After School Activities Guide



2025-2026

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After School Activities Program Overview

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! At A. Mario Loiederman Middle School, we offer students a variety of after school activities: academic supports, clubs, interscholastic, and intramural sports in which students may participate to develop their leadership skills, improve their academic, musical, and athletic abilities under the leadership of a supportive, caring, competent and professional staff member. The purpose of this guide is to provide staff, parents, and students an overview of the after school program. We also want to encourage and to extend an invitation to all of our students to get engaged and involved in our after school activities program. We are very excited about our new sixth graders who are joining the Loiederman Family and our seventh and eighth graders who are returning or coming to Loiederman for the first time. All students are invited to participate in after school activities.

In collaboration with the Montgomery County Recreation and Parks Program, we also offer our *Excel Beyond the Bell (EBB) program*. A flyer with the specific offerings has been included in this packet. *Excel Beyond the Bell (EBB)* is in session on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The first session runs from September 29, 2025 until December 18, 2025. Ms. Emily McDonell is the director of the program and Mr. Paul Harmon is the after school liaison for EBB after school program.

Some of the Loiederman Middle School Clubs include but are not limited to: Student Government Association, Newspaper, National Junior Honor Society, National Junior Art Honor Society, just to mention a few. A more detailed list can be found in the guide.

Interscholastic sports are also offered at Loiederman. Ms. Dory'Ann Benjamin will serve as our athletic coordinator for the interscholastic program. Our interscholastic program consists of coed cross country, softball, basketball, and soccer. Ms. Harris is our intramural coordinator. Students in grades 7 and 8 are eligible to try out for interscholastic sports teams.

Finally, in collaboration with the school principal and the administrative team, Mr. Barnett, assistant principal, is the administrative designee for after school and extracurricular activities programs. An administrator is on duty on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. We are scheduled to begin on September 9th from 3:10 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Two activity buses are available for student transportation with designated stops and departs at 4:30 p.m. on the aforementioned days. There are separate buses used by some EBB programs that depart at 5:30pm from the school and follow the same routes as the 4:30pm buses.

The activity bus routes are <u>linked here</u> and can also be found on our school's website under the "After school activity" tab. They can also be found on the next page.

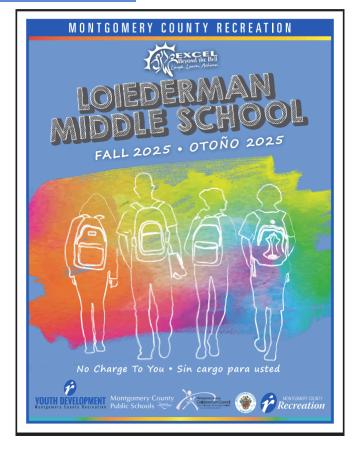
Bus One - 3227 Tues-Thurs	Bus Two - 3408 Tues-Thurs		
Weller Road and Bushey Drive (FOR ACT ONLY)	Metro Center Townhouses		
Harmony Hills ES	Aspen Hill Apartments		
Marianna Drive and Landgreen Street (First Intersection)	Palmira Lane and Lydia Street		
Frankfort Drive and Bauer Drive	Hewitt Ave Driveway 3		
Marianna Drive and West Frankfort Drive	Hewitt Ave Driveway 5		
Parkland Drive and Independence Street	Hewitt Ave Driveway 6		
Parkland Drive and Grenoble Drive	Hewitt Ave Driveway 7		
Parkland Drive and Adrian Street	Hewitt Ave Driveway 8		
12526 Veirs Mill Road @ Rock Creek Terrace Apt @ Fire Hydrant	Hewitt Ave Driveway 9		
Edgebrook Road and Selfridge Road	3331 Hewitt Ave @ Hewitt Garden Apartments		
Clearfield Road and Dewey Road	Georgia Avenue and Post Gate Terrace		
Hunters Lane and Ertter Drive	Bel Pre Road and Georgian Courts Apt		
Rocking Horse Road and Macon Road	Dunsinane and Tynewick at Pool		
Ashley Drive and Boiling Brook Pkwy	Grand Pre Rd @ North Gate Apartments		
Ashley Drive and Schuylkill Road	Connecticut Avenue and Pear Tree Court		
Schuylkill Road and Rock Road	Driveway just before Strathmore Apts.		
Garrett Park Road and Ivy Glen Road	Strathmore ES		
Idlewood Road and Fernhill Road	Bel Pre Rd and Big Bear Court		
Charles Road and Mahan Road	Homecrest Road and Legendary Court		
Selfridge Road and Ferrara Drive	Homecrest Road and Longmead Crossing Drive		
Gannon Road and Atherton Drive	Longmead Crossing Drive and Ladymead Drive		
Dalewood Drive and Goodhill Road	Longmead Crossing Drive and Wimbledon Drive		
	Argyle MS top driveway		
	Bonifant Road and Catoctin Road		
	Alderton Road and Alderton Lane		
	Alderton Road and Woodwell Road		

