

# HIGHTOWER TRAIL MIDDLE SCHOOL

## 2018 - 2019 CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

*Please see daily announcements for updated information.*

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SCHOOL CLUB	DESCRIPTION	PAST/PLANNED ACTIVITIES	FACULTY ADVISOR(S)	DAY/TIME	NOTES
<b>ACADEMIC BOWL</b>	To give team members an opportunity to enhance their teamwork skills, good citizenship qualities, poise, confidence and academic knowledge in a fun, competitive environment. Team practices focus on subject area and game strategy.	To work as a team and strive to win county, region, & state championships via bowl competitions.	Lauren Gray Sarah Sessions	Friday Mornings - 8am, through competition season	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements Must take a test to be accepted onto the team
<b>ART COMPETES</b>	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
<b>BAND</b> – Flute Choir Clarinet Choir Double Reed Ensemble Low Brass Ensemble 7th Jazz Band 8th Jazz Band Percussion Ensemble	To provide additional learning and performing opportunities for band students, open to 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade students only. Performances at feeder elementary schools; Night of the Arts (April 25, 2019) Additional performances as necessary.		Andrew Cole Fred Norton	For specific meeting times & dates, refer to the Band Calendar: <a href="http://www.htmsband.org">www.htmsband.org</a>	You must be in the HTMS Band to participate
<b>BETA CLUB (JR.)</b>	To foster excellence in academics and citizenship through community service. This club is open to 7th & 8th graders with As & Bs and all Ss in Conduct.	Bingo at the Jewish Towers, help at Tritt, Shallowford Falls & HTMS functions including dances, fun-runs, Husky 101, book delivery, can tabs for Ronald McDonald, canned food drive with PTSA, help Husky Foundation with stuffing county envelopes	Lauren Gray Trish Healy	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3rd Tuesday of each month @ 8:10 a.m.	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements Small fee associated with membership: \$18.00
<b>CHESS &amp; CHECKERS</b>	Students meet to practice and learn chess and checkers strategies. They will practice good social skills in a non-competitive atmosphere.		Katherine Thomas Violette Garrett	Meetings – Thu. mornings at 8:15 a.m. Room 7B1	

<b>CREATIVE WRITING CLUB</b>	To provide an outlet for creative writing.		Julie Mann	1st & 3rd Monday 4:15 - 5:15 in 6B2	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>DANCE CLUB</b>	To learn new dances and play games.	Choreograph a dance routine for the Talent Show.	Debbie Jennings Katherine Thomas Tracy Hahn Deidra Stephens	Meet every Friday mornings 8:05 - 8:45 in 7D5	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>ECOACTION CLUB</b>	To recycle paper & plastic Collect recycling from the building	Weekly recycling collection	Re Marzullo Elisha Elias Penny Kilpatrick	Meet Wednesday at 8:15am in 8A4 to begin collections	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES (FCA)</b> <i>Not a school sponsored event</i>	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.		Melody Stout Penny Kilpatrick Catherine Hackney Amy West	Every Friday @ 8:05am in the 6th grade commons. Small Groups, Thursdays @ 8:05am in Mrs. Hackney room 8B3.	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>FILM CLUB</b>	To produce, polish, and publish a variety of audiovisual media projects. TBD by students of the club with faculty advisor approval.		Julie Mann Christoria Jonas	2nd & 4th Monday 4:15 - 5:15 in the Learning Commons	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>GUITAR CLUB</b>	To share experiences and provide knowledge of guitar playing. This club is open to all levels of guitarists.	Jam sessions for students to share techniques and to learn fingering, chords, etc. from each other & the sponsors.	Randall Howe Joel Blacher Garrett Grashuis	Meet once/twice a month after school for one hour. Dates and days to be determined.	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>HELEN RUFFIN READING BOWL</b>	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.	Met bi-monthly to prepare for competition in January. Will compete in January 2019.	Amy Pease Autumn Phillips	2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 8:15 a.m. in the Learning Commons. Meetings will be more frequent as competition approaches. TIPS Room	All students welcome to attend. Competition team selected in September.

<b>HUSKY HOOLIGANS SOCCER CLUB</b>	A soccer club open to competitive players who like to scrimmage.	Get together for soccer and fellowship through scrimmages in the wood gym.	Coach Morris Megan Mack	1st Friday of each month in the gym. 8:00 - 8:45 Doors lock at 8:15	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>INTERCLUB COUNCIL</b>	To provide feedback to principal on school climate and academics.		Laura Montgomery	Meeting 3 - 4 times a year with the principal. 8:00 - 9:00. Dates to be determined.	Members of this club are representaives from HTMS clubs.
<b>INTRAMURALS</b>	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 Amy Morris	Mon.-Thu. 8:00 – 8:45 am No Fridays Doors lock at 8:15	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements check with Study Hall to make sure there is a meeting each day.
<b>JEW CREW</b> <i>Not a school sponsored event</i>	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.	Breakfast, community service projects, Jewish education opportunities	Stefanie Stoltz	Once or twice a month	Watch the rolling announcements for meeting dates and sign up for Remind 101 by texting @htjewcrew to 81010
<b>LEGO ROBOTICS TEAM</b>	To provide hands-on learning for students in basic engineering/robotics, physical science, and applied mathematics. Official competative rosters are limited; however, all participants are welcome.	Saturday robotics clinics TBA and a competition in January 2018	Alan Huskey	TBD	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements

<b>LUNCH BUNCH</b>	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.	Activities vary weekly but may include: cornhole, Bingo, Uno, life-sized Jenga, Legos, coloring, etc. Past activities include games, arts & crafts, holiday parties	Amy Moor	Most Fridays during lunch in the 8th grade commons	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>MATH COUNTS</b>	To allow students the opportunity to collaborate and engage in problem solving & enrich the experience with Math. Open to 6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> graders.	Three county Math competitions on Monday nights throughout the year - One county competition on a Saturday - Georgia state competition	Janet Grooms Teresa Mullaney Jenny Bobb	Wednesdays – 8:00 am	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>ORCHESTRA - CHAMBER</b>	To provide enrichment for more advanced players in orchestra		Paul O'Keefe Michael Tompkins	Monday mornings 8:00 – 8:45 am. (For specific times & dates, refer to the Orchestra Calendar on the website)	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB</b>	To learn how to use your camera. Gain understanding of composition and how technique can help you get impactful images.		Joel Blacher	Once or twice a month before school - TBD	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>RUNNING CLUB</b>	To promote physical activity and a love of running. To prepare students who may want to pursue track or cross-country in High School.		Sara Jackson Alli Earnest	Every Tuesday & Thursday 4:30 - 5pm, pick up is promptly at 5:00 in the bus lanes.	Just turn up and participate, must have permission form filled out. Link to blog: <a href="http://www.cobblearning.net/htmlsrunningclub/">http://www.cobblearning.net/htmlsrunningclub/</a>

<b>SCIENCE OLYMPIAD</b>	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 5 years. In that time, our best showing was 2nd place in the regional competition, and we went on to place 9th in the state competition. Planned Activities: Dodgen Invitational in November 2018, & Regional Competition in spring of 2018 with another showing at the state competition to follow.	Katherine Thomas (We need many parent volunteers interested in helping us organize.)	Meetings in Commons	This club asks that you submit teacher recommendations in early Fall. Watch for announcement via rolling announcements
<b>STUDENT COUNCIL</b>	To have a positive impact on the school climate by facilitating activities that increase school spirit.		Kirstin Baillie Jaclyn Bonsecour	Meetings are Wednesdays at 8:15 in room 8A2	Watch for announcement via rolling announcements