

Upper Level Clubs 2022-2023

Club Name	Moderator	Description	Meeting Time & Location
School-Wide Organizations with Elected Representatives			
Athletic Association (AA)	Ms. Bartel	Designed to support physical fitness among students, the AA sponsors many events throughout the school year such as intramural sports, the annual fall dance and Tree Trim. AA members take the lead in the time-honored Gym Meet, and the annual Sports Recognition Reception, held for all athletes, pays tribute to all NDP's athletes, managers, and coaches for their outstanding work during the year.	Meetings in the calendar and as needed. Location: UL Gym
Campus Ministry	Ms. O'Toole	Campus Ministry club provides opportunities for student to plan, carry-out, and lead faith activities including school liturgies, prayer services, and morning prayer. Campus Ministry advisory representatives are also responsible for leading prayer activities in advisory each morning during Lent and Advent.	
Christian Community Awareness Program (CCAP)	Mr. Pomplon Ms. Smith	CCAP is a student leadership organization, which is dedicated to serving both our local and global communities. Events such as the CCAP Dance, Penny Queen, Dress-Up Days, and Pasta for the Philippines encourages our students to make a positive difference in the lives of others with time, materials, and monetary support. Preparing meals for Our Daily Bread, Red Cross Blood Drives, school-wide Adopt-a-Family Christmas Program as well as an annual Head Start Christmas party provide opportunities for direct service in the Baltimore area. Many of the CCAP events are long-standing NDP traditions allowing our community to build relationships, empathy, and connection.	Meetings listed in the calendar – Location - library
Diversity Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asian Student Association • Black Student Union • Latin & Hispanic Student Union • Middle Eastern Student Association • Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Allies • Bridges • SAFE • Infinity 	Ms. St. Laurent	The Diversity Council is designed for students to gather and raise awareness, understanding, appreciation, and respectful interaction of diverse cultures through various activities including affinity group and meetings within our community and with other schools.	
Student Council	Mrs. Connelly	The Student Council, or SC, is the student government organization at NDP. Members of the Student Council consist of elected Advisory Representatives, Class Officers, and Executive Officers elected by the entire student body. The Student Council assists with gathering Open House tour guides, plans various social events for the students including the Spring Dance, oversees the Student-Faculty Board in conjunction with the Dean of Students, and organizes the Upper Level Used Book Sale. The Student Council also works closely with the other three school-wide organizations, the Athletic Association, the Christian Community Awareness program, and the Diversity Council collaborating with these groups on some events like Tree Trim and overseeing the elections for their Executive Officers.	Meetings listed in the calendar Location: ML Gym

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Honor Societies			
National Art Honor Society	Ms. Walker	Art students are inducted into this honor society annually, based on the completion of 10 art-related service hours and a B+ average or higher in art class. The National Art Honor Society meets monthly and sponsors whole school activities such as Art Week and Project Greenway both held in February.	TBD Art Room 1/354
Computer Science Honor Society (CSHS)	Mr. Hrdlick	Members with appropriate GPAs in Computer Science coursework are invited to become members. The group meets with the Cybersecurity club one time per week.	TBD
International Thespian Society (ITS)	Ms. Ward	The International Thespian Society (ITS) is an honor society for theatre students and is a division of the Educational Theatre Association whose membership stands at about 100,000 student members across 4,700 schools in the United States, Canada, and Japan. This honor society takes its name from Thespis, who according to ancient tradition, was the first actor in Greek Drama. Membership is earned through participation in the school's theatre program.	Members work on each of the theater productions throughout the year.
MATH (Mu Alpha Theta) Honor Society	Ms. Sann Ms. Kriebel	Mu Alpha Theta is a high school and two-year college mathematics honor society. Its purpose is to stimulate a deeper interest in mathematics. Juniors and Seniors who meet the eligibility requirements are inducted each fall. Mu Alpha Theta members work with the Science Honor Society to provide peer tutoring for students in grades 6-12. Members also plan and carry out activities for Pi Day during Math Month.	2 times per year Dining Room
National Honor Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA)	Ms. Webber	NHSDA recognizes NDP dance students demonstrating outstanding artistic merit, leadership, service and academic achievement. As an NHSDA member, students will participate in events sponsored by the National Dance Education Organization including Love Your Body Week, Dance a Difference Week, and Senior Day of Recognition.	
