# Club and Activity Guide 2023-2024

#### **ALPHA LISTING**

## ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL



#### Membership/enrollment: Open to all students/anytime

The Academic Quiz Bowl club participates in *Jeopardy!*-style question-and-answer competitions, including the Long Island Regional Quiz Bowl tournament, the Harvard Fall Tournament, and the University of Delaware Fall Tournament. Among the club's achievements has been its participation in the National Academic Championship in Washington, D.C., twelve of the last thirteen years.

#### ALTERNATIVE ARTS AND JAPANESE CULTURE

Membership/enrollment: Open to all students/ anytime

The Alternative Animation club is a place where you can learn about different styles of animation arts, practice creating your own, and meet with other students who share an interest in animation from across the globe.

#### ATHLETES HELPING ATHLETES



#### **Membership/enrollment:** Open to all students/ anytime

Since 1984, Athletes Helping Athletes (AHA) has been training and mobilizing high school student-athletes with its *Student-Athlete Leadership Team Program* (SALT).

Athletes Helping Athletes trains high school student-athletes to conduct workshops for middle school students on issues ranging from self-esteem and sportsmanship to bullying & teasing and substance abuse. In these workshops, student leaders discuss making proper decisions concerning high school parties and other social settings, and talk about the power and use of language in creating social status. The discussions are designed to be positive and proactive while raising awareness and providing options that would empower students to make right decisions.

Athletes Helping Athletes provides all the tools for student-athlete leaders', who work in teams, to adopt classes for the academic year. SALT training prepares the student-athlete leaders to engage and manage the classroom, conduct "ice-breaker" exercises and talk about *life-skills* gained through participation in extracurricular activities. Further, each student-athlete leader is trained to relate a personal story relevant to a workshop topic that emphasizes *life-skills* and "real life" choices and decisions.

## **BIRDING CLUB**



Membership/enrollment: Open to all students/ anytime

Bird identification, field trips on campus, use of identification guides, learning how to be more observant, data collection using ebird, discussion of rare bird alerts, and bird anatomy. Many meetings will be outside.

## **BRASS ENSEMBLE**



**Membership/enrollment:** This is a select group of brass musicians that are composed of trumpets, french horns, baritone horns, trombones and tubas. This group plays advanced literature that was written for this instrumentation. Please complete the form if you are interested. You will be automatically enrolled in our Google Classroom.

#### **CELLO ENSEMBLE**



The Cello Ensemble studies and performs music in multiple styles and genres. They perform at several different venues. The ensemble is composed of cellists in grades 9-12.

## **CHAMBER CHOIR**



## Membership/enrollment: By audition

The Chamber Choir studies and performs music in multiple styles and genres. They perform at multiple concerts a year both on and off campus.

The ensemble is comprised of singers in grades 9-12. Placement is by audition.

## **CHAMBER ORCHESTRA**



## Membership: By audition

The Smithtown High School East Chamber Orchestra studies and performs music in multiple styles and genres. They perform at several different venues. The ensemble is composed of string musicians in grades 9-12.

#### **CROCHET CLUB**

The Crochet club is open to all students with beginner to experienced crochet skills. We meet and learn new skills and complete projects of varying levels. We select and complete a project that we donate to places like a hospital or nursing home. The group meets after school and is very relaxing.

## **DECA**



**Membership/enrollment:** Open to all students –current and future business students DECA is a business club that participates in competitions on the regional, state and national level. The club is also responsible for running the school store. We participate in many fundraising and community service activities throughout the year.

#### **DRAMA CLUB**



### Membership/enrollment: Open to all students /anytime

The Drama Club is "calling" all students who have a passion for theater, whether it is an actor starring on the stage or as a member of the stage crew. Our goal is to give all students a creative outlet to let their talents shine. Students will have an opportunity to audition for various school theatrical productions throughout the year. Additionally, they will be given the opportunity to attend amateur and/or professional theater presentations.

#### EARTH AND OUTDOORS CLUB



## **Membership/enrollment:** Open to all students / anytime

The goals and objectives for the club are to foster the appreciation of the simple things in life that we often overlook because of the overwhelming pressure of technology and society. We have come so far so fast and not had time to look back. There was a time when Long Island was rural, stop lights were few and traffic was not an issue. Our open spaces are vanishing before our eyes. This club will allow you to see a few of the open spaces that remain relatively unchanged and in a native state. We hope to instill a sense of appreciation for what still remains. In 1991 the Long Island Chapter of the Nature Conservancy named eastern Long Island as one of a dozen "Last Great Places' ' in the western hemisphere.

