

# Montgomery High School • 2023-2024

# STUDENT ACTIVITIES

*Read these pages to discover the variety of Student Activities available at Montgomery High School.*

*Get involved • make new friends • Have fun!*

**Listen to morning announcements in school or contact the club advisor for more information about how to get involved!**

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*Club descriptions are listed alphabetically.*

## Academic League

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Attention sophomores, juniors, and seniors: are you interested in testing your trivia knowledge? Come and join the Academic League! The Somerset County Academic League hosts this league. Every Thursday, ten high schools meet for competition at one of the host schools. Competitions are similar to Jeopardy, where students are asked to answer questions in multiple subject areas. Students are asked to answer questions in twenty-five disciplines, such as geography, math, science, mythology, English literature, songs, movies, sports, arts, and entertainment. Students are also expected to meet for one week for practice starting in early October.

## Aerospace Club

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The MHS Aerospace Club runs in partnership with the Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering department at Princeton University. The club provides opportunities for students to experience real-world engineering workflow from development, build, coding, and finally, a real-world launch of pico-satellites that they have made going into ELEO or Extreme Low Earth Orbit! The unique part of the club is that we find opportunities to launch student built satellites into actual space through rideshares which go to the ISS or International Space Station, and we hitch a ride on those missions. In addition to getting a chance to have something you created go into ACTUAL space, the great part about this club is that it is made for people who participate in other clubs, after-school curricular activities, and student-athletes who have limited time after school to begin with. If you are interested in pursuing any kind of engineering or just enjoy tinkering around, come check out our club google classroom or send an email to get started! A once-in-a-lifetime opportunity as many university students, even graduate students, still need to launch something they have touched into space with their own hands.

## Alliance

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The club's mission is to work with the Montgomery community to develop a school that is aware, inclusive, and tolerant. We support all of our students, especially about issues of gender and sexual orientation. The Gay Straight Alliance meets every other week and offers a safe space for students to discuss sexual and gender orientation issues. We also train students and staff to be influential allies of the LGBT community and participate in some events that are just for fun.

## Amnesty

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Amnesty International is a global human rights organization which promotes awareness, undertakes activism, and raises its voice against some of the most critical current human rights infringements. In the club, students will work to educate their peers about issues, help plan school events, and occasionally fundraise. Students will have the opportunity to voice their opinions and design creative solutions to help more people understand the issues dominating the globe.

## Asian Student Association (ASA)

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## Audio/Visual (A/V) Club

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In this group, you can be responsible for planning, designing, and running sound and lighting during school musicals and drama, plus school concerts and assemblies. You will learn to videotape activities that use the MPAC. If this sounds interesting, join the A/V club. The students meet sporadically and schedule meetings during project rehearsals or programs.

## Band

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**STAGE BAND:** The stage band performs standard big-band jazz repertoire. Students meet two times per week for two hours from December through June. To join, students must pass an audition on an instrument from the big band idiom (saxophone, trombone, trumpet, drum-set, mallet percussion, piano, bass, guitar). Audition materials will be available in November and can be found in the band room. Additionally, students must be a member of the curricular music program except for guitar and piano. The stage band performs in regional jazz festivals, MHS's Big Band Bash, and other community events. Please speak with Mr. Brennan for any questions.

**JAZZ BAND:** The jazz band is an advanced-skills

jazz ensemble that performs standard big-band jazz repertoire. Students meet three times per week for two hours from December through June. To join, students must pass an audition on an instrument from the big band idiom (saxophone, trombone, trumpet, drum-set, mallet percussion, piano, bass, guitar). Audition materials will be available in November and can be found in the band room. Additionally, students must be a member of the curricular music program except for guitar and piano. The jazz band performs in regional jazz festivals, MHS's Big Band Bash, and other community events. Please speak with Mr. Kahalehoe for any questions.

**PIT ORCHESTRA:** The pit orchestra provides live musical accompaniment for the school's spring musical. The instrumentation changes yearly, depending upon the musical production's requirements. Once the instrumentation requirements are known, they will be advertised to the students. To join the pit orchestra, students should express their interest in Mr. Kahalehoe. Depending upon the show's needs and student interests, Mr. Kahalehoe will determine if an audition is necessary. Please speak with Mr. Kahalehoe for any questions.