After School Activity Expectations for Attendance and Participation

- Participation and attendance in the Loiederman Middle School After School Activities Program is a privilege for students and an
 opportunity for students to be in a positive environment with their peers and making a positive contribution to their school
 community.
- Students are expected to be in their scheduled activity by 3:10 p.m. and remain in the school building and/or in the designated location with their school sponsor or coach at all times.
- Students will report to the cafeteria to meet their sponsors or EBB provider by 3:10 p.m. unless informed otherwise by their adult sponsor.
- Students will receive an after school snack through the supper program in the cafeteria.
- Students will be accompanied by an adult to the front entrance to board the after school buses or to the parent pick-up area at the conclusion of his or her activity.
- Students who meet the daily expectations and adhere to the school policies and procedures are welcome to participate in after school activities.
- Attendance will be taken daily by 3:15 p.m. If students are not in their scheduled activity by the time attendance is taken, the student will report to the office to call their parent/caregiver for a ride home.
- Students should have a hall pass from their sponsors when they are in the hallway; otherwise, students are expected to be in their designated location with their sponsors.
- We have high expectations for students who participate in our after school activities. If a student finds it challenging to adhere to the expectations of the program, they may lose their opportunity to participate in after school activities.
- Students are expected to be respectful and kind to their sponsors and their peers.
- Students will model appropriate sportsmanship and conduct themselves appropriately, following the rules of Montgomery County Public Schools and A. Mario Loiederman Middle School, at all sports activities, at all after school activities, and school-sponsored activities.
- Students and their parents/guardians will make the necessary arrangements for their transportation home from after school activities and evening events.



Please <u>click on this link</u> to access the EBB fall brochure.



School Sponsored Clubs and Activities

Activities					Meeting Schedule			
Activity	Adult Sponsor	Description	Location	Start/ End Date	Monday	Tuesda y	Wednesday	Thursday
Junior Minority Scholars Program	Ms. Morgan	The MSP Mission Statement: Empower students to analyze and disrupt racial inequities and systems of oppression. The Vision Statement: Create a world in which Black and Brown students and their intersectional identities experience true equity, a sense of belonging, and fully thrive in school and our communities.	TBD	9/16/2025		3 - 4pm		
How to Enchant a Bookshop	Mr. Anson	Fall show for 6th grade	105	9/16/2025		3 - 4:30		3 - 4:30
Shuddersome: Tales of Poe	Ms. Paley	Fall show for 7th and 8th grade	Performance Space	9/15/2025	3:15- 5:30 pm	3:15- 5:30 pm		3:15- 5:30 pm
Senior/Junior Dance Companies	Ms. Mercurio and Ms. Alastanos	Dance Company is a select, auditioned after school group that performs multiple times throughout the year at assemblies, open houses, and concerts. Students participating in dance company were selected from an audition in early September.	Dance classrooms	9/16/2025				
National Junior Honors Society	Mr. Hardy	National Junior Honor Society- national organization that is dedicated to Leadership, Citizenship, Character, Scholarship and Service	Zoom/Lunc h	9/26/2025	meeting times vary			
Dungeons and Dragons Club	Mr. Stevens	D&D Club: a space for students to collaboratively organize and play D&D in small groups at school. No more than 2 groups may meet at one session. I would like for members to join a canvas page specifically for the group and to sign up for gaming sessions. Off and Away phone policy applies to the club. In person gaming sessions are for players only.	TBD	Late October				
Lion's Pride	Mr. Rubin	A place where students of all sexualities and gender identities can come to learn, share, and be comfortable with themselves.	101	9/9/2025		3:15- 4:15 pm		
Student Gov't Association	Ms. Brooks	The SGA is a student-run organization that represents the student body and works to promote their interests	105	9/10/2025			3-4:30	
Math Olympiads	Mr. Snyder	National 6th grade Math Competition	TBD	End of				3:20-4:15

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Interscholastic Sports Interest Meetings for Tryouts

Listed below are the interscholastic sports and coaches for the upcoming year. All 7th and 8th graders meeting the requirements are eligible to tryouts for interscholastic sports teams. We welcome and encourage your participation. Also listed are the requirements for participation.



Coed (Boys and Girls) Cross Country - season underway



Softball - This sport is not happening due to low enrollment



Basketball interest meeting is TBD

- Boys Basketball coach Mr. Gonzales
- Girls Basketball coach Ms. Benjamin



Soccer interest meeting is TBD

- Boys Soccer coach Mr. Joseph
- Girls Soccer coach Ms. Trejo

Interscholastic and Intramural Sports

<u>Athletics</u>	Adult Sponsors
Athletic Coordinator	Ms. Benjamin
Intramural Coordinator	Ms. Harris
 Basketball Boys: 7th & 8th Grade: Winter 	Mr. Gonzales
 Basketball Girls: 7th & 8th Grade: Winter 	Ms. Benjamin
 Cross Country Co-Ed: 7th & 8th Grade: Fall 	Mr. Ortiz
Intramurals: Basketball	Ms. Harris
Soccer Boys: 7 th & 8 th grade: Spring	Mr. Joseph
Soccer Girls: 7 th & 8 th Grade: Spring	Ms. Trejo

Only 7th and *8th grade students are eligible to try out for interscholastic sports teams.

Grades 6-8 can participate in intramural sports.

**Tryouts and interest meetings will be announced by the coaches and sponsors