CLUBS & DESCRIPTIONS



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CAREER FOCUS

Family, Career, Community Leaders of America

FCCLA is a career and technical education student organization that promotes personal growth and leadership through FCS education.

TBA

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

Future Business Leaders of America is open to students who are in grades 9-12 and are enrolled in or have taken a business class. FBLA here at RHHS brings business and education together through conferences, club meetings, competitions, and leadership activities. Students are offered career preparation opportunities, involvement in community service, and the opportunity to win scholarships, trophies, and prizes while attending conferences and networking with top business professionals. FBLA is one of the largest and oldest student business associations. It has approximately 250,000 members at the middle and high school levels.

Cindy Latina

Room: 1017 Monthly/As Needed

Young Investors Club

Students interested in getting a head start on investing for their futures. We play the Stock Market Game online and discuss investing topics. *virtual guest speakers

Room 1015 1st & 3rd Monday @ 2:30-3:30

Anne Nguyen

COMMUNITY AWARENESS/ SOCIAL JUSTICE

Animal Advocacy Club

This club meets twice per month and works on understanding the human-animal interaction and its role in society. The club will focus on bringing awareness to animal welfare issues both locally and nationally, and will be a fun way for students to interact with each other while supporting local animals and animal welfare!

Room: Mrs. Krauss Monthly

Stephanie Malkin Maureen Krauss

Bracelets for Benefits

The purpose of this club is to make bracelets, sell them, and use the money for charity. We will donate to a different charity each quarter of the school year. This club will meet on Fridays after school.

Room 3038 Monthly

Lisa Urso

Environmental Club

The Environmental Club is for students who are interested in creating public awareness of our ongoing environmental issues. Students have been working on an environmental program with Cora J. Belden Library to do mini lessons w/ crafts for elementary age kids.

Room: 3045 Once or Twice a Month (Google Classroom 3c2xpdc)

Keela Parsons

Green Team

A group of students who come together to organize events to leave our environment a little cleaner than we found it!

Room: 3045 Once or Twice a Month

Keela Parsons Mary Stewart

Girl Up

A group dedicated to promoting gender equality, with an emphasis on women's rights.

Room: 3038 Every Thursday @ 2:25 pm

Lisa Urso

Interact Club

The Interact Club is affiliated with the Rotary Club of Rocky Hill and Wethersfield and its efforts are concentrated on civic endeavors to improve the community with the international Rotarian credo of service above self as its backbone.

Jeff Mertens

Lending Paws

This is a student-led community service club. Students want to create a positive change and give back to the Rocky Hill Community.

Room: 3014 or 22043

Lauren Zadzilko Kim Antol

Pride Alliance Club

The PAC welcomes all students and respects and supports the rights of all people to live openly and authentically, including the expression of their sexual orientation and gender identity. This year we will fundraise in order to attend the True Colors conference at UCONN.

Room: 3049 Twice a Month (Alternates Monday/Thursday)

Megan
Lamontagne
Mary Stewart
Maureen Krauss

Red Cross Club

Student led, American Red Cross affiliated club. Community outreach about disaster preparedness.

Once/Twice a Month (Tuesday or Thursday)

Catherine Mader

Rise

RISE- Rocky Hill Invested in Student Environment. Motivating members within and outside of the school community to take on a positive role. Using creativity to form safe options for students to have fun in conjunction with Y2Y, the town youth services club. This club will also take on the roles of school safety from the SAVE (Sandy Hook) initiative.

Catherine Mader

Social Justice For All

A safe place for individuals to discuss social justice issues regarding racism, gender inequality, emotional issues (etc).

Bi-weekly on Tuesdays @ 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Viviana Guzman

HONOR SOCIETY

National Honor Society

The Stepney-Stiles Chapter of the National Honor Society at Rocky Hill High School follows national guidelines for the selection of its student members. In addition, the local chapter has guidelines in place to assist in objectively awarding membership to students. Membership in the National Honor Society is based on four areas: Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service. All Students with a GPA of 3.4, who have attended RHHS for at least three semesters, and have conducted the required leaders and service activities will be notified by mail of their scholastic eligibility and invited to meeting with the NHS Faculty Adviser.

