



NWSS

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES 2017-18

Art Club (*see Ms. Hunt in room 210 for details*) The Art Club is a safe environment for students to explore and discover different forms of visual art.

Badminton Club (*Ms. Khakaria / Mr. Sahota, Wednesdays afterschool, Massey Gym*): The purpose of this club is to give students an outlet to play the sport they already enjoy, or to give the opportunity for new players to discover the sport. The main appeal is the community we create, the affordability because it's free, local, and convenient.

Bead for Life (*Ms. Buljan, Thursdays lunch, Room 231*): The purpose of the Bead for Life Club is to market and sell beads and products (bracelets, necklaces, soap) made by impoverished women in Uganda. Our goal is to raise awareness of women rights and education rights. We hope our contributions will bring the women in Uganda out of poverty and help them become independent business owners.

Best Buddies (*Ms. Maxim, Thursdays lunch, Room 127/131/233*): Best Buddies is a friendship program. We build friendships between people with and without intellectual and developmental diversity, offering mentoring while improving opportunities for social skills and inclusion. Best Buddies is an international organization with over 400 secondary and post-secondary chapters across Canada. Everyone is welcome to join.

Bike Club (*Mr. Lee, Thursdays 3PM, Room 155*): Students learn how to fix and maintain their own bikes, fix donor bikes to give to those in need in the community and participate in bike trips within the New Westminster area.

Board Games Club (*Ms. Johnston / Mr. Nelson, Fridays afterschool, Room 164*): This Club is a safe and inviting place for board game enthusiasts to have fun and make new friends.

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Canadian Cancer Society (*Mr. Janz, Mondays lunch, Room 160A*): Our goal is to promote cancer awareness and fundraise for those affected by it.

Chess Club (*Ms. Kwok, Mondays lunch, Room 225*): This club is a welcoming environment for chess players of various skill levels with the goal of helping members to learn chess and better their chess skills. It is also a place for where players can employ creative thinking as they work towards improving their chess skills.

Chinese Culture Club (*Mr. Nelson, Thursdays lunch, Room 164*): The Chinese Culture Club will give you a basic introduction to Chinese culture including teaching basic words and phrases, tasting traditional foods and discussion of what everyday life is like in China.

Conversation Corner (*Ms. Pecelj, Thursdays 3:15, Room 269*): Our goal at Conversation Corner is to assist in the development and improvement of spoken English amongst the student body. This is a great opportunity for the students to make new friends from different countries, practice their spoken English, and have fun! This club is open to all students.

Creative Writing Club (*Ms. Hunt, Tuesdays lunch, Room 210*): The NWSS Creative Writing Club aims to be a creative, co-operative team for students to share and create poems, short stories, and other types of writing. We will organize writing prompts, performance opportunities, and a “zine” for our writing. All grades are welcome!

Engineering and Electronic (*Mr. Pontier, Wednesdays, lunch and afterschool, Room 156*): The Engineering and Electronic club is a club designed for students to learn, explore, and build projects. Those projects are in the field of engineering, robotic, and/or Electronics and go beyond the scope of the curriculum in those areas. The club also hosts the VEX Robotic Team. This team competes in the VEX Competitions by building a VEX EDR robot in accordance with the year’s challenge. The club is also there to teach and give access to 3D printers and modeling software. Everyone is welcome!

Environment Club (*Mr. Somogyi, Tuesdays lunch, Room 171*): Environment Club’s purpose is to raise awareness of environmental issues within the community. We strive to promote sustainability and climate justice and how they relate to politically, economically, and socially to today’s world. We welcome everyone and hope that we see many new faces every Tuesday at lunch!

NDUB Film Club (*Mr. Forsythe, Thursdays 3:30, Room 117+119*): The goal of the NDub Film club is to create several 2-5 min. short films to be submitted to the UBC Student Film Festival. Students learn how write, shoot, and edit their films over the year.

Gardening Club (*Ms. Gurba, Monday lunch, Room. 236 / garden*): The goal of the NWSS Gardening Club is to grow produce from seedling and seeds to give back to the community. We grow a variety of food like herbs, tomatoes, lettuce, and peas to harvest and distribute to local shelters and food banks. New faces and hands are always welcome!

