

<u>Club</u>	Club Goals & Overview	<u>Staff</u> <u>Advisor</u>	<u>Learn More</u>
Animal Rescue Club	Our new club, Animal Rescue Club, will explore ways to help animals who don't have homes of their own. We will have some "special" visitors, help raise money for local animal rescue organizations, have guest speakers, and more. If you love animals and want to help them, then this club is for you! We plan to meet 1-2 times each month, starting in October.	Ms. Reese	Email Ms. Reese: reesem@apcsd.org
Art Club	Art club is a place for students of all grades to get together and share their creativity and visual expression with one another! This year we will focus on digital photography but all mediums(drawing, collage, painting, sculpture) can be explored.	Mr. McMurray	Email Mr. McMurray to join the art club google classroom mcmurrayt@apcsd.org
Builders Club	This is a service club that exists for voluntary or charitable activities. This club will unite AMS students by a common goal.	Ms. Doyle	Email Ms. Doyle to join the Kiwanis Builders Club google classroom doylej@apcsd.org
Best Buddies	The focus of Best Buddies at AMS is the inclusion of all students. It allows for students with disabilities to make meaningful friendships with other students. These friendships can happen in 1:1 relationships or in "buddy" families. We meet 1-2 times a month for fun activities that include all!!	Mrs. Keenan	join the Best Buddies Google Classroom!!!
Overcomers Club	The Overcomers Club is a student-run group that focuses on studying scripture and the books of the Bible. There is also an emphasis on spreading kindness through the completion of service projects throughout the AMS and Averill Park communities. We will meet at least 1x a month (may be more depending on the student leader and the needs of the group).	Ms. Schielke	Email Ms. Schielke at schielkeb@apcsd.org
Challenges Book Club	We read books that connect to challenging issues such as cyberbullying, drug abuse, depression and teen alcoholism. We do have a deadline, as we will all be reading the same book. This book club meets four times in the fall and the second session, we meet four times in the spring. We meet either on Tuesday or Thursday.	Mrs. Ekstrom and Mr. DeNisio	Email Mrs. Ekstrom at ekstromr@apcsd.org And Mr. DeNisio at denisioj@apcsd.org
Chess Club	Chess Club is open to players at all levels, from beginners to experts! We meet once a month on a Wednesday afternoon. Let's get together and play Chess!	Mrs. Victor	Interested students should email Mrs. Victor at victorc@apcsd.org to be added to the Chess Club Google Classroom and email list.
Coding Club	Learn how to code and use different coding websites like Hour of Code. Anyone can join and we meet once a month on either Tuesday or Thursday.	Mrs. Ekstrom	Email Mrs. Ekstrom at ekstromr@apcsd.org
Crafty Creations	We will do a variety of crafts over the course of the year. You can come to one or all of the sessions. Join our google classroom with the code 4jf3jmg.	Ms. Miller	Email Ms. Miller millera@apcsd.org

