

After-School Activity List 2018-2019

Please note the start date for each club as some do not begin until the Winter or Spring! Please check this list and Blackboard frequently as clubs will be added throughout the year.

Activity	Room #	Sponsor	Day	Session	Start Date	Details
Achieve Club	A-122	Special Education Department	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	1	24-Sep	Students can get extra help on homework, studying, organization, test-taking strategies, retake tests/quizzes at this time, and get caught up on work if absent.
AMC Math 8 Competition	Cafeteria	Ms. Oh	tbd	2:25-3:30	tbd	This is a timed math contest that is open to all 7th and 8th grader, which will provide students with a chance to challenge their brains and show that they are the top math wiz in the school! For anyone who scores in the top 5%, there will be an opportunity to continue on to the AMC 10 contest later in the year.
Anime	A-138	Ms. Paek & Mr. Isom	Mondays	2	9/24	Fellow Otakus/Anime/Manga enthusiasts, join us! We will be discussing anime, drawing characters, etc. See you on Mondays during 2nd session!

Art Studio	A-003	Ms. Eshbaugh & Ms. Carr	Mondays	1	9/24	An open art studio is available for serious or interested art students to get extra help developing their artistic skills. Students may bring in their own artwork and ideas. Some supplies will be provided. This is a relaxing place to let your creative juices flow.
Basketball	Gym 2	Ms. Kuhblank & Mr. Piddington	Mondays	1	9/24	Come out and play basketball on Monday afternoons!
CANCELLED Battle of the Books	Library	Ms. Morton	Thursdays	2	10/11	A team book trivia competition. You and your team divide up, read, and discuss the books. Then your team will compete against other teams in a fast passed trivia competition. The team with the most points wins! Then our winning team will go on to compete against two other middle schools!
Board Games	A-124	Ms. Gabro	Thursdays (every other week)	2	10/4	We'll have various board games available for students to play.

Capital One Coders	A-111	Ms. Bolanos	Thursdays	1 and 2	27-Sep	The Capital One Coders is a 10-week program designed to teach middle school-aged students introductory software development skills in a fun and engaging environment. Using MIT App Inventor 2 as a learning platform, students learn how to develop apps for mobile devices while growing computational thinking skills. Most excitingly, students create working mobile apps that they can share with their friends and family! Students must have applied and been accepted into this program.
Community Service	A-203	Ms. Alley & Ms. McClanahan	Wednesdays	1	9/26	Thoreau Service Club is a chance to work with other students at Thoreau in helping our community. We will complete several service projects over the course of the year. This is a great club to join if you want to make a difference in our community, or if you are having a hard time finding ways to complete service hours.

Cooking	B-116	TBD	TBD	2 and 3	TBD	Learn how to cook or improve your current skills. Spaces are limited in this activity. Students will have the opportunity to sign up during lunches a few days prior to the club meeting. 20 random names will be selected to participate. If there is a lot of interest, students will only be eligible to participate once per season. We'll host this a few times throughout the year.
NEW Design & Engineering	A-112B	Mr. Ulderich	Thursdays	1 and 2	11/29	Students will have the opportunity to work in the tech room to design and build custom projects. **For safety reasons, students must have taken or currently be enrolled in Design & Engineering at Thoreau in order to participate**
Eagle Dancers	Aux Gym 1	Ms. Cammarota	Mondays	1	10/1	All skill levels are invited to attend! We want to make new friends, build confidence, and have fun! See you in Aux Gym 1 on Mondays.
Fiber Arts	A-107	Ms. Leake & Ms. Wharton	Thursdays	1	9/27	Students will work on knitting, crocheting, felting. We will be connecting with local community resources for service projects.
Film Club	A-204	Ms. Shewmaker	Wednesdays	1	9/26	Students will create fun films and movies!

