

## The Arts

**Art Club** offers members a wide variety of opportunities to work on student led projects in a social atmosphere. Students will participate in fine, applied, and multi-media based art activities. And may have the opportunity to showcase their projects within the local community.

**CAST (Communication Arts, Speech and Theater)** provides a number of theater and performing arts opportunities. Performances include large cast musicals as well as smaller ensemble pieces. In addition, Actors Studio which performs student-written improvisational work, Dance Troupe and Speech Team. Students interested in behind-the-scenes activities will find plenty to do building sets, painting and learning stagecraft by joining Crew. Auditions are held twice a year for performances. Rehearsals are after school, some Saturdays. Crew is open to all interested students and meets on Saturdays as needed.

**Do Re Mi, Jukebox, Men's Ensemble** are small vocal ensembles that meet before or after school. The groups sing and perform a variety of music from pop to Broadway, Motown to traditional.

**Jazz Groups** include Jazz Ensemble, Julian Jives and Jazz Band 3, gives students the opportunity to learn to play and perform jazz in a big band setting. Jazz Ensemble and Julian Jives are chosen by audition in the fall, while JB3 is open to everyone. Rehearsals are before school.

**Jazz Lab Band for sixth** graders is offered every Friday morning before school. In addition to learning jazz styles and improvisation, the students have the opportunity to perform several times during the year.

**Rock Band** is for guitar, bass and piano players, drummers and vocalists who want to play different kinds of rock and pop music.

**Spoken Word** This Oak Park Education Foundation club empowers students to find and cultivate their unique voices through reading, writing and performing poetry. Students will work with a teaching artist and OPRF high school mentors. And will have opportunities to attend open mic events, showcases and poetry slams.

**Symphony Orchestra** provides students the opportunity to rehearse and perform music in a full orchestra setting. Rehearsals are held each Monday before school.



## Calendar of Events

### *BEGINNING MONTH/TRYOUTS*

<b>Cross Country</b>	August; No cut
<b>Girls Basketball</b>	August; Cuts
<b>Boys Basketball</b>	October; Cuts
<b>Robotics Club</b>	September; Cuts
<b>Track and Field</b>	March; No cut
<b>Ultimate Frisbee</b>	Sept/Mar; No cut
<b>Girls Volleyball</b>	December; Cuts
<b>Boys Volleyball</b>	February; Cuts

### *YEARLONG*

**Art Club**  
**Best Buddies**  
**CAST**  
**Chess Club**  
**F.L.O.W.**  
**French and Spanish Club**  
**Green Team**  
**International Club**  
**Math Club/Math Team**  
**7th & 8th Grade Music Ensembles**  
**Service Learning**  
**Sixth Grade Jazz Band**  
**Spoken Word**  
**Student Advisory Board**  
**Vocal Music Groups**  
**Yearbook & Yearbook Photography**

## Percy Julian Middle School

### Before & After School Activities

#### Service & Leadership



#### Academics & Achievements



#### Fun & Health



#### The Arts



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## Service and Leadership

**Best Buddies** is a Middle School Chapter of an international organization that provides opportunities for friendship and activities between students with developmental disabilities and general education students. There are monthly meetings, field trips, service projects and a fundraiser.

**F.L.O.W. (Future Leaders of the World)** is a mentoring group for students who have an interest in building their leadership potential. The program will be conducted by Julian staff members. Weekly meetings will include guest speakers and will incorporate activities at achieving specific goals.

**Green Team** is for students interested in the environmental issues facing our planet. The focus is to educate students and staff on ways to REDUCE, REUSE, and RECYCLE.

**Service Learning** provides a curriculum and activities to foster community service and to encourage students to volunteer services to the community. Students work for such causes as food pantries, PADS shelters, adopt-a-family, Hines veterans, Ronald McDonald House, and Kids March for Homeless Kids.

**Student Advisory Board** allows students to come together to provide leadership in the school environment. Students will engage in planning and leading school wide initiatives such as spirit weeks and school celebrations. This student group will also provide feedback and make suggestions about how to make Julian a more positive learning environment. Students will meet on a monthly basis during their lunch hour or during advisory.

**Yearbook & Yearbook Photography** activities center on the production of the annual Percy Julian School Yearbook. Students photograph school events, write sections, format the book, sell books, and distribute at the end of the year.



# Before and After School Activities

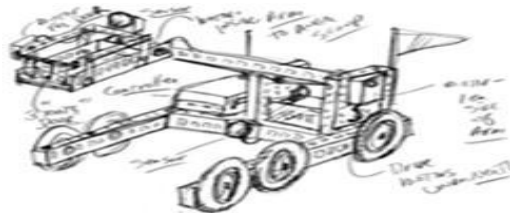
## Academics and Achievements

**Chess Club** allows students of all levels the opportunity to learn and compete in the game of chess. Club members meet weekly after school, and walk-ins are also welcome. An after school visit to the OPRF Chess Club and a competition typically occur within the school year.

**French and Spanish Club** Join us as we celebrate our global community. Activities are centered around the French and Francophone cultures. Activities include: tasting and cooking French food, watching French movies, listening to French music, playing games such as boules, celebrating French holidays, and more. Students will also learn more about the Spanish language and various Hispanic cultures through hands-on activities such as: singing, eating, dancing, playing games and making crafts.

**Math Club/Math Team** provides students with the opportunity to participate in various mathematics competitions. In the past, Julian has sent teams to the following events: Fenwick Junior High School Math Contest, Illinois Math and Science Academy Junior High Mathematics Contest, Latin School of Chicago Mathematics Contest, MathCounts, and Trinity High School Math Contest. The primary emphasis of math club is team work and problem solving. Weekly meetings will be held on Wednesdays, after school. All students, all abilities welcome.

**Robotics Club** Students interesting in designing, building and programming a remote controlled robot are needed! We are looking to have 4 - 5 teams this year to construct robots completely from scratch. We have all of the materials...we just need the brain power. 6th, 7th and 8th grade students are all welcome.



## Fun and Health



**Basketball** is offered for both boys and girls. Four teams are organized by grade level and gender creating a seventh and an eighth grade boys' basketball team and a seventh and an eighth grade girls' basketball team. The teams provide interscholastic activity in basketball for those students who successfully tryout for one of the teams. Instruction is given in basketball strategies and skills. Team membership requires attendance at practices and games that may be either at Julian or another middle school.

**Cross Country** is offered in the fall for all students. Conditioning begins in mid-August. CC is a "no-cut" sport so anyone who wishes to come out for the team is offered a spot. Cross country practices before school with meets after school and/or Saturdays. Race distances are 1.5 to 2 miles depending on age. Season "runs" through mid-October.

**Track** is offered to all students and is a "no cut" sport, so anyone who wishes to join the team will be offered a spot. The team travels throughout the Chicago area to compete in 13-14 events. Track practice is before school with meets after school and/or Saturdays. Season begins mid-March and runs through May concluding with State Championships.

**Ultimate Frisbee Club** meets weekly and will play in several competitive tournaments against other middle schools during the Fall and Spring seasons. Whether you are totally new to the sport or already have a solid forehand, everyone is welcome to come check it out.

**Volleyball** is offered for both boys and girls. Four teams are organized by grade level and gender creating a seventh and an eighth grade boys' volleyball team and a seventh and an eighth grade girls' volleyball team. The teams provide interscholastic activity in volleyball for those students who successfully tryout for one of the teams. Instruction is given in volleyball strategies and skills. Team membership requires attendance at practices and games that may be either at Julian or another middle school.