters to encourage various environmental activities, make sure recycling cans and bins are available and emptied properly, and brainstorm ideas to make Tabb Middle as environmentally friendly as possible. Club meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month in Room 104.

##### **Chess Club**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mr. Payne**

The chess club is open to all levels from novice to expert. Come learn about strategy, conquest, castles, and powerful queens. Club meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month in Room 314.

##### **Ukulele Club**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mrs. Van Rossum**

Would you like to learn how to play the ukulele? If so, then this club is for you! This is a BEGINNING ukulele club. We will start from the very beginning and teach you everything you need to know to start playing and singing along with some of your favorite songs! NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY...just a great attitude, a willingness to learn and a desire to have FUN!! Your own ukulele is needed (although we MAY have some school instruments that can be rented/checked out). See Mrs. Van Rossum for information on purchasing a ukulele. This club will meet the first and third Tuesdays of every month after school in the band room, Room 407. Meeting dates: October 2<sup>nd</sup>, October 16<sup>th</sup>, and November 13<sup>th</sup> (ONLY MEETING DATE IN NOVEMBER). December dates to be determined. We will start up again in January.

### **Debate Club**

#### **Faculty Advisor – Mr. Howard**

The Debate Club is designed for students who have a desire to use a variety of media to research a given topic (chosen by the teacher) to “empower their voice”. Students are expected to develop expertise on an issue and then be able to debate either side of that issue. Students learn how to share, summarize, and synthesize their research with team members. They are also taught “Floor Management and Civility” skills. Debate will meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month in Room 201.

### **Membership by Application, Audition, or Other Requirement**

#### **Thespian Society**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mrs. Taylor**

Sponsored by the Educational Theatre Association, this student-led, teacher-sponsored troupe acknowledges young thespians (actor/technicians) who are participating in the theater arts in their school and community. Academic successes in other subjects as well as contributions to local and educational theater earn the student points towards induction into the Thespian Society. Once points are documented, submitted, and approved, students become Junior Thespians, which prepares them for the high school theater environment and beyond. After earning points at the middle school level, they will automatically be eligible for the high school troupe and can attend the Virginia Theatre Conference to audition for colleges and summer theater programs across the US.

#### **Student Council Association (SCA)**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mrs. Carter**

Represent your school! Promote community service and increase Tabb Spirit and Tiger Pride. Students will choose projects to help TMS and the community. Make your voice heard by serving as an SCA classroom representative or volunteering to help. Elections will be held in Social Studies classes. Meetings will be held in Room 209 on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month.

#### **National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)**

##### **Faculty Advisors – Mrs. Singletary and Mrs. Jacobs**

NJHS is a co-curricular activity that supports the goals of the school. Students qualify by meeting five standards of excellence. The five standards include scholarship, leadership, service, citizenship, and character. After meeting grade point average requirements, candidates will be invited to complete and apply to be considered for membership. The NJHS will meet in Room 205 or Room 104 as announced.

#### **Chain Reactions**

##### **Faculty Advisors – Mrs. Van Ness, Mrs. Rollins, & Mrs. Dukes**

Chain Reaction members interact with peers during the school day to help create a climate of acceptance and connection at TMS. Chain Reactions will also welcome new students and assist with Tiger Trek in the summer. Participation in this organization is by application through your school counselor. Chain Reactions are selected in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and continue to serve throughout the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades. New applications will be accepted in 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade as openings occur. Counselors will visit classrooms in September and discuss the application process for participation in Chain Reactions.

### **FIRST LEGO League**

#### **Faculty Advisor – Mrs. Goltermann**

FIRST LEGO League teams operate as scientists and engineers over a 9-week competition season. Teams will choose and solve a real-world problem in the Project. They will also build, test, and program an autonomous robot using LEGO® MINDSTORMS® technology to solve a set of missions in the Robot Game. Try-outs occur in January for the 2019 competitions: Spring season is February – June; fall season is August – December. Meetings during the Spring Competition season are the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays from 3-4. Fall competition season meetings are Thursdays and Fridays, 3pm – 5pm.

#### **SeaPerch ROV**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mrs. Goltermann**

SeaPerch teams will learn about robotics, engineering, problem solving, teamwork, and technical applications while building an underwater remotely operated vehicle (ROV) that will be piloted through an underwater obstacle course. Meetings are Thursdays, 3-5pm, January-March. Applications for participation will be accepted October – December. Limited to 12 NEW members.

#### **Wind Team: Design and Build a Wind Turbine**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Ms. Buckley**

Student teams will learn the basics of blade design and wind energy by working together to build their own wind turbines. Meetings will be December-March on Tuesdays. Try-outs will begin in mid-November. Competition will be in March.

#### **TREBLE TIGERS**

##### **Faculty Advisor – Mr. Lusher**

Treble Tigers is an advanced girls' choir that meets after school on Tuesdays, 2:55-4:00 pm for rehearsals. You must be a TMS 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade female student who is enrolled in Chorus or Musical Stage Productions either 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> semester for the 2018-2019 school year. See Mr. Lusher (room 406) for more information! The group will perform the National Anthem at select Tabb athletic games, compete at the Kings Dominion Choral Competition, and sing in all of the chorus concerts for the school year.



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