NEW Flag Football	Gym 1	Ms. Kuhblank	Thursdays	1	10/18	This activity will be played outside so the meetings are weather dependent.
Frisbee	Gym 2	Mr. Cain & Mr. Stabeno	3	1	27-Sep	Ultimate Frisbee is a game for everyone, whether you have never thrown a disc or you know how to huck a hammer. This club is for beginners and experienced players alike. We will learn and practice throwing and catching frisbees, the basic rules of ultimate Frisbee, and some strategies and plays. Whether you're an athlete looking for a new sport or someone who's never played on a team in your life, Frisbee is the club for you!
Girls Who Code	A-111	Ms. Bolanos	Thursdays	1	winter/spring	more information coming soon!
Global Read Aloud	Library	Ms. Bowersox & Ms. Yeo	Thursdays	1	10/4-11/8	Come listen to Alan Gratz's <i>Refugee</i> , the 2018 middle school global read aloud selection, and make global connections. It's a great way to participate in a worldwide program with other middle schoolers around the globe making connections and discussing the characters' situations in the book as they relate to the real world.

Green Eagles	A-229	Ms. Galus & Ms. Morton	Wednesdays	1	9/26	Thoreau's very own environmental team. The group is currently working on energy conservation and recycling awareness.
Harry Potter	A-121	Ms. Guy	Thursdays	1	9/27	Accio Potterheads! The Harry Potter Club is a special place for Potter fans and wizards to play wizarding games. Please ready your quidditch supplies and come!
iCanShine Bike Program	Gym 2	Ms. Campbell	March 18-22	2:30-6:00 pm	3/18	This is a weeklong bike program that will allow Thoreau students to help teach elementary students with disabilities how to ride a 2 wheel bicycle. Due to the limited number of volunteer spots available, registration will be on a first come, first served basis. Preference will be given to those who can commit to attending all five days of camp (March 18-22 from 2:25-6:00 pm). Students who cannot attend all 5 days will be put on a wait list and will be called upon as needed. Parent pick-up is required!! Applications will be available in the Spring.

International Thespian Honor Society (ITS)	C-107	Ms. Cunningham	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	1 and 2	9/24	ITS is an honor society that recognizes and rewards excellence among the participants in the theatre arts program. ITS is a chance to work with other theatre students at Thoreau in helping our program and school. We will hold workshops for students, assist with the Spring Musical, and many other events. Membership recognizes student achievement and is a valuable addition to college and employment applications.
Junior Optimist Club	A-124	Ms. Gabro	Thursdays (every other week)	2	9/27	Complete fun projects and activities to promote positive change in our community and better the lives of the people in it! Polish your leadership skills, manage money, and practice good citizenship with various community service opportunities & projects throughout the year. We will also host an Oratorical speaking competition in the Spring. Learn more at http://www.optimist.org/joi/joi1.cfm
Learning Lab	A-108	Ms. BenZion & Mr. Renfrew	Mondays	1	10/1	Learning Lab is open to all ESOL students. The purpose is to provide academic support.

Magic: The Gathering	A-229	Ms. Galus	Wednesdays	2	10/3	This group will teach and play the card game, Magic: The Gathering. They will learn the rules about how to play, play games, and have tournaments.
Math Counts	A-205	Ms. Oh	Thursdays	1	11/8	This is a math enrichment opportunity. Team will meet weekly until competition in February. Please see Ms. Oh for more information.
Movie Club	A-112A	Mr. Guyer	Fridays (once or twice a month)	1-3	9/28	This group will be watching and talking about movies. They will be meeting once or twice a month. The movie for the session will be advertised on Eagle News. More info coming soon!
NOVA Math League	A-118	Ms. Toomey	Wednesdays (once a month)	1	10/3	This is a math contest given by the Northern Virginia Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Each contest consists of 6 challenging math problems. It is a great way to keep your 'math brain' active and challenge yourself at the same time! Meeting dates: 10/3, 11/14, 12/12, 1/16, 2/13, 3/13
Open Gym	Gym 1	various	Tuesdays and Fridays	2:25-4:30 pm	28-Sep	The gym will be open for free play and/or organized activities.
Open Gym	Gym 2	Mr. McGowan	Wednesdays	1	10/3	The gym will be open for free play and/or organized activities.
Personal Fitness/Weight Room	Aux Gym 2	TBD	tbd	1	Winter	All fitness levels are welcome. We just ask for your cooperation and safe use of the equipment!

