

GET INVOLVED AT FRANCIS HOWELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

2020-21

Student Clubs and Activities

No activities before 9/14/20

*If your child(ren) is in one or more of these clubs, a one-time annual activity fee of \$20 will be assessed. Payment can be made in two ways: Online at the WebStore - Go to <https://fhdschools.revtrak.net/> and log into the web store with your student's ID number and date of birth. You can also find the web store link under the "For Parents" tab on the District and individual school websites. Or, you may bring in cash, check, or money order to Mrs. Goeke in the Main Office. There is a \$40 maximum per family at the middle school level. We will have additional activities available to students throughout the school year. Watch for updates in the weekly eNEWS.

***Student Council - (Selected through individual CC Class) Contact Teacher: Mrs. Jones, 636-851-4882, Carol.Jones@fhdschools.org**

Student Council is our student leadership organization. Students meet both during the school day and after school working to promote character and our Four Core Ethical Values. Everything we do at FHMS revolves around having good character and making positive choices. No one is perfect but Council members should be clear models of good character for the student body. You will need to apply for a seat on the FHMS Student Council.

***Drama Club - Contact Teacher: Mrs. Harrison, 636-851-4914, kimberley.queydan-harrison@fhdschools.org**

If you are dramatic at heart, the Drama Club offers several performance opportunities throughout the school year. There are also opportunities to audition to perform in all-school assemblies. Depending on the production, several after-school rehearsals may be scheduled. Audition, practice and performance opportunities are posted in advance on the weekly eNEWS bulletin. Our productions offer many opportunities for parents to get involved as well!

***Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)- Contact Teacher: Mr. Locke, 636-851-4948, john.locke@fhdschools.org**

FCA is a student-led group of coaches, student athletes, and those who enjoy getting together to enjoy Christian fellowship. Meetings are held twice a month and focus on self-growth and spiritual nourishment.

***Intramurals - Contact Teacher: Mr. Locke, 636-851-4948, john.locke@fhdschools.org; Mrs. Wittmus, 636-851-4904, anglia.wittmus@fhdschools.org**

All students are welcome and encouraged to participate in the intramurals program. Intramurals are offered either before school at 7:30 am, or after school until 4:15 pm, one or two days a week to help students focus on sports and physical activities regardless of their athletic skill. Each quarter a new sport or activity is offered including soccer, flag football, wrestling, basketball, washers, badminton, and ping pong. A parent must sign the intramural permission form before a student can participate. Forms are available in the main office. Occasionally we may compete with another school.

For Cross Country Only: Refer to the handout for practice and meet dates, as well as meet location address.

***Jazz Band- Contact Teacher: Kaitlin Glauber, 636-851-4867, kaitlin.glauber@fhdschools.org**

Seventh and eighth grade students may join the Jr. Viking Jazz Band. Students must have at least one year of playing experience and have the desire to learn different styles of jazz, swing, and rock music. This group may perform at the Spring Concert, school assemblies, as well as perform at Francis Howell High School with Bryan Middle School Jazz Band and FHHS Jazz Band. Depending on instrumentation, auditions are possible.

***National Junior Honor Society - Contact Teachers: Ms. Brooks, 636-851-4870, Christy.Brooks@fhdschools.org; Ms. Canul, 636-851-4877, Angela.Canul@fhdschools.org**

National Junior Honor Society is an active service club at FHMS. For the beginning of first quarter, our current members will meet virtually. Applications for new members should be available toward the end of September, depending on the current school situation.

Announcements will be made and applications will be available electronically. Students will need to show service, character and have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.65. The GPA has been lowered for the 2020-2021 school year due to the impact Covid-19 had on 4th quarter grades. New members will be notified two weeks after the initial application is due.

We intend to have an induction ceremony in November. If necessary, it will be virtual.

***Robotics -The future is NOW! -Contact Teacher: Mrs. Wombacher, 636-851-4913, casey.wombacher@fhdschools.org**

Robotics is for all FHMS students interested in working with LEGOs, robots, computer programs, etc. This is a great introduction into engineering and programming concepts. Using LEGO bricks and other elements such as sensors, motors, and gears, teams gain hands-on experience in engineering and computer programming principles as they construct and program their unique robot inventions. Meeting dates to follow.

***The Shield - Contact Teachers: Mrs. Adams, 636-851-4872, karen.adams@fhdschools.org; Mrs. Richards, 636-851-4885 tara.richards@fhdschools.org**

Students apply to be part of a committee of kids who help organize the assemblies (1 per semester) that are designed to be high energy and celebrate good attendance, good behavior, and high academic achievement. They help plan games, contests, and hand out prizes to those who have excelled in one or more of the aforementioned categories.

***Spirit Team - Contact Teacher: Mrs. Coveney, 636-851-4915, Tammy.Coveney@fhdschools.org**

Spirit Team is a fun way to learn chants, cheers, and lead out Jr. Viking spirit! We will practice leadership skills as well as learn how to cooperate in a group. Spirit Team also volunteers to give back to the community. This is a year-round club dedicated to having fun and promoting FHMS spirit.

***VOX - Contact Teacher: Mrs. Howard, 636-851-4871, olivia.howard@fhdschools.org**

VOX is FHMS' auditioned before school choir under the direction of Mrs. Howard. Auditions are open to any FHMS student and will begin sometime early September. By being a member of this group, students gain experience in singing techniques and performance. VOX will have performances throughout the year at concerts and community events.

***Yearbook - Contact Teacher: Mrs. Ragusky, 636-851-4884, Julie.Ragusky@fhdschools.org**

Help capture those unforgettable moments at FHMS as a member of our yearbook staff! We are a small group of seventh and eighth graders who will meet weekly as needed. You will be designing the pages of the yearbook. This includes taking pictures, writing captions and news stories, publicizing yearbook sales, and handling all other duties associated with publishing a yearbook.

***W.E.B. (Where Everyone Belongs, W.E.B.) - Contact Counselor: Mrs. Nieder, 636-851-4920, Penney.Nieder@fhdschools.org; Ms. Valenti, 636-851-4923, ginny.valenti@fhdschools.org; Ms. Weiss, 636-851-4942, lindsay.weiss@fhdschools.org**

Meeting dates are set once leaders are chosen

This is a year-long mentor program that is student led. Selected seventh & eighth graders are WEB Leaders who provide leadership for our school. The goal of the WEB Leader is to help students make connections and feel a sense of belonging in our school. Leaders are chosen through an application and selection process in the spring prior to the upcoming school year. They will continue to serve throughout the school year in a number of ways.

Youth in Government (YIG) - Contact Teacher: Mr. Richards, 636-851-4874, bryan.richards@fhdschools.org provides students the opportunity to experience the democratic process and develop the leadership skills needed to become citizens of a participatory society. Based on the motto "Democracy Must Be Learned by Each Generation". Youth and Government is a nationwide program that involves thousands of youth in grades 8-12 each year. The culminating event includes an overnight trip to Jefferson City, Missouri where the students participate in "running the state" as student leaders.