**MARCHING BAND AND COLOR GUARD:** Marching Band (including color guard) begins with a two-week camp in late August. The marching band is open to all students at MHS! Any students who wish to play an instrument in the marching band must participate in the curricular music program. Any students who want to join the color guard simply need to sign up! Rehearsals are on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 2:50 pm - 5:00 pm and Fridays from 2:30-game end during September to November. The marching band participates in competitions, festivals, and select community events. The Marching Band has been recognized as one of New Jersey's finest and consistently receives superior ratings at competitions and festivals. Students with exemplary attendance at practices and games may be eligible to receive a Varsity letter. Please speak with either Mr. Kahalehoe or Mr. Brennan for any questions.

## Black Student Union

**Advisor:** Kimberly Marshall

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The Black Student Union seeks to promote education, awareness, unity and community at MHS. We aim to provide educational activities to raise awareness of the historical and modern day issues faced by Black individuals and their communities. We simultaneously highlight and celebrate the many contributions that people of the African diaspora have made to our country and the world. Through education and awareness, we strive to create a sense of unity and community among all students in our school, by providing a safe space for students to come together, share experiences, and build relationships. All are welcome.

## Blue Moon Music

**Advisor:** Mr. Warshafsky

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If you are a musician interested in putting your talent to use, and earning volunteer hours, join Blue Moon Music! Blue Moon is a student-led community service club that provides music lessons in Montgomery. All the collected money is donated to help improve music education in underfunded areas.

## Calligraphy Club

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The MHS Calligraphy Club has a mission to promote the art of calligraphy/script writing and work on perfecting our craft in an after-school club. We will meet twice a month after school to work on our projects and brainstorm new ways to encourage the use of the art of calligraphy in our school. Activities include working on various projects and stationary commissions, training students who wish to learn or improve their handwriting skills (especially in preparing for in-class exams and written work), and creating new and innovative writing methods with ink and fountain pens. Some of our annual projects include developing place cards for Senior Prom and organizing holiday fundraisers to help the World Literacy Foundation promote literacy in underprivileged societies.

## Chess Club

**Advisor:** Mr. Buszka

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**Google Classroom Code:** N2HIVOS

Bobby Fisher, the American Chess champion, once said, "Chess is life."

The game of chess is loved all over the world. Chess is an intellectual challenge that is great for your health and mind. It has been proven that playing chess improves memory, elevates creativity, leads to better planning, and develops the ability to see from others' perspectives. Want to join the Montgomery Chess club? Simply drop by E2314 and speak to Mr. Buszka. We meet in room E2314 on Tuesday. We are planning 2022 activities right now (including fielding the Montgomery HS chess team at local tournaments). No prior experience is required. We are composed of players of varying skill levels, from brand new players to USCF-rated players. Even without experience, it is a great place to socialize and learn!

## Choraliers / Tenor-Bass Ensemble

Advisor: Mr. Woodworth

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Choraliers and Tenor-Bass Ensemble are two **non-auditioned after-school vocal ensembles, open to all MHS students**, who rehearse weekly throughout the year. Members will have the opportunity to sing a large variety of pop, contemporary, and traditional pieces written/arranged for those special voicings - an opportunity to make great music while requiring a minimal time commitment. **Choraliers** (for treble voices such as soprano and alto) **meets on Tuesdays from 5:00 - 6:30pm. Tenor-Bass Ensemble meets on Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:00pm.** The groups start at the end of September.

## Class of 2024

Classroom Code: gwn6tym

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Becoming a class officer helps to get you involved and represent your Class. Class officers will share in the development and promotion of freshman activities and fundraisers. Officers will also develop and encourage leadership throughout the school and work towards improving school spirit, pride, and tone.

## Class of 2025

Classroom Code:tslv2ix

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Becoming a class officer helps to get you involved and represent your Class. Class officers will share in the development and promotion of activities and fundraisers. Officers will also develop and encourage leadership throughout the school and work towards improving school spirit, pride, and tone. If interested, students must complete the petition form, read and sign the Officer By-Laws, and create a 30-second speech.

## Class of 2026

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## Class of 2027

Classroom Code: jrkn2rm

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Becoming a class officer helps to get you involved and represent your Class. Class officers will share in the development and promotion of activities and fundraisers. Officers will also develop and encourage leadership throughout the school and work towards improving school spirit, pride, and tone. If interested, students can run for a student officer position by completing the petition form, read and sign the Officer By Laws, and create a 30 second speech. All of this information is found on our google classroom.

