

# SLEEPY HOLLOW MIDDLE SCHOOL CLUB DIRECTORY

## 2018/19

### **Headless Horse-Bots – Mr. Garguilo**

The Headless Horse-Bots are an award winning FLL Robotics Competition team for grades 6-8. The students will study engineering and work with an elite team of actual engineers. They will have to problem solve and construct a robot which will combine team work, computer programming, vehicle construction and fun! Students in grades 6-8 will be selected as members of the team to compete in the county, state, and possibly national robotics competitions. The club will meet on Monday afternoon from 3:00-5:00 in Room 203S. Contact Mr. Garguilo at [mgarguilo@tufsd.org](mailto:mgarguilo@tufsd.org).

### **Middle School Math Club – Advisor: Ms. Yepes**

The Middle School Math Club is open to all students interested in Math Counts as well as the Math Olympiad. Math Counts is a national enrichment, coaching, and competition program that promotes middle school mathematics achievement through grassroots involvement in every US state and territory. The competition provides extra incentives and the perfect atmosphere for the students to push themselves to achieve more in mathematics. Consisting of fun and creative problems, the Math Counts competitions have written and oral rounds, as well as individual and team components. Students from grades 6 through 8 are invited to participate on the Sleepy Hollow Math Counts Team. Sixth grade students interested in participating in the Math Olympiad should also join the Math Club in order to prepare for the five mathematics competitions that occur during the course of the school year. Contact Ms. Yepes at [myepes@tufsd.org](mailto:myepes@tufsd.org)

### **Strategic Games Club – Advisor: Mr. Garguilo**

Using knowledge learned in the classroom to achieve victory in games is the goal of the Strategic Games Club. Students in grades 6-8 enter into honorable competition using board games and video games. Students are instructed in the art of good sportsmanship and are required to shake hands after every match. Mr. Garguilo strives to foster a positive relationship among peers and the school during enjoyable competition. Strategic Games Club meets Tuesdays from 3:05-4:15 in room 203S. Contact Mr. Garguilo at [mgarguilo@tufsd.org](mailto:mgarguilo@tufsd.org).

### **The International Club – Advisors: Ms. Clayton, Ms. Molina and Ms. Piccirillo**

The International Club is open to all students at Sleepy Hollow Middle School and members will participate in interactive cultural experiences. Students will work on arts and crafts projects from around the world; participate in cooking lessons using international foods such as crepes, churros and zeppoles; view foreign films, participate in a community service project; and our big event will be planning and participating in a Multicultural Talent Show! The talent show will include acts performed by Sleepy Hollow Middle School Students with an international twist. Please join us to expand your horizons and learn about other cultures. Club meeting dates will be announced in the fall. Contact Ms. Clayton at [jclayton@tufsd.org](mailto:jclayton@tufsd.org).

### **Cinemanía Club – Advisor: Ms. Perez**

Travel the world without leaving your seats. Cinemanía gives middle school students in grades 7 and 8 the opportunity to explore the experience of childhood through film in all corners of the globe. Weekly meetings include a film screening, interactive discussion, and writing and reading film reviews. We take a bus to the Jacob Burns Film Center in Pleasantville. If you would like to join, contact Ms. Perez at [mperez2@tufsd.org](mailto:mperez2@tufsd.org)

### **Yearbook Committee – Advisor: Mr. Lerro**

This year's Sleepy Hollow Yearbook Club will be responsible for capturing the history of SHMS from the fall of 2018 through the spring of 2019. Along with our yearbook company, we will design a book online from start to finish that sums up our year together. Future yearbook employees will work with senior yearbook advisers to format spreads, take and Photoshop photographs, copy and edit text, etc. If you consider yourself a visual genius, you are great with words, and/or you are a natural photographer - then apply first thing in the fall with Mr. Lerro! There will be a meeting for interested students the first week, so listen closely to announcements and read everything posted on the walls! (Grades 6-8 are welcome to apply.) Contact Mr. Lerro at [mleer@tufsd.org](mailto:mleer@tufsd.org)

### **National Junior Honor Society – Advisor: Ms. Murolo**

This is the ninth year Sleepy Hollow Middle School has recognized students for the NJHS. It is open to students that

have a specified cumulative grade point average and are part of the school community. Students who meet the criteria will be invited to apply and a 5 member faculty council will read the applications and decide if the candidate meets the standards. Membership must be applied for each year. The National Honor Society continues through high school and college. Contact Ms. Murolo at [murolo@tufsd.org](mailto:murolo@tufsd.org).