National English Honor Society	Ms. Gutierrez	The National English Honor Society (NEHS) is the only international organization exclusively for high school students and faculty who, in the field of English, merit special note for past and current accomplishments. Immediate benefits of affiliation include international recognition, scholarship eligibility, and opportunities for international networking with others who share enthusiasm for, and accomplishment in, the language arts.	
National Music Honor Society (Tri-M)	Mr. Dzbinski Ms. Yousfi	The National Music Honor Society fosters greater interest in band, orchestra, and choral performance, and provides more opportunities for personal musical expression. The Music Honor Society's members are selected based upon their musicianship. Scholarship, character, leadership, and service to their school and community.	3 times per year Band Room
SCIENCE National Honor Society	Dr. Simmers Dr. Smiley	The Rosalind Franklin Chapter of the Science National Honor Society is a honors society that: encourages and recognizes scientific and intellectual thought; advances the students' knowledge of classical and modern science; communicates with the scientific community; aids the civic community with its comprehension of science; and encourages students to participate in community service and in turn, encourage a dedication to the pursuit of scientific knowledge that benefits all humankind. Membership for a student in the SNHS is conferred in the last two years of secondary school education to students who meet the requirements and fulfill the obligations of participation and service in the SNHS. Club activities include: maintaining the SNHS bulletin board, a lunchtime speaker series, Loch Raven Stream Watch, induction ceremony, Summer Science Symposium, Egg Drop, and other student generated activities.	TBD

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SOCIAL STUDIES National Honor Society (Rho Kappa)	Mr. Ellis	Rho Kappa, the Social Studies Honor Society, gives members the chance to fully immerse themselves in the NDP history experience. Membership is open to Juniors and Seniors who meet academic and extracurricular requirements. As a member, students will have the opportunity to discuss with peers and the moderator certain historical issues in greater depth, take field trips, attend lectures, and have the opportunity to share their knowledge and love of history through the peer tutoring program.	TBD Room 142
Competitive Clubs			
Architecture, Construction, and Engineering (ACE) Team	Ms. Acaso Ms. Walker	The ACE team meets weekly in the spring to participate in the Baltimore ACE Mentorship program. The team is given a local development/construction site to plan, design, and model, and they present their design at the ACE Presentation Night in May. Throughout the process, they work with a team of architecture and engineering professionals to learn the basics of site planning and development, architecture and interior design, civil and structural engineering, mechanical engineering and MEP design, LEED and green building design, and construction budgeting and scheduling.	1 day per week 4:30-6pm Design Center
Cybersecurity Club	Mr. Hrdlick	Cybersecurity Club strives to open a path in a male-dominated career for young women interested in computers. Cybersecurity Club members learn about Linux, Cisco, and Windows in order to apply their knowledge and participate in competitions such as Cyber Patriot 4 weekend throughout the year.	After school Room 242
Dance Company	Ms. Webber	The Dance Company is an audition-based organization in which students perform for members of the community both in and outside of NDP.	
Disability Support	Ms. Mellott	This club will be a space for people with visual and physical disabilities, as well as any disorders to gather and support each other in any way needed. We will organize information sessions and guest speakers for the NDP community. Additionally, the club will organize workshops and discussions that will be designed to help people understand how those with disabilities or disorders live.	TBD
Fire Protection Engineering Club (FPE)	Mr. Buxbaum Ms. Sheridan	This club begins to meet in October and competes in late March/early April in the University of Maryland's Fire Protection Engineering Competition. Students will build a model tiny house, design a fire detection and suppression system and enter their model and design in the University of MD Burn Day competition held at the ATF Fire Research Laboratory in Beltsville, MD.	