Grad Committee (*Ms. Mast. Thursdays lunch, Room 263*): In the Grad Committee, students organize events to celebrate the last year of high school. These events include selling grad clothing and planning the grade 12 winter formal.

Hiking Club (*Ms. Grewal, Tuesdays lunch, Room 176*): This club just wants to be active and enjoy nature together! The club promotes fitness and interaction with nature. BC has an abundant number of beautiful trails and we wish to take advantage of them.

Hip Hop Club (*Ms. Alandi, Tuesdays, Dance Studio*): Hip Hop Club is an afterschool program where dancers of all skill levels gather weekly to learn various styles of dance under the umbrella of urban dance: Locking, Hip Hop, House, Waacking etc. Students are given the opportunity to learn from different instructors from the Vancouver dance community including many NWSS alumni students who return and give back to the place where they started.

Hyackesack Club (*Mr. Clements, Fridays 11:30AM, Room 104*): To encourage and explore the world of the hackesack footbag.

Improv Club (*Mr. Forsythe, Fridays 3:30, Room. 105*): The goal of the Improv Club is to create a team of Juniors to send to the Canadian Improv Games Competition. Club members will gain skills that are not offered in Drama Classes.

Interact Club: (*Sponsor TBA: Wednesdays Lunch, Room 215*): Our club works closely with New Westminster Rotary Club to fundraise money for the Polio+ organization as well as a local organization such as Loving Spoonful. We provide students with leadership opportunities as well as opportunities to explore different career paths, such as Adventures in Citizenship and RYLA.

Japan Club (*Ms. Miyamoto, Thursdays lunch, Room 230*): The goal of the Japanese Club is to promote Japanese culture and language.

Knitting Club (*Ms. Wethered, Wednesdays lunch, Library*): To teach students to knit and donate to the homeless.

Library Club (*Ms. Wethered / Ms. Jones, Monday – Friday, 8:00-3:30*): The purpose of this club is to provide a better organized library for the students in our school. We hope to make our library more beautiful by decorating it during festivals and holidays. We also hope our help can make the library more efficient for teachers and students. We will make the library a better place for students to stay during their free time.

Math Club (*Mr. Hames, Wednesdays after school, Room 273*):

The purpose of the Math Club is to teach Grade 9 competition math in preparation for the Math Challengers competition on February 17.

Model United Nations (*Mr. Nelson / Mr. Meville, Tuesday/Thursdays lunch, Room 227*): The Model UN Club helps with developing students' public speaking abilities as well as diplomatic skills, all while learning about important global issues, international relations, and how the UN works. Students attend weekly meetings as well as day-long and weekly conferences.

Movie Club (*Ms. Wethered, Everyday lunch, Library*): The Movie Club provides a safe place in the school. All students are welcome to come at lunch and watch movies and make friends.

New Comers Club: (*Ms. Johnston, Monday – Friday lunch, Room 163*): We help new students become a part of the NWSS school community by helping members make connections with other students through our mentor program and online resources.

Novel Ideas Book Club (*Ms. Isaak, Tuesdays 3:15, Room 148*): Members of this club will read and discuss popular literature with a focus on equality and social justice. Members of this club

read a variety of fiction and non-fiction. Discussions will revolve around how each text presents current issues and which ones are important in our changing modern world.

NWSS Create Change (*Ms. Grewal, Thursdays lunch, Room 176*): We believe in providing girls with confidence, an education, and opportunities to lead changes in more than their individual lives. It helps their families, their communities, and their country. Our mission is to lead a self-sufficient model of charity that is run by empowered girls. Powerful change makers dedicated to empowering others to climb out of extreme poverty. In NWSS Create Change, we also teach members to be effective at time management.

Newton's League (Physics Club) (*Ms. Birsan, Thursdays lunch Room 175*): Newton's League helps prepare students for the physics competitions at national and international levels. Prerequisites: Physics 11B or Physics 12.