As Needed

National Art Honor Society

The National Art Honor Society was created for the purpose of inspiring and recognizing those students who have shown an outstanding ability in art. The RHHS Chapter of the National Art Honor Society is open to students in 10th, 11th and 12th grade who have taken 1.5 credits of art and earned a B+ or better. Membership is awarded to students who meet the criteria set by the NAEA. Membership is based on four areas: Art Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service to promote the Visual Arts. A yearly membership fee and requisite community service hours are required for induction. Seniors earn their honor cords for graduation by completing a senior project. Weekly planning and check in meetings are required of all members, day TBA.

Room: 2063 Every Thursday @ 2:25 - 3:30

Tri-M Music Honor Society

Students in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grade that have participated in a high school music ensemble for one year are eligible to apply for membership to the Tri-M Music Honor Society. Applications are distributed in the fall. The criteria for membership includes the following: Exceptional musicianship, Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service. Please see Mrs. Quinn if you are interested in applying for membership.

Room 2017 Once or Twice a Month

Teresa Aurigemma

Eileen Schnyder

Kimberly Quinn

World Language Honor Society

Mathew Bennett Kathleen Lessard Bonnie Nietupski

MISCELLANEOUS

Book Club

A student-led group that meets to discuss selected books. Each meeting ends with a discussion/vote to choose our next text.

Room 3032 One Tuesday per Month 2:30 - 3:15

Jillian Barry

Comic Book Club

Hey Kid Comics !!!! Join a club of Comic Book enthusiasts, we meet Bi- Monthly to talk about all types of comic books from the early era of comic books to the modern era. We all discuss the bridge from the comic book world to the cinematic world.

Room 3016 Every other Monday

Everett Hillman

Dungeons & Dragons, Magic: The Gathering Club

Matthew Bennett

Ultimate Frishee Club

The Ultimate Frisbee Club gives students a chance to explore one of the most popular fringe sports in America. Students meet to practice and compete on RHHS athletic auxiliary fields weather permitting in both the fall and spring.

John Reiser

STEM (SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING & MATHEMATICS)

Coding Club (Competitive)

Competitive Coding/Volunteer coding opportunities

Room: 1027 Thursday 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Gabrielle Brzozowski

Math Team (Competitive)

The RHHS math team competes with about 20 math teams from public and private schools in the Greater Hartford area. We meet weekly to practice and we travel to competitions monthly during the regular October-Mach season. We sometimes qualify for the State meet and for the New England meet in Boston. Students work on specific topics to prepare for each meet. The problems encompass high school math only – arithmetic, algebra (basic and intermediate), geometry, trigonometry, statistics, probability, and pre-calculus topics. There is no calculus involved. The faculty advisor and cocaptains manage the practices and attention is given to new students, especially freshmen and sophomores. Overall, the atmosphere is friendly as well as math-y and we are excited about having new members who share our interest in math.

Dan Czuchta Brian Graca

Research Club

Students work in a collaborative environment on researching and experimenting a variety of science topics. The ultimate goal is to present their work at the CT State Science and Engineering Fair.

Room: 3011 Practice Every Monday; Meet Second Thursday

Room: 3052 Every Tuesday

Sharon Parker Mike Tramontanis

Science Team (Competitive)

The goal is to get students ready for a regional Science Bowl Competition held at UConn in the spring.

Room: 3006 Fridays 2:30 - 3:30pm

Matt DeBacco

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Leadership Exploration Club

The students of Leadership Exploration Club create and deliver crafted lessons based on topics that they deem relevant to today's world.

Room 3028 2nd and 4th Wednesday Each Month

Chaz Sanchez

Model United Nations

The Model United Nations club allows our students to simulate the United Nations discussions and debates. Students are provided with a member country and examine various contemporary issues, which simultaneously are examined by the United Nations member countries. Students will enhance their critical thinking skills by evaluating problem solving strategies and studying the impact of world politics upon our country and community.

TBA

Student Council

The RHHS Student Council helps plan activities throughout the school year, including spirit events, fundraisers, dances, and more. The Student Council works to increase school spirit by hosting activities and programs designed to engage the student body. Anyone is welcome to join the Student Council at the beginning of the school year. There is an elected board that oversees all Student Council sponsored events. Some specific recent activities include the Homecoming Dance, Spirit Week, Pictures with Santa, the Red Cross Blood Drive, and the Scholars' Breakfast.

Monthly in Auditorium

Amy Rosenberg Heather Morgan

THE ARTS

Art Club

This club is open to anyone interested in creating; students do not need to be enrolled in an art course currently. Artists can practice or hone their skills or experiment with new media, collaborate with others or work on assignments or portfolio projects. Each week a new technique will be introduced to be decided by participants, everything from painting, drawing, computer to traditional techniques, 3d printing, sculpture, etc. In addition to creating, students will also participate in fundraising to provide art supplies and opportunities, or visiting artists, art experiences, or field trips.

