Northwest High School
After School Clubs and Activities
2013-2014

This packet contains information and details about our after school clubs, sports, activities and other opportunities for students to become more involved at Northwest High School. If you have any questions about a particular activity, please contact the sponsor of the activity. For further information about our after school program, please contact the main office.

Our Activity Day this year is Tuesday, September 10, 2013 during the lunch period. This will provide students the opportunity to meet the sponsors and join particular groups.

During the year, new clubs will be formed by staff and students. For the most up-to-date information, please check our website at:

http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/northwests/

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Northwest High School After School Clubs and Activities

Academic Decathlon

Sponsor: David Reichard  
Day: Tuesdays and Thursdays  
Time: Afterschool, 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm  
Location: Room 380  
Contact#: 301-601-4660  
Student President/Leader: TBD  
Description: Students (grades 9-12) compete against other schools by taking multiple choice tests in Art, Music, Literature, Science, Math, Social Studies and Economics. Students also compete in essay, interview, and speech. Students win medals and earn scholarship money for college. Competitions are at the regional, state, and national level. Academic Decathlon prepares students to excel in test taking, learn how to give a speech and interview, and work together as a team.

Requirements: Read all given materials and attend practices.  
Website Information: www.usad.org

ACT-SO

Sponsor: Lilly Greenlee  
Day: Thursday  
Time: Monthly  
Location: Auditorium and Media Center  
Contact#: 301-601-4652  
Description: What is ACT-SO? ACT-SO is a national NAACP program often referred to as an “Olympic of the Minds”. It is designed to encourage, develop, and recognize high academic and artistic excellence among African America high school students. This year’s enrichment program is designed to connect African-American students with adult members of the community who assist them in developing the goals, confidence, and training that will enable them to successfully contribute to society.

How does ACT-SO work? Students who choose to participate in ACT-SO work with a community member, teacher, or other adult to develop projects in up to three of ACT-SO categories (Sciences, Humanities, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, and Business) that adhere to the ACT-SO guidelines and criteria. Students present their projects at the local ACT-SO competition. At this time, judges, who are experts in their fields, provide students with constructive feedback. Winners are selected in each category. Top local winners qualify to compete in the National ACT-SO competition, where they will have an opportunity to make new friends, further develop their skills, and compete for the gold, silver, and bronze medals, scholarship funds, and other prizes.

How can I learn more? To learn more about ACT-SO, visit the website http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/Departments/actso/  
You may also contact: Yvette Butler, MD at gbic_office@yahoo.com or call 301-588-5500  
Requirements: This program is offered to all African American High School students currently enrolled at Northwest HS.
Adventures

Sponsor: Caitlin Brubaker  
Day: TBD  
Time: TBD  
Location: TBD  
Contact#: TBD  
Student President/Leader: TBD  
Description: Please see sponsor for more details.

Requirements: None

Ambassadors NWHS

Sponsor: Stacey Reilly  
Day: Tuesday  
Time: Lunch monthly  
Location: Auditorium  
Contact: 301-601-4641  
Description: The Northwest High School Ambassadors is an enthusiastic group of more than 200 sophomores, juniors, and seniors that exemplifies excellence in academics, pride in the school, and commitment to serving others. During the school year, these students serve as mentors to the incoming freshmen class, guides during NWHS functions, volunteers at community service projects, and assistants to the faculty and staff of Northwest. The Ambassadors hold a yearly prom dress fundraiser and utilize these funds to assist the Germantown community. The Ambassadors meet each Tuesday during lunch with Mrs. Reilly, there faculty sponsor, to plan activities that support and enrich the NWHS community.

Requirements: Ambassadors apply for admission the April prior to their service year.

Badminton Club

Sponsor: Mark Maradei  
Day: Wednesday  
Time:  
Lunch/Weekly Location: Main Gym  
Contact#: 301-601-4656  
Description: Badminton Club

Requirements: Must be academically eligible and dressed appropriately to play with tennis shoes.
Band (Marching)

Sponsor: Kevin Rouse  
Day: Monday and Thursday  
Time: 6-9 pm  
Location: Lower Parking Lot  
Contact#: 301-601-4654  
Student President/Leader Name: Jenny Paul  
Description: Marching Band is a competitive organization that travels all through Maryland and competes against other marching bands in like groups, which are determined by the size of the band. The band is also put together to support the football team during home football games. The marching band is made up of flute, clarinet, alto sax, tenor sax, trumpet, mellophone, baritone, tuba, percussion, and color guard.  
Requirements: Must be in an instrumental music class, except for color guard. Must attend all practices, competitions, and games. Must hold a 2.0 or higher grade point average.

Biotechnology Student Association

Sponsor: Dina Link  
Day: TBD  
Time: Lunch/monthly  
Location: Room 378  
Contact#: 301-601-4672  
Student President/Leader Name: Johnera Stewart  
Description: This club is the social and enrichment component of the Academy of Biotechnology. Student members enjoy guest speakers, field trips, receive valuable information on internships and other career exploration activities and get to relax with other Academy members.  
Requirements: Must be a member of the Academy of Biotechnology.

