

CAMPUS MIDDLE SCHOOL
NATIONAL SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE
ACTIVITIES OVERVIEW
2024/2025



ACTIVITIES AT CAMPUS MIDDLE SCHOOL 2024-2025

Campus Middle School promotes the belief that students enhance their education when they become involved in school activities. Organized clubs and school activities are an important aspect of our total school program in offering opportunities for exploration, participation, and involvement. Educational research indicates a definite link between students who experience success in school activities and those who experience success in academics and later life experiences. In an effort to enhance this link, Campus Middle School has developed a wide range of clubs and activities. We encourage all students to take advantage of the variety of opportunities offered by participating in a least one club, activity, or sport during the school year. To help encourage participation, an after school late shuttle bus is available to bus students participating in our after school programs Monday through Thursday each week. Activity late buses depart from CMS at 4:55 p.m.

The following is a list of activities offered at CMS. Meeting dates and additional information for the activities listed below will be provided in daily student bulletin announcements and on the CMS web site at: <https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=5046>

NOTE: Clubs are subject to change.

Brain Bowl: This team-oriented trivia competition practices weekly to prepare for the regional and state Optimist Brain Bowl competitions. Five-person teams (organized by grade level) compete against other middle schools in the region. All students who enjoy fast-paced trivia are welcome to join! Brain Bowl begins in September and runs through the state competition in the spring. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Campus Crew/Campus WEB: WEB stands for “Where Everybody Belongs” This is a middle school orientation program that welcomes 6th graders and makes them feel comfortable throughout their 1st year of middle school 8th grade mentors and students learn the WEB easy to support our 6th graders and build community along the way. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Campus Select Choir: Campus Select is designed to create quality music through challenging talented, motivated, and hardworking students with high caliber music of varying genres. This ensemble is the auditioned choir and consists of members in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade who are enrolled in curricular Band, Orchestra, or Choir. Students can audition for this group at the beginning of the year. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Chamber Orchestra: The Campus Chamber Orchestra is an auditioned group open to students who are enrolled in an Orchestra class. Students may audition for the group in early September. The ensemble rehearses one morning a week at 7:45 am and includes 3 required evening performances throughout the year. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Destination Imagination: This club is all about creativity and thinking outside the box. Students meet off campus with their team throughout the year on team building and problem solving to prepare for the regional tournament in the spring. Each team has a parent/guardian team manager.

Dungeons and Dragons: This club brings people together to play the tabletop role-playing game, where players create characters and embark on imaginative adventures in a fantasy world. Members collaborate in campaigns, using strategy and teamwork to overcome challenges and puzzles. The club encourages creative storytelling, teaches game mechanics to new players, and fosters a sense of community by providing a space for shared interests, friendship, and skill-building. The focus is on fun, creativity, and collaborative storytelling. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Girls Who Code: Girls Who Code is a supportive and empowering club that encourages girls to explore the world of computer science and technology. Through hands-on coding projects, mentorship, and collaborative learning, members build their skills in programming, problem-solving, and creative thinking. The club provides a space for girls to develop confidence in STEM fields, whether they're beginners or have coding experience. Girls Who Code not only focuses on technical skills but also on fostering a sense of community, breaking down gender barriers, and inspiring the next generation of female leaders in tech. This club is only offered in the Spring. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Hebrew Language Club: In this club students will learn, practice and have discussions in Hebrew language that is led by a local Rabbi. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Horticulture Club: In this club you will learn about botany, agriculture and the science behind getting plants to grow. Students will grow plants and have a plant sale in the spring with all proceeds donated to local charities. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Jazz Band: Jazz Band is an auditioned group open to 6th through 8th grade musicians who are enrolled in Band, Orchestra or Choir. Students can audition for this group at the beginning of the year. Jazz Band will meet in the mornings. Jazz Band is open to all band instruments, as well as bass, guitar, piano, and drum set. Students will also learn how to improvise along with important jazz history. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