Room: 2063 Every Tuesday 2:25 – 3:30 pm

Eileen Schnyder

Drama Club

Drama Club is an organization dedicated to performing arts. We typically perform a musical in late winter or early spring. It is a club in which students learn about all aspects of theatre both on the stage and behind it. We encourage student participation, creativity and assist members in discovering and honing their craft. We provide opportunities for all those who audition and continuously welcome new actors, singers, dancers and stage crew members!

November-March 2-3 Times a Week

Elizabeth Daigle Kim Quinn

Graphic Noveling Club

Ever wanted to create your own Graphic Novel? Then this club is for you. Schnyder from Art and Fortier from English will be teaming up to provide the ultimate club. Mr. Fortier will be advising students on how to structure their stories, while Ms. Schnyder will be helping students with character development, layout and inking. We will be learning how to draw the figure as well as how to obtain reference for the development of monsters or unique character features. Come and check it out, but be ready to work.

Eileen Schnyder

Winter Drumline

Fall marching band prep

Band Room Thursday 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Jim Shuman Rick Vale

Winter Guard

Fall marching band prep

MPR Thursdays 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Jim Shuman Kristen Craven Cathy Gonclaves

UNIFIED PROGRAMS

Best Buddies

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Amy Rosenberg Heather Morgan

Unified Arts

This is a club that combines approximately equal numbers of Special Education artists with peer visual artists without cognitive disabilities in creative teams. Together participants will create and display art works created using a variety of media. Unified Arts is an important program because it expands the creative opportunities for artists seeking different challenges. Meetings are during the school day, TBA.

Eileen Schnyder

Unified Sports

Unified Sports® is a registered program of Special Olympics that combines athletes with and without intellectual disability on sports teams. Practices are held after school.

Alison Bergeron Gabby Brzozowski

WORLD LANGUAGE

French Club

The French Club is an organization meant to organize events and gatherings to foster French culture and language. The club is open to any and all students, and explores French culture through films, sports, traditional games, food, trips to culturally significant places, socializing (in French and in English) and other fun events. Every May we venture to NYC to have lunch at a French Bistro and see a Broadway Show!! AllezViens!

Room: 3038 Monthly

Lisa Urso

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club is an after-school club for students who enjoy learning and sharing Spanish language and culture. We welcome students of all backgrounds who are interested in learning more about Spanish and Latino culture. We meet about once a month, and share typical foods, music, dance, and movies. We plan a spring trip to NYC – come join us!

Bi-weekly on Tuesdays 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Viviana Guzman Cat Mader

WRITING

Broadside

The Broadside, student newspaper of RHHS, aims to produce professional quality, print editions each month throughout the school year, as well as develop an online presence with a website and various social media applications. The Broadside welcomes student reporters, opinion writers, photographers, advertising reps, copy editors, cartoonists, and layout/design artists. Typically, editors in chief, or co-editors in chief, are in charge of the operation. Working closely with the editor(s) in chief are section editors, layout/design artists, and an advertising manager. The Broadside, a public forum for student expression, does not receive funds from the school budget and must meet its financial obligations through creative fundraising and advertising revenue. Therefore, all members share the responsibility for raising funds. During March, editors and other key members of the Broadside attend the annual Columbia Scholastic Press Association Conference held at Columbia University.

Room: 3022 Every Wednesday 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Creative Writing Club

Members of the Creative Writing Club meet weekly in a workshop setting to sharpen their writing skills. A typical meeting comprises writing exercises, sharing of work, vetting of manuscripts, and discussing avenues for publishing. The format for the workshop is based upon that of the Amherst Writers and Artists group with its belief that "a writer is someone who writes and that every writer has a unique voice."

Room: 3029 Twice a Month Tuesdays

Literary Magazine

The Literary Magazine features creative student work in an annual publication. Members of the Literary Magazine Club design the format of the magazine, select and edit submissions, and distribute the magazine. The Literary Magazine includes various forms of creative work such as photography, poetry, short stories, and sketches, among others. The club meets after school about twice monthly and more frequently as publication draws near.

Room: 3026 Monthly/ As Needed

David Fortier

Cara Persico

Heather Morgan

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