

## **NIMITZ CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

### **Academic Decathlon**

Academic Decathlon® is a ten-event scholastic competition for teams to compete in math, science, economics, social science, literature, music, art, speech, interview, essay and super quiz. AD is designed to include students from all academic backgrounds. Contact Mr. Thomson at [gthomson@irvingisd.net](mailto:gthomson@irvingisd.net)

### **AVID Club "Advancement Via Individual Determination".**

AVID is a college-readiness system designed to increase the number of students who enroll in 4 year colleges. AVID Club is for **ALL** students at Nimitz who want to participate in college activities. Contact Ms. Brooks or Ms. Hill at [pbrooks@irvingisd.net](mailto:pbrooks@irvingisd.net) or [jhill@irvingisd.net](mailto:jhill@irvingisd.net)

### **Ballet Folklorico**

Contact Ms. Schuessler at [aschuessler@irvingisd.net](mailto:aschuessler@irvingisd.net).

### **Band**

Open to all students teaching musical awareness, instrumental technique and competes under the UIL. This includes Marching Band, Concert Band, Jazz Band, Drumline, Percussion Ensemble, and Colorguard. Contact Mr. Ewing at [newing@irvingisd.net](mailto:newing@irvingisd.net)

### **Books Anime Manga (BAM)**

BAM meets monthly to discuss young adult novels, anime and watch manga. Contact Ms. Johnson at [samjohnson@irvingisd.net](mailto:samjohnson@irvingisd.net)

### **Bowling**

Students who participate have a variety of skill and experience in bowling. Practices are held two nights a week; one night at a local center and one night on campus. Competitions are held on Saturday's from November to March. We compete against other high schools from across the metroplex weekly, and have a district, regional, and state competition bracket. Our goal is to create interest for the sport of bowling in youth programs and to create opportunities for students to receive money for their college education through bowling scholarships. Contact Ms. Vessel at [pvesel@irvingisd.net](mailto:pvesel@irvingisd.net) or Mr. Townsend at [otownsend@irvingisd.net](mailto:otownsend@irvingisd.net).

### **Business Professionals of America (BPA) – formerly FBLA**

Business Professionals of America (BPA) is a CTSO for students pursuing careers in business and other related career fields. As a co-curricular activity, A major program of Business Professionals of America is the Workplace Skills Assessment Program (WSAP). The WSAP prepares students to succeed and assesses real-world business skills and problem solving abilities in finance, management, IT and computer applications. Students demonstrate their career skills at regional, state and national conferences in more than 90 competitive events. Business Professionals of America enhances student participation in professional, civic, service and social endeavors and prepare business professionals for a global world through the advancement of leadership, citizenship, academic, and technological skills. Contact Ms. Daniels-Hill at [cdaniels-hill@irvingisd.net](mailto:cdaniels-hill@irvingisd.net).

### **Cheerleading**

The cheerleaders support all athletic teams during the school year while also promoting school spirit. Varsity cheer Contact Ms. Schermerhorn at [kschermerhorn@irvingisd.net](mailto:kschermerhorn@irvingisd.net)

### **Choir**

Choir Club is an organization made of all NHS Choirs students as well as students interested in choir but unable to take a formal choir class. The organization is there to support concerts, activities, and events of the NHS Choir. It is made of 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students and anyone can serve as an officer. The office of the President is for an 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grader. Contact Ms. Scalisi at [escalisi@irvingisd.net](mailto:escalisi@irvingisd.net)

### **Class Officers**

Class Officers are elected in April of for 10th, 11th and 12th grades. Freshmen class officers are elected in October. Class of 2022 Sponsor – [jadiehl01@irvingisd.net](mailto:jadiehl01@irvingisd.net)  
Class of 2023 Sponsor – [josullivan@irvingisd.net](mailto:josullivan@irvingisd.net)  
Class of 2024 Sponsor – [mcherry@irvingisd.net](mailto:mcherry@irvingisd.net)  
Class of 2025 Sponsor – [bkrasniqi@irvingisd.net](mailto:bkrasniqi@irvingisd.net)

### **Color Guard**

Color Guard is a combination of art and sport. The members are trained like athletes, but perform as artists. Performers use the elements of expression, and their equipment to tell a story. If you think this activity is for you contact Mr. Ewing at [newing@irvingisd.net](mailto:newing@irvingisd.net)