## Computer Science Club

Advisor: Mr. Lee

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Google Classroom Code: xnbloet

Interested in coding or want to get started? Join the MHS Computer Science Club! It's a community where veteran and beginner coders can develop their programming skills in a supportive and fun environment. Members can participate in coding workshops at meetings and use their newly gained knowledge to create exciting apps and programs, even using hardware components such as Arduinos, Raspberry Pis, and more. Students taking programming-related classes like AP Computer Science are also welcome to seek help at our meetings. Most importantly, we host MHS's hackathon, MontyHacks, where students from around the community can collaborate to do creative projects and attend workshops. We also give out hundreds of dollars in prizes for winners and provide free food and merch for everybody! For more information, email us at [montycompsci@gmail.com](mailto:montycompsci@gmail.com) and check out the link: [linktr.ee/monty\\_compsci](http://linktr.ee/monty_compsci).

## Crochet Club

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The MHS Crochet Club welcomes those who enjoy crocheting and those who want to learn this fascinating activity! We will spend time crocheting together and exploring various styles of crochet and knitting. We will also do fun projects incorporating other crafts, as well as have project sales to share our art with the community. If you want to relax or make a blanket, join the Crochet Club!

## Debate Club

(Model U.N./ Youth and Government)

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Are you interested in discussing current events? Do you enjoy debating? Would you like to learn how to research and apply foreign and domestic policy? If you answered yes to any of the previous questions, this is the group for you! We meet once a week to discuss a current topic and practice debating. "You Choose!" is an exciting simulation of each election in which students participate in campaigns that culminate in a school assembly and mock election. From September to January, Model United Nations simulates the inner workings of the United Nations and diplomatic relations between member countries. Students debate, negotiate, and produce resolutions to solve international crises.

## Docents (Live Historians Club)

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The Docents Club (Live Historians Club) is a community service-based club that meets on alternating Thursdays after school. The club partners with historic sites in the area, notably Rockingham State Historic Site in Kingston, NJ, to help bring the area's rich historical legacy to the community. Students will learn the area's history to develop and assist with programs demonstrating life in colonial New Jersey.

## Doctors of Tomorrow

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The mission of Doctors of Tomorrow is to familiarize students with the field of medicine through education and volunteerism in health service settings and career opportunities in the field of medicine. As well as learn about the sicknesses that plague our society. We meet on Wednesdays after school in room E2312.

## Engineering Club

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The Engineering Club is an organization that strives to educate students in the engineering field in fun and creative ways. This club is open to everyone who would like to understand engineering and its many applications. We give our members weekly projects that test their creativity and teamwork skills within a competitive atmosphere. Additionally, we have professionals come in every other month and speak about their experience in engineering fields. The Engineering Club meets on Tuesdays from 2:30-3:15 in the Greenhouse Room. Stop by the Greenhouse Room on Tuesdays at 2:30 if you are interested in joining.

## Environmental Club

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**Environmental Club Google Code: jkx2aov**

Our mission is to raise environmental awareness in the community, improve sustainability at the high school, participate in local conservation projects, and enjoy the outdoors (hiking, gardening, etc.). Each May, we compete in a statewide environmental science competition.

## Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

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You don't have to be a Christian or an athlete to join the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). If you are curious to learn more about God or have questions regarding Christianity, stop by and worship with us! FCA is a global non-profit Christian organization that uses coaches and athletes to spread the word about God! Here, we learn about Christianity through quick sermons while having fun and playing games. We will have guest speakers, share testimonies and learn what it means to be a Christian while fellowshiping with classmates. We meet right after school every Wednesday.

## Forensics

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Forensics is a club focusing on speech and debate. The two main branches, speech, and debate, both have subcategories in each of them. Speech: extemporaneous speaking; Original Oratory; and Dramatic/Humorous/ Duo Interpretation. Speech: extemporaneous speaking; Original Oratory; and Dramatic/Humorous/ Duo Interpretation. Speech: extemporaneous speaking; Original Oratory; and Dramatic/Humorous/ Duo Interpretation. Debate: Congressional Debate, Lincoln Douglas Debate, Policy Debate, and Public Forum Debate.

## Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

**Advisor:** Mr. Centeno

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FBLA is the premier student business association. Our mission is to bring business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership and career development programs. In FBLA, you will get an opportunity to help run the school store and participate in activities that develop competent business leadership, strengthen confidence, build an understanding of the American business enterprise, and practice efficient money management.

## Future Educators of America (FEA)

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This club aims to foster the growth of the educational profession amongst students. It is designed to provide the practical knowledge necessary for aspiring educators to succeed in the 21st century.

## Girl Up

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Girl Up is part of a UN foundation that advocates for and brings equity to underprivileged girls in underrepresented areas across the world. The club is aimed at assisting members build their leadership skills and accelerate social change. The Montgomery chapter of Girl Up holds many fundraising events throughout the year to raise money for charities centered around women's issues, our most popular being the Pura Vida bracelet sale. We welcome students from all backgrounds to join the fight for gender equality. We meet every other Thursday in the language hallway.

## Health Occupational Students of America (HOSA)

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HOSA is a student-led organization that caters to the aspirations of students with ambitions in the healthcare field. HOSA strives to empower individuals to become leaders in the global health community, through education, collaboration, and experience. Through numerous competitive events including the annual Regional Conference and State Leadership Conference, we urge our members to push for excellence in their healthcare careers. We meet after school every other Wednesday in room B1113.

## Interact

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The Interact Club is a group of hardworking students who want to show they care about their community, country, and world. As a high school branch of the Rotary club, Interact works to serve both the local and greater community. Following the motto: "service above self," the Interact club is proud to help make a difference in many people's lives. We coordinate and participate in numerous events throughout the year, including Run with Rotary and various events at the lower schools. Our "Man of the Year" show is a Montgomery tradition and a profitable fundraiser for a different charity each year. If you are interested in joining this fun and enthusiastic group of students, our meetings are held every other Wednesday immediately after school. Students can access club information by joining our Google Classroom Code.

## International Club

**Advisor:** Ms. Asral

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International Club has sparked student interest in foreign traditions and has helped students embrace their different heritages. The primary goal of the International Club is to spread cultural awareness in the school and community. Over the years, the club has hosted various events ranging from auctions and cultural celebrations to dances and performances. Activities have always included the annual International Night, showcasing the multi-cultural talents of our students, which attracts many community members. The proceeds from these events are used to award student scholarships for international travel through an application process. Students are expected to be active and contribute to the planning and preparations for the activities.

## Jumpstart

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The purpose of this organization is to shed light on the difficulties unprivileged high school students face and raise money, awareness, and donations of things such as clothing and school materials for them. Doing the things mentioned above will help ensure that no student will be left behind and that disadvantaged students will have the same privileges as other, more fortunate students. Every year JumpStart raises money and can offer scholarships to underprivileged students who want to pursue education.

## Latinx

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The goal of the Latinx Alliance is to build a sense of community within the Latinx population and bring awareness to several issues impacting Latinx and Hispanic people around the globe. In Latin America, lack of quality education, poverty, and femicide are only a few problems that are too often overlooked. We will also learn about individual Latinx-Hispanic cultures, play traditional games, and more! Latinx-Hispanic people are a minority nationwide and within MHS. It is vital to have a space for unity and celebration of the diverse cultures in Hispanic countries. Anyone is welcome to join!

## Library Club

**Advisors:** Ms. Jacobsen

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The Library Club, is more than just books! We're a group dedicated to broadening the reach of the MHS media center through diverse and extensive collection development, curation, and events! We aim to represent the full spectrum of the student body by addressing censorship and media bias and making the library a welcoming space for the entire MHS community.

## Literary Magazine

**Advisors:** Mr. Nguyen

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Each spring, the "Lit Mag Club" publishes a literary magazine that celebrates the writing, artwork, and creative expressions of MHS students. We hope to publish a variety of writing genres in the magazine, including short stories, memoirs, character sketches, flash fiction, essays, and poetry. We also hope to publish visual and performing art genres such as drawings, paintings, photographs of sculpture, photography, and musical compositions.

There are three ways to be involved:

- The first will be a writer's workshop. These meetings are not homework sessions but a place for writers to gather and discuss their original works with other writers. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings, share their creative pieces, or listen.
- The second will be committed to publishing the magazine. Meetings begin virtually in October. Students who wish to join the staff must attend these meetings.
- The third way to participate is to submit your work. EVERY student is welcome to submit to the magazine. We want to involve as many students as possible, so please choose a piece of art, whether it be writing, visual, or musical, and submit it!

