

JHWMS Clubs 2024-2025

Club Name	Advisor	Advisor email	Description of Club
Art League	Ms. Gualtieri	mgualtieri@nutleyschools.org	Students will meet weekly to creatively explore ideas and projects they have an interest in and build their art skills through guided lessons. Students will work independently and collaboratively to create small and large scale works of art. The club will be like a studio for students who are currently in visual arts, or those that have a passion or want to explore and learn about visual arts more.
Yearbook	Ms. Curran Ms. Bassani	jcurran@nutleyschools.org tbassani@nutleyschools.org	The Yearbook Club will give students an opportunity to have a hand in creating this year's John H. Walker 8th grade graduating class yearbook. Students will attend events throughout the school year and take photos of their classmates, edit the yearbook pages in order to make sure each student in the 8th grade class is represented an even amount, and will create opportunities within the school year in order to provide for opportunities for parents to send in pictures from home to serve as memories of their middle school years. Towards the end of the year, students will help the advisors distribute the yearbooks and help to lead our yearbook signing event.
Student Council	Ms. Kozyra Ms. Johnstone	ckozyra@nutleyschools.org kjohnstone@nutleyschools.org	This club will encourage students to become active in student government by becoming voices concerning relevant issues pertaining to students, as well as becoming involved with community/national service activities, thereby inspiring them to become global citizens.
Madrigals	Mr. Gaines	sgaines@nutleyschools.org	John H. Walker Middle School Madrigal is the auditioned honors choral ensemble that features the strongest vocalists from grades 7 and 8. The objective of the JHWMS Madrigals Ensemble is to foster vocal excellence and musical understanding through exploration of Renaissance and early choral music. The ensemble aims to build teamwork and confidence by performing diverse and challenging repertoire. Madrigals provides a supportive environment for personal artistic growth, culminating in memorable performances for the school and community.
Asterix (Strings)	Ms. Nowik	enowik@nutleyschools.org	Asterix is a string ensemble for advanced middle school string students who are looking for a more challenging performance experience in addition to class. These students also represent Orchestra students in extra performances throughout the year. Placement in Asterix is by audition or recommendation only, and students must be enrolled in Orchestra as a class to participate.

Trivia & Gaming	Ms. Walsh	vwalsh@nutleyschools.org	The Trivia & Gaming club is an extracurricular activity for seventh and eighth grade students. Members engage in , online trivia, board games and other types of trivia to test their knowledge on a variety of subjects. We use wireless game buzzers so that students can have a more realistic "game show" experience during our club meetings.
Math Counts	Ms. Miller	kmiller@nutleyschools.org	To stimulate students' mathematical curiosity, challenge them with problems beyond the classroom, and promote positive attitudes about Math.
Patriot	Mr. Gabriele	sdgabriele@nutleyschools.org	Students working to promote the patriotic spirit of the Nutley community and to honor and assist members of the U.S. Armed Forces and Veterans. The Patriot Club is an opportunity to give back to Veterans who served our country. We will learn about the importance of Veterans and we will engage in charitable activities to benefit Veterans in our neighborhood. We also engage in other historically related events, trips, and activities.
Walker Welcomes	Mr. Cappello	jcappello@nutleyschools.org	The members of this club will help new transfer students transition to JHWMS and the community through individual meetings, tours and special events.
Jazz Ensemble	Mr. Mayewski	amayewski@nutleyschools.org	This club will allow students to have the opportunity to play in a jazz ensemble that will focus on additional musical elements and styles that are not traditionally found in our Zero Period, Concert Band, or Symphonic Band classes.
Ping Pong	Ms. Belthoff	gbelthoff@nutleyschools.org	Learn the basic rules and strategies of the game of Ping-Pong. Challenge other students as you increase your knowledge and skills while working in groups.
History	Ms. Kozyra Ms. Walsh	ckozyra@nutleyschools.org vwalsh@nutleyschools.org	The objective of History Club is to cultivate a respect of history by providing an opportunity to visit museums and other local places of history that correlate to our social studies curriculum, as well as discussing social studies topics that are of interest to the students in order to enhance their learning. History Club members participate in activities/discussions that prepare them for the upcoming field trips and after each field trip, students share their observations and engage in activities that <u>extend their learning.</u>
Basketball	Mr. Vance	ivance@nutleyschools.org	Basketball club is for serious players who want to play in travel leagues and/or beyond. Students will develop leadership, teamwork, and work ethic while learning valuable skills and knowledge that will help them improve as players and become more driven and capable people.
Girls Who Code	Ms. Zazzali	lzazzali@nutleyschools.org	To complete STEM challenges and design and build structures like an Engineer.

Model UN	Mr. Guariglia	iguariglia@nutleyschools.org	Through public speaking, critical thinking, and in-depth research, the Model UN experience allows students to cultivate skills and enrich their domestic/global affairs knowledge in group simulations. Model UN teaches students research, speaking, debating, teamwork, leadership, and critical thinking skills. Each meeting will focus on a different debate format and topic to help students practice debate skills in debate practice rounds.
Real Raiders	Mr. Cappello Ms. Raia	jcappello@nutleyschools.org eraia@nutleyschools.org	Members of Real Raiders will receive the training necessary to work with, mentor, and assist other JHWMS students with unique social needs. These student mentors will work with mentees within a variety of social opportunities designed to enhance social growth, build self-esteem, and enhance positive decision-making skills. The focus will be providing positive peer role models to increase appropriate social skills.
Walking	Ms. Melillo Ms. Zazzali	mmelillo@nutleyschools.org lzazzali@nutleyschools.org	The Walking Club promotes a healthier lifestyle by walking each day to improve our physical and mental health. As a club we will plan 2-3 walks per month around the neighborhood to go on before, during or after the school day. We will set goals for ourselves and as a group. This is a great opportunity for students to change up their school day routine and enjoy a stroll with their peers and teachers!
Engineering Club	Mr. Guariglia Ms. Zazzali	iguariglia@nutleyschools.org lzazzali@nutleyschools.org	To design and build structures like an Engineer.
Junior Crew	Mr. Kutzleb Mr. Coppola	bkutzleb@nutleyschools.org scoppola@nutleyschools.org	The goal of Jr. Crew is to generate a strong sense of pride and togetherness amongst the students of both NHS and JHWMS. Jr. Crew members will cheer on their classmates while creating a positive and supportive atmosphere for their peers. Members will work alongside of the NHS Crew to help create themes for these events that spark student engagement and excitement.
Indoor Percussion Training	Mr. Mayewski	amayewski@nutleyschools.org	Allow students the opportunity to learn about the music stylings of indoor percussion and prepare them to audition for the Nutley High School Indoor Percussion Ensemble in the future.
Small Hands, Big Hearts	Ms. Misner	smisner@nutleyschools.org	Service to community - volunteer with Nutley Family Service Bureau.
Green Team	Ms. Bruscano Ms. Zazzali Mr. Vasquez	lbruscino@nutleyschools.org lzazzali@nutleyschools.org avasquez@nutleyschools.org	To reduce the school's environmental impact and raise awareness about environmental issues.