

**Orchard Valley Middle School
2021-2022
School Activity Brochure**

All students need a permission slip to be involved in any activity!



ART CLUB

The Art Club works with a variety of art related projects, with the purpose of improving Orchard Valley's visual appeal. Advisor: Mrs. Danowitz in room 107.



BAND

Band is a class that meets every day of the week as a regular class period. Small groups meet once a week for group lessons. Both bands rehearse periodically after school, perform two evening concerts and participate in one field trip during school hours. The 7th and 8th grade band also performs at Washington Township's Super Saturday. Advisor: Mr. Appello in room 123.



BASKETBALL

Boys and Girls Basketball is a competitive sport in which players must try out to be on the team. All WT Middle School students will have the option to try out and will be provided transportation to the Middle School for try outs, practices, and games. Parents must provide transportation from the Middle School from all events. Additionally, **all participants must have a current Physical Form on file with the nurse**. Coaches: Boys-Mr. Velykis and Girls-TBA.



CHORUS

Chorus meets every day of the week as a regular class period. Throughout the year, students will learn how to sing properly, prepare concerts, listen to music of all types, read/write musical notation, and engage in many musical activities. Students will perform in both the Winter and Spring Concerts, as well as selected field trips. Select Choir is a smaller ensemble focused on higher level literature and musical understanding. Members for Select Choir are selected through an audition process only. Advisor: Mrs. Campanini in room 124.



**CLASS COUNCIL
6th GRADE**

The 6th Grade Class Council promotes community involvement and fun for OVMS 6th grade activities. We will also offer several after school social activities for all 6th graders. Advisors: Mrs. Horswood and Dr. Vazquez in room 117.



**CLASS COUNCIL
7th GRADE**

The 7th Grade Class Council typically meets throughout the school year. Several fundraising and community service projects are among the many activities that students participate through class council. Advisor: Mrs. Vega in room 217.



CLASS COUNCIL 8TH GRADE

The 8th Grade Class Council typically meets throughout the school year. The Council sponsors the “Back to School Dance” as well as several community service and fundraising projects. Advisors: Mr. Jedwabny and Mrs. Shaffer in room 202.



DIGITS ACADEMY

Digits Academy is a math club that meets three days per week. Students can go for extra math help or to use the computers to complete math homework. Advisors: Mrs. Destrало and Ms. Van Twuyver in room 224.



DRAMA CLUB/ ALL SCHOOL MUSICAL

The Drama Club/All School Musical is open to all students. It is a year-long club that allows the students an opportunity to participate in the many different aspects of theatre. Auditions will be held in September for the Fall Play, in December for the Spring Musical, and in April for the Talent Show. Rehearsals are held each after school each day to prepare for these productions. Club meetings are also held throughout the year for other events. Advisors: Ms. Leso, Mrs. Campanini, Mrs. Walz and Mr. Burke.



DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

In Dungeons & Dragons (commonly shortened to D&D) a game master writes a story that other players explore through communication, improvisation, problem solving, and imagination. D&D is a tabletop game, meaning it is played with a game board, dice, and mini figures. Advisors: Mr. Woodward and Mr. Cheeseman in room 112.



ENGINEERING

Engineering is all around you. If you are interested in engineering or just enjoy designing and creating using science and technology? This is the club for you. Show off your innovative side and join in on the fun of the Engineering Club. Advisor: Ms. Kinney in room 110.



FIELD HOCKEY

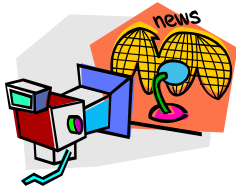
Girls Field Hockey is a competitive sport where players must try out to be on the team. You will be given the option to try out and be provided transportation to the High School for try outs, practices, and games. Parents must provide transportation from the High School from all events. Additionally, **all participants must have a current Physical Form on file with the nurse.** Coaches: Mrs. Urso and Mrs. Johnson and games are held at the high school.



FUTURE ACTS

The Future Acts Club's primary focus is community service. The club participates in three to four community service projects each year. Students who join Future Acts will participate in service projects with the other two middle schools and the high school. This club runs all year long and will meet twice a month. Future Acts members must be willing to work hard to help their community and they must work well with their peers. Advisor: Mrs. Kubik in room 109.