Book Club

Sponsor: Lynn Meier  
Day: TBD  
Time: Lunch as scheduled  
Location: Room 208  
Contact#: 301-601-4639  
Description: Book Club is for you if you love reading and talking about books. Club members vote on the books and also set a reading schedule. Meetings will be during lunch once we’ve finished a book and we’ll discuss our ideas over some snacks!  
Requirements: A love of reading!
Chemathon

**Sponsor:** Brita Johannessen-Kluk  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** Lunch/Weekly  
**Location:** Room 313  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4672  
**Description:** The annual chemistry competition for high school chemistry students. The Chemathon competition is hosted by the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at the University of Maryland at College Park. The goal of the Chemathon is to provide an opportunity for high school students to use knowledge and skills gained in the classroom and to have a good time doing so. The events are planned to engage students of varying ability in activities that are enjoyable and rewarding, and to give research opportunities to creative and inventive students [http://www.chem.umd.edu/chemathon/](http://www.chem.umd.edu/chemathon/).  
**Requirements:** Have taken or are currently taking Chemistry, Honors Chemistry or AP Chemistry.

Chess Team

**Sponsor:** Robert Youngblood  
**Day:** Monday-Friday  
**Time:** Lunch/Daily, evening practices alternate Tuesday/Wednesday and Wednesday/Thursday 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
**Location:** Room 120  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4628  
**Student President/Leader Name:** David Snyder, Nick Jung and Melaap Patel  
**Description:** The players will learn and advance their skills in chess and participate in tournaments. There will be 4-5 levels of chess, novice/beginner to advanced.  
**Requirements:** Your time and commitment.

Christian Fellowship Club

**Sponsor:** Anika Lovelace  
**Day:** Wednesday  
**Time:** Weekly  
**Location:** Room 351  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4655  
**Student President/Leader Name:** Allison and Amanda Hishmeh  
**Description:** All are welcome to join our fellowship! During our weekly lunch-time fellowships we pray, study the bible, discuss the application of God’s word in our lives, share our praise reports and prayer request, and discuss how we can share our faith with others around us.
Comic Book Club

**Sponsor:** Peter Mason  
**Day:** Wednesday  
**Time:** Weekly  
**Location:** Room 351  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4655  
**Student President/Leader Name:** Adriel Jiminez  
**Description:** We will be discussing the current trends in comic books and movies. We will spend some time discussing the more popular events with in the hobby.

Computer Game Programming Club

**Sponsor:** TBD  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact #:** TBD  
**Description:** TBD

Cooking with Character

**Sponsor:** Marie Franklin  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** Lunch monthly  
**Location:** Room 225  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4674  
**Student President/Leader Name:** Riley Frankel  
**Description:** In this club we bake cookies and give them to teachers or charity. We do this by dividing the club in groups with group leaders and each group bakes at the group leader’s house. They bake what I assign them and when they are done baking I pick up the cookies. I then give the cookies to the charity I have contacted or to teacher appreciation or just for the holidays.  
**Requirements:** Show up to meetings and participate in the events.
Debate Team

Sponsor: Elizabeth Kominski  
Day: Wednesday 2:15-3:30  
Time: Weekly  
Location: Room 221  
Contact#: 301-601-4649  
Student President/Leader Name: Palak Desai  
Description: The goal of the debate team is to prepare arguments and compete against other Montgomery County teams in a monthly debate tournament held at Churchill HS. The group welcomes any new members.  
Requirements: Academic Eligibility

Desi Club (South Asian Student Assoc)

Sponsor: Jorge Meza  
Day: TBD  
Time: TBD  
Location: TBD  
Contact#: TBD  
Student President/Leader: TBD  
Description: Please see sponsor for more details.  
Requirements: None

Drama/Thespians Club

Sponsor: Sherion Cosby/Lilly Greenlee  
Day: TBD  
Time: Weekly  
Location: Auditorium  
Contact#: 301-601-4660  
Description: The Thespians are production students, actors, dancers, artists, and stage crew who help to produce a variety of drama productions. They also attend the National Theatre Festival. This club provides opportunities to polish skills in production and performance while enjoying the group interaction. Expect to learn more about theatre, be provided with college information about auditions, scholarships. Being a thespian means being part of one of the most prestigious high school organizations.  
Requirements: Must be committed to attending meetings and rehearsals for performances.  
Website Information: www.nwhsdrama.org
Ecology Club

Sponsor: Celia Reidler  
Day: Wednesdays  
Time: Lunch Weekly  
Location: Room 319  
Contact#: 301-601-4672  
Description: Increase awareness of conservation issues within the community.  
Requirements: None

Fashion Club

Sponsor: Ana Hernandez  
Day: TBD  
Time: TBD  
Location: TBD  
Contact#: TBD  
Student President/Leader: TBD  
Description: Please see sponsor for more details.  
Requirements: None

French Club (Cercle Francophone)

Sponsor: Kate McKenna/Melissa Peroutseas  
Day: Tuesdays  
Time:  
Lunch Location: Room 252  
Contact#: 301-601-4672  
Student President/Leader Name: TBD  
Description: Interested in the French language and francophone cultures? Activities will include watching French films, exploring French foods, and celebrating francophone cultures with games and more! Students do not need to be enrolled in French class or speak French in order to be members.  
Requirements: Interest in French
Forensics Team

