

2023- 2024 WYOMISSING JR-SR HIGH SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

This is a brief description of the many co-curricular programs that are available at the Junior-Senior High School.

Electives

JR. HIGH COOKING CLUB - a great way to learn to prepare, serve, and appreciate various kinds of food for many occasions. [Grades 7-8]

SR. HIGH COOKING CLUB - a great way to learn to prepare, serve, and appreciate various kinds of food for many occasions. [Grades 9 – 12]

ART CLUB - Responsible for promoting the arts through exhibits and related projects within the school and community. [Grades 9-12]

English

CHARIOT STUDENT NEWSPAPER - the school newspaper's objective is to provide students a forum to voice opinions and to develop journalistic skills while offering the student body a variety of news and human-interest topics. [Grades 9-12]

LITERARY-ART MAGAZINE CLUB - provides an opportunity for students to *have* their writings and artwork printed and made available to the student body and faculty. [Grades 7-12]

MEMORY BOOK - students receive instruction and guidance in putting together the Jr. High yearbook. [Grades 7-9]

COLOPHON YEARBOOK - meets weekly to produce a yearbook that includes grades 7-12 and is distributed at the end of the year. Membership is by selection the previous year. [Grades 9-12]

DRAMA - under the guidance of the director, the members handle all aspects of mounting a stage production. [Grades 9-12]

DRAMA JUNIOR HIGH - under the guidance of the director, interested students meet to learn about, audition for, and perform in one or two selected dramatic and/or musical productions. [Grades 7-9]

WYO 5 LIVE - TV announcements, the schools' means of communication via the TV, including the reading of the daily bulletin, school activities, sports, and special announcements. [Grades 8-12]

Social Studies

DEBATE CLUB - Debate Club will focus on students debating current topics important to our country and world. These topics could include anything from gun control to freedom of speech issues. Members will have an opportunity to develop their public speaking, critical thinking, and research skills. [Grades 7-12]

MODEL UN CLUB – An opportunity for students interested in politics, diplomacy or international news to participate in discussion, debate, and simulated UN activities. [Grades 9-12]

STUDENT COUNCIL SENIOR HIGH - the elected group of the student body who serves as the liaison between students and school administration. In addition, council sponsors a variety of activities including various spirit generating activities including homecoming and dances. It also serves the community through a variety of volunteer events. [Grades 9-12]

STUDENT COUNCIL JUNIOR HIGH - the elected group of the student body who serves as the liaison between students and school administration. In addition, council sponsors a variety of activities including various spirit generating activities, trips, and games. [Grades 7-8]

WYO QUIZ BOWL TEAM - participates in several county competitions and a statewide meet pitting their knowledge against that of other teams. [Grades 10-12]

JR HIGH WYO QUIZ BOWL – Practices competitive academic challenges. [Grades 7-9]

Science

ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB - Allows students interested in conservation and preservation of our environment to participate in a variety of activities. [Grades 7-12]

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD - Interested students test their love of science as they participate in a variety of competitions with other schools throughout the state. [Grades 7-12]

STEAM CLUB - Explores topics in science, technology, engineering, art, and math through collaborative, hands-on projects and experiences. [Grades 7-12]

Math

CHESS CLUB - Meets to learn chess playing skills. The Chess Team competes with teams from other schools around the county for possession of the Berks County Chess Championship. [Grades 7-12]

MATH TEAM SENIOR HIGH - Students interested in math meet weekly and participate in county, state and national math competitions. [Grades 9-12]

MATH TEAM JUNIOR HIGH - Students learn problem-solving skills through meetings and home activities, and participate in county, state and national math competitions. [Grades 8-9]

Foreign Languages

FRENCH CLUB - purpose is to promote interest in and understanding of French culture through many social activities. [any student Grades 7-12 taking French]

LATIN CLUB – the Junior Classical League is a national organization of high school Latin students. Its purpose is to promote a more thorough knowledge of Roman culture, tradition and literature. [Grades 7-12]

SPANISH CLUB - develop understanding of Spanish speaking countries and their people through social activities. Activities include a progressive dinner featuring Spanish foods, field trips, and World Language Week activities. [Grades 7-12]

Music – Vocal

CAMERATA - our highest level, most select vocal ensemble. Students are chosen by audition and perform extensively in public under the direction of a student leader. [Grades 9-12]

CHORALE - offers selected student vocalist's venues for varied advanced repertoire, and public singing opportunities. [Grades 9-12]