## FAMILY, CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA



## Membership/enrollment: Open to all students/anytime

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is a national Career and Technical Student Organization that provides personal growth, leadership development, and career preparation opportunities for students in Family and Consumer Sciences education. Focuses on how students must make the right choices and recognize that they hold the key to doing great things as individuals, FCCLA members, students, leaders and members of their families and communities.

#### FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION TEAM 810



#### Membership/enrollment: Open to all students

The Robotics Team is composed of students from HSE and HSW who each year design, build and program a robot for *FIRST* Robotics Competitions. In addition to students building and programming the robot, the team needs students who can help organize fundraising events and promote and speak about the team at local functions. The team starts pre-season training in September, build season begins in January, competition season is March and April, and post-season lasts until May. Team meetings are every Thursday, in rm. 144 from 2:30-7:00 from September-December and everyday from January-March. Check out our website for extra details, <a href="https://www.smithtownrobotics.com">www.smithtownrobotics.com</a>.

## FRESHMAN CLASS COUNCIL



# Membership/enrollment: Open to all students freshman - anytime

The Freshman Class Council will promote school spirit and class unity. Additionally, we participate in school activities, including homecoming and Spooky Hallways. The class plans to conduct fundraising activities for charity and for the class activities. The purpose of our fundraising activities is to help the students pay for future events such as the Junior and Senior Proms and the Senior Banquet.

## **GSA**



GSA is a student-run club that brings together **LGBTQ+** and straight students to work together and support each other. The club provides a safe place to socialize, discuss relevant issues and work in harmony within the community.

## **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**



## Membership/enrollment: Open to all students / anytime

Habitat for Humanity is a global nonprofit housing organization working in local communities across all 50 states in the U.S. and in approximately 70 countries. Habitat works toward the vision by building strength, stability and self-reliance in partnership with families in need of decent and affordable housing. Habitat homeowners help build their own homes alongside volunteers and pay an affordable mortgage. Habitat for Humanity Club members participate in fundraising activities and donate the funds towards building materials. Members also volunteer their time to help build a portion of the home by attending on site Student Builds ... "one brick at a time."

# **INTERACT CLUB (Rotary Club)**



# Membership / enrollment: Open to all students / anytime

Interact Club is a community service club that is sponsored by the Rotary Club International. Throughout the year students will complete community service projects locally and internationally. These projects encourage international understanding and goodwill. The Interact Club provides the opportunity for students to develop leadership skills.

#### JAZZ ENSEMBLE



## **Membership/enrollment:** By audition – grades 9-12

The Jazz Ensemble studies and performs music in the jazz, blues, and funk styles. They perform at two major concerts per year, the Jazz Festival in February and the Spring Concert in June. Additionally, there are several informal performances.

The ensemble is comprised of musicians in grades 9-12. Placement is by audition.

#### JUNIOR CLASS COUNCIL



### Membership/enrollment: Open to all students juniors/Anytime

The members of the Junior Class Council participate in activities that improve school spirit. We take a leadership role within the school and within our community. We do our best to make Smithtown High School East an enjoyable place for students and to represent the wants and needs of the entire junior class. We conduct fundraising activities for different charities and for the junior class activities. Activities include, but are not limited to, Junior and Senior prom, Senior Banquet, Homecoming, Spooky Hallways, and Adopt-A-Family. All juniors are welcome to join.

#### MAKER SPACE CLUB



# Membership/enrollment: Open to all students/anytime

The Maker Space Club is for any student who wants to explore their world, create, interact with technology and have fun. We make things, fix things, solve problems, and play. We even have some friendly competitions. We also do community service through running the Bull STEAM Ahead community evening and participating in Safe Halloween and other activities. No experience is necessary to join. Do you want to try making art with a robot, launching a pumpkin or 3D printing jewelry? We have great plans and we're open to new suggestions. The possibilities are endless!

#### MATH HONOR SOCIETY



## Membership/enrollment: By application

The goals of the Math Honor Society are to explore and promote the many applications of mathematics through school and district-wide events, and to engage in community service.

#### **MORGAN'S MESSAGE**



#### **Membership/enrollment:** Open to all students/anytime

Our Mission: Morgan's Message amplifies stories, resources, and expertise to confront student-athlete mental health, builds a community by and for athletes, and provides a platform for advocacy.

Our Vision: Morgan's Message strives to eliminate the stigma surrounding mental health within the student-athlete community and equalize the treatment of physical and mental health in athletics. We aim to expand the dialogue on mental health by normalizing conversations, empowering those who suffer in silence, and supporting those who feel alone.