## Math League

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The Montgomery Math League Club is a group of about 30 students. They meet twice a month on Wednesdays. On one Wednesday, the members enjoy solving and discussing math puzzles, practice for the American Mathematics Competition or work on some challenging projects. Puzzles of all types are welcome at the meetings. Meetings are held in person. The Montgomery Math League Club is an outgrowth of the Montgomery Math League Team. The Team comprises ten student team members who travel monthly from September through April to Central Jersey Math League (CJML) meets on the second Wednesday. Any high school student may be a member of the Club, but the Team members are selected from among students that were Club members in the preceding year. Selection criteria include club attendance and seniority. Team members attending enough meetings and earning good scores can participate in the June CJML trip to the American Regions Math League (ARML) contest.

## Mock Trial

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Do you want to learn about the court system? Join the Mock Trial club! The students participate in a county-wide tournament in a mock courtroom setting in this club. If you are interested in Mock Trial but want to avoid trying out to become a witness/want to join later in the year, then you can participate as a jury member. Students play lawyers and witnesses in civil or criminal cases and try to solve mock cases. The tournament ends in June at the Somerset County Courthouse. To join, students must try out for roles during late October and early November. This is a great resume builder for anyone who wishes to learn about the current legal system or pursue a career in law.

## Model UN

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**Google Classroom Code:**

From September to January, Model United Nations simulates the finer points of international diplomacy. Delegates research foreign policy and debate global solutions to persistent problems. This student-centered experience culminates in a three-day regional conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania.



## Muslim Student Association (MSA)

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The main goal of the Muslim Student Association, MSA for short, is to educate high school students about the religion of Islam. The MSA is a club that welcomes all students of any religion and is not only exclusive to Muslims. The club is also a platform to unite and bring together people of different faiths and let them freely discuss their views to advance interfaith understanding. Furthermore, the reason why we have founded this club is to eliminate stereotypes that are based on Islam.

## National Art Honor Society (NAHS)

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**Google Classroom Code:**

The National Art Honor Society is open to Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors who have had at least one semester of art with a "B" or better in their class. Applicants must also meet the admission portfolio requirements. Our purpose is to assist student members attain their highest potential in all art forms and to raise awareness of art throughout the school and community. We strive to make the world more beautiful by filling it with art, making art, and helping others make art. We sponsor various creative events throughout the school year.

## National Honor Society (NHS)

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The National Honor Society holds an application process for all juniors and seniors who have maintained a 90 average unweighted. Students are invited to go through the selection process in the fall of every year. Juniors that gain admittance maintain their membership into their senior year. Juniors denied admittance may go through selection again in their senior year if they still meet the GPA requirement. This club meets monthly and is involved in community service and tutoring. For more information, please contact the club advisor, refer to the National Honor Society section of the student handbook, or see the Montgomery Honor Society website: <https://sites.google.com/view/nhs-selection/home>.

## Paw Print School Newspaper

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Attention, Serious aspiring journalists! Come and join the *Paw Print* team! Students are responsible for designing, writing, and creating a newspaper for the school. The students meet two to three times a month. However, the week before any publication, students meet every day. There is no publication guarantee on work submitted to the *Paw Print*. Anyone can join, but interest in journalism is encouraged as students are evaluated based on their performance.

## People Project

**Advisor:** Mrs. Grossmann

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The People Project is student-driven and strives to change Montgomery High School's culture by addressing issues prevalent to the student body. The People Project creates interactive presentations to foster innovative ways of thinking when faced with the daily challenges of high school life. The People Project comprises 15-20 students and is open to grades 10-12.

## Photography Club

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If you enjoy taking photographs, join the Photography club on Tuesdays after school! Weekly meetings consist of photo shoots and instructional techniques, critiques, and tips to enhance your love of photography. Students also have the opportunity to learn about photography from professional photographers, who are invited to the club as guest speakers. Club members fundraise, collaborate with the yearbook club, participate in photography contests, go on field trips, and exhibit work in the district art show. All students are welcome to join! We're meeting in Google Meets this year and are using google classroom to facilitate all projects and meetings.