MORNING ANNOUNCEMENT NEWS TEAM



Morning Announcement News Team is a live broadcast of Orchard Valley Middle School's News. The program is aired live during homeroom daily. News announcers, computer operators, technology assistant, and bulletin board designers are needed. Announcers must have excellent speaking voices, good reading skills, and enjoy being in front of the camera. Computer operators and technology assistants should have good computer skills and enjoy the challenge of technology. Bulletin board designers must be creative. Everyone must work together as a creative team and work well under pressure! Advisor: Ms. Leso in room 121



NEWSPAPER

The Orchard Valley Chronicle is published four times a year. The activities include writing, typing, lay-out and publishing. Newspaper is a club designed so that students can voice their opinions and/or thoughts through the printed media. It requires reporting, writing, and organizational skills. Advisor: Mrs. Walz in room 105.



ORCHESTRA

Orchestra is an instrumental music course in which students are offered the opportunity to study music through the performance of string instruments. The course is divided into the following units: instrumental technique, ensemble technique, performance practice, critical thinking, theory, history and literature, individual progress, and chamber music. In addition to these units, the following behaviors are integral elements in the course: attendance, effort, working with others, etiquette, following directions, pride in work, self-discipline, respect for others, and attention to detail. Throughout the course, students will attend daily rehearsals, receive weekly lessons and attend periodic after school rehearsals. Students have the opportunity to participate in regional activities, perform at school concerts/assemblies, and at the discretion of the director, participate in selected musical festivals. Advisor: Mrs. Aldrich in room 123.



PANTHER RUNNING CLUB

The Panther Running Club is designed to help all students at all athletic levels enjoy fitness activities related to running. Students at all levels are invited to learn how to gain fitness and cardiovascular health while having fun. Advisor: Mrs. Johnson and the club is usually held outside. Additionally, **all participants must have a current Physical Form on file with the nurse.**



POP CULTURE / ANIME CLUB

Pop Culture/Anime Club explores the art of anime as well as other pop culture interests expressed by students including but not limited to Stranger Things, Riverdale, etc. Advisor: Mrs. Conaway in room 204.



PREP CLUB

The Prep Club is designed for students who want a quiet place to do their homework after school. Support is available if needed and there is a Prep Club at each grade level. Rooms TBA

Advisors:

6th GRADE: Mrs. Kubik and Mr. Woodward

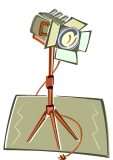
7th GRADE: Mrs. Valery and Mr. Velykis

8th GRADE: Mrs. Shaffer



SOCIAL JUSTICE CLUB

The SOCIAL JUSTICE CLUB will work in collaboration with OVMS students, staff, and administration to promote and celebrate the diversity of our school community. Advisor: Mr. Lopez in room 108.



STAGE CREW/ AUDIO VISUAL

Stage Crew constructs and paints the scenery for the Drama Club, Musical, and the "Panther Parade of Stars" Talent Show. Stage Crew for the Drama Club begins in early October and for the Musical in early February. To begin, the members meet once per week with a club commitment of meeting every day as performances approach. Advisor: Ms. Leso in room 121.



VALLEY VOLUNTEERS

Students wishing to promote activities that will create a positive student environment need to check out Valley Volunteers. Students will also help raise money for local charities. Students will have the opportunity to collaborate with the Future Acts Club and suggest their own ideas for new activities to encourage healthy community relationships. Advisors: Ms. Evans and Mrs. Bamaca in room 224.



WRESTLING

Wrestling is a competitive sport in which players must try out to be on the team. You will have the option to try out and will be provided transportation to the High School for try outs, practices, and games. Parents must provide transportation from the High School from all events. Additionally, **all participants must have a current Physical Form on file with the nurse.** Coach: Mr. Downy and all practices and matches are held at the high school.



YEARBOOK CLUB

The Yearbook Club begins in September. It is an all year activity for students who enjoy working with classmates to take pictures, design layouts, help with themes, ideas and organization. The Yearbook Club usually meets once or twice a month according to deadline requirements. It is a fun club, and you are helping to create a book that will be viewed for many years to come! Advisors: Mrs. Bamaca and Mrs. Horswood in room 224.