It's Academic	Ms. Plumer	It's Academic Team members practice weekly throughout the school year answering quiz bowl-style questions on a broad range of subjects. They compete several times a year at meets with other members schools of the Catholic School League. Some members are selected each year to compete in the It's Academic tournament broadcast on WJZ-TV.	TBD
Mock Trial	Ms. Grooms Ms. Sapperstein	Mock Trial allows students to gain hands-on experience in law as they take on the roles of witnesses and lawyers in a simulated court case. Students participate in trials against other school teams at the Towson Court House.	Mondays & Wednesdays after school Room 130
Model UN	Ms. Mantler Ms. Mackle	NDP participates in the YMCA Model UN Program, which serves more than 2,000 young people annually across the Mid-Atlantic United States (spanning from New York to DC). The 3-day conference is held in Hershey, PA in January and provides an unprecedented simulation of the UN that highlights the themes of collaboration, cultural understanding, and problem-solving that are at the core of the organizations real-life goals. Students develop their debate skills and find their voice by representing a nation in one of the many	TBD Room 144

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		committees or assemblies. This one-of-a-kind conference brings together servant leadership, public speaking, and global problem-solving to help build the global leaders of tomorrow, today.	
Robotics Team	Ms. Acaso	The NDP Robotics team participates in regional VEX EDR robotics competitions throughout the year. Robotics team members learn to design, build, and program a remote-controlled robot to complete a set of tasks specific to that year's challenge.	Mondays & Wednesdays 3:15-4:30pm Robotics Room 148
Speech and Debate	Ms. Sann Ms. Grooms	Members of the Speech and Debate team participate in competitions involving public speaking, dramatic performance, and/or debate. The team also competes in forensics tournaments against local high schools once a month throughout the year with each member performing at least three times in the event(s) of their choosing. Some members also travel to regional and national tournaments.	After school Room 245
Youth and Government	Ms. McCormack Ms. Manago	This club meets at various times throughout the school year and culminates with a three-day trip (around Spring Break) to Annapolis, Maryland where members of the various statewide Youth and Government delegations meet. Delegations participate in four branches: Legislative, Courts, Press, and Lobbyists. Students take over the Maryland State House to hold mock caucuses, committee meetings, and to conduct parliamentary proceedings. Prior to arrival in Annapolis, the students are responsible for writing their own bills, which require extensive research to enable them to intelligently present and skillfully argue their bill on the floor of the House Chambers. There are additional opportunities available for budding journalists, lobbyists, lawyers, or anyone interested in the law.	TBD Room 142
Service Club/Programs			
Arts & Medicine	Ms. Walker	The Arts & Medicine club is for anyone interested in art, medicine, and service. We engage in fun activities within school that extend into the greater Baltimore community. Some of our projects will include: blanket-making, hosting talent shows or BINGO at local retirement homes, decorating a Christmas tree for Kennedy Krieger's Festival of Trees, and participating in HeARTS in Medicine.	TBD Art Studio 1
Club Umoja	Mr. Pomplon	Club Umoja is an NDP student-run group dedicated to working with youth in Baltimore's inner city. Students meet to hold monthly holiday-themed parties for youngsters.	1 time per month Dining Room or Gym
Environmental Action & Advocacy	Mr. Pomplon	This club will be focused on education and community outreach in conservation and environmental activism. Our main goal is to get NDP students actively involved in climate action. We will hold discussions within the club about current (primarily local) environmental issues and reasonable solution efforts, as well as organize environmental volunteering events such as cleanups and fundraisers to proactively combat climate change.	
Green Schools Representatives / Environmental Club	Dr. Kicklighter	This group is a combination of each Advisory's Environmental Representative plus other students interested in the environment. Students undertake various environmentally-focused activities, with the primary activity of educating the community about environmental issues during Earth Week. The Student Green School Committee works with the Faculty Green School Sustaining Excellence Committee to ensure that NDP upholds its commitment to be a Green School	TBD

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		and makes advances in our commitment to protecting the environment by promoting awareness of environmental issues, encouraging stewardship with the school community, and providing a series of opportunities relating to the environment.	
