



New Bedford High School

Clubs and Activities

2021-2022 School Year

Extra-Curricular Activities and Athletics at NBHS offer students the opportunity to connect with the school community in a meaningful and enriching way outside of the classroom. These activities provide students a fun way to try new things and discover talents and passions. Students can also develop new friendships by connecting with others who share similar interests. There is something for everyone here at NBHS. We encourage all students to get involved, join in the extracurriculars we have to offer, and become an engaged member of the Whaler Family.

In addition to Division 1 Athletics in all high school sports the following is a list of **CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS.**

Agriculture

Ms. Caroline Hill, Advisor

This club is open to any NBHS student who is interested in learning more about and all things agriculture.

Ambassador Club

Ms. Lima, Advisor

Tuesday 2:40 – 3:30

The Ambassador Club is a service-oriented group whose members aim to connect the school and community through volunteerism at many levels. The objectives of the Ambassadors Club shall be to aspire to become advocates in promoting equality among the diverse population of NBHS and to foster a better understanding of students' differences and similarities.

Anime Club

Ms. Vargas Advisor

Thursdays 3:00 – 4:00

This club allows students to share their mutual interest in animated Japanese storytelling and related media.

Art Club

Ms. Boucher, Advisor

Tuesday and Friday 3:00 – 5:00

If you are interested in the various forms of art and enjoy working on art projects such as: Holiday cards, tie-dying, school-based projects and community projects consider joining this club. Students will develop art skills, participate in art shows, decoration for events, and broaden their understating of the art world.

Band

Mr. Pacheco-Director, Chana Chhim–Assistant Director, Ms. Leath

Students who participate in this activity must do so as a graded academic course. The grade will be based upon both their playing proficiency on their chosen band instrument, and their required attendance at after school, nighttime and weekend rehearsals and activities. Some of these required activities are: marching band competitions, football games, rallies, parades, winter and spring concerts, as well as many other public performances scheduled by the band director. This course offers rewarding experiences in both the marching and concert band idioms. Eligibility for the band is open to anyone who can read music and can demonstrate entry level proficiency on an acceptable band instrument. Private lessons on the student's individual instrument are encouraged but are not mandatory.

Cheerleaders

New Bedford High School is represented at many sporting, community, and school events by a squad of varsity cheerleaders. The selection of members of this organization takes place in the spring and tryouts are open to NBHS students and incoming 8th graders who possess a minimal overall "C" average in prepared subjects. The tryouts are judged by a selected, knowledgeable board of judges with the final selections being determined by the advisor with the approval of the Headmaster or his designee. Candidates are judged on voice, poise, general appearance, manner, scholarship, ability in athletic stunts, jumps and gymnastics, and an ability to learn and create cheers. Cheerleaders are expected to project and maintain the high standards of NBHS and display sportsmanship and respect at all times. NBHS cheerleaders also are expected to maintain MIAA and MSSAA standards and adhere to all school policies. Cheerleaders must be willing to give a great deal of time and effort to the practice sessions and be willing to participate in the numerous service activities of NBHS and the school community.

Choral Groups

Ms. Dandeneau, Director

Monday and Thursday 3:00 – 4:00

There are ten choirs at NBHS, including: Concert Chorale, Select Women's Choir, Treble Choir, SATB Show Choir, Women's Show Choir and Mixed Chorus. These groups meet during the day and receive credits. All choirs, with the exception of mixed choir, are auditioned by the director and students are placed in choirs by levels of talent. Rehearsals are mandatory for upcoming concerts, competitions, or community events. Credits for the course will not be given to anyone not meeting the requirement of two major concerts. Grading is processed using after-school rehearsals and concert participation. Show Choirs: Any student participating in either show choir is required to be in a classical performing choir such as concert chorale, select women's choir, treble or mixed chorus before being enrolled in either show choir. Mandatory choreography and vocal rehearsals must be attended by all participants. Membership standings and grades will be affected by degree of participation. Jazz Choir, Chamber Choir, Vocal Acappella Groups: Any member in these elite performing groups must be in a major classical performing group such as Concert Chorale or Select Women's Choir. All rehearsals are mandatory. Men's Choir and Men's Show Choir: Participation is open to all men in any choir.

Color Guard

Ms. Tavares, Advisor

The color guard supplements the NBHS Whaler Marching Band. All students enrolled in color guard must take part in all night-time and weekend rehearsals and activities. Some of these are: marching band competitions, football games, parades, winter and spring concerts, as well as many other public performances. Auditions for this group will be held during the spring of each year. Computer Club This organization is open to any student who has an interest in the study and use of computers.

Crimson Courier

Mr. Zinger, Advisor

Monday and Wednesday

The Crimson Courier, the NBHS newspaper, is published at various intervals during the school year and concerns itself with matters of interest to the student body. Although required as workshop experiences for class students, all enrolled students of the high school are encouraged to contribute to the newspaper by participating in the afterschool club for those students who are not able to program the course into their schedule.

The Crimson Log

Mr. Zinger, Advisor

Monday and Wednesday

The Crimson Log is the name given to the NBHS yearbook. Editors and staff are chosen by the advisor from a list of seniors and juniors recommended by the faculty, as well as general applicants and through course selection. The year book staff is responsible for meeting during the summer months, learning the procedures for publishing a yearbook and helping with the photography included in the book. Although the work of the yearbook will be accomplished through class work in the yearbook production course there is a co-curricular component that meets regularly after school.