CHORUS JUNIOR HIGH - a planned curricular offering for students interested in participating in choral music. The Chorus performs two concerts every school year in the winter and the spring. [Grades 7-8]

CONCERT CHOIR - planned curricular offering for students interested in participating in choral music. The extra-curricular segment of the concert choir comes into play whenever the choir performs outside the regular school day, such as festivals, competitions, and adjudications. [Grades 9-12]

FRESHMEN SELECT ENSEMBLE - a ninth grade select singing ensemble that may perform at several community *venues* as well as school concerts. [Grade 9]

VARSITY SINGERS - a JH select singing group, which may perform at various local venues; i.e., Country Meadows, Highlands, malls, and the grade schools and several Jr. High school concerts. [Grades 7-8]

Music – Instrumental

BRASS ENSEMBLE - open to students interested in performing chamber music on brass instruments. [Grades 7-12]

CONCERT BAND SENIOR HIGH - open as a full credit course to all high school musicians interested in a comprehensive instrumental band program. [Grades 9-12]

CONCERT BAND JUNIOR HIGH - available 3 periods per week to musicians interested in a comprehensive instrumental program. [Grades 7-8]

JAZZ BAND - open to selected students interested in performing with the jazz band and furthering their background of jazz music. [Grades 7-12]

MARCHING BAND - open to students interested in performing at football games, competitions and parades. [Grades 7-12]

ORCHESTRA - open as a full credit course to all high school musicians interested in a comprehensive string/instrumental program. [Grades 9-12]

PIT ORCHESTRA - selected students rehearse and perform with the drama club for the spring musical. [Grades 7-12]

STRING ENSEMBLE JUNIOR HIGH - open as a full credit course to all Jr. High school musicians interested in a comprehensive string program. [Grades 7-8]

Music – Other

COLOR GUARD - open to students who are willing to march with the band at football games, competitions, and at parades. [Grades 7-12]

Volunteer/Mentor/Tutor

AEVIDUM CLUB – Striving to create healthy communities where everyone feels accepted, appreciated, acknowledged, and cared for in schools. Empowering students to use their unique voices and talents to make a difference as well as recognize the gifts of their own peers. [Grades 7-12]

BEST BUDDIES - a volunteer movement to provide one-to-one friendships for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities with general education peers. [Grades 7-12]

BIG SPARTAN/LITTLE SPARTAN - a specially trained group of high school students who work closely with grade school students in need of role models and academic and social mentors. [Grades 9-12]

GAY-STRAIGHT ALLIANCE (GSA) - To provide a safe place for people of all sexualities and gender identities and to educate students about LGBT issues while promoting acceptance of everyone in the school community. [Grades 7-12]

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HOPE SQUAD - Hope Squad is a peer-to-peer suicide prevention program. Hope Squad members are nominated by their classmates as trustworthy peers and trained by advisors. Members seek to reduce self-destructive behavior and youth suicide by training, building, and creating change in schools and communities. Participation requires a parent permission form along with attendance at regular training meetings. (Grades 7-12)

Mini-THON - The Wyomissing Area Mini-THON is part of a program that inspires, empowers, and activates young adults in the fight against childhood cancer. [Grades 9-12]

PEER MEDIATION - training offers interested students special opportunities to work with students who find themselves in conflict and who would benefit from peer mediation. [Grades 8-12]

SERVICE CLUB - promotes and provides service opportunities for students in various projects within the school and community. [Grades 9-12]

STANDING TOGETHER AGAINST RACISM (STAR) - an organization established and supported by VOICE-up BERKS. The groups mission is “to address racism and injustice in our community through education and dialogue which is initiated, supported, and facilitated by youth”. Through conversations and activities, the club will encourage a welcoming community that will educate, acknowledge, and respect the differences of everyone in our Wyomissing Area community. [Grades 7-12]

STUDENT TUTORING - a service opportunity for interested students to help their fellow classmates in their studies. [Grades 8-12]

WAEF STUDENT COMMITTEE - WAEF Student Committee is open to students in grades 9-12 and offers leadership opportunities for students. This committee plans and implements a service day in January as well as Senior Parade in May. In addition, WAEF Student Committee members volunteer at WAEF events throughout the year. [Grades 9-12]

Recreational:

SKI CLUB – Students interested in skiing (prior experience not necessary but helpful), Transportation provided for students and chaperones to local Ski Mountain. Cost and additional details at information meeting. [Grades 7-12]