

HIGHTOWER TRAIL MIDDLE SCHOOL

2022 - 2023 CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Please see daily announcements for updated information.

| SCHOOL CLUB | DESCRIPTION | PAST/PLANNED ACTIVITIES | FACULTY ADVISOR(S) | DAY/TIME | NOTES |
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| ART COMPETES | To give students the opportunity to showcase their artistic talents by submitting artwork into various local and state competitions | | Brandi Payne | 3rd Thursday of each month. 8:15am in the Art room | Watch for announcement via rolling announcements |
| BAND – Flute Choir Clarinet Choir Double Reed Ensemble Low Brass Ensemble 7th Gr. Jazz Band 8th Gr. JazzBand Percussion Ensemble | To provide additional learning and performing opportunities for band students, open to 7 th & 8 th grade students only. | Performances at feeder elementary schools; Night of the Arts (April) Additional performances as necessary. | Fred Norton Alyse Mourdock | For specific meeting times & dates, refer to the Band Calendar: www.htmsband.org | You must be in the HTMS Band to participate |
| THE BIRD NIRDS BIRDWATCHING CLUB | To provide an opportunity to share & connect with other admirers of feathered friends. | We will be watching bird documentaries and taking bird walks around the campus. Binoculars would be nice to have but not required. | Whitney Mulkey Violette Garrett | Meet every 3rd Thursday of each month in 6D2 8:15 - 9:00 | Watch for announcement via rolling announcements |

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| ECOACTION TEAM | <p>EcoAction is a team of students that wants to increase awareness of the relationships between human actions & our environment. We will promote the benefits of reducing, re-using, & recycling of materials (plastic bottles, paper, & unusuable markers) that would otherwise be sent to landfill sites. We will educate the school community of steps that can be taken to improve our environment, & encourage responsible environmental behaviors.</p> | <p>The EcoAction Team leads & organizes the school's recycling efforts. The team also plants & maintains the school garden with sustainable practices, & carefully plans the garden to promote the bee population by making sure the garden is pollinator-friendly. The team will produce periodic announcements to the HTMS student body to encourage responsible environmental behaviors.</p> | <p>Jenny Bobb Lindsay Hoots</p> | <p>Meet Wednesday at 8:15am in 7C2</p> | <p>There will be a few OPTIONAL Seasonal Gardening Days on weekends. (To Be Determined.)</p> |
| FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES (FCA) <i>Not a school sponsored event</i> | <p>FCA is the largest Christian sports organization in America. It focuses on serving local communities by equipping, empowering, and encouraging people to make a difference through their faith. FCA is open to all and not limited to athletes.</p> | | <p>Sydney Brooks Hannah Setzer Janna Atkins</p> | <p>Every Friday @ 8:05am in the 6th grade commons.</p> | <p>Watch for announcement via rolling announcements</p> |

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| FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA | <p>The HTMS Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America is an organization made to enhance students' skills in leadership, business skills, & technology. Our mission is to bring business & education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership career development programs. We help develop competent & aggressive business leadership. We strengthen the confidence of students in themselves & their work, create more interest in & understanding of American business enterprise, & practice efficient money management.</p> | <p>Regular club meetings, conferences, competitive events, & community service projects are all part of HTMS FBLA. Our statewide philanthropy is March of Dimes. We also support local causes.</p> | <p>LaRona Snowden Tamra Bolles</p> | <p>Meetings will be held every 2nd & 4th Wednesday from 8:15 - 9:00 in the Health I Room</p> | <p>Watch for announcement via rolling announcements</p> |
| GUITAR CLUB | <p>To share experiences and provide knowledge of guitar playing. This club is open to all levels of guitarists.</p> | <p>Jam sessions for students to share techniques and to learn fingering, chords, etc. from each other & the sponsors.</p> | <p>Johnny Chadwick</p> | <p>Meet once/twice a month after school for one hour. Dates and days to be determined.</p> | <p>Watch for announcement via rolling announcements</p> |
| HARRY POTTER READING CLUB | <p>To provide interested students with an outlet for reading & discussing the books in the Harry Potter series, as well as participate in group activities & games relating to the novels.</p> | <p>Club will meet twice monthly.</p> | <p>Ashley Ripley Brent Fulton</p> | <p>Every other Friday (Calendar provided to members) in Room 6B2 8:15 - 8:45</p> | <p>Watch for announcement via rolling announcements</p> |