**Sponsor:** Ginny Beverly  
**Day:** Tuesday/Weekly  
**Time:** Lunch/Afterschool  
**Location:** Room 219  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4639  
**Student President/Leader:**  
**Description:** The Forensics team is a competitive speech and acting team dedicated to improving the speaking and acting skills of students.  
**Requirements:** Love of acting and public speaking

The Société Honoraire de Francais

**Sponsor:** Melissa Peroutseas  
**Day:** 3rd Wednesday of the month  
**Time:** Afterschool  
**Location:** Room 254  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4641  
**Student President/Leader Name:** Sarah An, Erin Keating and Jenny Wang  
**Description:** The French Honor Society is a national organization based on scholarship in general and French scholarship in particular. This society stimulates interest in the French language and diverse francophone cultures, promotes and rewards achievement in French, and encourages leadership and service via a wide range of activities.  
**Requirements:** Participants must be a sophomore or older (NW requirement) and enrolled in French 3B or higher. They are required to maintain an A average in French and an overall B average in their other subjects (national requirements). Members must also earn 4 service points per quarter.

Gay/Straight Alliance

**Sponsor:** Tara Erichson  
**Day:** 2nd Monday of the month  
**Time:** Lunch  
**Location:** Room 264  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4685  
**Description:** For more information please contact sponsor.
Genshiken Club

**Sponsor:** Julia Bui  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4642  
**Student President/Leader:** TBD  
**Description:** Students will observe Asian Anime videos. They play along with the cartoons by creating their own dialogues in English since most of the cartoons are spoken in Japanese, make up their own skits with acting, and run fund raisers to raise money to attend local and national conventions.

Gentlemen’s Club

**Sponsor:** Jason Valazak  
**Day:** Thursdays  
**Time:** Lunch  
**Location:** Room 232  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4650  
**Student President/Leader:** Amiel Clement  
**Description:** Students will observe Asian Anime videos. They play along with the cartoons by creating their own dialogues in English since most of the cartoons are spoken in Japanese, make up their own skits with acting, and run fund raisers to raise money to attend local and national conventions.

GHEARS

**Sponsor:** Faiza Malik  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4655  
**Student President/Leader:** Eimi Perceval  
**Description:** Ghears stands for General Humanitarian Environmental Aide Cultivating Relationships by Students. This club will be doing fundraisers for various organizations. For more information please contact the sponsor.

**Requirements:** None
Guitar Club

**Sponsor:** Zenia Yang  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact #:** TBD  
**Student President/Leader:** TBD  
**Description:** Please see sponsor for more details.

**Requirements:** None

Hero Program

**Sponsor:** John Robertson  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** Main Office Conference Room  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4660  
**Student President/Leader:** TBD  
**Description:** Peer mentor and support program for students of color. Junior and senior students of African and Latino descent with demonstrated academic success to mentor freshmen and sophomore students in need of support.

**Requirements:** None

Improv Team

**Sponsor:** TBD  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact #:** TBD  
**Student President/Leader:** TBD  
**Description:** “Improve” is short for “improvisation” and is a theater technique that requires a quick wit, and being comfortable with your-self. There are no rehearsed lines, very little is set in stone, and everything is immediate. Sometimes, our skits are funny; sometimes only we get the joke. That’s okay. The most well-known improv is demonstrated on the TV show; *Whose Line is it Anyway?* Our club works together, plays games, and creates skits that sharpen our skills and make others laugh. We try to have several shows in the evening throughout the year.

**Requirements:** Students should attend the first meeting of the year to find out what is required.
Indoor Colorguard

**Sponsor:** Jocelyn Healey/Kevin Rouse  
**Day:** Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays in January, February and March  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm (W), 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm (F), beginning 12/4/13 – 4/2/14  
**Location:** Cafeteria  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4660  
**Student President/Leader:** Bailey Booth/Katelyn Moore  
**Description:** Practice technique with flag/rifle/sabre routines. Performance on this equipment, dance and movement will take place in at least four competitions in Maryland and Pennsylvania.  
**Website Information:** www.nwinstrumental.org  
**Requirements:** Dedication and commitment

International Student Association

**Sponsor:** Jorge Meza  
**Day:** Thursday  
**Time:** Lunch time/monthly  
**Location:** Room 262  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4685  
**Student President/Leader:** Ashley Stept  
**Description:** Show about different cultures and ethnicities. Fundraisers, planning, organizing and managing International night. Auditions are performed and cuts made. Rehearsals take place to put together the annual show in the auditorium. International night takes place in February.  
**Requirements:** All students welcome, **BE PRESENT AT ALL MEETINGS!** Good academic standing and approval from sponsor and officers. Sophomores or above.

