

Satz School Clubs and Activities

Academic Competitions: Humanities – Provides opportunities for 7th and 8th grade students to be involved in activities that enhance the learning that takes place in the classroom. Students do not sign up for the entire program but rather sign up for individual activities appropriate to their interests. Morning announcements and flyers keep students informed about the most current activities. All practice meetings take place during student lunch periods.

- **National Spelling Bee** – 7th and 8th grades. Preliminary bees on each grade level in Language Arts classes. Grade level winners compete against each other to determine the school finalist. Local sponsor holds final spelling bee to determine representative to the National Bee in Washington, D.C.
- **National Geographic Bee** – Students in 7th and 8th grade take a geography quiz published by National Geographic Magazine guidelines and sample questions prior to this time.

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Academic Competitions: Science Olympiad – Science Olympiad functions much like a football or soccer team, requiring preparation, commitment, coaching and practice throughout the year. Each school-based team is allowed to bring 15 students who cross-train for a variety of events in their skill set, but some school clubs have more than 75 members, allowing for an apprentice and mentoring system. Science Olympiad competitions are like academic track meets, consisting of a series of 23 team events in each division (Division B is middle school). Each year, a portion of the events are rotated to reflect the ever-changing nature of genetics, earth science, chemistry, anatomy, physics, geology, mechanical engineering and technology. By combining events from all disciplines, Science Olympiad encourages a wide cross-section of students to get involved. Emphasis is placed on active, hands-on group participation. Through the Science Olympiad, students, teachers, parents, principals and business leaders bond together and work toward a shared goal.

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Animal Welfare Club - This club educates themselves and others about issues related to the welfare of all kinds of animals and engage in hands-on activities that will serve to improve the condition of animals in our community. Club activities include animal visits, informative talks from community resources and fundraising activities.

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Art Club - The Art Club provides an opportunity for 7th and 8th grade students who have an interest in art, an opportunity to explore art and craft forms beyond what is offered in the curriculum. It gives students the opportunity to work individually and in groups. Students may also have the opportunity to beautify the school with murals.

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Builders Club – The Builders Club is sponsored by Kiwanis International and offers service opportunities to middle school – aged students. The goal of this club is to develop leadership

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qualities by working together in school and community projects. Builders Club is suited for young people who want to take positive action to build a better world for themselves and others.

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Chamber Ensemble - Chamber ensemble is open to strings, woodwinds, brass, and piano players who can read music, and can vary in size depending on the instrument combinations. The music will be challenging enough to keep you interested and motivated, and will help you develop skills you may not get in a larger orchestra or band. Our chamber ensemble will be small teams of students working together toward a common goal. You'll think and talk about the piece together, and have a say in how to make the music sound its best. You'll develop a solid sense of rhythm, pulse, intonation, and intuition. You'll learn about cueing, listening, communication, and eye contact, and you'll deepen your understanding of how to be a key player in a group.

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Culinary Arts Club - The Culinary Arts Club, a new initiative for the W.R. Satz School welcomes 7th and 8th grade students and provides an opportunity for success to further develop their culinary, team building and life skills. The culinary club will introduce students to areas of hospitality that would include recipe development/production, entrepreneurial skills, and community service. At present the Culinary Club is open to all current marking period 7th and 8th grade students enrolled in the Culinary Arts program.

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Drama - Provides opportunity for 7th and 8th grade students to acquaint themselves with theater life. Producing at least one play and one musical a year, our students learn about various aspects of the theater ranging from costuming and props, to acting and singing, to staging and lighting. This is a wonderful way to meet other students and get involved in extracurricular activities.

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Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) - The Gay-Straight Alliance works to create a school community where all students feel welcome and supported, regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity. We seek to create greater awareness about issues and the unique experiences students face, as well as provide a safe and welcoming space for students to talk about any issues.

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Jazz Band – Seventh and eighth grade students also have the opportunity to participate in a Jazz Band ensemble. Jazz Band offers the young musician a complete big band experience including full brass, woodwind, and rhythm sections. The music selection ranges from standard swing charts to various forms of popular music. Difficult solo sections are introduced and students have the opportunity to solo over simple blues patterns or more difficult chord progressions.

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Math Team - The math team participates in a number of area competitions including the NJ Math League, American Mathematics Competition (AMC8) and Continental Math League (CML); the team is open to all students.

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Model UN - Run in conjunction with the YMCA of Greater Monmouth County, Model United Nations (MUN) is an educational simulation in which students can learn about diplomacy, international relations, and the United Nations. MUN is designed to introduce students to world cultures while debating issues of international importance in a hands-on environment. Students participate in conflict resolution, public speaking, build coalitions while making new friends and sharing ideas. The MUN season includes weekly meetings at William R Satz Middle School, facilitated by the Y leadership team. The program will culminate in January with a Regional MUN, a three-day, two-night conference in Hershey, PA.

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Newspaper – The school newspaper is published by the students of William R. Satz School. There are many opportunities for students to become involved. The staff includes reporters, poets, artists, word processors, as well as people who sell and distribute the paper. Each issue is filled with important school and sports news, games, poems, creative writing and, occasionally, the controversial editorial.

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Robotics Club – The objective of this club is to introduce students to basic programming as well as problem solving strategies using robotics and automation. Students will work hands-on in teams to design, build, program and document their mechanical systems and apply those skills to real world applications. Each student will learn how to send and receive commands to and from a robot using various sensors and components to test and evaluate their solutions.

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Student Ambassadors/(Youth Alliance) – The student ambassadors promote a no-use message to students regarding drugs and alcohol. The group provides drug/alcohol free service-based activities, designed to promote engagement between our students and the community. Students participate in a wide range of activities including announcements, bulletin boards, fundraising for charities. The organization is committed to improving the quality and quantity of volunteer experiences available to youth in our school. The club is open to all 7th and 8th grade students.

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Student Council This organization is run by the students of William R. Satz School. All students in good standing may be members. A 75 percent attendance rate is necessary to remain a member. The Student Council addresses issues and problems involving the school community. It is an open forum where student concerns can be voiced openly. The Council also plans activities to increase school spirit and a sense of belonging among all students. The student leadership consists of an elected president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. These are selected from the 8th grade members. Representatives are recruited from each seventh and eighth grade Social Studies class to ensure that all student concerns and ideas are gathered prior to meetings and that any important information discussed during meetings is then disseminated to the student body.

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Technology Student Association (TSA) – TSA promotes “leadership and opportunities in technology, innovation, design and engineering. Members apply STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) concepts through co-curricular programs.” TSA offers a wide range of competitions for the students to choose from. Some of the competitions include, but are not limited to, electrical applications, web design, biotechnology, mass production, video game design, prepared speech, and essays on technology. To check out more about TSA, refer to the following: <https://tsaweb.org/> and <https://njtsa.tcnj.edu/>.

Advisor: TBD

Talent Show – The William R. Satz Talent Show provides any and all students with an opportunity to showcase their individual talents on the stage of the High School auditorium. Previous shows have brought us many varieties of ethnic dances with traditional dress as well as vocal solos, musical instrumentalists and even magic acts. Who knows what new talent will appear. All students are encouraged to let the talents shine in the Satz Talent Show!

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Yearbook – The Satz Yearbook is a pictorial review of activities, teams and highlights of LIFE at the Satz School. The Yearbook staff includes students from both 7th and 8th grades and is randomly chosen from those who have expressed an interest at the beginning of the school year. The staff works in small committees: Editing Publicity Photography Sales Surveys Art. Meetings are held throughout the school year – culminating in the 8th grade Yearbook Signing Party and distribution of books to the 7th grade.

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