Creative Writing Club	Club Goals and Overview: Creative Writing Club is a place to write! It is run by two students, Catherine Kaneg and Madeline Lane! We will mainly write stories, but we will write the occasional song or poem! We are an informal club, meeting any day of the week. CWC is also a place to socialize and make new friends with similar interests! If you love to write stories and use your imagination, this club is for you!	Mr. DuMont	Email Catherine Kaneg at 31kanegc@apcsd.org or Madeline Lane at 31lanem@apcsd.org.
Freestyle Book Club	Meet other readers, share what you're reading and see what others are reading. We make connections between books, genres and discuss ideas. Anyone can join and we meet once a month on either Tuesday or Thursday.	Mrs. Ekstrom *(retired Literacy Teacher Mrs, Dowd sometimes joins us)	Email Mrs. Ekstrom at ekstromr@apcsd.org
GAIM (Girls' Adventures in Math)	To encourage and allow girls to enjoy fun types of problem solving, from puzzles/riddles to equations (and everything in between). There is a possible competition in April for teams of four from this club. This competition would be comic book style presentations of 16 problems that you solve as a group and then one research question you tackle as a group, also.	Mrs. Colton	Email Mrs. Colton coltonn@apcsd.org
Girls on the Run - Heart and Sole	Heart and Sole will be back at AMS this fall and you must register through Girls on the Run to be on our team. (registration link) We will meet every Tuesday & Thursday starting 9/24 until our 5K race on 11/16. At Heart and Sole we focus on team building, learning about ourselves, having fun, and finding inner strength through physical activity as we train as a team to run a 5K race!	Ms. Pedersen Ms. Miller Ms. Milkiewicz	Email Ms. Milkiewicz milkiewiczl@apcsd.org Email Ms. Miller millera@apcsd.org
Entrepreneur Club	See Mr. Ross or Mr. Hansen Open to 7th and 8th Grade students only. Meets daily during access. Students develop and manufacture products to sell to the AMS community and learn basic business principles.	Mr. Hansen and Mr. Ross	Email hansend@apcsd.org or rossp@apcsd.org
Jazz Band	For band students who are interested in playing jazz and popular music in a small ensemble group. The group typically meets before school.	Ms. Jurczynski	Email Ms. Jurczynski at jurczynskil@apcsd.org
MathCounts	MathCounts is a national middle school mathematics competition. AMS MathCounts members meet twice a month on Wednesdays before school to practice challenge questions and help each other think through different math problems to prepare for the chapter competition in February. MathCounts is typically appropriate for students enrolled in Algebra or Geometry at AMS.	Mrs. Victor	Interested Algebra & Geometry students should email Mrs. Victor at victorc@apcsd.org
Nature Club	To create an inclusive environment to learn more about nature and the world around AMS! Club members will learn to grow and care for plants, clean up the land around the school, and take nature walks! Anyone is welcome at any meeting!	Mrs. Sauter	Mrs. Sauter (sauterd@apcsd.org) Join the Nature Club Google Classroom: 5pyc2md
WAM Morning Announcements	Be a part of the morning announcement production team. Sign up by email	Mr. Ross Mr. Hansen	Email rossp@apcsd.org or hansend@apcsd.org
Odyssey of the Mind	Odyssey of the Mind is an international creative problem-solving program that engages students in their learning by allowing their knowledge and ideas to come to life in an exciting, productive environment.		

	This club runs once a week from October through March.		
Robotics Club	Join the Robotics Club develop your engineering, coding and teamwork skills. Meets in room 407. First meeting to be announced soon.	Mr. Hansen and Mr. Ross	Email the advisors: rossp@apcsd.org or hansend@apcsd.org
SAGA	SAGA's goal is to create a safe space for members of the LGBTQ community and their allies.	Mrs. Baker	email Ms. Baker at: bakerk@apcsd.org
Science Club	Learn more about cool science concepts and participate in after school lab challenges with Mr. Cavotta and Ms. Longendyke	Mr. Cavotta and Ms. Longendyke	Email the advisors: cavottam@apcsd.org longendyken@apcsd.org
SL@AMS	Algonquin Service Learning Club. We do fun and interactive activities to support our school and community. Every year is different based on the students interests of that school year. Participation is as able. Examples of activities: Rock Painting, 'Candy Gram' fundraiser to support the AMS Food Pantry, creation of birthday bags & cards for a local food bank, Hygiene Drive, and more!	Mrs. Baker	Email Mrs. Baker: bakerk@apcsd.org
Social Media Club	The AMS Social Media Club utilizes X (formerly Twitter) and Instagram to create positive, informative social media content for the students, teachers, and families of the Algonquin Middle School community. A small group of dedicated 8th-grade students will serve as club officers responsible for curating and posting our content. Those students need to apply and complete an interview with Mr. Anderson.	Mr. Anderson	If you are an interested 8th-grade student, email Mr. Anderson (andersonc@apcsd.org)
Spelling Bee	Occurs in January. The winner of the AMS Spelling Bee moves on to the Regional Spelling Bee	Ms. Reese	Email reesem@apcsd.org
Student Council	Help make AMS a better place by working together to provide student leadership and voice	Mr. Morehouse	Email Mr. Morehouse morehousej@apcsd.org with questions. Memberships decided through school and morning meeting elections in the Fall.
Yearbook	Yearbook Club will be kicking off in September. This is a great opportunity to show your leadership and creativity in making a memorable yearbook for our school! First meeting Thursday, September 18	Ms. Graziano	Email Ms. Graziano: grazianos@apcsd.org