It’s Academic

**Sponsor:** Jason Valazak  
**Day:** Wednesday  
**Time:** Lunch  
**Location:** Room 232  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4674  
**Student President/Leader:** David Snyder  
**Description:** Students prepare to compete in local academic trivia events relating to world History, Math, Geography, Literature and Pop Culture.  
**Requirements:** Interest in Academic and Pop culture trivia.
Ivory

**Sponsor:** TBD  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact#:** TBD  
**Student President/Leader:** TBD  
**Description:**

**Requirements:** None

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**Jagbots Team 4638 (FRC) Robotics Club**

**Sponsor:** Michael Ames  
**Day:** Fridays  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
**Location:** Room 355  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4627  
**Student President/Leader:** TBD  
**Description:** The Northwest FIRST FRC Robotics, a team started in year, 2012, will be the pinnacle of technology and engineering in the Northwest High School community. This team focuses on assembling a robot which will be entered into the FIRST FRC Robotics competition. This competition is held every spring and requires teams to build a robot that is able to fulfill specific requirements. In January of every year, FIRST announces a theme for the competition, setting the requirements accordingly. For example, the theme from the FRC competition from last year was basketball in which each robot had to be able to collect a ball and shoot it into a basketball hoop. The club is split into two main groups, a programming group and a building group. The programming group will be using programming languages such as Java and Labview to code all of the software for the robot allowing it to interact efficiently with the hardware. The building group, on the other hand, will use their knowledge of mechanics to construct the actual robot. Although the heart of this club is based on engineering, it not limited to only engineers and programmers. It encompasses many other fields such as Science, Math, Law and English. There are many benefits of FIRST Robotics. First gives out close to $16,000,000 in scholarships for students. It has also helped many people get internship with big corporations like NASA and the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory. It also gives students a chance to meet new people and make connections with companies in their area.

**Requirements:** 3.0 GPA  
**Website Information:** [http://northwestrobotics.org](http://northwestrobotics.org)
Jag-TV

**Sponsor:** Lilly Greenlee  
**Day:** Wednesday  
**Time:**  
**Daily Show Location:** TV  
**Studio Contact#:** 301-601-4652  
**Student President/Leader:** Tanny Ser, Jasmina Kamdar, Bailey Booth and Tina Santos  
**Description:** Jag TV is a daily broadcast that is aired through the in house cable system. Our broadcast announces activities that affect the school, and its community. Jag TV conduct Wednesday meetings at lunch time to keep staff updated on latest events.  
**Requirements:** Interested students have to apply and audition to be on staff. Jag TV holds auditions twice a year, once each semester.

Journalism (Jagwire Student Newspaper)

**Sponsor:** Lisa Shapiro  
**Day:** Wednesday  
**Time:** After School  
**Location:** Room 206  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4639  
**Description:** The Jagwire is the student newspaper of Northwest. Students in The Jagwire Club participate in publishing and running the school newspaper with The Jagwire editor staff.  
**Requirements:** Eligibility

Key Club

**Sponsor:** Marlene Breeding  
**Day:** Tuesday  
**Time:**  
**Lunch Location:**  
**Room 124**  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4628  
**Description:** Key Club is a student service organization. The philosophy is “Building leaders through service to the community” activities include food drive, walk for Autism and blood drive.  
**Requirements:** A desire to be involved in community and help others.
Kids are Scientists Too

Sponsor: Dina Link  
Day: Wednesdays  
Time: Lunch  
Location: TBD  
Contact#: 301-601-4672  
Student President/Leader: Jodie Goh  
Description: High school students, who are interested in Science, teach elementary and middle school students Science (Biology, Physics, Chemistry, etc.) We try to expand their knowledge about Science and give them an opportunity to explore their interests. We lecture the students about bridges (like the structures), what happens in the stomach, and explain how we can recycle energy. In addition, we do activities corresponding to the lessons such as build bridges with straws, make ice cream, and demonstrate the stomach with chips and lemon juice.

Requirements: Application form.  
Website Information: kidsarescientiststoo.org

Latin Dance Club

Sponsor: TBD  
Day: TBD  
Time: TBD  
Location: TBD  
Contact#: TBD  
Student President/Leader: TBD  
Description:

Requirements: None

Literary Magazine/Creative Writing

Sponsor: Christine Ground  
Day: Wednesday  
Time: 2:25 pm - 4:00 pm  
Location: TBD  
Contact#: 301-601-4639  
Student President/Leader: Vankelia Tolbert and Poojah Ganesh  
Description: Literary Magazine is a club that accepts anyone and everyone who enjoys writing/editing/reading. We are a group of poet’s, playwrights, editors, and authors. We write poems, short stories, novels, film, and song lyrics. Weekly, we share our new creations and ideas to be edited and perfected. This club encourages all students in Northwest to submit their writing to the literary magazine. We work closely with the Jagwire, the Northwest Newspaper, to produce a literary magazine that will be distributed to every classroom, for all students and staff members to enjoy.
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Requirements: A passion to write! This club is open to everyone.

Math Honor Society (Mu Alpha Theta)

Sponsor: Hannah Sohn
Day: TBD
Time: Lunch
Location: 284
Contact#: 301-601-4650
Description: The Math Honor Society is a chapter of Mu Alpha Theta, a national organization of mathematics honor societies organized at the community college and high school level. The organization recognizes student excellence in mathematics and provides service (primarily tutoring) to the NWHS community. The honor society gives students the chance to interact and have activities with other students interested in mathematics. The Math Honor society also provides peer tutoring in mathematics primarily during lunch.

Requirements: Students must apply for membership each year in the fall. Applications for membership are available through the student’s math teacher and must be signed by both the student and his/her parents agreeing to fulfill the requirements of the honor society. Students who meet Mu Alpha Theta requirements are inducted into the honor society each October. Minimum grade point averages as required by the National Office of Mu Alpha Theta must be established and maintained by the student for both mathematics courses and for overall GPA. The application requires students to observe an academic honor code at school and also requires a certain amount of service to the NWHS community to remain in good standing throughout the year.