Pokemon Appreciation Club	A-122	Mr. Snell	Wednesdays	2	9/26	All things Pokemon! Come join our group to appreciate Pokemon and play and watch Pokemon.
Power Walking Club CANCELLED	Aux Gym 1	Ms. Kenny & Ms. Kuhblank	Thursdays	1	9/27	Come out, have fun and get fit! Students must submit a permission slip in order to participate as our routes take us off school grounds.
Running Club	Aux Gym 2	Ms. Turner, Ms. Kenny, Ms. Herlihy	Mondays	1	9/24	Come out, have fun and get fit! Students must submit a permission slip in order to participate as our routes take us off school grounds.
Science Olympiad	tbd	tbd	tbd	tbd	tbd	Science Olympiad is a competition-based STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) program. More information to follow. There will be a student fee for this club.
Soccer Club	Gym 2	Mr. Blackford, Mr. Christoff, Mr. Loht, Ms. McClanahan, Mr. Paz, Mr. Valenti	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2	24-Sep	Our mission includes the challenge to excel, while at the same time retaining the aspect which is so much a part of soccer: FUN! Through the sport of soccer we are able to provide a healthy outlet for our youth; to teach them sportsmanship, respect, and responsibility and to instill in them a passion for the sport that will carry through their lives.

Spring Musical	Cafeteria/C-107	Ms. Cunningham	Monday-Friday	1, 2, 3	Auditions will take place in early January	This year's performance is Shrek, Jr. and it will be performed on May 9-11, 2019.
Sweating for Success	Aux Gym 2	Ms. Sliter & Ms. Wharton	Wednesdays	1	9/26	This is a workout group and is open to all skill levels! We'll be doing a combination of weight and interval training.
Technology Student Association (TSA)	A-112A	Mr. Guyer & Mr. Ulderich	Mondays	1	9/24	The Technology Student Association (TSA) is a student organization devoted to the needs of students interested in completing in extra curricular technology education related activities. TSA chapters utilize the concepts of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) beyond the classroom and give students the chance to pursue academic challenges among friends with similar goals and interests. There will be a student fee for this club.
UPDATED Video Games	A-001	Mr. DeLuca	Mondays & Wednesdays	2	9/24	Students can come and share, discuss, and play age-appropriate video games. We have an X-Box and two Wii systems and a Playstation. Each system has 4 to 5 games to choose from. We will be using projectors to enjoy the games on large screens. Students are free to bring their own devices to play on as well.

Voices of Now	tbd	Ms. Cunningham	Interest Meeting on October 15. Workshop Series to be held on December 3-7. Auditions will take place on January 9th. The chosen ensemble will then rehearse twice a week until the performance in May.	1-3	10/15	Voices of Now is an acting, writing, devising program for young artists provided by Arena Stage, DC's oldest, largest producing theater. VoN artists learn the tools of theater performance by taking a workshop series in the fall, followed by auditions in early January. The chosen ensemble members will work with professional actors and directors to study acting and write an original play to be performed at Arena Stage in May 2019.
UPDATED Volleyball	Gym 1	Mr. Barry	Mondays	2	10/29	This is open to all skill levels. Come out and play some volleyball!
Walden's Work Zone	Cafeteria	various	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	1 and 2	24-Sep	Walden's Work Zone is available on all late bus days for students to do homework, study, research, and work on projects. Computers may be available for students to use. This is a social homework room, but students are required to be show up with an appropriate amount of work to complete within the timeframe.

NEW World Club	A-229	Ms. Galus	Mondays	1	11/26	Students will learn about other cultures, countries, and languages. Their first focus will be on Russia.
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