

**AMS After School Clubs/Activities
2019 - 2020**

Club/Description	Director(s)	Day/Time/Location
<p><u>Art Club</u> If you are the kind of person who enjoys following your own visual art interests in sculpture, digital photography, drawing and painting, this is the place for you. We are also looking for students who believe that art can impact the community by creating collaborative themed pieces.</p>	Mrs. Olsen Mrs. Bernardoni	Tuesdays, 2:30 - 3:30 (Fall - Mrs. Bernardoni, Room 115) (Spring - Mrs. Olsen, Room 113)
<p><u>Audio Visual Club</u> Assist in setting up AV equipment for teachers, learn about VCRs & DVDs.</p>	Mr. Firmes	During school hours
<p><u>Communications Club</u> The communications club is a small group of students committed to producing the live morning school announcement program and the front main lobby PowerPoint screen display. Periodically, the club will travel to AHS after school to record AMS news segments and/or school public service announcements with the AHS audio video department. Students will learn how to handle and operate video recording and editing equipment. There will be group meeting times before school as well as some independent work such as news segment writing, videotaping and editing.</p>	Mr. Queenan	Tuesdays, 7:30 - 7:45 and/or Tuesdays, 2:30 - 3:30 Room 208
<p><u>Computer Club</u> AMS computer club students will have the opportunity to explore computers and software beyond classroom experiences. Some of the activities will include multimedia presentations, Web adventures, GUI programming, digital photography, GUI programming mini drones, editing digital video and educational games.</p>	Mr. Queenan	Wednesdays, 2:30 - 3:30 Room 208
<p><u>Destination Imagination</u> Are you a problem SOLVER? Are you an inventor? Are you creative? Do you have great ideas and work well with others? Destination Imagination is the place for you to show off your skills! Work with a team of 5-7 other students on a challenge and present your solution at the tournament in March.</p>	Mrs. Costello Mr. Costello	Tuesdays, 2:35 - 3:30 Room 404
<p><u>Diversity Club</u> Diversity Club works to create a school community where all students feel welcome and supported, regardless of their gender identity. We organize events the Day of Silence to create more visibility for LGBTQ+ people and issues. We work with other student organizations to improve our school climate and create a better environment for all students.</p>	Ms. Abramson	TBA
<p><u>Drama Club</u> The AMS Drama Club production of (TBA) will be held April 2nd at 6:00 p.m., April 3rd at 6:00 p.m. and April 4th at 3:00 p.m.</p>	Mrs. Shirshac	Members will receive a schedule
<p><u>Game Club</u> This club provides an opportunity for students to meet together to play a variety of games including chess, checkers, stratego, cribbage and backgammon. We are always looking for new Magic the Gathering players as well.</p>	Mr. Bent Mr. Rinaldi	Mondays, 2:30-3:30 Room 101, or café depending on # of members
<p><u>Geology Club</u> This club will explore all areas of geology, seeking to build an understanding of geological processes and their impact on our lives. We'll also discuss the ways that the exploitation of our mineral resources has both positive and negative impacts on our environment and consequently our existence. The students will be encouraged to build their own rock and mineral collections, learning how to identify, label and care for their specimens. They will also be allowed to trade specimens with other club members.</p>	Mr. Smith	Mondays 2:30 - 3:30 Room 200
<p><u>Girls Running Club - Spring</u> This group will focus on nutrition and physical and emotional well-being. We will be slowly working our way to running a 5k in May/June, so it's okay if you're a beginner! We run from AMS typically towards Lowell's Boat Shop or to the center of town onto the Riverwalk. This club is for 7th and 8th grade girls only.</p>	Mrs. Bailey	Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:30 Meet outside Mrs. Bailey's office March-June only
<p><u>Homework Club</u> Staff members help students with reading directions, problem solving, organizing their time and taking responsibility for their assignments. It is a time students can work quietly on class assignments and seek help when needed.</p>	Mrs. Donadoni Mrs. Coco Mr. Bragg Ms. Mamokos	Mon. through Thurs. 2:30 - 3:30 in the Library (See Mrs. Byman in the library for sign up letter)
<p><u>Interact Club</u> AMS Interact is a community service club for grades 5-8. The Interact organization is dedicated to community service for the benefit of our local as well as the global community.</p>	Mrs. MacAulay	Tuesdays 2:30 - 3:30 Room 305
<p><u>Intramurals</u> Intramurals will begin in October. Mr. Plante will provide interested students with information about what will be offered. Intramurals is an opportunity for students to play sports such as basketball, football, dodgeball, etc. with friends & peers in a laid back setting. All are welcome!</p>	Mr. Plante	October - April in the Gym 5th & 6th - Mondays 7th & 8th - Tuesdays

