

ARBUTUS MIDDLE SCHOOL
Fall After-School Activity Program

Registration: Deadline is 9/21/09.

Session Dates: Tuesday Program: 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24, 12/1, 12/8
 Wednesday Program: Dates will be on the activity permission slips - *NO Activity Buses*
 Thursday Program: 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 12/3, 12/10

1. Take this information home and discuss the activities with your parent/guardian.
2. Register with the teacher conducting the activity.
3. The teacher needs to approve your participation in the activity. Note: Some activities are restricted to a certain number and/or require a skill level to participate.
4. If approved, the teacher will give you a parent permission letter and activity bus information.
5. You *must* have the parent permission letter signed.
6. The permission letter must be given to the teacher in charge of the activity.
7. If you wish to ride the activity bus, you must follow the directions listed on the attached activity bus information sheet.

TUESDAYS - Activity Buses Available

Activity	Sponsor	Room	Activity Would Be Good For:
Arbutus Wind Ensemble	Mrs. Boyle	126	Students in 6 th , 7 th , and 8 th grade band who wish to practice and perform challenging music beyond the 8 th grade curriculum. There will be no additions to this group for the spring. Auditions are only in the fall.
Beginner Guitar	Mr. Hynson	124	Classes are limited to 25! Get your signed permission forms to Mr. Hynson.
24 Challenge Club	Ms. Panackal	111	Students who love friendly competition, math problems, or games or anyone who wants to expand their math skills in a fun way. We will be competing in the annual county-wide tournament. Permission slips will have specific dates.
Student Council	Mrs. Aaron	213	The Student Council sponsors many different activities, such as the Boo Bash, the Spring Fling, the Canned Food Drive, the Bowl-a-Thon, and selling candy grams. If you are a responsible and dedicated individual, then consider joining the Student Council. Meetings held bi-weekly.
Clay Club I	Mrs. Ehrenreich	221	Students who are interested in developing their skills in clay through various hand-built clay objects. A gallery walk will be held on the last day. Limited to 15 students.
Future Educators of America	Mrs. Lathroum/ Mrs. Robinson	206	Students who are interested in learning how to become a teacher and what is involved in the daily processes of teaching. Students can assist teachers in the building by cleaning chalkboards, organizing materials, writing objectives on the board, etc Students will also visit local elementary schools and put their teaching skills to practice by holding small reading groups.
Recycling Club	Ms. Shannon Ms. Maher	112 109	Students will work toward making Arbutus Middle a more Earth-friendly school by collecting, sorting and promoting recycling in and around the school.
Best Buddies	Ms. Maher/ Ms. Shannon/ Ms. Gardner	109 112 Guidance	By joining Best Buddies the student will become a part of a growing movement of people with and without disabilities, dedicated to ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to have a friend. They will be invited to group activities (both during and after school) planned by students and faculty. Some examples are pizza parties, bowling, games and socials. Students will be matched in a one-to-one friendship with another middle school student.
Spirit Squad	Ms. Weiss/ Ms. Brown	217	Spirit Squad is a cheer and dance team for 8th graders only specifically designed to pump up the spirit.. Try-outs may occur depending on interest.
Black Saga	Mr. Thompson	247	This activity is open to all students, who are interested in learning about the many contributions of great and influential icons of color throughout the world. Students' who are interested in Black Saga will be given a unique perspective of these individuals. Students' will also be given a opportunity to highlight their newly-acquired knowledge through friendly competition. Don't hesitate sign up and participate today.

WEDNESDAYS - NO Activity Buses

Activity	Sponsor	Room	Activity Would Be Good For:
Intermediate/Advanced Guitar...Rock Pop Band	Mr. Hynson	124	Open to all grade levels. An audition may be required. Instrumentalist and male/female vocalist wanted!!!
Honors Orchestra	Mr. Miskimon	126	This music group performs music above and beyond what they work on in class at the winter and spring concerts, other community concerts, and a competition held at Hershey Park.
Chess Club	Mr. Walsh	119	Open to all abilities; quality instruction from UMBC Chess Team members. Participants must walk home, get a ride or car pool. Parent volunteers needed to help with snacks and with car pooling for meetings and tournaments.

BOTH TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS - Activity Buses Available

Activity	Sponsor	Room	Activity Would Be Good For:
7 on 7 Football Intramurals	Mr. Quayle/ Ms. Dunn/ Mr. Schepers/ Mrs. Brooks	Gym	Students that like to participate in competitive mini-football games. Students will create teams of 8-12 teammates and participate in 7-on-7 games. Coaches/team captains <u>only</u> will report on 9/24 to register their teams after school. Permission slips will be outside of locker rooms and the cut off date is 9/24 at 3:00 p.m.-no exceptions . All 6 th graders will play in the "A" league (Tuesdays) and 7 th and 8 th graders will play in the "B" league (Thursdays). The top two "A" league and "B" league teams will play in the championship on 10/29. Permission slips will have exact dates.
SADD	Mrs. Brooks	200	Students Against Destructive Decisions members want to help themselves and others make safe non-harmful decisions.
National Junior Honor Society	Ms. Charles	225	AMS LEADERS. Students who have already been inducted into the NJHS meet 9/22 and 10/1. All current NJHS members and new inductees meet 10/15, 10/20, 10/22 (induction 7:00-9:00 p.m.), 10/29, 11/3, 11/12, 11/17, 12/3 and 12/8.

THURSDAYS - Activity Buses Available

Activity	Sponsor	Room	Activity Would Be Good For:
Festival Choir	Mr. Hynson	124	Selected students will participate in community concerts and regional competition trip to Harrisburg, Pa. (Hershey Park). Students MUST audition. Estimated cost of \$80.00 for the trip.
Quizbowl	Mr. Allen	102	Students who enjoy current events and history, and competing against other schools. We will practice, learn, and have fun!
Origami Club	Mrs. Elliott	227	Students will learn basic origami techniques to make various designs out of folded paper. Students will also be folding paper cranes for the <i>Cranes for Peace</i> project.
Jazz Band	Mrs. Boyle	128	Jazz Band consists of all wind instruments and rhythm section (guitar, bass, piano, drum set) playing contemporary music. 6 th , 7 th and 8 th graders are welcome.
Homework Club	Ms. Hawks	116B	This is a great opportunity to get help with homework or class projects or just to have an hour of quiet time to focus on your home assignments.
Memory Book	Ms. Renee Bruce	104	Students will assist with putting together this year's memory book. Students will also assist with selling memory books throughout the year and with the distribution of memory books at the end of the school year. Limited enrollment.
Clay Club II	Mrs. Ehrenriech	221	Students who have been in Clay Club before and want to create more challenging objects of art. Hand building and wheel techniques will be explored. A gallery walk will be held on the last day. Limited to 15 students.