**Marine Biology Club – Advisor: Ms. McCarl**

Join the Marine Biology Club where the focus is on exploring the Hudson River! Learn how to use different types of nets and equipment to collect and study marine organisms and water quality of the Hudson River. We will maintain a classroom estuary tank that contains our catch! The Hudson River in our area is an estuary that contains both salt and fresh water. It is a location that is used by many marine and fresh water organisms as a nursery. Members will help to design a mural or booklet that will communicate the importance of the Hudson River in our daily lives and depict the animals that live there. We will be working with the Hudson River Museum to share what we find out! Field trips to the collection sites at Kingsland and Pearson Park are necessary for collecting. Plan to get wet and get hands-on experience with tank maintenance. Water shoes or old sneakers and permission to be in the water to help collect are required.

Contact Ms. McCarl at [dmccarl@tufsd.org](mailto:dmccarl@tufsd.org)

**Student Council – Advisors: Ms. Proctor And Ms. Connell**

Student Government is open to students in grades 6-8. Representatives from each homeroom and class officials will be elected to help lead activities throughout the school year. One of the main goals of the Student Government this year will be to focus on raising funds for a number of school wide activities, as well as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip to Washington, DC. A bake sale and coffee sale are just a couple of the fundraising activities taking place this year. Contact Ms. Proctor at [kproctor@tufsd.org](mailto:kproctor@tufsd.org) or Ms. Connell at [kconnell@tufsd.org](mailto:kconnell@tufsd.org)

**Art Club – Advisor: Ms. Harrison**

The SHMS Art Club will meet each Friday, from 3-4:30. Students will have a chance to explore various formal issues in visual art through the hands-on creative process. Moreover, all middle school participants will be encouraged to engage in contemplative critical thinking through both the spoken and written word. Sample activities will include: working from still life set-ups, working from the figure (students will take turns at modeling), analyzing short films, creating photo journals, and planning and executing a school installation that will engage the viewer. In addition, the students will help develop and create a school “museum” that showcases ideas pertinent to the school community. Contact Ms.

Harrison at [aharrison@tufsd.org](mailto:aharrison@tufsd.org)

**Garage Band Club – Advisor: Ms. DiNome**

Garage band club is open to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who are not in a performing group, who have interest in creating original music with music technology. No experience is required and students do not need to play an instrument. Students will create original music compositions on Mac Book computers by learning musical form, instrumentation, dynamics and recording techniques. Each student will create and receive a CD of their musical works at end of session. Limit 12 students. Meets Mondays 7:45-8:30am in 515 A. Contact Mrs. DiNome at [ldinome@tufsd.org](mailto:ldinome@tufsd.org) for more information.

**ESL Club – Advisors: Ms. McGraw, Ms. Ramirez, and Ms. Perez**

The ESL Club organizes recreational excursions approximately once a month for all students. In past years, the ESL Club has gone ice skating, apple picking, hiking, and swimming. We have sponsored open gym nights, holiday movies, and picnics and have been spooked together at the Haunted Hayride in Sleepy Hollow! We enjoy our time together and create friendships outside of the classroom. Please contact Ms. Ramirez for more information at [eramirez@tufsd.org](mailto:eramirez@tufsd.org).

**Health and Wellness Club – Advisor: Ms. King**

The Sleepy Hollow Health and Wellness Club focuses on promoting a healthier lifestyle. This club is open to any 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup> grade student. Students will learn about selecting, preparing and eating nutritious meals and snacks. They will learn to manage stress and promote a healthy mind and body. Students will learn basic yoga poses, meditation and mindfulness. The health and wellness club will meet on Mondays @ 7:45 a.m. Please contact Ms. King for more information at [lking@tufsd.org](mailto:lking@tufsd.org).