<p><u>Jazz-Rock Band</u> Students will be selected to explore & perform the various styles of big band, jazz, blues, swing and Dixie Land. The group meets on Fridays after school and attendance is required each week. Membership is by audition only and is for grades 6-8.</p>	Mr. Fijalkowski	Fridays 2:30 - 3:30 Band Room
<p><u>Literary Magazine</u> Poets, writers, artists, or any students interested in the process of publishing a magazine may elect to become staff members of Kaleidoscope, AMS' own literary magazine. Activities involve writing and illustrating, communicating with student writers and artists, layout and creating the mock-up for publication.</p>	Ms. O'Mullane	Mondays 2:30 - 3:30 Room 402
<p><u>Math League</u> Students will be preparing for Math League competitions against other schools in our region. Practices will be held on Thursdays. There will be five competitions throughout the year that are also held on Thursdays in place of practice. The first meet is in October and the last meet is in April. Four of the five meets are hosted at other schools and meets last until 6:00 p.m. More information will be distributed.</p>	Mrs. Hill Mr. Rinaldi	Thursdays 2:30 - 3:30 Room 302
<p><u>Melody Club</u> Melody Club is a small audition-only vocal ensemble. Auditions are open to any AMS student with a passion for singing. No experience necessary! Tryout times will be posted and announced.</p>	Mrs. Kimball	Thursdays 2:30 - 3:30 Performing Arts Room
<p><u>Newspaper Club</u> Interested students will have the opportunity to write, edit, set up and conduct interviews. Come and work on your school's quarterly newspaper. Open to all grades and abilities.</p>	Mrs. Fijalkowski	Mondays 2:30-3:30 Room 206
<p><u>Peer Leaders</u> Peer Leader Club is looking for responsible, motivated and dedicated 7th and 8th grade students who would like to work together for the benefit of AMS and the community of Amesbury.</p>	Mrs. MacAulay	Tuesday 2:30 - 3:30 Room 305
<p><u>Project Runway/Pinterest</u> If you are interested in fashion design, this club is for you. Members explore the world of fashion as well as create their own pieces. The club culminates with a fashion show and a celebration. The club meets once a week from September until the winter break in February.</p>	Mrs. Olsen Mrs. Bernardoni	Wednesdays 2:30 - 3:30 Room 115 - Fall Room 113 - Spring
<p><u>Recycling Club</u> Are you interested in keeping our school environmentally friendly? This club is for you! We will pick up recycling bins in the school and explore other possibilities to educate and contribute to making our school and community green.</p>	Ms. Abramson	Tuesdays 2:30 - 3:30 Room 403
<p><u>Running Club</u> Weather permitting, the running club will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9/25 until 10/31. Participants will change into their gear after school and meet in the lobby. We will also have a few home meets with other local middle schools. A \$40.00 fee from each participant will help defray the cost of buses to out of town events. No one will be allowed to participate without the proper paperwork being turned in.</p>	Mr. Wesolowski	Monday & Wednesdays Sept. 25 - Oct. 31 2:30 - 4:00
<p><u>Ski Club</u> The Ski Club begins in January and runs once a week for 6 weeks. More information regarding dates and fees will be distributed.</p>	parent volunteer	Jan. 6, 13, 27; Feb. 3, 10, 24
<p><u>Student Council</u> AMS Student Council is a group of dedicated students who work hard yet have fun for the betterment of AMS. The Council is made up of elected representatives from grades 5-8. Elections will be held in each homeroom. **Note: If your child is elected, you will be responsible for the user/activity fee. Please discuss this with your child BEFORE they put themselves up for nomination.</p>	Mr. Wesolowski	Thursdays 2:30 - 3:30 Room 401
<p><u>Yearbook</u> The Yearbook staff consists of eighth grade students who vote on the theme, takes pictures throughout the school year of events, students, faculty, etc., and puts together the yearbook that is published in June. Yearbook is a full year commitment. Students must provide the following recommendations: self, parent, 2 teachers (one must be a 7th grade teacher) explaining how they will contribute to yearbook club.</p>	Mrs. Costello Mr. Costello	Mondays 2:30 - 3:30 Room 404