

**LAWTON C. JOHNSON
SUMMIT MIDDLE SCHOOL
2025-26 CLUB OFFERINGS**

Club Name	Advisor	Room	Meeting Day/Time	Description
A-3 Alliance	Ms. Horetsky, and Ms. Ferizi	237	Tuesday & Thursday 2:45-3:30	A-3 Alliance means “after 3pm friendships.” The program will be facilitated by LCJSMS teachers and 6 th grade, 7 th grade, and 8 th run by peer mentors from grade, giving every student an opportunity to interact in a safe, positive and engaging way. Weekly meetings will include cooperative games, structured activities, Smartboard/computer-based activities, and board games. The goal of the A-3 Alliance is to increase the social interaction between the 6 th , 7 th , and 8 th grade participants, promote leadership, and increase mentor-like relationships – all while having fun at the end of the day!
Bel Canto	Ms. Burke	Orchestra Rm 128		Bel Canto is an auditioned Treble Choir ensemble. It is the premier select vocal ensemble at LCJSMS! Many singers who participate in Bel Canto have also earned spots in Central Jersey Region Honor Choir and New Jersey All State Honor Choirs. Bel Canto is invited to perform at events within the Summit community and beyond, such as the Summit Job Recruitment Fair, Summit Little League Baseball Games, and Rutgers University Basketball games! In order to audition, students must participate in Band, Orchestra or Chorus during the school year; all genders are welcome as long as your voice fits within a treble range. Please reach out to Ms. Burke bburke@summit.k12.nj.us to learn more!
Chamber Orchestra	Ms. Quraishi	Orchestra Rm 128	Tuesday 3:15-4:15	Chamber Orchestra is the select orchestra ensemble at LCJSMS and is open by audition to any orchestra student. Auditions take place at the end of September. Chamber Orchestra performs at various assemblies, concerts and other functions throughout the year, including a festival at Dorney Park in May. Rehearsals take place every Tuesday from 3:15-4:15 pm in the Orchestra Room.

Drama Club	Ms. Cicchino	250	Monthly on Thursdays 3:00-4:00	The purpose of the Drama Club is to provide an outlet for students who want to learn about theater and the dramatic arts. Members are encouraged to attend workshops that will help build the skills necessary to be a part of a production. The club will meet to view, discuss, create, improvise, and enact a variety of techniques and genres in an enjoyable and professional atmosphere. Drama Club will also assist the publicity crew for the fall play and spring musical. Meetings will be held monthly on Thursdays from 3:00-4:00.
ECO-Club	Mrs. Rommel & Ms. Genakos	248	Tuesday 7:30am	The ECO-Club is for students who want to get involved in environmental and ecological science projects in our community! We will be raising awareness, working with animals, designing projects, and bringing the science community together.
FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)	Mr. Welsh Mrs. Gallagher - Luca	258	TBD	Calling all middle school students who want to explore and/or grow deeper in their Christian Faith! Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) is an international organization that seeks to provide a community within schools for people wanting to know and grow their relationship with Jesus and one another. We are a student led group that meets regularly in Room 258. We hope to see you soon.
Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)	Ms. Genua	227	Usually weekly on Mon or Fri 2:50-3:50	Join our Middle School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) club, where you can explore the exciting world of business, entrepreneurship, and leadership! Through fun activities, a chance of competing, and community service projects, you'll develop valuable skills, make new friends, and gain insights into future career opportunities. Don't miss out on the chance to be a part of something great— and start your journey as a future leader!
French Club <i>Venez nombreux!</i>	Ms. Lorient-Apruzzese Dr. Schlehlein	228	Monthly on Wednesdays 2:45-4:00	The French Club is open to all middle school students currently enrolled in a French class. Students will be able to reinforce the use of the French language through different kinds of fun activities, such as games, plays, cartoons, music, movies, arts and crafts. There will also be French snacks and drinks. Come meet other French enthusiasts at LCJSMS! The club will meet once every month on a Wednesday from 2:45-4:00 pm

INSPIRE	Mrs. Raven Mrs. McGinley	130	Every other Thursday 2:45-3:30	The INSPIRE Creative Arts Magazine is an online digital magazine. All students are welcome to participate as editors, staff members, and/or contributors. Any medium that can be viewed online can be submitted to INSPIRE (e.g. videos, writing, photographs, music). Meetings will be held every other week on Thursdays from 2:45-3:30 pm.
Jazz Lab Band	Mrs. Mongioj	Band Rm 135	Will start in January	Jazz Lab Band is an ensemble open to any student who plays an instrument in school or out of school and is in the band, orchestra, or chorus programs here at LCJSMS. At Jazz Lab students will learn and develop the concepts and techniques of jazz music. Students will also be able to experiment with improvisation and explore their creative sides, with several opportunities to perform solos on their instruments! Meetings are held Wednesday mornings at 7:15.
Math Team	Mr. Breivogel	154	Tuesday 2:45-3:15	The LCJSMS Math Team provides students with the opportunity to explore advanced math topics in a fun and competitive environment. The team participates in the MathCounts competition. The school wide competition is held in December with the top students continuing on to the regional competition in late January or February. Meetings will be held Tuesdays after school in room 154, from 2:45 - 3:15. Meetings will start in late September and continue throughout the school year.
Multicultural Club	Ms. Sarracino, Ms. Gallagher-Luca, Ms. Hartley	230 or cafeteria	2 student meetings (October & January)	The Multicultural Night Club is a student club that brings people together to celebrate and learn about the many cultures represented in our school and community. We host an annual event, where students can share their heritage through cultural performances, food tastings and arts & crafts from around the world. We're planning to host 2 student meetings (October & January) before the annual event in February. In addition, we will have 3-4 bake sales and opportunities for members to help with prep & setup before the event on 2/26/26.
Peer Leaders	Mrs. Jurista Mrs. Casani	Cafeteria or library	Every other Wednesday	The Peer Leadership program is an application ONLY club for 8th grade students. Student leaders are selected through a rigorous process and assist with many projects throughout the school year in supporting our school culture and climate. Meetings take place after school every other Wednesday in the Cafeteria or Library.