#### MULTICULTURAL CLUB

The Multicultural Club welcomes all students of various ethnicities to encourage cultural diversity. Our goal is to learn, educate, and embrace our own and others' cultural backgrounds.

## NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY



**Membership/enrollment:** By application for students in grades 10-12 with B+ average in art classes..

We volunteer, along with the Media Art Honor Society, at the Hamptons Film Festival in October, put together our annual Safe Halloween "Haunted House," run a fall field trip to New York City, and a spring trip to the Hamptons, and have guest speakers and alumni visits.

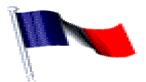
## NATIONAL ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY



**Membership/enrollment:** By application for students in grades 10-12.

The mission of the National English Honor Society is to recognize the academic accomplishments of our students and promote their continuing interest in the English language arts. The society participates in activities designed to foster a love of the English language in all its forms and work within the community to encourage interest in its arts.

#### NATIONAL FRENCH HONOR SOCIETY



**Membership/enrollment:** Eleventh and Twelfth graders who have an average of 3.4 in French by the 11th grade or 3.0 in French in the 12th grade. Admission is by induction in the fall semester.

The aim of this organization is to stimulate interest in the study of the French language, to promote high standards of scholarship, to reward scholastic achievements, to create enthusiasm for and understanding of Francophone culture and civilization, to promote and maintain international friendship, and to reward efforts toward furthering solidarity in the French speaking world.

#### NATIONAL GERMAN HONOR SOCIETY



#### **Membership/enrollment:** By induction

The German Honor Society Delta Epsilon Phi is a program for high-achieving German students administered by the American Association of Teachers of German. Qualifying students are inducted at a ceremony in the fall of their junior year. Other activities include an international night, social events, fundraising, community service, and possible field trips.

#### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



Membership/enrollment: By invitation based upon academic standing

The National Honor Society promotes scholarship and leadership through activities including peer tutoring, holiday sponsorship of local families, and various local community service projects.

#### NATIONAL ITALIAN HONOR SOCIETY



## Membership/enrollment: By induction

The purpose of the Italian Honor Society is to enhance the study of the Italian language and culture through various activities. Additionally, club members perform community service.

## NATIONAL SOCIAL STUDIES HONOR SOCIETY



# **Membership/enrollment:** By induction.

Rho Kappa Social Studies Honor Society is for high school juniors and seniors that recognizes excellence in the field of Social Studies. Rho Kappa provides national recognition and opportunities for exploration in social studies. Through its sponsorship of Rho Kappa, NCSS hopes to encourage an interest in, understanding of, and appreciation for social studies. Students in the club participate in fundraising activities, become involved in community service, and help other students with peer tutoring.

## NATIONAL SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY



**Membership/enrollment**: By induction – in the fall

Members of the Spanish Honor Society enrich their understanding of Spanish culture by taking part in cultural activities such as International Night and the annual dinner. Members perform school service through peer tutoring and teaching Spanish in the elementary teaching program.

#### NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY



**Membership/enrollment:** Open to all students taking a technology course.

During our meetings we will discuss potential projects to complete around the school and district. An example of one of these projects is a redesigned display case at NYA. Additionally we will be planning field trips both virtual and on site and guest speakers from the real world of manufacturing and engineering.

## PERSONAL INVESTING CLUB

The Personal Investing Club is a way to teach students how to invest their money responsibly and promote more financial literacy to students before they graduate high school. The students will partake in investing simulations, gain access to more educational resources, and participate in small competitions to further teach them how to be more financially responsible.

#### PHYSICS CLUB

**Membership/enrollment:** Open to all physics students (past and present) Please see the advisor for details regarding this club.

#### RED CROSS CLUB

Membership/enrollment: Open to all students

The Red Cross Club will give students the opportunities to address their community's greatest needs and develop leadership skills. This club empowers students with the knowledge and the life-saving skills to help prepare their school and community to respond to emergencies.



# S.A.D.D. (STUDENTS AGAINST DESTRUCTIVE DECISIONS)

Membership/enrollment: Open to all students/anytime

The purpose of SADD is to raise student and community awareness about the dangers of smoking, substance abuse, drinking and driving, as well as encourage alternative choices. Club activities include peer education training, fundraising for charities and the club. Additional plans include possibly painting a safe driving message on the LIRR train trestle, participating in the Safe Halloween project, and organizing events that encourage positive decisions.

#### **SAXOPHONE QUARTET**

**Membership/enrollment:** Invitation only to saxophone players enrolled in concert or symphonic band.

The ensemble will perform at concerts throughout the year as well as community events.