## Play Unified

**Advisors:** Mrs. Torralba & Mrs. Fioretti

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The MHS Play Unified club meets twice a month after school (2:30-3:15 pm). All activities allow for opportunities to increase acceptance, inclusion, and awareness of students of all abilities. The club is just one component of an international Special Olympics initiative to provide opportunities for young people of all abilities to be leaders in their schools and communities by promoting equality and acceptance.

## Quantum Computing Club

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## Red Cross Club

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**Google Classroom Code:** acpspro

The MHS Red Cross Club is a group of dedicated students to help the underprivileged. The club meets every Thursday after school to plan and prepare for the multiple upcoming community service events in the year. These events are designed to improve the quality of life in local and international communities. As a benefit, the Red Cross Club promotes student leadership as each member contributes to planning the drives and fundraisers for the year. Students also gain experience in the medical field because the club is closely associated with Princeton Hospital. The only requirement for becoming a member is participation.

## Robotics Team

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This is a rewarding opportunity to work on building robots, working as a team, and problem-solving in preparation for the FIRST Robotics competition. Students meet a minimum of 2-4 per month in the fall and every day after school during January and February. All ages and abilities are welcome; however, members must attend 50-75% of meetings to be part of the team. If you dislike working on robots, you may be part of the Animation, Web site, Strategy, or A/V team. This team requires a significant commitment of time. For more information, contact the advisor or go to

[www.firstinspires.org](http://www.firstinspires.org)

## SAT Math

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Do you want to improve your scores in SAT Math? This club meets twice a week from 2:30-4:00 pm every Tuesday and Thursday during October, November, December, January, February, March, and April. In the beginning, students start with a warm-up and practice for a test. Later, they take a times section of the SAT. This club will help you improve your SAT score with hard work and consistent attendance.

## SAT Verbal

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Do you want to improve your SAT Verbal score? Students meet twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This club offers quality instruction, simulated test conditions, timed drills, tips, and techniques for the SAT Verbal Test. The group covers all aspects, including critical reading, how to write the essay, and how to fix common grammar mistakes. This club is open to Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors. The club will help you improve your score if you work hard and consistently attend the meetings.

## Science Bowl

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Science Bowl is a team competition, jeopardy style, quiz bowl that tests knowledge of physics, chemistry, biology, earth science, and math knowledge. Practices for the February meetings are held in the science conference room before school.

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## SPORTS

For more information on the MHS sports programs, visit: [www.mtsd.k12.nj.us/athletics](http://www.mtsd.k12.nj.us/athletics) Mr. Grundy, Director of Athletics

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### FALL SPORTS:

- Cheerleading
- Cross Country: Boys & Girls
- Dance
- Field Hockey
- Football
- Gymnastics
- Soccer: Boys & Girls
- Tennis: Girls
- Volleyball: Girls

### WINTER SPORTS:

- Basketball: Boys & Girls
- Cheerleading
- Diving
- Fencing
- Ice Hockey
- Swimming: Boys & Girls
- Winter Track: Boys & Girls
- Wrestling

### SPRING SPORTS:

- Baseball
- Golf: Boys & Girls
- Lacrosse: Boys & Girls
- Tennis: Boys
- Softball
- Track & Field: Boys & Girls

## Science Olympiad

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Science Olympiad Competitions are like academic track meets, consisting of a series of 23 team events in various fields. Some of this year's events involve learning about criminal forensics, microbiology, anatomy and physiology of the respiratory and digestive systems, astronomy, rocks and minerals, optics, thermodynamics, and protein modeling; and building helicopters, robot arms, musical instruments, balsa wood towers, and gravity vehicles. This is the place to be if you are interested in science and engineering and want to go beyond your normal coursework. We meet weekly to strategize, build, share information and have camaraderie over a shared passion for science.

## SENSASIAN (South Asian Dance & Theatre Club)

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Sensasian is an Indo-Western dance and theater club that is a culmination of various dances, including Garba, Bhangra, Classical, Bollywood, Hip Hop, and South Indian, all of which will be displayed at our end-of-the-year showcase. Our show will be held at the end of the year for everybody to watch and enjoy! Sensasian is inclusive to anyone interested in joining, as the dances will be a fusion of Indian and Western music. Additionally, there are multiple jobs available for students to partake in aside from just dancing and acting, such as backstage work, choreographing, script writing, set building, creating music mixes, and more, so be sure to check out our club.

