




**The staff at Herget Middle school is proud to be able to offer students a variety of interesting and challenging activities that have been developed to help inspire creativity, encourage self-confidence and promote good sportsmanship. We hope your child enjoys one or more activities listed below during the school year.**

Activity	Sponsor	Eligibility	Time Frame	Meeting Frequency	Meeting Day	Meeting Time	Meeting Location
<b>Homework Club</b> 	Mrs. Devlin & Mrs. Andrews	Open to all students	September - May	Twice Weekly	Tuesday and Thursday	3:38-4:30	3206
<p>Students are welcome to attend HW Club. HW club is Tuesday, and Thursday after school. Students have the opportunity to complete homework or study in a quiet environment under the supervision of Herget staff.</p>							

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<b>Student Council</b> 	Mrs. Andrews	Open to all students	September-May	Twice monthly	Varies depending on Band and morning meeting	6th grade meets at lunch 7th and 8th grade meets before school	3104

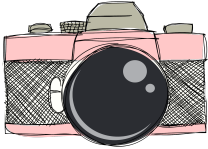
Student Council members represent their grade level and are committed to making Herget an even better school community. Student Council is involved with helping PTA, food drives, school dances, serving as ambassadors to incoming fifth graders in the Spring, as well as other community activities the group chooses.

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	Mrs. Andrews	All Students	October -May	Weekly	Friday mornings, before school	730am	3104
<p>IMSA Fusion is a teacher professional development and student STEM enrichment program for Illinois students who are talented, interested and motivated in mathematics and science. Fusion works with teachers and students in grades 4-8.</p>							

In brief, the program goals are:


- Maintain or increase students interest, involvement and literacy in science and mathematics
- Enhance the knowledge and skills of teachers in science, mathematics, and technology; stimulate excellence in schools
- Stimulate excellence in schools' science and mathematics programs
- Help increase access to programming for students who are historically under-resourced in science, mathematics and technology and for all areas of the state

By design, the IMSA Fusion curriculum is inquiry based, problem centered and integrative. The learning experiences focus on helping students "learn how to learn" and emphasize logic, mathematical thinking and experimental scientific thinking. Topics relate to the students' lives, thereby arousing their curiosity and increasing their motivation to learn in mathematics and science.


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<b>Photography Club</b> 	Mrs. Metallo	Open to all Students	Sept - May	2 x per month	Monday	3:45-4:45	3101

Photography Club is for anyone who loves taking pictures and wants to learn new ways to improve their picture taking skills. In photography club, students will learn new skills including how to compose a picture, use lighting techniques, do basic editing, and printing. Students will share their work and learn how to provide and accept feedback to improve their skills. Topics will include portrait, landscape, pet, and sports photography.



Students may use any type of digital camera: phone camera, compact digital camera, or a dSLR. Don't have a camera? No problem! We have cameras that you can use! No picture taking experience is needed!

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<b>Cooking &amp; Baking</b> 	Mrs. Frances	Open to all students (kitchen lab limit of 16)	September-May New Enrollment - Quarterly if needed.	Twice a month	Tuesday (tentative)	3:45pm To 4:45pm	3002

Expand your horizons by getting in the kitchen through our baking and cooking club! Cooking and baking is a great way to educate students about good nutrition, what's in season, planning and preparing small meals and reading food labels; plus, it can encourage healthy eating. Cooking and baking may even help get students interested in trying healthy foods they might normally refuse to eat.

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<b>Animation Club</b> 	Mr. Stancati	Open to all students	All Year	Every other week	Thursday	7:30 a.m. - 8:20 a.m.	Room 1204

In Animation Club students will learn the basics of stop action and computer based animation, make fun voiceovers, learn and practice film making techniques, and create, edit and present animation projects. It is challenging and fun!


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<b>Speed Stacking &amp; Chess</b>   <b>CHESS CLUB</b>	Mr. Stauter	Open to all students	Sept - May	Twice a month	First and Third Tuesday of the month	3:40 - 4:45	3101

Chess Club is open to all students interested in learning to play chess or expanding their chess playing skills. Chess club is for students who want to learn to play chess. Chess is a 400-year-old game played in every county in the world that is great fun at every level from beginner to professional. Chess teaches concentration, focus, and empathy: the only way to succeed is to see the board from your opponent's perspective. It also teaches how to win with grace and lose with dignity. These are all great skills for life and support Herget core values of accepting responsibility.

Join the exciting world of sport stacking! It is also known as cup stacking or speed stacking. This activity will focus on individual and team aspects of sport stacking within our club. All cups will be provided, but participants may bring their own official sport stacking cups, mats, and timers. Participants will develop their hand eye coordination in a fun, supportive environment always focusing on improving personal best times. Come join in on the fun and discover sport stacking!