National Junior Honor Society: This is a prestigious organization that recognizes middle school students who demonstrate excellence in five areas. Students who have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.75 or above are eligible for membership. Students are accepted through an application process that includes meeting standards of service, character, and citizenship. Volunteerism and giving back to the community are encouraged through membership in NJHS. NJHS's goal is to help students develop the skills they need to become well-rounded leaders in their schools and communities. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

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Math Counts: The MathCounts Club is open to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders who wish to learn new mathematical techniques and train for the rigorous timed MathCounts Competition. Participants are coached by Cherry Creek High Schools who are Campus Alumni. MathCounts School Rounds are given during this club meeting. School Rounds will determine which ten students move forward to the MathCount Chapter Competition where they will compete for the opportunity to advance to the State and National Competitions. Check CMS website for specific dates and times. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Math League: The Cherry Creek Math League Teams travel to compete against other Cherry Creek Middle Schools where they apply their mathematical knowledge and problem-solving skills both individually and as part of a team. Sixth graders practice and compete separately. Seventh and Eighth graders practice and compete together. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Science Club: The Science Research and Innovation Club meets to work toward researching and developing a science investigation that will enable students to participate in the Denver Metro Regional Science and Engineering Fair. Club members will go on a journey from choosing a topic to perhaps completing a project for the DMRSEF. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Spectrum: Spectrum is a club that supports a safe environment for our LGBTQ+ students and their allies! Spectrum also helps promote events related to the LGBTQ+ communities mission. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Spelling Bee: TAny student who likes to spell, learn spelling, or likes to compete in the spelling bee is welcome to join. Students will practice for the school spelling bee in December. The top 5 spellers from the school spelling bee will practice for the District spelling bee in January. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Stallion Jazz Band: This auditioned group is a continuation of the Jazz Band, open to students involved in band, orchestra, or choir. This group is configured in the traditional jazz band instrumentation: Alto Saxophones, Tenor Saxophones, Baritone Saxophones, Trumpets, Trombones, bass, guitar, piano, and percussion. This group will play more advanced music, creating their own jazz band arrangements, and will also dive deeper into soloing. This group meets in the mornings in the band room starting at 8:00 a.m. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

STEM Blazers: In this club you can explore opportunities, meet professional women in STEM, make new friends, have new experiences, and learn about awesome STEM careers, STEMblazers inspires girls to visualize themselves in science, technology, engineering, and math professions. This club is only offered in the Fall. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Steel City Coding: This club promotes inclusivity in STEM by teaching young students computer science, with high school mentors guiding them through a Steel City Codes-designed curriculum in Java or Python. Its goal is to spark interest in technology, enhance diversity in STEM fields, and empower students to explore careers in computer science. Steel City Codes fosters a collaborative learning environment, providing opportunities for students to develop problem-solving skills and work on real-world projects. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Theatre Club: The theatre club produces a play and musical each year. Two seasons are offered: one in the fall and one in the spring. These productions provide exceptional opportunities for learning acting skills, elements of theatre, and ensemble live performance.. Students may audition to be an actor in the productions, or apply for a technical crew position where they can do activities such as: Designing makeup, costumes, lighting, props, set, and sound. Rehearsals are a large commitment and the final product is high quality theatre production, preparing them for high school theatre! Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Yearbook Club: This club supports the yearbook class by having all grade levels participate in taking pictures of school activities. It's a great opportunity to develop skills in photography. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.

Youth Celebrate Diversity: The Youth Celebrate Diversity Club is a student-led initiative dedicated to creating a welcoming, inclusive, and respectful school environment for all. The club works to promote kindness, acceptance, and understanding by organizing events, activities, and discussions that raise awareness about bullying, discrimination, and prejudice. Members are committed to fostering a positive community where everyone feels safe and valued. Through teamwork and advocacy, the Youth Celebrate Diversity Club strives to make the school a place where differences are celebrated and hate has no home. Check CMS website for specific dates and times.