Mathletes

Sponsor: Zenia Yang
Day: TBD
Time: TBD
Location: TBD
Contact#: 301-601-4650
Student President/Leader: TBD
Description: See sponsor for more details.
Requirements: TBD
Men’s Choir

**Sponsor:** Stephanie Baker  
**Day:** Wednesday  
**Time:** 2:25 pm – 4:00 pm Weekly  
**Location:** Room 125  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4654  
**Student President/Leader:** Zach Williams and Cameron Sledjeski  
**Description:** Men’s Ensemble is an extremely popular choral ensemble for all interested males. The group sings a wide variety of music written specifically for the male voice. No audition is required. Men’s Ensemble performs at least twice a year on the choral concerts. Once membership is established, regular attendance is necessary. Men’s Ensemble is an exciting organization for those who like to perform along with other young men.

**Requirements:** A strong desire to perform on stage with the men of NWHS, and maintain a GPA of no less than 2.0. Student participants must be available to participate on a weekly basis with their fellow members.

MESA

**Sponsor:** Sinhue Gutierrez  
**Day:** TBD Time:  
Lunch **Location:**  
Room 302  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4672  
**Description:** Group will be focused in building engineering projects as bridges, wind mills, planes, researching about making our planet "Green", as well as having field trips to different labs and science related conferences.

**Requirements:** Academically eligible and be willing to work on science projects.

Mock Trial

**Sponsor:** Dr. Munna Chakrabarti  
**Day:** Wednesdays  
**Time:** Weekly after school 2:15 pm – 4:00 pm  
**Location:** Room 350  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4655  
**Description:** The Mock Trial team is part of the Citizenship Law-Related Education Program for the Schools of Maryland Students are provided the opportunity to learn how the law plays an integral role in their lives and to learn about court procedures, rules of evidence, and the trial process. Students can practice listening skills, evaluation, analysis, and critical thinking skills, and rhetorical tactics.

**Requirements:** Reading, interest in law, communication skills, committed in activity, and need to attend tournament.
Model U.N.

**Sponsor:** Jason Valazak  
**Day:** Tuesday  
**Time:**  
**Lunch Location:**  
**Room 232**  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4674  
**Student President/Leader:** Saumya Khanna  
**Description:** Students gather to debate world and regional issues and prepare to attend competitive Model U.N. conferences.  
**Requirements:** Maintain academic eligibility and interest in world events and current events.

Multi-National Strategic Operations Org.

**Sponsor:** Jason Valazak  
**Day:** Mondays  
**Time:**  
**Lunch Location:**  
**Room 232**  
**Contact#:** TBD  
**Student President/Leader:** Nick Marioni  
**Description:** Board games and world strategy club.  
**Requirements:** None

Music Honor Society (Tri-M)

**Sponsor:** Stephanie Baker/ Kevin Rouse  
**Day:** Thursdays  
**Time:** Lunch every other week  
**Location:** Room 125  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4654  
**Description:** Tri-M is for students whose music GPA is 4.0 and whose overall GPA is at least 3.0. **Auditions required.** This honors society is a service organization that performs in the local community at hospitals, synagogues, churches and nursing homes. The group also provides tutoring to fellow music students in the Northwest Music Department. Tri-M performs twice a year at Northwest High School.  
**Requirements:** Audition and teacher recommendations.
Muslim Student Association

Sponsor: Tara Erichson  
Day: Thursdays  
Time: Lunch  
Location: Room 264  
Contact#: 301-601-4641  
Student President/Leader: Anhar Karim and Lubna Barakat (Vice President)  
Description: The Muslim Student Association is a group of students coming together to gain a greater understanding of faith and culture. The group competes against other MSA’s across North America in design, music, short film, math test, scholastic bowl and much more at the Muslim Inter-Scholastic Tournament. The group meets weekly in school in addition to social events on weekends.

Requirements: All are welcome.

National Art Honor Society

Sponsor: Katherine Hess and Lorrie Moten  
Day: 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month  
Time: TBD  
Location: TBD  
Contact#: 301-601-4678  
Description: “In 1978, the National Art Education Association began the National Art Honor Society program specifically for high school students, for the purpose of inspiring and recognizing those students who have shown an outstanding ability in art. The NAHS strives to aid members in working toward the attainment of the highest standards in art areas, and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community. The National Art Honor Society Creating and trading art carts, Zine Pages, and learning new methods of creating art.” (http://www.arteducators.org/community/national-art-honor-society)

At Northwest High School, we strive to educating ourselves with speakers, demonstrations, and field trips. We educate others by creating artwork that helps to support the arts, and the mission of the group. Students participate in the Art Show, fundraising activities, assist in keeping the Art Department running smoothly, and place artwork throughout the school. Our goal is to have fun and meet other students passionate about the visual arts.