We will usually do a bit of both Chess and Speed Stacking during every meeting. Both activities will include a tournament of champions right after Spring Break! We've even been known to lure a few teachers into our games... just because it is so much fun to claim student victory over the teachers!


Can't make it to every meeting due to sports, etc? Come when you can... we will be here! Friends are welcome! Anyone can join at any time!

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<b>Maker's Club</b> 	Mrs. Metallo	Open to all responsible students  *note: Each project workshop has a maximum of 15 openings... so be sure to sign up and secure your spot! Sign ups will be announced in August, October and December.	Project workshop #1: September - October  Project workshop #2: November - December  Project Workshop #3: January - April	Weekly	Wednesday	3:40 - 5:00	3101 and Herget Woodshop

Makers Club is offered to all middle school students who love to create, build and work hands-on. .


We will run 3 project workshops. You will learn how to design and safely build using a variety of materials and tools. Sign up for 1, 2 or all 3 workshops. Students must be committed to attending all sessions of the workshop they sign up for. A small materials fee ranging from \$5 to \$8 will be charged for each project.

This club is for everybody... this includes kids who are first timers in the woodshop using tools to students who have previous woodshop experience. Don't be nervous, an expert at anything was once a beginner! We will complete projects step by step with an emphasis on safety. The best part of Makers Club is that we all work together to help one another... and you leave with a fabulous project created by you!


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<b>Yearbook Club</b> 	Mr. Skly	Open	Oct - March	2x/month	TBD	3:45-5:00	Art Room 1200

Our main goals are to capture the atmosphere and student life at Herget Middle School. Students in the yearbook club are primarily responsible for taking the pictures and will design our annual, hardbound yearbook. The majority of work will consist of taking digital pictures of athletics, students daily routines, clubs, and special events at school. Students must be dedicated to meeting deadlines throughout the year. To create the final product, Art Teacher, Mr. Skly, assists students as they use an online computer program to create yearbook pages. Yearbook club will help reinforce writing and social skills.



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Fall Play, Radio Play, and Spring Musical 	TBD & Dr. Glogowski	Open to all students	All Year	Weekly	Monday through Friday	3:45pm-5:30pm	Cafeteria or Choir Room

The Herget Drama Club produces three productions every school year, a Fall Play, a Winter Radio Play, and a Spring Musical. In Drama Club, students have the opportunity to be both on and off the stage, whether you are acting and dancing, or working behind the scenes as a stage crew member, there is most definitely a spot for you. Previous productions include: *The Little Mermaid Jr.*, *The Lion*, *The Witch and The Wardrobe*, *It's a Wonderful Life: Radio Play*, and *The Wizard of Oz*. Auditions are open to all students, and rehearsals for our productions occur after school on select days of the week. More information coming soon as we are in the process of identifying drama sponsor.

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Choral Music 	Dr. Glogowski	Open to all students	All Year	Weekly	Every Friday	7:30AM-8:30AM	Music Room 4005

If you like to sing then this group is for you. No singing experience needed. All students can learn how to sing and sing better. No one ever sings alone unless they chose to. On average this group has 50-80 students participate. There are 4-5 concerts and performances each year (one each quarter).

#### You will learn:

- How to use proper vocal technique such as breath, head voice, and chest voice.
- Different music styles and how to communicate emotion.
- Proper performing techniques, including singing a-cappella.
- How to work with others as a team and serve the community.

#### Herget Harmonix: (Advanced Singing Ensemble)

This group performs mostly a-cappella music.


It is open to all grade level students that **pass an audition** (Starting late August through mid-September). Only students that participate in another school choirs are eligible.

You can find all and more information about Herget choir at <http://herget.discoverthought.com>.

If your still not sure if this group is for you.... You can listen to recordings at

[http://herget.discoverthought.com/?page\\_id=11](http://herget.discoverthought.com/?page_id=11) and see pictures at

[http://herget.discoverthought.com/?page\\_id=158](http://herget.discoverthought.com/?page_id=158).

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Battle of the Books 	Mrs. Dieken	Open to all students	Nov. - March	Twice to battle	Varies	Lunch	LMC

Passionate readers are encouraged to participate in Battle of the Books! The purpose is simply to encourage students to read good books and have fun while competing with peers. Students will read selected books found on the Rebecca Caudill 2020 list. Students will be able to choose their own teams comprised of 3-4 students and they will split the reading load. These teams will compete with other teams within our building. They will be quizzed on their comprehension of the books. Battle of the Books competitions begin in February. The students gain knowledge and enjoyment from reading good books, sharing them with friends, parents and teachers, plus participating in a friendly battle!