Habitat for Humanity	Mr. Pomplon	Participate in monthly builds (on Saturdays) at Susquehanna Habitat for Humanity.	1 Saturday per month Varies
Refugee Youth Project	Mr. Pomplon	NDP students volunteer with the local nonprofit, Refugee Youth Project. Students attend training and are able to visit Moravia Park Elementary School once per week to tutor children recently arrived to the United States.	1 time per week Social Service Office
Interest Clubs			
Asian Student Association	Ms. Acaso Ms. Pereira	Celebration of Asian representation in our student body and education of Asian heritage/culture to the community, opportunity for students to interact with other students who can relate to them and advise them.	After School Innovation Courtyard
Black Student Union		Celebrating Black student representation on campus and education of Black heritage and culture in the community, opportunity for students to interact with other students who can relate to them and advise them.	
Blaze Clefs	Ms. Bilenki	Blaze Clefs are NDP's contemporary a cappella group (a la "Pitch Perfect"). This group, led by students and moderated by members of the faculty, performs in school concerts and occasional off-campus events. Auditions for this 20-25 student group are held in Septembers and members are expected to attend practice twice per week before school as well as additional after school practices as needed prior to performances.	Tuesday & Thursday mornings 7:15am Chorus Room
Name TBD	Ms. Goffredi	This club is for students with similar interests to gather and geek out! Each meeting will focus on a different genre, and students will get together to read books, play games, watch shows, or do crafts related to that theme. Please reach out if you are interested in a leadership role (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, historian)!	Once a month TBD
Book Club	Ms. Kneebone	Open to students in all grades, the NDP Book Club meets monthly to select, read, and discuss books and the greater themes presented in them.	TBD Room 210
Bridges	Ms. Keady Ms. Goffredi Mr. Dowling	The Bridges club provides support and advocacy for students on campus who identify as LGBT or LGBT allies. We build bridges of respect, compassion and sensitivity. All are welcome!	TBD Room 123
Calvert Hall Initiative	Mr. Bender Mr. Lopez	Four times per year, students from NDP and CHC join together for food and fellowship to discuss film, literature, and other topics in the humanities.	
Cappies	Ms. Ward	Students interested in theatre and journalism are trained as critics and attend area shows to put their skills to work. Students will be trained at a Sunday afternoon workshop in October and a team of seven students will represent NDP writing reviews and selecting the very best performances among the schools participating in the Cappies program this year. The season culminates with a Gala Awards Ceremony at the Hippodrome in May.	TBD
Child Advocacy Club	Ms. Manago	The goal of the club is to raise awareness about child maltreatment in Maryland, including abuse and neglect, and to participate in small service projects that would help children in the Baltimore area, specifically in Baltimore City and Baltimore County. The club would also discuss child abuse prevention and ways we can help children.	TBD
Chess Club	Mr. Wielgopolski	The chess club gathers students who are interested in playing and learning about chess.	TBD
Chinese Club	Ms. Gong Ms. Guo	The Chinese Club enhances students' knowledge of Chinese language and provides opportunities for experiencing Chinese culture.	TBD Room 132

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Clare Marie Advocacy Club	Ms. Gallant	The Clare Marie Advocacy Club works to bring awareness to the danger of skin cancer through the legacy of Claire Marie Wagonhurst '15.	TBD
Dance Company	Ms. Webber	This is an audition-based performing arts group that rehearses 2-3 times per week after school and performs both inside and outside of the NDP community.	
Diversity Equity Inclusion Allies (DEIA)	Ms. Simmers Ms. Lorenz Dr. Degnan-LaFon	The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Allies (DEIA) exists to include students of all identities in dialogue about diversity, equity, and justice. We strive to elevate peer-to-peer conversation on greater community issues that play out within our school community. We are committed to promoting antiracist efforts through active allyship within the Diversity Council and with other affinity groups.	Once per month Varies
Doctors Without Borders	Mr. Wielgopolski	We meet to inform students about the work that DWB does throughout the world.	Once per month Room 148
Equestrian Club	Ms. Lorenz	Students in the Equestrian Club will discuss topics related to equestrian activities and horse care.	When available Room 214
Fashion Club	Mrs. Plumer	NDP's Fashion Club is a space for all fashion-interested students, for us to communicate, share, and learn about trends, our impact, and more. Our discussions will be about inclusivity and body positivity within modeling, sustainability in fashion, systemic issues within the industry, and discussion of social justice issues of the workers.	