## SCHOOL OF BUSINESS/BUSINESS HONOR SOCIETY



**Membership/enrollment:** Open to ALL students, this is a non traditional Honor Society, we will guide you and help you to be inducted into the NYS Business Honor Society.

The School of Business Honor Society Club's purpose is to be the liaison between the Business Dept., faculty and students. The goal of the club is to expose the students to real life business situations and provide community service opportunities, internships and other activities to build your resume. In addition all members will be introduced as student ambassadors to

Smithtown Industry Advisory Board (a partnership between business and education). It is an opportunity for students to participate in an organization where their voices are heard and their suggestions implemented.

## SCIENCE HONOR SOCIETY

Science National Honor Society is an organization that encourages leadership and promotes accolades designed for students to become life-long learners. This high school program will advance knowledge in the area of science through inquiry-based research. Science National Honor Society's goal is to create a group of young thinkers who will prosper in the scientific community, as well as scientific exploration which will be carried into their future aspirations.

#### SCIENCE OLYMPIAD



Science Olympiad is a club where students have the opportunity to participate in various science and technology events, broaden their knowledge, and meet peers who share similar interests. Some events offered include Anatomy and Physiology, Forensics, Bridges, Astronomy, and Experimental Design. We compete in Division C at the regional level and have the opportunity to advance to the state and national levels. Throughout the year as we study in teams, students will learn about the nature of their events as well as practice helpful study skills.

## SENIOR CLASS COUNCIL



Membership/enrollment: Members of the senior class/anytime

Senior Class Council is the branch of student government for the current graduating class. Some of the many activities we participate in and fundraise for are Spirit Week, Homecoming, Spooky Hallways, Senior Banquet, Senior Week, and Senior Prom and other senior activities.

# **SITE CLUB**



#### **Membership/enrollment:** Members of the senior class/anytime

SiTE is a group of high school students from Smithtown High School East that will travel to Mills Pond Elementary school every week to mentor the elementary students during the last hour of their classes. We will visit every Thursday from 2:15-3:15 and work in a classroom to aid the students in the subjects they find difficult. SiTE will be dedicated to coordinating activities as well as mentoring the kids or providing assistance to the teacher.

## SOLSTICE--LITERARY MAGAZINE



#### **Membership/enrollment:** Open to all students/anytime.

If you've ever wanted to see your name in print then come to Solstice to write, bounce ideas off others who share your interest, and hang out in a relaxed, friendly environment. Submit your best poetry, stories, or art and get feedback from people who can help you enhance and improve your pieces. At the end of the year, we publish the best writing in the school's celebrated literary magazine. The club will be hosting visits from published authors and publishing professionals throughout the year, as well as participating in National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) in November. Check out the website at shsesolstice.com

#### SOPHOMORE CLASS COUNCIL



#### **Membership/enrollment:** Open to all sophomore students

The Sophomore Class Council is dedicated to promoting and developing school spirit and class unity through various events. We participate in school and charity activities, including Homecoming, Spooky Hallways, and the Adopt-A-Family program. The class plans to conduct fundraising activities for charitable donations as well as to assist the students in preparation for future school events, such as the Junior and Senior Proms. All are welcome.

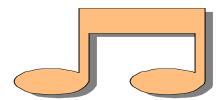
#### STAGE TECH CLUB



## Membership/enrollment: Open to all students/anytime

The Stage Crew Club will learn about the world of stage construction, for theater productions and more. Each meeting we will cover safety and proper use of equipment. The Stage Crew Club is open to anyone interested in set construction, painting, design, or being part of the moving crew during performances, including the Fall Drama production and the Spring Musical Production. All are welcome

#### TRI-M MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY



**Membership/enrollment:** This is a National Music Honor Society that works for the music department and the local community. This group is composed of all the top musicians in the school. There is an application process to be part of the organization. All members must fill out this application to verify their requirements for membership in the honor society. Please remember to send the Teacher Recommendation Form to your desired music teacher in addition to submitting the application.

## WOODWINDS/PERCUSSION



#### **Membership/enrollment:** By audition

The Smithtown High School East Percussion Ensemble is comprised of members from the Concert and Symphonic Bands. This group rehearses once a week and aims to expose its members to a variety of percussion ensemble literature. This group is together from January through March.

#### YEARBOOK CLUB



#### Membership/enrollment: Open to all students

The mission of the Yearbook Club is to create a book of everlasting memories, photograph events and teams, and piece together years of history that tell the story of each graduating class.