

# CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

## RC MURPHY JHS

### 2011-2012

#### **CHAMBER ORCHESTRA- MRS. LISANTI-LEVY**

Chamber Orchestra will offer enhanced musical performance experience for advanced string musicians. Evening meetings, dates and times TBA. Auditions in September and January. Meets in the orchestra room.

#### **ECOLOGY CLUB - MRS. TRINIDAD**

This club will give students an opportunity to study, create, and maintain bird and plant ecosystems. We will grow a school community garden, build bird houses and learn how to grow plants in our greenhouse and courtyard gardens. Meetings are on Wednesdays at 2:45 p.m. in Room 106.

#### **GET A VOICE CLUB - DR. MANDEL**

The Get a Voice Club will help teens to be leaders and make a difference... and to have fun doing so! If you're interested in participating in leadership events, being part of addressing teasing and bullying, negotiating friendships, and taking action to make our school community even better, join us! Meetings days are on TBA, 2:30-3:50 p.m. in Room 303.

#### **GIRLS' SELECT CHOIR - 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 on Tuesdays/Wednesdays for an hour and a half in Chorus Room 2.

#### **GLOBAL LANGUAGE CLUB- MRS. RIPPE**

Exploring different cultures around the world through activities, films, projects, and discussions. Meetings are Tuesdays in room 111 after school.

#### **GLOBAL LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETY – MRS. GOLINI / MR. GEONINATTI**

Students will promote the study of a second language by hosting school-wide events. Students will also participate in several community service activities. Students will acquire cross-cultural skills through exposure and exploration. Meetings to begin in December, times and locations TBA.

#### **HISTORY CLUB- MR. BLACK / MR EHLERS**

Students will study and research history events, a trip is planned to Boston and/or Washington DC. Meetings on Tuesdays at 2:45 in RM 201.

#### **HOME AND CAREERS CLUB - MS. SALZANO**

This club provides the students the opportunity to become active members of the community through cooking, sewing, knitting, and other "hands-on" activities. Meetings are on Tuesdays in Room 301 until 3:55p.m.

#### **KICKLINE – MRS. BOYSEN**

Students will learn a kick/dance routine and hopefully have the chance to perform for a school functions and family events.

#### **JHS 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 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the auditorium. Over 300 students participate in all aspects of musical theatre, from stage acting to production. Rehearsals start in January and continue through March. Culminates with 6 performances.

#### **JHS MUSICAL PRODUCTION / ORCHESTRA & VOCALS - MR. POLLERA**

Meetings will be six days a week 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium January through March. Musical direction for vocals and orchestra.

#### **LEADERS' CLUB- MR. BLACK**

8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade athletes do community/volunteer service in the school and community throughout the school year. Some activities include a toy drive, food drive, and blood drive. Wednesdays, 2:45 pm in room 201

#### **MOVING UP DAY COORDINATOR- MR PICKFORD**

Students work alongside staff and parents to plan and coordinate the 9<sup>th</sup> grade Moving Up Ceremony. The group will go from planning to execution of every facet related to the event. Meeting times vary, meets in Chorus room I.

#### **MURPHY MATH TEAMS- MRS GORMAN / MS MARLEY**

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.

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**NATIONAL ART JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY- DR. MANDEL**

This club will foster excellence and a dedicated spirit to the pursuit of art, inspire and recognize student who have shown outstanding ability in art and academic areas, and further students' aesthetic and academic abilities. Meetings are on alternating Thursdays in room 303 from 2:30-3:50pm.

**NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY – MRS FARLEY / MRS SCHNUPP**

Community service organization. Membership is based on academic standing for two years at Murphy. Students assist at all school events, Open School Night, Awards Night; Meet the Teacher Night (conferences), etc. Meetings are in room 118 at 2:30 twice a month.

**NEWSPAPER- “ALL IN A MUPHY MINUTE” MRS. GILMORE/ MRS. PARDI**

Students will learn the art of journalistic writing by capturing the school's thoughts and events. This will not only foster a love of writing, but build school spirit as well. Meetings are on Wednesdays from 2:30-4 p.m. in room 103.

**RCM JAZZ ENSEMBLE - MR. SCHIEVELBEIN**

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

**SCIENCE BOWL CLUB - MR. McMANUS**

The Science Bowl Clubs goals are twofold- 1) to select and prepare a team or teams to compete in a Jeopardy-style competition that covers all areas of science and math. 2) To design, build, and test a hydrogen fuel cell car to compete at the Regional competition. The overall goal is to make students interested in going into Energy Research. Meetings are on Wednesdays, at 2:35 in room 222.

**SCIENCE OLYMPIAD –MRS. MCGUIRE / MR. ANGERMAIER / MRS. STIEGERT**

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 Thursdays after school in Room 220 until 3:55 p.m.

**SET DESIGN 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 explore avenues in technology such as production and process. Activities will include but are not limited to, wood crafts, computer graphics/animation, rocketry and metalworking. Meetings TBA.

**SHARP – MRS ENNIS / MRS POULOS****Students Helping And Reaching Peers**

Students work together to help and reach peers within Murphy JHS and Three Village community. Students will have an opportunity to do community service while learning about others. If you would like to be part of a club that helps others and has fun at the same time, join us every other Tuesday in room 120 at 2:40. All are welcome.

**SOUND AND LIGHTING CLUB- MR. CAMPBELL / MR. POLLERA**

This club provides lighting and sound for the JHS musical production as well as all school events and assemblies. Meetings are in the auditorium as needed for events.

**SPECIAL EVENTS PERFORMING GROUPS -MR. POLLERA / MR. PICKFORD**

Select groups of 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> graders perform at special events such as: Cabaret Night, International Night, Family Night, Holiday Breakfast, Global Language Honor Society, National Jr Honor Society, and Moving Up day. Groups range from soloists to over 200 students. Meetings as needed after school in the Music wing.

**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 Mondays in the Orchestra room until 3:55 p.m.

**STUDENT COUNCIL – MR. PICKFORD**

Student Government is an organization which strives to enhance the overall school experience for the students of Murphy. Through various events and fundraisers the participants develop leadership skills, civic mindedness, and an awareness of our community at large. Meeting times vary, meets in Chorus room 1.

**YEARBOOK CLUB – MRS. HYLAND / MR.GARCIA**

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 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students who can work Tuesdays after school in Room 112 until 3:55 p.m. Activities will include: hands-on designing, digital photography, laying out pages on Josten's Yearbook website.