## Stage Crew/Set Design

Advisor:

Email:

The Stage Crew is responsible for designing, constructing, and painting the sets for two plays per year: the Fall Play and the Spring Musical. Students begin to prepare for the Fall Play during October, when they meet virtually two or three days per week. In November, the students are required to meet five days per week. In preparation for the Spring Musical, the students meet three to four days per week in December and January. In February, the students meet five days a week. During the last two weeks before the play, students practice moving sets and props on and off the stage during the play. Students can work on one or both of the plays. Students interested in this club need to be committed to attendance throughout the play, and it is recommended but optional to be mechanically or artistically inclined.

## Student Council

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Student Council offers leadership experience in planning and execution of numerous events (schedule pending), including a flag football tournament, Homecoming Events (including Spirit Week activities), Cougar Spirit Week, a Spring Dance, a Human Rights Week, Locks of Love, and Autism Awareness. Additionally, the executive board runs a leadership training day and at least 1-2 fundraisers to help raise awareness or goods for a particular cause. Membership in the Student Council demonstrates leadership and interest. Students who join have to participate in the Homecoming events and at least one other activity during the year. The Student Council generally meets every 1-2 months, with more frequent meetings leading up to important events.

## TEAMS (Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics & Science)

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TEAMS or Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics, and Science is a STEM-based competition that rewards teamwork, problem-solving, scientific writing, and engineering design. Students compete with other schools to apply science and engineering skills to solve real-world problems. Past competition themes have included artificial intelligence and zoo design. MHS TEAMS have placed at the top of state and national competitions for several years in a row! Past competition themes have included artificial intelligence and zoo design.

## Theater Arts

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Do you like acting, singing, or dancing? Come try out for one of our theatrical productions! In the fall, we produce a play, either dramatic or comedic. Auditions are in September right after school starts. (Contact Mr. Gordon for more information.) In the spring, we produce a full-scale musical theater production, featuring acting, singing, and dancing. Auditions will take place in December. (Contact Ms. Makvana for more information.) Everyone is welcome to participate. Once selected for a role, members are given a rehearsal schedule and must attend all rehearsals specific to their roles. Leading roles are a significant time commitment. Rehearsals are generally after school for 2-3 months before the performance, plus occasional weekend rehearsals close to the performance date. Students must attend the entire "tech week" before the opening night performance when all the show elements are brought together.

## Tolkien Club and Bókmál Society (TCBS)

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The TCBS (Tolkien Club and Bókmál Society, affectionately known as the Tolkien and Viking Cult) is a literary society dedicated to examining the life and works of JRR Tolkien. The club specializes in languages and literature influential to the author, especially Old Norse and Old English. We also watch films based on Tolkien's work, discuss other fantasy literature, and read works written by our members. This club is a great place not only for Tolkien and Old Norse sagas enthusiasts but also for language nerds, bookworms, and creative folk of all types.

## UNICEF Club

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UNICEF promotes the rights of every child, emphasizing the most disadvantaged, excluded, and vulnerable children worldwide. Montgomery UNICEF has dedicated itself to getting everyone involved in the fight for Children's Rights. We want to encourage others to raise awareness in the community and raise money to aid UNICEF's mission. We hope to affect significant change through our volunteer opportunities, many projects, and fundraisers. We meet virtually on Wednesdays twice a month. All are welcome to join the movement, and we hope to see you soon!

## Yearbook

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This is a highly rigorous student-run program. Using Adobe Photoshop and InDesign, students will design the yearbook. There are opportunities for students to take pictures, write articles, plan the book, and market the product. Suitable for future business leaders.

## Young Investors Society

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**Website:** [CLICK HERE](#)

Investing is a crucial life skill; the YIS is where you learn to do it! In the YIS, Students will learn to create life-changing habits to save and invest for the future in a fun team environment. From competition to lessons to guest speakers, students will have multiple opportunities to learn the fundamentals of personal finance and progress through the program to learn the more advanced concepts of saving and investing. Some of our options include a global stock pitch competition, a prestigious award valued by employers and colleges, access to hundreds of lessons, and even more!

## **Youth and Government**

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From January to April, Youth and Government engage in a simulation of state government. Students analyze problems in the Garden State and write legislation that addresses real issues facing New Jersey. The interactive negotiation program reaches a pinnacle at the statewide conference which takes place over three days in Princeton.