### **DECA**

A co-curricular club existing of a group of marketing students that meet to explore marketing opportunities, study for DECA competitions, do community service projects, and travel on field trips. If you would like to join, you must take a Marketing, Entrepreneurship, or PrinBMF class. Freshman in the business pathway are encouraged to join DECA and take Marketing or Entrepreneurship their Sophomore year. Contact Ms. Mitchell at [mamitchell@irvingisd.net](mailto:mamitchell@irvingisd.net)

### **Drama**

Drama Club strives to entertain, amaze, and awe our peers all the while learning the ancient rules of the stage and performance. Our goal is to open minds and create experiences for others. Contact Ms. Sebastian at [eherrera@irvingisd.net](mailto:eherrera@irvingisd.net)

### **Family Career Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)**

FCCLA is a national Career and Technical Student Organization that provides personal growth, leadership development, and career preparation opportunities for students in Family and Consumer Sciences education. Focusing on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner and community leader, members develop skills for life through: character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge, and career preparation. Contact Mr. McFarland at [jmcfarland@irvingisd.net](mailto:jmcfarland@irvingisd.net)

### **Fellowship of Christian Athletes**

To present to coaches and athletes, and all whom they influence, the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church. Activities: Bimonthly meetings in a coaches classroom during the school year. See You at the Pole-annually in September. Fields of Faith @ Southlake's Dragon Stadium-annually in October. Nimitz Spring event annually in April. Contact Mr. Swisher at [cswisher@irvingisd.net](mailto:cswisher@irvingisd.net)

### **Future Farmers of America (FFA)**

The goal/objective of FFA is to develop competent, aggressive, agriculture and community leaders. The activities that we participate in are leadership development events (LDE's) in the Fall and Career Development events (CDE's) in the spring and community involvement (donating, volunteering, etc.) year around. Contact Mr. Spiller at [dspiller@irvingisd.net](mailto:dspiller@irvingisd.net).

### **French Club**

The French Club promotes the understanding, study and appreciation of the French language and francophone culture. It is open to all Nimitz students and gives members a relaxed environment in which to practice speaking French as well as provide the opportunity for members to participate in cultural events. Contact Monsieur Michel at [mnkwocha@irvingisd.net](mailto:mnkwocha@irvingisd.net).

### **Graduation Lab**

Grad Labs provides an alternative to a regular classroom for catching up on courses needed for graduation. Students complete self-paced digital courses using Apex Learning with the help of a certified teacher and content tutors. Along the way, they develop independent study skills such as note-taking and goal-setting, as well as greater confidence in their own ability to succeed. Contact Mr. Maggs at [amaggs@irvingisd.net](mailto:amaggs@irvingisd.net)

### **Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) – Vet Science**

A curricular program for students enrolled within the School of Veterinary Science. This organization is designed to develop future leaders for the animal health care system. HOSA participation provides opportunities for students to compete in career based competitions along with the following...develop effective leadership qualities and skills, enhance communication skills, develop critical thinking and problem solving skills, build self-esteem through individual and group achievement, participate in community services activities, develop character and responsible citizenship traits, set goals for life-long learning and make realistic career choices, network with health care professionals and peers who have similar goals, and access to student scholarship opportunities. Contact Ms. Runnels [mrunnels@irvingisd.net](mailto:mrunnels@irvingisd.net)

### **JROTC (Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps)**

JROTC offers students a unique opportunity for personal growth, with an emphasis on American citizenship and history. Courses also help students develop personal values and skills to succeed in school and beyond. Students who participate in NJROTC competition teams travel all over Texas and when qualified, to Florida to compete at National competitions. All expenses of travel are covered by the JROTC program to include lodging and food. Contact LT Smalls at [tsmalls@irvingisd.net](mailto:tsmalls@irvingisd.net)

### **Junior Historians**

The purpose of the Junior Historians is to help develop informed, active citizens aware of the past and ready to make their own history. To that end we offer members a wide variety of volunteer service opportunities, social studies contests, and experiences at local museums and historic sites. Contact Mr. Diehl at [jadiehl01@irvingisd.net](mailto:jadiehl01@irvingisd.net)