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| HELEN RUFFIN READING BOWL | A competitive reading team focused on turning students onto reading, encouraging independent reading for pleasure, and through friendly competition, and to foster strong support of the media center which is the key to successful reading programs in schools. | Meet bi-monthly to prepare for competition in January. Will compete in January 2023. | Marlie Sherer Teresa Mullaney JJ McKelvey | 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 8:15 a.m. in the 7th grade lab. Meetings will be more frequent as competition approaches. | All students welcome to attend competition team selected in September. Watch for announcement via rolling announcements. |
| HNN CLUB | A trusted group of students to host the daily morning news. | This club is by appointment. Students must audition for placement. Auditions due August 15th. | Amy Pease Stacy Gibbs Inga Schorn | Anchors will be assigned weekly shifts. | Watch for announcement via rolling announcements |
| INTERCLUB COUNCIL | To provide feedback to principal on school climate and academics. | | Dr. Hannah Polk | Meeting 3 - 4 times a year with the principal. 8:00 - 9:00. Dates to be determined. | Members of this club are representatives from HTMS clubs. |
| INTRAMURALS | To provide the opportunity of additional practice, self-testing and unique activities not feasible during regular class period. Intramural are student oriented, offering a wide variety of activities. All participants have an equal opportunity to play and focus on fun, enjoyment, and effort rather than winning. | | Zak Jezequel Alan Aumann Brent Fulton Katie O'Ryan | Mon.-Thu. 8:00 – 8:45 am No Fridays Doors lock at 8:15 First day of intramurals is Monday, August 29, 2022 | Watch for announcement via rolling announcements Check with Study Hall to make sure there is a meeting each day. MUST HAVE PROPER SHOES. |

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| <p>JEW CREW <i>Not a school sponsored event</i></p> | <p>The HTMS Jew Crew is a group of students who meet monthly to enrich his/her life with Jewish values and culture. Meetings include breakfast, community service projects, learning opportunities and social interaction with those with the same religious beliefs. The club is open to all 6-8th graders.</p> | <p>Breakfast, community service projects, Jewish education opportunities</p> | <p>Stefanie Stoltz</p> | <p>Once or twice a month on Fridays</p> | <p>Watch the rolling announcements for meeting dates and sign up for Remind 101 by texting @htjewcrew to 81010</p> |
| <p>JEWELRY MAKING</p> | <p>To teach students various types of trendy jewelry making as well as business building & marketing techniques (2nd half of year). This instills a sense of do-it-yourself in young people who are interested in how things are made & not just the consumerism of the product.</p> | <p>Meet 3 times a month - each month students will learn a different type of jewelry making & the subsequent weeks in that month allow time for students to build their skills in that technique. 2nd semester students who are interested will learn how to create and build a business with their jewelry making or other handmade items.</p> | <p>Ashley Ripley</p> | <p>Wednesdays 3 times a month Calendar with dates provided to all members</p> | <p>Watch for announcement via rolling announcements</p> |
| <p>LUNCH BUNCH</p> | <p>To provide positive social opportunities for students to engage with others from around the school. Students eat lunch and enjoy talking with new friends playing games, dancing, etc. in an accepting environment.</p> | <p>Activities vary weekly but may include: cornhole, Bingo, Uno, life-sized Jenga, Legos, coloring, etc. Past activities include games, arts & crafts, holiday parties</p> | <p>Amy Moor</p> | <p>Most Fridays during lunch in the 8th grade commons</p> | <p>Watch for announcement via rolling announcements</p> |

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| NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY - NJHS | To provide for the community by leading through service & action for the betterment of our peers & community. We will do this collectively through school & local service projects & individually in our community based on the passions & talents of our members. | A leadership/community service club that is for rising 8th graders who qualify according to The National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) & the HTMS National Junior Honor Society by-laws. It is by invitation only requiring an application process & teacher recommendations in the spring of a student's 7th grade year. | Alana Lucero Katie O'Ryan | The 3rd Thursday of each month 4:15 - 5:15 | Watch for announcement via rolling announcements |
| ORCHESTRA - CHAMBER | To provide enrichment for more advanced players in orchestra | Auditions August 17th. Sign up at Sneak-A-Peek or the first week of school. Must be in Orchestra to participate. | Paul O'Keefe Michael Tompkins | Monday & Thursday mornings 8:00 – 9:00 am. (For specific times & dates, refer to the Orchestra Calendar on the website) | Watch for announcement via rolling announcements |
| SCIENCE OLYMPIAD | One of the premier science competitions in the nation, providing rigorous, standards-based challenges to a team of 15 students. Science Olympiad's ever-changing line-up of events in Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math (STEM) disciplines, exposes & energizes our students to a variety of career choices & dynamic content experiences. | Our team has been in existence for many years. In that time, our best showing was 1st place in the regional competition, and we went on to place 4th in the state competition. Planned Activities: Dodgen Invitational in November, & Regional Competition in Spring with another showing at the state competition to follow. | Katherine Thomas | Meetings in 7B1 Thursday afternoons and Friday mornings | This club asks that you submit teacher recommendations in early Fall. Watch for announcements |

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| STUDENT PATH LEADERSHIP GROUP | Students will highlight acts of compassion and kindness among peers; incorporate empathy into the school culture; celebrate diversity and inclusion through awareness and school wide activities; and assist with community service projects. | New Student Tours, Relay for Life Fundraisers, Leadership Activities, School Community Service Drives, Spirit Weeks | Brent Fulton Shawnte Scott-Tompkins Jaclyn Bonsecour Lara Salzman Amy Moor Sydney Brooks Ryan Rospond Colleen Ham | Meetings before school once a month on Wednesdays. Dates will be given at first meeting. | Watch for announcement via rolling announcements |
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