Dance Choral Club

Ms. Rebelo, Advisor

Monday and Thursday 3:00 – 4:30

Show Choir is a great program where students who love music, can sing and dance, and compete against others with the same interest.

Dance Line

Ms. Isabelle Garland

Debate Team

Mr. Roveda, Advisor

Tuesday 2:45 – 3:30

For students who are interested in developing more effective public speaking techniques and participating in debate team competition.

Environmental Science Club

Ms. Patricia Gifford, Advisor

Friday 2:45 – 3:30

The Environmental Club is an outlet for students who are passionate about environmental and world sciences to engage in projects that indulge in, educate on, and develop that passion.

Drama Club

The Drama Club introduces its members to creative theatre on a semi-professional level by way of personal participation. Besides participating in and sponsoring theatre and field trips, there are two major annual productions. Members of the cast and backstage committee chairpeople are chosen by the club sponsors on the basis of talent, ability and merit. Some of the past productions have been “Dracula”, “The Wiz”, “West Side Story”, “A Christmas Carol”, and “The King and I”. Many of the players continue to pursue the study of drama in college.

Future Teachers - Tomorrow’s Teachers Club

Ms. Caitlin Donnelly, Advisor

Thursday’s (every other week) 2:40-3:30

The objectives of this club shall be to foster student interest in the profession of teaching through the understanding of educational issues, to become knowledgeable of careers in education, to provide service opportunities, to provide student and teacher recognition, to promote teaching, to enhance local college and university relationships and to strive to be positive role models in the school and community.

Gender and Sexuality Alliance Club

Mr. Duclos-Rickard

Thursday 3:00 – 4:00

This is a student-run organization that provides a safe place for students LGBTQIA students to meet, support each other, form community, address relevant topics, advocate for important issue, and talk about issues related to sexual orientation.

The Great Outdoors Club

Mr. Huston, Advisor

The purpose of the Great Outdoors Club is simply to enjoy the beauty of nature. The club goes mountain climbing (hiking), skiing, biking, horseback riding, canoeing and camping. One or two trips each year are overnights.

Jazz Band

Mr. Mason, Advisor

Tuesday and Wednesday 6:30 – 8:30

Jazz Band is an after-school activity. All members are encouraged to sign up for the stage band class which meets during the school day. This is a select group and members must audition or be recommended by a music teacher. This group performs at several high school concerts as well as community events. The group also competes at several prestigious festivals including the Berklee Jazz Festival in

Boston, the International Association of Jazz Educators Festival and the Clark Terry UNH Jazz Festival.

Key Club

Ms. Alves, Advisor

Tuesday (1 or 2 times per month) 2:45 – 3:15

The Key Club is a school and community service organization. Following major themes each year, it may provide food baskets for needy families at Christmas, work at charitable fund-raising functions, help senior citizens, or entertain orphans at parties and outings.

National Honor Society

Ms. Liming, Advisor

Tuesday (Meeting) and Thursday (Tutor services) 2:40 – 3:30

The National Honor Society NHS recognizes students who are outstanding in the area of scholarship, service, leadership, and character, at the end of their junior year. The organization, founded in 1921, has chapters found within all 50 states. Chapter membership not only recognizes students for their accomplishments but challenges them to develop further through active involvement in school activities and community service.

Orchestra

Mr. Langille

Monday 3:00 - 4:00

This club is open to anyone who would like to learn or would like to continue to learn an Orchestral String Instrument. Students will be matched with a peer and have one on one instruction with the Advisor.

Photography Club

Mr. Poyant, Advisor

Friday 3:00 – 4:00

The purpose of this club is to offer greater opportunities to students interested in photography to experiment with and improve techniques. All members are required to supply their own cameras and equipment, but the group is open to any NBHS student. Club activities include field trips to various cities, parks, museums and special events. Members are also expected to participate in fund raisers.

Science Club

Ms. Lisa Richard

Thursday 2:40- 4:00

The Science Club invites students who share an interest in the many fields of science. Students compete in Science Olympiad

Show Choir

Ms. Hannah Reis

Monday and Thursday 3:00 – 4:30

Any student participating in either the show choir is required to be in a classical performing choir such as Concert Chorale, or Treble Chorus before being enrolled in either choir. Mandatory choreography and vocal rehearsals must be attended by all participants. Membership standing and grades will be affected by degree of participation.

Ultimate Frisbee Club

Ms. Pare, Advisor

Tuesday and Thursday (Spring Time) 3:00 – 4:15

This club is for students who wish to learn or who already acquired the skills to play the game of Ultimate Frisbee, an uprising sport which has been played over many years. The purpose of this club is to gain teamwork skills, exercise, and companionship.

WIMC-TV

Mr. Doug Motta

This organization provides co-curricular video services for the school. In addition, the group produces NB Live (a weekly entertainment talk show) and NBHS Monthly Magazine (a magazine-news program aired monthly on New Bedford's Educational Access Channel, channel 17). All students with experience in television production and who conform to the established guidelines set down by the advisor and the club constitution are eligible for membership.