### **Kings Dance Crew**

Contact Ms. Hogan at [khogan@irvingisd.net](mailto:khogan@irvingisd.net)

### **Latinos Stand Up**

Latinos Stand Up is a student-led organization that has been at Nimitz High School for over 10 years. All students are invited to join and attend meetings that are held throughout the year to encourage positive participation of Latinos in the community. The group also takes field trips to college fairs, universities, and events and places that pertain to the Latino community, such as the Latino Film and Univision studios. Contact Ms. Huffman at [shuffman@irvingisd.net](mailto:shuffman@irvingisd.net)

### **Mu Alpha Theta**

Contact Mr. Hunt at [phunt@irvingisd.net](mailto:phunt@irvingisd.net).

### **National Honor Society**

National Honor Society members have distinguished themselves by committing to the pursuit of academic excellence, community improvement, and personal development. This organization focuses on service, leadership, and character to help students build the skills and relationships to ensure success throughout their academic years and beyond. Juniors and seniors must have a cumulative GPA of 90 or higher and the recommendation of faculty and staff to be nominated for membership. Contact Ms. Forshage at [bforshage@irvingisd.net](mailto:bforshage@irvingisd.net)

### **National Speech & Debate Association**

The National Speech & Debate Association's Honor Society recognizes middle school and high school students for participation in speech and debate activities. Students earn distinction through speech and debate competition, as well as community service, public speaking, and leadership activities. Members are eligible to join the Honor Society once they have earned the required number of points. Members of the Honor Society are held to the Code of Honor, the highest standards of integrity, humility, respect, leadership, and service. Contact Ms. Blue at [eblue@irvingisd.net](mailto:eblue@irvingisd.net).

### **National Technical Honor Society**

NTHS honors the achievements of top CTE students, provides scholarships to encourage the pursuit of higher education, and cultivates excellence in today's highly competitive, skilled workforce. Contact Ms. Daniels-Hill at [cdaniels-hill@irvingisd.net](mailto:cdaniels-hill@irvingisd.net).

### **Orchestra**

Orchestra is available to students who have orchestra background. We are looking to continue growing and improving, and we hope that anyone who is eligible will sign up! Contact Ms. Parks at [kparks@irvingisd.net](mailto:kparks@irvingisd.net)

### **Quill & Scroll**

International honorary society for high school journalists. Contact Ms. Blue at [eblue@irvingisd.net](mailto:eblue@irvingisd.net)

### **Science Club**

Contact Ms. Mendez at [bmendez@irvingisd.net](mailto:bmendez@irvingisd.net).

### **Skills USA**

National Career and Technical student organization over 300,000 made up of high school students, college students, and professionals who are enrolled in technical skilled, and service occupations. The Nimitz chapter of SkillsUSA encompasses students in the AV Technology field. SkillsUSA builds leadership, citizenship, and employability. We compete in skills contests against other teams and expand our network and skill levels during the process. Contact Mr. Jones at [majones2@irvingisd.net](mailto:majones2@irvingisd.net)

### **Spanish Honor Society (Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica)**

The Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica (SHH) is an honor society for high school students enrolled in Spanish. Its mission is to recognize high school achievement in Spanish and to promote interest in Hispanic studies. Contact Ms. Sandoval at [dsandoval@irvingisd.net](mailto:dsandoval@irvingisd.net)

### **Société Honoraire de Français (French Honor Society)**

“The Nimitz Chapter of SHF is open to Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors who are enrolled in the fourth semester of French or higher. They must have maintained an average of 90 or higher in French throughout their secondary school study of French, including the semester of selection, while maintaining an average of 85 or higher in all other secondary school subjects prior to the semester of selection. Contact Monsieur Michel at [mnkwocha@irvingisd.net](mailto:mnkwocha@irvingisd.net)”

### **Special Olympics**

Contact Ms. Smith at [vasmith@irvingisd.net](mailto:vasmith@irvingisd.net)

### **Student Council**

Student Government gives students a voice in determining school activities and fosters a positive climate throughout the school. Members plan and organize school activities and participate in community service projects. Student council needs hard working, creative, fun loving, responsible students. Contact Mr. Hoskins at [cahoskins@irvingisd.net](mailto:cahoskins@irvingisd.net)