Requirements: Review of academic and artistic achievement by activity sponsors: and enrollment in an art class at Northwest High School.
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National Honor Society

Sponsor: Linda Johnson/Jessica Forman  
Day: 1st and 2nd Wednesday of the month  
Time: Lunch  
Location: Auditorium  
Contact#: 301-601-4652  
Student President/Leader: TBD  
Description: This is a national honor society whose members are selected according to vigorous standards of scholarship, leadership, character and service. The members of the Northwest High School chapter of the National Honor Society are named each year through a selection process. In the spring, sophomore and junior students who have achieved a cumulative un-weighted GPA of 3.5 or a weighted GPA of 4.0 are invited to apply. The application process involves three written recommendations from teachers or other members of the community, a written summary of school activities and a written summary of community activities. Applications are then screened by the Honors committee and selections are made. Membership lasts the duration of high school provided that the academic standards are maintained and the member completes the local requirements of tutoring, service activities and fundraising.

Requirements: Participation in NHS is by invitation only and occurs each spring for rising juniors and seniors. Requirements include a minimum cumulative unweighted GPA of 3.5 or weighted of 4.0 in addition to demonstration of service, character and leadership.

NWHS Humane Society

Sponsor: Linda Johnson  
Day: Mondays  
Time: Lunch monthly starting in October  
Location: Room 122  
Contact#: 301-601-4639  
Student President/Leader: TBD  
Description: To support animal welfare awareness in the community.

Requirements: None
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Percussion Theatre

**Sponsor:** Kevin Rouse/Reginald Alignay  
**Day:** Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, February and March  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm, beginning 12/17/13 – 4/1/14  
**Location:** Band Room, Room 127  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4660  
**Student President/Leader:**  
**Description:** Students will learn how to play multiple percussion equipment and put a competitive show together with music and motion. The group will compete in at least four competitions on Saturdays in February and March that will be held in Maryland and Pennsylvania.  
**Requirements:** Dedication and commitment  
**Website Information:** [www.nwinstrumental.org](http://www.nwinstrumental.org)

P.O.W.E.R.

**Sponsor:** Stephanie Dorga and Donna Jones - AAPC  
**Day:** Tuesday once a month  
**Time:** Afterschool 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm  
**Location:** Library  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4650  
**Description:** I.V.O.R.Y represents *Independent, Vivacious, Outstanding, Responsible, Young Ladies.* IVORY exists to build and promote self-esteem as well as to develop leadership and communication skills within our young ladies at Northwest. This group of young ladies also should be interested in mentoring, college and career planning, and community service for the Germantown/Montgomery Count community. The African American Parent Council has a club for Northwest High School female students. The club is called P.O.W.E.R. (Positive Women Earning Respect). Our mission is to empower African American female students to engage in positive life choices that enable them to maximize their social and academic potential. P.O.W.E.R.’s will provide a sense of sisterhood and unity throughout. The two clubs have merged together to become one powerful force.  
**Requirements:** Upper class girls grades 10-12

Quill & Scroll

**Sponsor:** Lilly Greenlee  
**Day:** Tuesday (1st Tuesday of the month)  
**Time:** Lunch  
**Location:** Media Center  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4652  
**Description:** An honors society for mass media. Members are nominated by the JagWire advisor, Lit Magazine advisor and Jag TV advisor. Members will meet monthly to plan activities related to this honors society.  
**Requirements:** Nomination by advisor.
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Recycling Program/SERT

**Sponsor:** Celia Reidler and Faiza Malik  
**Day:** Weekly  
**Time:** Weekly  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4672  
**Description:** Students develop and carry out school wide programs to reduce solid waste and conserve energy.  
**Requirements:** An interest and commitment to educate and carry out a recycling and energy reduction program in the Northwest Community.

FIRST FRC Robotics Club

**Sponsor:** Michael Ames  
**Day:** Fridays  
**Time:** 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
**Location:** Room 355  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4627  
**Student President/Leader:** TBD  
**Description:** The Northwest FIRST FRC Robotics, a team started in year, 2012, will be the pinnacle of technology and engineering in the Northwest High School community. This team focuses on assembling a robot which will be entered into the FIRST FRC Robotics competition. This competition is held every spring and requires teams to build a robot that is able to fulfill specific requirements. In January of every year, FIRST announces a theme for the competition, setting the requirements accordingly. For example, the theme from the FRC competition from last year was basketball in which each robot had to be able to collect a ball and shoot it into a basketball hoop. The club is split into two main groups, a programming group and a building group. The programming group will be using programming languages such as Java and Labview to code all of the software for the robot allowing it to interact efficiently with the hardware. The building group, on the other hand, will use their knowledge of mechanics to construct the actual robot. Although the heart of this club is based on engineering, it not limited to only engineers and programmers. It encompasses many other fields such as Science, Math, Law and English. There are many benefits of FIRST Robotics. First gives out close to $16,000,000 in scholarships for students. It has also helped many people get internship with big corporations like NASA and the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory. It also gives students a chance to meet new people and make connections with companies in their area.

**Requirements:** 3.0 GPA  
**Website Information:** http://northwestrobotics.org
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SADD

**Sponsor:** Marlene Breeding  
**Day:** Wednesday  
**Time:** Lunch Weekly  
**Location:** Room 124  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4628  
**Description:** SADD is an organization that promotes making the right choices. Members will raise awareness about problems that plague young adults including underage drinking, using drugs and unhealthy lifestyles.  
**Requirements:** Motivation and a willingness to help others.

