

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

R. C. MURPHY JUNIOR H. S.

STONY BROOK, NY

2007-2008

*** CLUB PENDING BOE APPROVAL**

ART CLUB / SCENIC ARTISTS - MR. BAKER / MR. TIBERIUS

The Art Club will continue to beautify Murphy. A focus of the art club will be communicating social issues through the arts in the form of group projects (i.e., murals). We also plan to get involved with community activities such as the Setauket holiday parade, Student Government, Senior Citizens Dinner, and Murphy theatre performances. Meetings will be in Room 301 on Wednesdays until 3:55 p.m.

*** BEST BUDDIES – MRS. KOLLMEIER / MS. D. DUFFY**

Best Buddies is a non-profit organization whose mission is to enhance the lives of people with intellectual disabilities by providing opportunities for one-on-one friendships with peers who do not have disabilities. Meetings TBA.

CREATIVE WRITING - MS. BURKE / MR. FLANAGAN

The Creative Writing Club will provide opportunities for 7-9 grade students to craft and publish creative writing pieces using innovative techniques. Students will have an integral role in planning the 2008 Poetry Slam as well as participate in writing contests/competitions at the local, regional, and national levels. Meetings are on Tuesdays in Room 107 until 3:55 p.m.

GET A VOICE CLUB - DR. MANDEL / MR. BAKER

The Get A Voice Club will engage students in leadership opportunities important to adolescents. Students will choose various social issues of interest such as media, friendships, social environment, diversity, etc. and participate in activities and discussions that will help them take a leading role in making a difference. Meetings are on Thursdays until 3:55 p.m. in Room 305.

GLOBAL LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETY - MS. FARLEY / MR. GARCIA

Students will be selected based upon Academic Performance in Global 7, 8, and 9. Students must have an A average in 7th grade, 8th grade and first and second marking periods of 9th grade. Students will act as peer tutors, work on Global Language Week and have an induction ceremony in May. Dates TBA. Begins in late January 2008 in Rm. 118 at 2:30 pm.

GREENHOUSE CLUB - MRS. TRINIDAD

Members of the club work in the greenhouse to grow, propagate, and plant various agricultural specimens. Our goal this year is to set up hydroponics apparatus and to beautify the school grounds with our plants. Meetings are on Tuesdays until 3:55 p.m. in Room 218.

HOME AND CAREERS CLUB - MS. SALZANO

The Home and Careers Club participates in activities such as cooking, sewing, community service, school events and fundraising. This club provides opportunity for students to become active members of the community. Meetings are on Wednesdays in Room 302 until 3:55 p.m.

LEADERS CLUB - MR. RESTIVO / MR. BLACK

The Murphy Leaders Club is a service organization for 9th grade athletes interested in helping others. The days will change according to athletic competition schedules. May participate in numerous school and community service functions. Meetings are on Wednesdays from 12:15-1:00 in Rm 201 and sometimes after school until 3:55 when events are scheduled.

MATH TEAM 7/8 - MR. PODSTUPKA / MRS. GORMAN

Groups of students interested in mathematics answer challenging questions and formulate solutions to mathematical problems. The teams are open to all students with an interest in mathematics who are willing to meet on a weekly basis and to compete with other schools once a month in formal competition. Meetings are every Tuesday in Room 219 until 3:55 p.m.

MATH TEAM 9 - MRS. GORMAN / MR. PODSTUPKA

Groups of students interested in mathematics answer challenging questions and formulate solutions to mathematical problems. The team is open to all students with an interest in mathematics who are willing to meet on a weekly basis and to compete with other schools once a month in formal competition. Meetings are every Tuesday in Room 219 until 3:55 p.m.

MUSICAL PRODUCTION - MR. POLLERA

R. C. Murphy J.H.S. musical production is open to all 7th, 8th and 9th grade students. We rehearse Monday through Friday 3:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Over 150 students participate in all aspects of musical theatre, from stage acting to production. Rehearsals start in December and continue through March.