### **Student Library Advisory Council**

SLAC promotes the library, support our programs and offer advice and assistance on everything we do. Contact Ms. Johnson at [samjohnson@irvingisd.net](mailto:samjohnson@irvingisd.net)

### **Texas Association of Future Educators**

T.A.F.E. is a statewide organization that offers students the opportunity to explore the teaching profession. Activities include tutoring, teacher appreciation, conferences and workshops. Contact Ms. Carpenter at [lcarpenter@irvingisd.net](mailto:lcarpenter@irvingisd.net)

### **University Interscholastic League Academics**

**Accounting** –

**Computer Applications** –

**Current Events** – Mr. Diehl at [jadiehl01@irvingisd.net](mailto:jadiehl01@irvingisd.net)

**Extemporaneous Speaking** - Ms. Blue at [eblue@irvingisd.net](mailto:eblue@irvingisd.net)

**Debate** - Ms. Blue at [eblue@irvingisd.net](mailto:eblue@irvingisd.net)

**Journalism** – Ms. Blue at [eblue@irvingisd.net](mailto:eblue@irvingisd.net)

**Literary Criticism** – Mr. Langsather at [blangsather@irvingisd.net](mailto:blangsather@irvingisd.net)

**Spelling/Vocabulary** Mr. Langsather at [blangsather@irvingisd.net](mailto:blangsather@irvingisd.net)

**Ready Writing** – Mr. Langsather at [blangsather@irvingisd.net](mailto:blangsather@irvingisd.net)

**Math, Calculator and Number Sense** –

**Oral Interpretation**–Ms. Schuessler at [aschuessler@irvingisd.net](mailto:aschuessler@irvingisd.net)

**Science** –

**Social Studies** – Mr. Diehl at [jadiehl01@irvingisd.net](mailto:jadiehl01@irvingisd.net)

### **Vikas**

If you love to dance, perform, and be part of an amazing experience, Vikas is for you! We perform at football games, pep rallies, and various other events. They also participate in special events, parades, and a spring show. Contact Ms. Hogan at [khogan@irvingisd.net](mailto:khogan@irvingisd.net)

### **Viking Crew**

Senior only spirit group. Contact Ms. Carpenter at [lcarpenter@irvingisd.net](mailto:lcarpenter@irvingisd.net)

### **Viking Hotshots**

Contact Ms. Gowan at [cgowan@irvingisd.net](mailto:cgowan@irvingisd.net).

### **Virtual Vikings Gaming Club**

Meets every other week to play pc, console and tabletop games. Contact Ms. Johnson at [samjohnson@irvingisd.net](mailto:samjohnson@irvingisd.net)

### **Yearbook and Newspaper**

**Newspaper** students create an online and print school newspaper. **Yearbook** students create the yearbook. Students work as reporters, photographers, page designers, and ad salesmen to create the publication. All publications require hard work, dedication, and the ability to meet deadlines. Teacher approval is required or must take Journalism as a prerequisite. Contact Ms. Hayter at [ahayter@irvingisd.net](mailto:ahayter@irvingisd.net)

### **Young Writer’s Program**

An afterschool program that works with students to help them develop short stories and novels over the course of the year. Contact Ms. Schuessler at [aschuessler@irvingisd.net](mailto:aschuessler@irvingisd.net).

## **NIMITZ ATHLETICS**

### **Athletic Training**

To promote the profession of athletic training and to ensure the health and safety of all Nimitz student athletes. To provide an opportunity for the study and application of the components of sports medicine including but not limited to: sports medicine related careers, organizational and administrative considerations, prevention of athletic injuries, recognition, evaluation, and immediate care of athletic injuries, rehabilitation and management skills, taping and wrapping techniques, first aid/CPR/AED, emergency procedures, nutrition, sports psychology, human anatomy and physiology, therapeutic modalities, and therapeutic exercise. Activities outside of class time include practice and game coverage, holiday parties and educational field trips. Contact Mr. Blasczienski at [kblasczienski@irvingisd.net](mailto:kblasczienski@irvingisd.net).