Science Bowl Team

**Sponsor:** Celia Reidler  
**Day:** Tuesdays  
**Time:** Lunch  
**Location:** Room 319  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4672  
**Description:** “It’s Academic of Science” The club prepares students to compete in a nationwide academic competition that tests student’s knowledge in all areas of science. Students will prepare for science competitions throughout the year. Content areas include biology, chemistry, physics, earth science and math.  
**Requirements:** Two Science classes.
Science Honor Society

**Sponsor:** Shari Chapman and Faiza Malik  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4655  

**Description:** Science National Honors Society is for current Juniors and Seniors. It is for students that have an interest and passion for science. Membership in the society allows them to share their interest and use their passion to promote science interest and science excellence in their school. As a part of a National society the objectives of the local organizations reflect those of the parent organization and are stated below:

- Encourage and recognize scientific and intellectual thought
- Advance the students’ knowledge of classical and modern science
- Communicate with the scientific community
- Aid the civic community with its comprehension of science
- Encourage students to participate in community service and in turn, encourage a dedication to the pursuit of scientific knowledge that benefits all humankind

**Requirements:** Because this is a national society the requirements for membership can be found on line at the Science National Honor Society website. Membership for a student in the SNHS is conferred in the last two years of secondary school education. A student must have and maintain a 3.0/4.0 grade point average to be a member.

- A member must be enrolled in at least one honors or upper level science class during or prior to the 11 grade year.
- A member must be enrolled in at least one second year honors or upper level science class during or prior to the 12 grade year. If second year honors or upper level science courses are not offered by the school, then the student must be enrolled in a second first year honors or upper level science class during or prior to the 12 grade year.
- A member must maintain a B+ average (or equivalent) across all science courses.
- All members must attend one local chapter officer's lecture annually.
Show Choir

**Sponsor:** Stephanie Baker  
**Day:** Tuesdays  
**Time:** Weekly 2:25 pm - 4:00 pm  
**Location:** Room 125  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4654  
**Student President/Leader:** Samantha Shoop  
**Description:** Show Choir is an extremely popular choral ensemble for all interested students who can dance and sing. The group sings a wide variety of music written specifically for the stage. Auditions are required. Auditions are being held this year on September 16, 2008 from 2:25 – 5:00 PM. Students should prepare a song to sing from memory and dance moves to use while singing. Show Choir performs at least twice a year on the choral concerts. Once membership is established, regular attendance is necessary. Show Choir is an exciting organization for those who like to be in the lime light.

**Requirements:** By audition only. Audition preparatory workshop being held on Sept. 10, 2013, Audition September 17, 2013.

Sign Language Club

**Sponsor:** Michelle Lapp  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4660  
**Description:** Learning how to communicate using American Sign Language, different signs and background information on the deaf communities and culture.

**Requirements:** NONE!

Social Studies Honor Society

**Sponsor:** Elizabeth Hart  
**Day:** Quarterly as determined  
**Time:** Lunch  
**Location:** Room 214  
**Contact#:** 301-601-4674  
**Student President/Leader Name:** TBD  
**Description:** Social Studies Honor Society for high school juniors and seniors that recognizes excellence in the field of Social Studies. Students must apply and meet specific academic excellence, submit a teacher recommendation and show evidence of community service.

**Requirements:** Must have Social Studies recommendation and meet certain academic criteria.
Spanish National Honor Society

Sponsor: Tara Erichson  
Day: TBD  
Time: Month of April  
Location: World Languages Wing  
Contact#: 301-601-4685  
Description: Spanish National honor society celebrates the achievements of students in levels 3 and above.  
Requirements: Academic requirements and continued study of Spanish

STEP Team - Girls

Sponsor: Monica Proctor/Deshonda Cunningham  
Day: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday  
Time: 2:25 pm – 4:00 pm  
Location: Cafeteria Lobby  
Contact#: 301-601-4660  
Description: Kappa Sigma Theta Step Team is a group of young ladies who use this art form to learn teamwork while developing complete steps, formation, originality, and creativity with energy and enthusiasm. Team performs for Northwest at pep rallies and basketball games. Team also competes in various state level events throughout the year.  
Requirements: Tryouts, Academic Eligibility
Student Government Association

Sponsor: Angelica Agosto/Kelly Carroll  
Day: Monday  
Time: Lunch and as needed  
Location: Room 112  
Contact#: 301-601-4678  
Student President/Leader: Patrick Quackenbush

Description: The Student Government Association (SGA) is designed to represent and support the student body of Northwest High School. Its charge is to promote the welfare of the students and to offer an opportunity to participate in the democratic process. In addition, to foster a close relationship among students, faculty, and administration and to act as a representative of the student body in exchange with the faculty, administration, county school system, community and outside organizations. The SGA also seeks to provide a forum through which students may express their opinions and concerns. The organization aims to provide responsible students leadership positions and to further the educational well-being of the students.

Requirements:  
- Every student at Northwest High School has the right to be a participating member of this organization.  
- Students interested in being voting members of the general assembly must attend prior meetings pertaining to specific issues.  
- In order to be elected President of the SGA or the Junior or Senior Executive Councils (class office); an individual must exhibit at least one year of experience as an officer in either organization.  
- The President of the SGA must be a senior student.  