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NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY - MRS. HEISCHMANN / MRS. COBB

This community service organization is made up of 9th graders who were inducted into the society in 8th grade, based on the five qualities of scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship. Members meet as needed to organize activities which benefit the school and the community, and assist at other school functions. Most meetings are during the school day except for service projects at night. Meetings are during Pd. 7 in Rm. 104. Dates TBA.

NEWSPAPER - MRS. HYLAND

The Newspaper Club will be meeting on Mondays after school in Room 112 until 3:55 p.m. and is open to all 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students. Learn the journalistic approach to newspaper writing, interview techniques, book and movie reviews, as well as layout and design. Our school newspaper has won many journalism awards in the past and you can be a part of this winning team. Meetings are on Mondays at 2:45 in room 112.

ORCHESTRA MUSICAL DIRECTOR - MR. POLLERA

Meetings will be Monday through Thursdays 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium January through April. Musical direction for vocals and orchestra and for the Murphy Musical Production.

RCM JAZZ ENSEMBLE - MR. SCHIEVELBEIN

The Jazz ensemble consists of instrumental music students who play the trumpet, trombone, saxophone, piano, bass guitar/acoustic bass, guitar and drum set. Program content contains the study of jazz idiom's musical elements, including an introduction to improvisation. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays until 3:55 p.m. in Room 315.

SCIENCE BOWL COMPETITION - MR. McMANUS / MR. HAAS

The Science Bowl Club helps to prepare our students to compete in the Regional Science Bowl Competition, held annually (April) at Brookhaven National Lab. The competition consists of an academic piece as well as the Hydrogen Fuel Cell Car Race. Meetings are every Thursday after school in Rm 222 until 3:55 p.m.

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD - MS. SANFORD / MS. DUFFY / MR. ANGERMAIER

Students will develop and work on a series of individual and team interscholastic competitions. These events encourage learning in biology, earth science, chemistry, physics and problem-solving technology. In February, students will participate in the Regional Science Olympiad. The club meets on Wednesdays after school in Room 108 until 3:55 p.m.

SELECT GIRLS CHORUS - MR. POLLERA

Chorus selected by audition only. Students will perform three to five times a year at various concerts and special events. Made up of 30 - 40 7th, 8th and 9th grade students. Club will meet one night a week for two hours in the Auditorium. Dates TBA.

SET DESIGN & BUILDING / TECHNOLOGY CLUB - MR. CAMPBELL / MR. ANGERMAIER

Teach students how to design, build and choreograph sets and scenery for school shows and events. Club meets throughout the year during set-designing and building times, which includes Saturdays and evenings and may meet up to 8 hours at a time. Students will also explore avenues in technology such as production and process. Activities will include but not limited to, wood crafts, computer graphics/animation, rocketry and metalworking. Meetings are TBA in Rm 313 until 3:55 p.m.

SOUND AND LIGHTING - MR. CAMPBELL / MR. POLLERA

This club provides technical support for all school auditorium presentations. Members learn to operate all sound and lighting equipment and offer great assistance in our annual play. Meetings will be in the auditorium.

STRING ENSEMBLE/BLUEGRASS CLUB - MRS. LISANTI-LEVY

The Bluegrass Club allows string students to experience a style of music that is quite different from Classical music. Bluegrass music has many influences, including Country Western music, American Folk music and Scottish and Irish Folk music. This group traditionally performs at the Senior Citizen Breakfast and the Spring Concert. Meetings are held on Thursdays in Room 319 until 3:55 p.m.

STUDENT COUNCIL - MRS. GOLINI

Students will help to organize school events which will promote school spirit. Members will assist in the planning of dances, fund raising events, etc. Students will be involved in the election of class officers for the future sophomore class. Meetings are TBA in Room 303 until 5:00 p.m.

YEARBOOK CLUB – MR. GARCIA / MRS. HYLAND

The Yearbook Club is comprised of students actively involved in all aspects of the preparation of the annual yearbook Reflections. Yearbook club is open to all 7th, 8th and 9th grade students who can work Tuesdays after school in Room 112 until 3:55 p.m. Activities will include: designing, writing, photography, and learning to design and layout pages on a computer.