**Computer Programming Club – Advisor: Ms. Sara Rodrigues**

The Computer Programming Club (CPC) will teach students vital problem-solving skills, bolster their creativity, and increase their communication skills all while having fun learning computer programming. Students will use programs such as Scratch (developed at MIT), Yapp, and Appypie, as well as others, to focus on both coding and visualizing how coding works. Students who master coding may have an opportunity to develop their own apps for iOS or Android! Please contact Ms. Sara Rodrigues at [srodrigues@tufsd.org](mailto:srodrigues@tufsd.org).

**Spanish Literature and Drama Fun Club – Advisor: Ms. Ramirez and Ms. Perez**

In the Spanish Literature and Drama Fun Club, native speakers of Spanish will be exposed to a rich variety of contemporary and traditional literature in Spanish, while enhancing their understanding of plot and character traits. This approach to literature will also help students strengthen their native language vocabulary and develop an appreciation for Spanish literature. Some authors we will study include: J.L. Borges, García Márquez, E.A. Poe, M. Bennedetti. The club will meet once a week. Please contact Ms. Ramirez for more information at [eramirez@tufsd.org](mailto:eramirez@tufsd.org).

**The Afterschool Word Games and Puzzle Club – Advisor: Mr. Dietz**

This after school club is for middle school students who enjoy playing games with words and solving word puzzles. The club focuses on the use of word puzzles and games to increase students' awareness of vocabulary, language usage, and problem solving strategies. We will be using games such as Word Winder, Scrabble, Jumble, word searches and many more to encourage team building and cooperation in completing tasks. Club meeting dates will be announced in the fall. For more information, please contact Mr. Dietz at [kdietz@tufsd.org](mailto:kdietz@tufsd.org).

**Science Research and STEAM competition – Advisor: Mr. Patierno**

In this club, students will meet on a weekly basis, identify local, regional, or national competitions that they want to participate in, and work on creating their own projects from start to finish. The students will also work to create a middle school science competition that will allow all students in grades 6-8 to enter and present their own research projects in a "science fair" like model. The goal of this club is to allow students to explore areas of science, engineering and sustainable development and to complete meaningful investigations that may have the ability to influence local and/or global communities. Club meeting dates will be announced in the fall. For more information, please contact Mr. Patierno at [apatierno@tufsd.org](mailto:apatierno@tufsd.org).

**The Middle School Drama Club– Advisor: Mr. Kennedy**

The Middle School Drama Club gives students in grades 6-8 the opportunity to express themselves through acting with a strong focus on comic improvisation. Participants work on voice, physicality, and the choices actors make to breathe life into characters. We meet on Tuesdays from 3:15 to 4:45. All middle schoolers are welcome, and attendance is flexible. Contact Mr. Kennedy at [pkennedy@tufsd.org](mailto:pkennedy@tufsd.org)

**World Drumming Club – Advisor: Ms. DiNome**

This club is for students in grades 6-8 who are interested in playing Djembe drums, Conga drums, and Auxiliary percussion. The club welcomes all levels, from beginning to advanced. If a student is in one performing ensemble: band, orchestra or chorus and has a strong interest in playing percussion they can attend the club opposite their rehearsal week. Limit 12 students. Meets Tuesdays 7:45 – 8:30 am in Rm 515A. Contact Ms. DiNome at [ldinome@tufsd.org](mailto:ldinome@tufsd.org) for more information.

**Culinary Club – Advisor: Mr. Patierno**

The goal of the culinary club is to take a look at the role that food plays in modern civilizations and use it as a medium to address scientific processes and societal issues. Students in the club will gain better understanding of professional culinary techniques, learn about the life cycle of food from production, through harvesting, and then the recycling of materials. Students will also be exposed to budgeting and learn what factors contribute to higher food costs, how to prepare meals on a budget, and where to source the best ingredients. The club will take on a similar theme to the popular television show "chopped" and the students involved will work in teams to learn about ingredients, plan meals, and practice professional techniques that may one day help them secure jobs as professionals in the food industry. Whenever possible, the science behind the practice will be explained and connections to all fields of science (chemistry, biology, ecology, physics, etc.) will be made. For more information, please contact Mr. Patierno at [apatierno@tufsd.org](mailto:apatierno@tufsd.org).