Science Olympiad	Ms. Stephens Ms. Andugala	146	Wednesday & Thursday 2:45-4:00	Science Olympiad is a STEM based team competition in which students participate in 3 types of events: laboratory, knowledge and building/engineering. Students meet twice a week to prepare for the regional tournament in January by studying, building structures, and performing lab experiments. Various fields of science are studied, including earth science, biology, chemistry, physics, and engineering. Meetings are every Wednesday and Thursday from 2:45-4:00 in Room 146.
<i>Spotlight</i>	Mrs. Ettinger	226	Every other Wednesday	The Spotlight Yearbook Club meets throughout the year every other Wednesday after school in room 226. Open to all grade levels, this club offers opportunities for writers, photographers, layout design staff, and yearbook sales teams. Leadership positions will be determined based on performance, knowledge, and reliability.
Speech & Debate Club	Mrs. Martin Mr. Wannamaker	214	Wednesday 2:50-3:30	The Speech & Debate Club is two awesome clubs in one! Students can perfect various types of public speaking such as interpretive reading, original oratory, and impromptu speaking. Students can also learn how to debate effectively. The advisors are Mrs. Martin and Mr. Wannamaker. We meet on Wednesdays from 2:50 to 3:30 in Room 214. Our first meeting will be on Wednesday, October 8th
Stage Band	Mr. Piepoli	135		Are you <i>In The Mood</i> to experience jazz, swing, big band, rock, improvisation, and more? The LCJSMS Stage Band is an audition group open to any student who is in the band, orchestra, or chorus programs and plays a jazz instrument. Auditions take place in early October. Students will meet every Wednesday after school from 3:00-4:00 p.m. Rehearsal and performance dates will be distributed to all members upon acceptance into the ensemble. This ensemble will perform at various assemblies, concerts and venues during the course of the year, including a festival at Dorney Park in May. Don't miss out on this exciting musical opportunity! Please see Mr. Piepoli with any questions.
Student Council	Mrs. Jurista Ms. Genakos	202	Every other Wednesday	The Student Council serves the entire school and is run by an Executive Board consisting of four elected officers. In addition, there are approximately

			7:30-7:55	20-24 additional Council members comprising the entire Executive Board. Meetings are held every OTHER Wednesday morning at 7:30 A.M. in room 202. Please see Ms. Genakos or Mrs. Jurista if you have any questions.
Student Movement Against Cancer (SMAC)	Mr. Ferrante	Main Gym	Once a month, Wednesday after school	To empower, encourage, and inspire the generation that ends cancer! To achieve this, SMAC is building a student-led network committed to fundraising for cancer causes and engaging in social, educational, and service activities that promote awareness and provide support for the cancer community.
Student Newspaper	Mr. Citera	137	TBD	Are you ready to make headlines? The first meeting for the new school newspaper club is Thursday, 9/18, after school in room 137. If you have a passion for writing, a knack for photography, or an eye for design, we want you! We are looking to create a newspaper that features a student column, student/staff spotlight, school community news and much more.
TEDx	Ms. Fout Mrs. Sweeney Ms. Finnegan	Library Cave	Thursday 3:00-4:30	TEDx brings together the greatest minds of our time to present their ideas to the entire world. Speeches cover a wide range of topics, but all TEDx talks share a common thread, a passion for the topic. LCJSMS is licensed by TEDx to produce our own independently organized event, TEDxYouth@LCJSMS. Presenters selected for the program will spend the year researching a topic of interest and will deliver a ten-minute speech in May. We look forward to meeting interested students at our initial meeting on October 9th. Meetings will be on Thursday afternoons in the library cave from 3:00-4:30.

Trading Card Game Club (TCGC)	Ms. O'Brien	LCJSMS Library	Tuesday 3:00 - 3:30	Trading Card Game Club (TCGC) - TCGC is an opportunity for students to play various card games such as Magic the Gathering, Pokémon Trading Card Game, Yu-Gi-Oh, Disney Lorcana, and more. We will meet every Tuesday after school from 3:00-3:30 in the LCJSMS library.
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