# Jefferson Township Middle School

After School Clubs & Activities

2023-2024

Jefferson Township Middle School is proud to offer the following after-school clubs and activities for the 2023-2024 school year. All club advisors are JTMS staff members or JTPS district employees. Specific questions regarding any club or activity should be directed to the advisor. All clubs, unless otherwise stated, conclude at 3:20. JTMS provides a 3:25 late bus for student participants. Thank you and we look forward to your child participating in our middle school after-school programs.

## Art Club

Fall through Winter Students will have a variety of visual arts media to explore while furthering their knowledge and skills in innovative and creative ways.

## Art Crew (Musical)

Winter through Spring

Art Crew creates all of the scenery to be used for the spring musical. This requires crew members to build, paint and decorate the set pieces.

## **Board Games Club**

Intermittent throughout the School Year Students will have an opportunity to explore a variety of board games that are strategic, creative, and provoke critical thinking skills. Students will learn the intricacies of each game, including the rules and strategies. It will also provide a learning and social environment for students that is both competitive and cooperative.

## Costume Crew (Musical)

Winter through Spring Costume Crew designs and acquires costumes and accessories for the spring musical.

### Crafter's Club

Winter through Spring Students will work with a variety of media to design and build a variety of hands-on projects.

# Debate Club

Winter through Spring

The Debate Club will teach students the perspectives of a topic by researching and debating among peers. The advisor assists students with their preparation and moderates the final debate.

### Fall Open Gym

#### Fall

Students will participate in various activities depending on student interest. Possible activities include basketball, football, and soccer.

#### Garden Club

Fall and Spring

The focus of the Garden Club is to engage students in a natural setting and to foster cooperation amongst their peers by working together to beautify and maintain the middle school courtyard garden, so students and staff can utilize the area for multiple purposes. Members of the Garden Club will also have the opportunity to plant flowers and vegetables, which will be used by the school.

#### Jazz Band

## Winter through Spring

Jazz Band is a performing ensemble for students interested in learning and performing jazz music arranged for young players. The Jazz Band performs in competitions, festivals, and community concerts.

## Lighting (Musical)

#### Spring

Students are selected by the musical director. The lighting crew operates the spotlights and side lights during the musical under the direction of the musical director.

#### **Props Crew (Musical)**

Winter through Spring

The Prop Crew is responsible for making and obtaining all necessary props for the spring play. It also ensures that actors are prepared to go on stage with required props.

## Scenery/Stage Crew (Musical)

Winter through Spring

Students who become part of the stage crew will be working backstage during the actual production of the musical. Stage crew is responsible for moving set pieces and scenery during performances.

#### Select Band

Fall through Spring

 $8^{th}$  grade band members are eligible;  $6^{th}$  and  $7^{th}$  grade students may join by audition. Select Band is a performing ensemble. The Band performs in all band concerts and represents JTMS in competitions, festivals, and community concerts.

## Select Chorus

Fall through Spring The Select Chorus performs at the winter and spring concerts, and represents the middle school at festivals, competitions, and community events.

#### Spring Open Gym

## Spring

Students will participate in various activities depending on student interest. Possible activities include softball, basketball, kickball, and soccer.

#### Spring Musical

Winter through Spring

The school musical is a production in which students take on character roles, work behind the scenes on costumes, lights, props, and set design.

#### Student Council

Fall through Spring

Student Council is Jefferson Township Middle School's student body government. Members of student council work together on school, community, and charitable activities. Students are elected from their Flex class to serve as their classmate's representatives.

## **Tri-M Music Honor Society** Fall through Spring

The Tri-M Music Honor Society is an international program dedicated to the recognition of exceptional music students' in grades 6-12 that meet the music academic, leadership, and character criteria asked of every Tri-M member. Tri-M is a program of NAfME: The National Association for Music Education, which is the largest arts education association in the world. Students are nominated for membership by the music faculty based on a point system. Once inducted, Tri-M members are expected to participate in service activities within their school and community

## Winter Open Gym

#### Winter

Students will participate in various activities depending on student interest. Possible activities include volleyball, basketball, badminton, kickball, and indoor soccer.

## Yearbook Club

Fall through Spring Yearbook members participate in taking pictures, laying out the pages of the yearbook using computer software, and cover work.