Peer Tutoring Club (*Ms. Johnston, Tuesdays/Fridays, afterschool, Room 163*): The Peer Tutoring Club is a place where students can help other students who need help with various subjects. We help with homework, exam and test preparation, as well as getting ahead in subjects. The club strives to maintain a friendly and helpful environment for students looking for help.

Pen Pals (*Ms. Johnston, Mondays lunch, Room 163*): Our purpose is to connect students abroad with our local students and help both groups become more enriched in each other's culture. Our goal is to give students the opportunity to form international friendships. We hope that students abroad will improve their English writing skills by communicating with local through sending letters every other month.

Red Cross (*Mr. Seto, Fridays lunch, Room 267*): Our purpose is to support humanitarian law and to raise awareness for issues such as refugees, war crimes, and other human injustices.

Rubik's Cube Club: (*Mr. Janz, Fridays lunch, Room 160A*): The Rubik's Cube Club aims to show that the Rubik's cube is not as mysterious as it seems. This club will focus on teaching students how to solve the cube, as well as improve the skills of the students who already know how to solve the cube, by teaching algorithms and speed-solving methods.

Salsa Caliente Dance Club (*Mr. P.Ha, Fridays lunch, Room 265*): The Salsa Club teaches students how to dance various Latin dance, including Salsa, Merengue, Bachata, and Rueda. It's a way to meet new people, dance and listen to good music.

Second Hand Book Club (*Mr. Janz, Wednesdays lunch, Room 160A*): The goal of this club is to provide a platform for students to sell and buy books from other students. The profits we earn will be donated to charity. Also, the club wants to protect trees and the environment by providing a way to avoid printing more books.

Sew Mates (*Ms. Buljan, Tuesdays lunch, Room 231*): The purpose of Sew Mates Club is to make handmade toys, stuffed animals, ornaments, and accessories and to donate the proceeds of their sales to the BC Children's Hospital. Our goal is to bring happiness to people through our handiwork. We will teach each other the skills of hand sewing, pattern making, and having fun together!

Start (*Mr. Janz, Wednesdays lunch, Room. 160A*): Three global issues, collectively referred to as the “Pillars of Start” form the basis of the organization. They are: basic human rights, global education, and technological advancements. It is Start’s mission to use these pillars as a springboard from which to inspire action taken toward solving these problems.

Strategy Card Games (*Mr. Pontier, lunch, Room 156*): The Strategy Card Games Club is a club open to all students who like to play or want to play strategy card games. Those include Magic Gathering, Yugioh, and Pokemon. The goal of the club is to give a space and the means for a student to play and meet other players. The club will help students learn how to play and increase their play level.

Supernerds (*Ms. Wethered, Mondays afterschool, Library*): Nerd of NWSS Unite! We watch and discuss all types of sci fi, superhero, and other “nerdy” television and movies. We also play nerd-themed games.

Tea Club (*Ms. Kwok, Fridays lunch, Room 225*): Details TBA.

UNICEF (United Nations Children’s Emergency Fund) (*Ms. Kwok, Tuesdays lunch, Room 225*): The goal of the UNICEF Club is to spread awareness for UNICEF and fundraise towards causes such as the child victims of the earthquake in Mexico.

Wish Youth Network Society (*Mr. Janz, Fridays lunch, Room 170*): We are the New Westminster branch of the provincial youth-led non-profit organization. Our goal is to empower youth volunteers and to aid the children with serious medical conditions through community outreach programs. This will be done by providing opportunities for volunteers to visit a hospital and interact with patients and by organizing fundraisers toward the hospital’s greatest need. A partnership is in place with Royal Columbian Hospital Foundation.

Women’s Shelter and Rights (*Ms. Desrochers, Thursdays lunch, Room 182*): The WSR Club raises awareness about women’s issues worldwide and in the community. The club also gives aid to underprivileged and battered women within the community.

World Wildlife Fund Club (*Mr. Woo, Mondays lunch, Room 180*): The purpose of this club is to raise awareness and funds for the WWF, an organization that helps endangered and threatened wildlife.

3D Printing Club (*Mr. Pattern, Wednesdays lunch, Room. 159*): To learn how to use 3D printing programs like Inventor.