### **Basketball – Girl's**

Our Girls Basketball program is rich in winning tradition. If you want to be a part of a highly competitive and successful program, make your commitment to the Girls Basketball Program. We will have two freshmen teams, one JV team and one varsity team. Interested players should contact Coach Zacharie at [azacharie@irvingisd.net](mailto:azacharie@irvingisd.net)

### **Basketball – Boy's**

The program is very competitive and emphasizes team work, hard work ethic and developing basketball skills. The program focuses on developing the complete student athlete and individual. Contact Coach Donalson at [jdonalson@irvingisd.net](mailto:jdonalson@irvingisd.net)

### **Baseball**

Baseball is the ultimate team sport and requires an emphasis on working together to a common goal. Our program works to build on these skills everyday through fundamentals, commitment, and hard work. We will have three teams in the spring and will also have fall baseball teams. Contact Coach Somwang at [asomwang@irvingisd.net](mailto:asomwang@irvingisd.net)

### **Cross Country - Boys and Girls**

This team sport is for everybody who enjoys running. Girls run in a 2 mile race and boys run a 3 mile race. If interested, come out to practice Monday - Friday, at 6:30 a.m. to tryout. All paperwork must be completed before training with the team. Contact Coach Lowry at [clowry@irvingisd.net](mailto:clowry@irvingisd.net)

### **Football**

The Nimitz football team is a highly competitive and recognized program. We offer two freshman teams, two JV teams and a Varsity team. Players will have a chance to develop physically, mentally and emotionally, and will develop lifelong skills that will allow them to be successful in any endeavor. Contact Coach Rogers at [brogers01@irvingisd.net](mailto:brogers01@irvingisd.net)

### **Golf**

Contact Coach Jenkins at [mjenkins@irvingisd.net](mailto:mjenkins@irvingisd.net)

### **Soccer Boy's**

Boys' soccer is a program meant for highly skilled players with a desire to achieve on and off the field. The expectation is that a player needs to have the mindset to make the right choice, play hard in respect for the game and be prepared to become better as a person and player on the field and in the classroom. Contact Coach Camacho at [gcamacho01@irvingisd.net](mailto:gcamacho01@irvingisd.net)

### **Soccer – Girl's**

School wide tryouts will be held on Monday, Nov. 30th and Tues, Dec. 1st after school. All paperwork must be completed before training with the team, such as a physical, insurance form and emergency contact form. Contact Coach Vasquez at [nvasquez@irvingisd.net](mailto:nvasquez@irvingisd.net)

### **Softball**

Softball is a prestigious program that holds tradition. The Nimitz Lady Vikings have made the playoffs 16 out of 21 years. The number of participation has increased over the years from 22 athletes to 45+ athletes. We offer a JV2, JV, and Varsity team. Players will be taught softball skills and life lessons. Contact Coach Svochak at [ksvochak@irvingisd.net](mailto:ksvochak@irvingisd.net)

### **Swim Team**

Who should join? Students interested in competitive swimming, who want to be part of a team, and who love to have fun! Practices are at North Lake Aquatic Center from 7:00am-8:30am, Monday-Friday. Interested swimmers and divers should contact Coach Jacinto at [gjacinto@irvingisd.net](mailto:gjacinto@irvingisd.net)

### **Tennis**

Contact Coach Diehl at [jadiehl01@irvingisd.net](mailto:jadiehl01@irvingisd.net)

### **Track – Boy's**

Contact Coach Small at [masmall@irvingisd.net](mailto:masmall@irvingisd.net)

### **Track- Girls**

Contact Coach Gardner at [mgardner@irvingisd.net](mailto:mgardner@irvingisd.net)

### **Volleyball**

The participants in the volleyball program are expected to consider the team's needs and goals ahead of the individual. Like all worthwhile extra-curricular activities, high school sports require a substantial commitment. Volleyball demands that individuals work as one, in a fast-paced test of coordination, concentration and cooperation. Contact Coach Engeldinger at [jengeldinger@irvingisd.net](mailto:jengeldinger@irvingisd.net)

### **Water Polo**

Water Polo is an exciting fast paced game, played in the pool, that builds great swimming skills and endurance. Practices are at North Lake Aquatic Center from 7:00am-8:30am, Monday-Friday. Contact Coach Jacinto at [gjacinto@irvingisd.net](mailto:gjacinto@irvingisd.net)

### **Wrestling**

Contact Coach Bell at [cbell@irvingisd.net](mailto:cbell@irvingisd.net)