

Heritage Middle School



Opportunities & Clubs

<http://www.hilliardschools.org/hms/hms-student-info/clubsorganizations>

After School Book Club

[Mary Ann Best](#)

The club meets in the Media Center from 2:50 to 3:50 on the second and fourth Mondays of each month as we explore our love of literature. The club will decide on the book that everyone will read and discuss. Refreshments are provided. Activities may include book discussions, communicating with authors, recommending movie versions of books, sharing book titles with each other, games, etc.

Chess Club

[Matt Byerly](#)

Do you like to play games? Do you like to compete against your peers? Come join us in chess club twice a month! No experience needed to join because we will teach you!

Diversity Club

[Brandy Cook](#) & [Teresa Zenitsky](#)

All students are different and we should celebrate the differences that make us who we are! GSA and Diversity Club gathers students from all backgrounds together to share experiences and find ways to make HMS an open and caring place for all. GSA plans to meet on the 3rd Monday of each month from 2:40-3:45 in room 248.

Battle of the Books

[Mary Ann Best](#)

Battle of the Books is an annual competition between eleven middle schools across central Ohio. Students will read selected novels and form teams to compete at the annual competition in May. Battle of the Books meetings will be during students' lunch periods and some meetings after school.

Chinese Club

[Neal Myers](#)

Learning about Asian Cultures through food and beverages, games, music, movies, and more. The club is open to all 7th and 8th graders. It will meet one Thursday a month after school.

Drama Club

[Beth Lybbert](#)

Drama Club is an extra-curricular activity for selected students in both grades 7 and 8. The purpose of the Drama Club is to learn about acting, play production, and stage work culminating with two performance nights in the form of a musical or drama.

FCA

[Matt Byerly](#), [Eric Gingerich](#), & [Kathleen Litt](#)

FCA stands for Fellowship of Christian Athletes, but it is open to all students. You do not have to be an athlete to come. We typically meet every other Friday morning at 7:00 am in Mr. Byerly's room (room 113).

Junior Panther Ambassadors

[Kerry Mendenhall](#) & [Linda Reasinger](#)

A club formed to build leadership at Heritage Middle School. We will assist in many of the school's activities. For example: greeting people who attend choir, band and orchestra concerts at HMS, handing out programs and setting up for the Halloween Dance if PTO needs assistance. Students receive community service hours for the work. Meetings are the first Thursday of each month throughout the school year. More information is at:

<http://www.hilliardschools.org/hms/jr-panther-ambassadors/>

National Junior Honor Society

[Ashli Jasper](#) & [Kristen Geoit](#)

The organization serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship. 8th Graders may apply and the application is due in early January. The group meets throughout the second semester to do whole group/small group service activities in and outside of school. More information is at: <http://www.hilliardschools.org/hms/wp-content/uploads/sites/7/NJHS-2017-2018-Application.pdf>

Intramurals

[Kaleb Secor](#)

During the NFL season, students participate in an intra-school Fantasy Football Tournament. During the Winter and early Spring, the students will do a couple of larger events such as a ping pong tournament and similar.

Math Counts

[Richard Kelch](#) & [Laura Tornes](#)

From mid-October through mid-March students that love challenging math problems meet on Tuesdays after school for a national math competition. Students compete individually and as a team to earn awards and college scholarships.

Oratorical

[Matt Byerly](#)

Oratorical Society is a yearly speech competition sponsored by the Optimist International Organization. Students from ages 18 on down are given a prompt which they respond to in a four-minute speech they have written and memorized. The contest begins in March. Students begin preparing in January. If students advance to higher levels in the competition, scholarship money is awarded.

Ski Club
[Eric Gingerich](#)

All skiers and snow boarders are welcome to join trips to Mad River Mountain. New to skiing? Ski club is a great place to learn! It starts the first Thursday after the holiday break and continues until mid-February.

Talent Show
[Kaleb Secor](#)

Auditions for the HMS talent show will occur in the spring. Every effort is made to showcase an array of talent by a variety of students and staff. Performers are expected to attend dress rehearsals after school in May. Students are also given the opportunity to participate in the sound and stage crew as well. Live performances occur during or near the end of the school year.

Spanish Club
[Beth Lybbert](#)

The Spanish Club is dedicated to learning more about Spanish culture while making new friends. This year there is a special Day of the Dead event and there may possibly be one additional event later in the year.

Yearbook
[Billy Martin](#)

Do you like taking pictures? If so, join yearbook club. Come see Mr. Martin in media if you want to take pictures for the yearbook.