French Club	Ms. Mortimer Ms. Carr	French Club members will meet to explore, promote, and appreciate French language and French culture, as well as plan events for National French Week in November.	Once per month Room 128
Future Business Leaders of America (Business Club)	Ms. Mantler	Future Business Leaders of America allows students who are interested in a career in business an opportunity to learn and gain new skills that will help them in preparation for college and careers.	TBD Room 144
Game Club	Mrs. Windham Mr. Lopez	Students will be given a chance to socialize and play a variety of card and board games. There might be an occasional tournament within the group.	TBD
Gateway Club	Ms. Randolph	The Gateway Club is a student-run organization that oversees the production of <i>The Gateway</i> , NDP's online student newspaper. Electronic issues are published once per month from August through June. All students are welcome to join as writers or photographers. Leadership positions are available to juniors and seniors.	Once per month before school Room 206
Global Council	Mr. Pomplon	This service-oriented club is an opportunity for students interested in growing and/or developing a more global mindset. The goal is to put NDP's goals of global citizenship into action while promoting social progress and awareness amongst our community and spreading it throughout the world. The Global Council partners with the Stevens Initiative and the State Department to participate in virtual global exchange with MENA countries (Middle East and North Africa).	Once per month Room 222
Humanities Club	Mr. Bender	Students in the Humanities Club will meet to discuss and engage in activities related to the study of humanities. There are also meetings with Calvert Hall at both NDP and CHC.	After School TBD
Infinity	Ms. Alderman	The Infinity Club seeks to support students who are neuro-divergent thinkers. Infinity also hopes to educate the NDP community to reduce the stigma that often surrounds students who process and learn differently.	TBD
Italian Club	Dr. Williams	The Italian Club exposes interested students to Italian culture and language. Past activities have included pasta-making, trips to Baltimore's Little Italy and New York City, and joint cultural events with other schools.	
Latin & Hispanic Student Union	Sra. Mendez	Celebration of Latin and Hispanic representation in our student body and education of Latin and Hispanic heritage/culture to the community, opportunity for students to interact with other students who can relate to them and advise them.	

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Liturgy Band	Ms. Bilenki	Provides worship music for NDP Liturgies and Prayer Services. This club is by audition only. Auditions are held in the Spring for the upcoming school year.	As needed Chorus Room
Live for Lara	Ms. Potter	This club honors our NDP sister, Lara Hough who passed away from Leukemia in 2020. This club will be used to honor Lara Hough, to spread awareness about pediatric cancer and helping others going through pediatric illnesses in the community. The club also hopes to connect with Johns Hopkins patients as well as doing school donation drives and raising money for cancer patients and cancer research.	Once per month before school ML Gym
Marine Science Club	Ms. Pereira	Appreciation and education of marine science topics, like marine animals and plants, potential careers, activities to educate others, etc.	After School Science Lab 5
Mental Health and Wellness Club	Ms. Gallant	The Mental Health and Wellness Club brings awareness and advocacy to Mental Health concerns.	TBD
Middle East Student Association		Celebration of Middle Eastern representation in our student body and education of Middle Eastern heritage/culture to the community, opportunity for students to interact with other students who can relate to them and advise them.	
