



## ARDSLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are delighted to be offering a variety of after-school clubs at AMS again this year (see list below). The clubs will begin the week of **Monday, October 19th**. To sign up for a club, **students should email the club advisor(s) listed, no later than Friday, October 16th.**

For the time being, all clubs will be **held virtually**. We will notify you if that should change. Clubs will begin at 3:45 to allow time for students who attended school on a given day to get home. On Wednesdays, clubs will begin at 3:00. Students may participate in multiple clubs, provided there are no conflicts with meeting days/times.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at: 914-295-5620.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Goldenberg  
Assistant Principal

## AMS Clubs/Activities 2020-2021

<u>Club</u>	<u>Summary</u>	<u>Grade/Day/Time</u>
<p><b><i>Book Club</i></b>            Ms. Barbara  <a href="mailto:cbarbara@ardsleyschools.org">cbarbara@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>Ms. Barbara's Book Club is for 5th/6th grade readers who find pure joy in a book.</p> <p>If you are an avid reader and you're looking for a place besides English class and home to share your thoughts, insights, and experiences around a shared text, then this club is for you!</p> <p>Our first meeting will be used to choose the books our group will read.</p> <p>You will be responsible for getting the books ahead of time in order to read them when we are ready.</p>	<p>Grades 5 &amp; 6            Every other Wednesday  <b>**Meetings will begin at 3PM</b>            Dates:            Oct. 28            Nov. 18            Dec. 2 &amp; 16            Jan. 6 &amp; 20            Feb. 3 &amp; 24            March 10 &amp; 24            April 14 &amp; 28            May 12</p>
<p><b><i>Debate Club</i></b>            Ms. Blancato  <a href="mailto:dblancato@ardsleyschools.org">dblancato@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>Come and learn how to use your natural talent of arguing and challenging authority! By joining the Debate Club you will learn a variety of skills that will help you be successful in all aspects of your life. You will be able to choose topics that are important and relevant to you.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8            Every other Thursday,            beginning October 29th</p>
<p><b><i>Junior Chef</i></b>            Ms. Vlad  <a href="mailto:svlad@ardsleyschools.org">svlad@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>Come join Ms. Vlad's creative kitchen as a junior chef. We will be learning about all types of foods, how to prepare them, and, of course, you will eat your own creations. We will prepare a variety of recipes ranging from simple to gourmet, American to global, appetizers to desserts.</p>	<p><b>Jr. Chef 1</b>            Eligibility: Grades 5 &amp; 6            Meeting Dates: 1st and 2nd Thursday of the month            October-March</p> <p><b>Jr. Chef 2</b>            Eligibility: Grades 7 &amp; 8            Meeting dates 3rd and 4th Thursday of the month            October-April (No class in November)</p> <p>Each club is strictly limited to 12 students due to the possibility of moving to in-person instruction and maintaining social distancing guidelines.</p>

<p><b>Writing Club</b>  Ms. Barbara  <a href="mailto:cbarbara@ardsleyschools.org">cbarbara@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>Writing club is meant to stir the creativity of motivated writers and give students the opportunity to express themselves. We will write independently, in partnerships, and as a whole group.</p> <p>If you are in the 5th or 6th grade and have a passion for writing, this is the club for you!</p>	<p>Grades 5 &amp; 6  Every other Wednesday  <b>**Meetings will begin at 3PM</b>  Dates:  Oct 21  Nov 4 &amp; 25  Dec 9  Jan 13 &amp; 27  Feb 10  March 3 &amp; 17  April 7 &amp; 21  May 5</p>
<p><b>LeStrade Literary Magazine</b>  Ms. Chouen  Ms. Townsend  <a href="mailto:mchouen@ardsleyschool.org">mchouen@ardsleyschool.org</a>  <a href="mailto:mtownsend@ardsleyschools.org">mtownsend@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>The <a href="#">AMS LeStrade</a>, an on-line arts publication, showcases the work of our literary and artistic student body.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8  Tuesdays</p>
<p><b>Math Enrichment</b>  Mrs. May  <a href="mailto:mmay@ardsleyschools.org">mmay@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>Do you enjoy math? Would you like to explore some fun challenging math applications? We strive to promote creative and flexible problem solving.</p>	<p>Grades 5 &amp; 6  Every 1st and 3rd Friday during the months of November through March</p>
<p><b>No Place For Hate</b>  Ms. May and Ms. Vlad  <a href="mailto:mmay@ardsleyschools.org">mmay@ardsleyschools.org</a>  <a href="mailto:svlad@ardsleyschools.org">svlad@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>Students work together to promote kindness and acceptance throughout our school community. Students generate activities and projects creating a positive and mindful learning environment.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8  The 2nd and 4th Friday of each month and potentially other dates based on activities.</p>
<p><b>Science Olympiad</b>  Mr. Beames  Ms. Joseph  Mr. Ponterio  Mr. Ryan  <a href="mailto:abeames@ardsleyschools.org">abeames@ardsleyschools.org</a>  <a href="mailto:ejoseph@ardsleyschools.org">ejoseph@ardsleyschools.org</a>  <a href="mailto:dponterio@ardsleyschools.org">dponterio@ardsleyschools.org</a>  <a href="mailto:sryan@ardsleyschools.org">sryan@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>The team will participate virtually in the regional competition in early March 2021. The competitions this year consist of 15 different events covering topics in science, technology and applied mathematics.</p>	<p>Grades 6-8  After school on Tuesdays and Thursdays.</p> <p>*We will be having a virtual organizational meeting on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, with a Zoom to follow. This will be sent to your science teachers.</p>

<p><b><i>Student Council</i></b>  Ms. Barney  <a href="mailto:jbarney@ardsleyschools.org">jbarney@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>Homeroom representatives will help conduct and oversee the community events held throughout the year.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8  Virtual Meetings  Fridays  October 23, 30,  November 13, 20  December 11, 18,  January 22,  February 5, 26,  March 5, 19,  April 16, 30,  May 7, 21,  June 4</p>
<p><b><i>World Culture Club</i></b>  Mrs. Blancato/Ms. Dolores  <a href="mailto:dblancato@ardsleyschools.org">dblancato@ardsleyschools.org</a>  <a href="mailto:adolores@ardsleyschools.org">adolores@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>The purpose of the World Culture Club is to provide students with the opportunity to expand their knowledge of different cultures. Explore various aspects of different cultures, from food and popular holiday celebrations to music and dancing. Activities will be lots of fun!</p>	<p>Grades 5-8  Every other Thursday of each month  Starts November 5th and runs through May</p>
<p><b><i>Yearbook</i></b>  Ms. Vlad  <a href="mailto:svlad@ardsleyschools.org">svlad@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>We will be taking and choosing photos, arranging pictures, writing blurbs and preparing the yearbook for the end of school year distribution.</p>	<p>Grades 5-8  Tuesdays  October-March  No meeting on 11/24, 12/1</p>
<p><b><i>Youth to Youth (Y2Y)</i></b>  Ms. Mastrogiacomo  Room: SAS Office  <a href="mailto:amastrogiacomo@ardsleyschools.org">amastrogiacomo@ardsleyschools.org</a></p>	<p>Y2Y is dedicated to helping students make positive, healthy decisions and promotes an alcohol and drug free lifestyle among youth. Students will plan activities for the various awareness months/week such as Red Ribbon Week, Great American Smokeout, Alcohol Awareness month, etc.</p>	<p>Grades 7 &amp; 8  During lunch on Fridays  2x a month</p>