

SENECA MIDDLE SCHOOL

CLUBS

2011-2012

CLASSBOOK *(Mrs. Ramsay)*

Students will work together to create a book of mementos to commemorate their school year. Photography, editing, writing, design, and art all come into play as students collaborate on this lasting collection of memories.

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA *(Ms. Kant)*

This is a select performing group that all Orchestra students are encouraged to audition for. In this group, students have the opportunity to play challenging chamber music that will enhance their skills. Chamber Orchestra meets once a week after school and performs in the Ensemble Concert in April.

CRITTER CLUB *(Ms. Keith, Mrs. Porciello)*

Students will be educated about animal rescues, shelters, and organizations, and how we can make a difference by supporting them. The club will have a variety of guest speakers (ASPCA, Pet Detectives, etc.) to inform students of ways to help neglected animals in our area. The club will raise money by making bookmarks about animals and creating a calendar as well as collecting donations of blankets, stuffed animals, and food for shelters.

DRAMA CLUB *(Ms. Dominick, Ms. Hudak)*

Interested in acting, singing, and dancing? How about sets, costumes, lighting and sound? Well then the Drama Club is for you. Auditions will be held in October for our musical production in March. All students, regardless of experience, are welcome to participate.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE CLUB *(Ms. Forkin)*

The purpose of the Foreign Language Club is to create awareness and appreciation of other languages and cultures. We will "celebrate" international holidays and organize activities to promote respect and tolerance of other cultures. We will organize activities to commemorate Foreign Language Week in March. All are welcome!

JAZZ BAND *(Ms. Bellafatto)*

Jazz Band is an extra-curricular activity for instrumental music students interested in performing in jazz, rock, and popular music styles. Students also perform at an evening concert in April. Admission to the group is by audition or teacher recommendation.

LITERARY MAGAZINE *(Mr. Carruthers, Ms. Faron)*

One edition of the school literary magazine "Horizons" is produced over the course of the school year. Students can contribute writing (poetry, short stories, essays, fiction, nonfiction), photography, and original artwork (in black and white). A contest will be held to select the cover art.

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY *(Ms. Haines, Ms. Marlowe)*

The National Junior Honor Society is a national organization that recognizes outstanding middle school students. Members of the National Junior Honor Society not only have achieved amazing academic success; but have also demonstrated excellence in the areas of leadership, character and citizenship that is valued and respected here at Seneca Middle School. This club participates in continuing to support character education and citizenship by conducting fundraisers to help support those in need. The students will be participating in many exciting events to help raise awareness and support for those less fortunate than ourselves. It is a true honor and privilege to be accepted into this prestigious club.

RENAISSANCE *(Mrs. Wharton, Mr. Cafiso)*

The goal of the Renaissance program is to provide an environment that promotes social, physical and emotional growth in our school and community. Renaissance stresses academic excellence to show our students who they are and who they can be. Students are motivated to reach individual goals of academic performance, attendance and behavior. Renaissance is not about being the best; Renaissance is about being the best you can be!

SELECT CHORUS *(Mrs. Dominick)*

Students may audition for this performing group in which they sing challenging vocal selections in many styles including jazz, Broadway, and popular music.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT *(Mrs. Curry and Mr. DeMeo)*

Student Government runs student activities such as dances and Fun Night. It is a service based club that organizes fundraisers, food drives, and various events for Seneca. We also have an ongoing World Hunger Project as "global" community service. The Student Council meets often to discuss upcoming events and projects.

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