Morgan's Message	Ms. Bryson	Morgan's Message strives to eliminate the stigma surrounding mental health within the student-athlete community and equalize the treatment of physical and mental health in athletics. We aim to expand the dialogue on mental health by normalizing conversations, empowering those who suffer in silence, and supporting those who feel alone. Athlete or not, anyone is welcome to join!	TBD
ONE LOVE Club	Ms. Caspari	The ONE LOVE Club supports student advocates for the ONE LOVE Foundation and educates the NDP community about how to identify and navigate healthy and unhealthy relationship behaviors. Club members create and implement student learning through announcements, activities, and an informal bulletin board. Club members support local ONE LOVE Foundation events whenever possible.	TBD UL Gym
Period.	Mr. Dowling	Period. Was established to educate and inform the community about the lack of feminine hygiene products for women both around the world and in our community and the subsequent health issues accompanying the shortage. This lack of basic necessities is an unacceptable and immoral injustice imposed on and effecting women. The club wishes to raise awareness of this injustice as well as to provide feminine hygiene products for women experiencing homelessness in our own community of Baltimore.	TBD
NDP Gives	Ms. Whitman	NDP Gives club helps to promote philanthropy at NDP, including participation in events like Blazer Dash, Giving Tuesday, the NDP Gala, and Stuff-a-Bus. The club works to highlight the impact of philanthropy at NDP and assists with the stewardship of donors and supporters of our school. They help sign donor valentines, write thank you notes, participate in philanthropy related videos, make thank you calls, and promote fundraising events.	Varies Salazar Board Room
Production Tech Crew	Mr. Dzbinski	The Production Tech Crew assists in auditorium management and the execution of various audio/visual asks for events held in NDP's auditorium.	As needed Auditorium
Ski Club	Mr. Hrdlick Mrs. Tarr	This is a recreational ski club that will provide skiing opportunities during the winter.	
Spanish Club	Ms. Filar	Spanish Club members will meet to explore, promote, and appreciate Spanish language and Spanish and Latin cultures.	Once per Quarter Room 122/124
Student Ambassador Club	Admissions Office	The Student Ambassador Club is comprised of a leadership team and club members who are current NDP students interested in facilitating the prospective and new student experience with the Office of Admissions. Student ambassadors will engage with	

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		prospective students through shadow days, events, and communication efforts to build community, individual leadership skills, and teamwork skills.	
Student Advocates for Equality (SAFE) Club	Ms. Alderman	SAFE club is a discussion-based club that seeks to support and advocate for Inclusivity at NDP. SAFE's goal is for NDP to feel like a welcoming place for all students. We discuss issues and challenges for all students including, but not limited to, those who may be in the LGBTQ+ community, those with mental health challenges and those who may feel ostracized from the community for any reason. SAFE works to support LGBTQ+ students and educate the greater community regarding issues affecting them.	TBD
Travis Manion Foundation Club	Mr. Bender	Based on the words of fallen hero Travis Manion, "if not me, then who...", the Travis Manion Foundation Club shares stories of real people who exemplify great character and leadership, CDM Mentors demonstrate what it means to live the "If Not Me, Then Who..." ethos – and then challenge students to do the same.	Varies
Thirst Project Club	Mr. Pomplon	The Thirst Project Club provides fundraising and educational programming related to the ongoing water crisis across the planet. This club is open to all Upper Level students.	1 time per Quarter Varies
Ukeladies	Ms. Longo Mr. Pomplon	The Ukeladies is a band of students dedicated to spreading the fun and enjoyment of ukulele music. The group performs at area nursing homes as well as at NDP special events such as Open House. Previous experience is not necessary—all that is needed is an appreciation of this four-stringed instrument and a willingness to learn and have fun.	TBD
Women in Film	Dr. Williams	The Women in Film Club highlights women who tough every aspect of filmmaking and normally go unappreciated. Any person at NDP who enjoys film can join, and through this they will be educated about the women who make their favorite movies exist. The club is also a forum to safely discuss ideas about feminism, female tropes, and sexism in the media.	After school and lunch blocks Room 224
Women in Medicine Club	Ms. Miller	The student leaders and the moderator bring in female medical professionals (once per month on Fridays at 7:15 am) to speak about their careers to club members. The leadership also provides awareness on medical topics to the school community.	1 time per month before school Science Lab 7
Women in Science	Ms. Mellott		
Women in Technology Club (WIT)	Ms. Sheridan	Students interested in learning more about technology and how it impacts our everyday lives gather to learn about the unique opportunities to engage in new and emerging technologies. The club will be taking advantage of the recording studio, shadow the help desk and serve as tech assistants during ML TRAC and IDT time. Field trips to local hospitals to observe remote robotic surgery, and opportunities to engage in the recording studio in the area of digital communications are planned. Guest speakers from the technology industry will present to the club.	TBD