All elected SGA officers must maintain a grade point average of a 2.0

Team Red Cross

Sponsor: Kate McKenna  
Day: Thursday  
Time: Lunch Weekly  
Location: Room 252  
Contact#: 301-601-4641  
Student President/Leader: Sula Ndousse Fetter and Shawnee Johnson

Description: Team Red Cross is a service organization. Members are involved in organizing a blood drive, fundraising for Red Cross health programs and awareness, and general service projects in the community.

Requirements: Interest in helping others.
The Secret Society of Science Songwriters (4SW)

**Sponsor:** Avi Silber  
**Day:** Thursdays  
**Time:** Afterschool, 2:30 pm – 7:00 pm  
**Location:** Room 307  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4660  
**Student President/Leader:** Camryn Shegogue  
**Description:** We write lyrics, instrumentals and produce music videos to help people learn science concepts.  
**Requirements:** None

Think Pink Club

**Sponsor:** Stephanie Blake/Katie Johnson  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** Twice a month  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact #:** 301-601-4660  
**Student President/Leader:** Lindsey Broderick and Rebecca Crowley  
**Description:** We want to raise awareness and donations for breast cancer. Through events, assemblies, fundraisers and other organizations we hope to get students, staff and parents involved in our club.  
**Requirements:** Dedication and commitment

Ultimate Frisbee

**Sponsor:** Lynn Meier  
**Day:** TBD  
**Time:** TBD  
**Location:** TBD  
**Contact #:** TBD  
**Student President/Leader:** TBD  
**Description:** Please see sponsor for more details.  
**Requirements:** None
Warm-up America (Knitting and Crocheting)

Sponsor: Anne Marcinko  
Day: Wednesday  
Time: 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm  
Location: Room 230  
Contact#: 301-601-4674  
Student President/Leader: Stephanie Pomrenke and Candace Powell  
Description: Students learn to knit or crochet and create blankets and other items to donate to homeless shelters.  

Requirements: NONE...willingness to learn and help others.  
Website Information: www.craftyarnscouncil.com/warmup.html

Weight Room/Power Lifting

Sponsor: Usman Jamil (Fall/Spring)/Lisa Frendlich (Winter)  
Day: Tuesday and Thursday  
Time: 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm  
Location: Weight Room  
Contact#: 301-601-4627  
Description: Any student interested in physical training and/or exercise.  
Requirements: Must be currently enrolled at NWHS.

Yearbook

Sponsor: Amy Mason  
Day: Class period during the school day/some after school days  
Time: Daily  
Location: Room 217  
Contact#: 301-601-4649  
Student President/Leader: Bailey Booth  
Description: Yearbook is a year-long class. See Ms. Deming in 217 for registering for the 2011-2012 school year. We invited the Northwest community to inform us about any special events and to submit photographs for use in the yearbook.  
Requirements: Must be enrolled in the class.
Class Sponsor Information

Class of 2014

Sponsor: Athena Cois/Brian Cody
Day: Fridays Time: Lunch
Location: Room 327
Contact#: 301-601-4642

CLASS OFFICERS

President: Amdiel Clement
Vice President: Christina Fahey
Secretary: Kelly Choi
Treasurer: Dennis Do
Historian: Maya Green
Parliamentarian: Parth Talwar

Description: The class of 2014 is excited to be completing the last year of high school. We are raising money towards senior banquet, prom and graduation through various fundraisers. We are looking for students who can help with different events. We also work closely with our community to establish great relationships with our local leaders.

Class of 2015

Sponsor: Charlie Schultz/Chris Layer
Day: Wednesday Time: Lunch
Location: Room 339
Contact#: 301-601-4650

CLASS OFFICERS

President: Dale Tassbihi
Vice President: Sophia Apergis
Secretary: Daniel Zare
Treasurer: Allison Karwoski
Historian: Neela Sampath
Parliamentarian: Greg Parker

Description: Class Officer responsible as student leader and responsible school community member for Class of 2015.

Requirements: Responsible, organized students in good academic standing with respect for NW policy and regulations.
Class of 2016

Sponsor: Sara Friedman/Kelly Schlutz  
Day: Thursdays  
Time: Lunch  
Location: Room 179  
Contact#: 301-601-4639

CLASS OFFICERS

President: Hannah Shraim  
Vice President: Daniel Haghjou  
Secretary: Claire Yoo  
Treasurer: Dale Tassbihi  
Historian: Sasha Miller  
Parliamentarian: Emily Xie

Description: The Class of 2016 will be raising money for upcoming events over the next 3 years. We are looking for students who can help with homecoming activities, dances and fundraisers. We also work closely with our community to establish great relationships with our local leaders.

Requirements: Eligibility.

Class of 2017

Sponsor: Amy Mason  
Day: Weekly Time:  
Lunch Location: Room 217  
Contact#: 301-601-4650

CLASS OFFICERS

President: TBD  
Vice President: TBD  
4th Vice President: TBD  
Secretary: TBD  
Treasurer: TBD  
Historian: TBD  
Parliamentarian: TBD

Description: To support the Class of 2017 in fundraising and spirit. Plan for class events.

Requirements: Be part of the Class of 2017.
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