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Harborfields High School
Clubs and Activities



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Academic Team

Advisor: Mrs. Fleischman

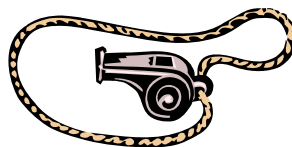
The Academic Team selects teams that participate in various academic competitions. These competitions include the Long Island Challenge and several other trivia challenge contests. There are no requirements to join. However, students who are interested in the academic team should have a strong academic record and enjoy trivia questions and games.



Art Club

Advisor: Mrs. DeVaney

The Art Club meets weekly to create various arts and crafts projects. Students can work in a group or individually. The club also participates in many community service activities related to art, such as designing posters and an arts and crafts table during Black History Month. The club participates in some art contests and has at times had guest artists speak. They also participate in some fundraising activities. Art activities are usually student initiated. The Art Club meets weekly and there are no requirements to join. Refreshments are sometimes provided!



Athletes Helping other Athletes

Advisors: Ms. McGinty and Mr. Taylor

The Athletes Helping Athletes program of Harborfields High School recognizes the role of sports and athletes in developing and encouraging youngsters to be responsible members of their community. In delivering an early intervention drug, alcohol, tobacco and violence prevention program to fifth and sixth grade students, and by processing the issues of sportsmanship, civility, bullying, and teasing, the student-athlete leaders of Athletes Helping Athletes seek to encourage students to stay in school, avoid substance abuse and violence, as well as be respectful of both themselves and others. It is the mission of the student-athlete role models to inspire the youth in our community to make healthy choices, positive decisions, and to have respectful interactions; and consequently, improve the quality of life in our community.



Best Buddies

Advisors: Ms. Carroll and Ms. Ambrosio

The primary mission of Best Buddies is to extend the borders of the school community, and make sure everyone feels that they are a part of the Harborfields family. As a group, Best Buddies strives to bridge the gap between cliques, giving individuals a chance to interact with other people that they may not usually associate with. Best Buddies is not composed of jocks or preps, but of Harborfields students who are interested in meeting new people and making a difference in their immediate community.



Caribbean Club

Advisor: Ms. Koenig

The Caribbean Club is open to all students to come together and learn from each other about different Caribbean cultures, languages, food and music. Our club also has a social service component where we raise awareness and participate in community service activities. We also have a holiday and year end party featuring a Caribbean feast!



Community Outreach Club

Advisor: Ms. Boba

The Community Outreach Club is an organization committed to serving those families in need within our own community. Students participate in food shopping, stocking our food pantry, and preparing all of the food baskets that are delivered directly to our families' front doors. The Club was honored their first year with the ANTI-HUNGER ACTION AWARD presented by LONG ISLAND HEALTH AND WELFARE COUNCIL for their amazing work to stamp out hunger on Long Island. Community service hours are available.



Council for Multicultural Unity

Advisors: Ms. La Mantia and Mr. Barrett

This committee is dedicated to recognizing and celebrating the diversity in the Harborfields community. Students work together to organize various cultural events in the high school as well as in the district. The committee assists in organizing activities centered around such programs as Mix-it-up-at-lunch, Black History Month, and Women's History Month. Students cooperatively learn about other cultures through a monthly film selection and discussion as well.



DECA (An Association of Marketing Students)

Advisor: Ms. Pollard

DECA is a student organization focusing on leadership and personal development and is designed specifically for students interested in marketing, management and entrepreneurship. The goals of DECA are to promote leadership development, civic consciousness, social intelligence and vocational understanding. Students in DECA participate in various activities such as field trips and marketing/fundraising competitions. The DECA Club is open to students currently or previously enrolled in marketing or business courses.



Environmental Club

Advisor: Mr. Flynn

The Environmental Club meets to discuss environmental issues that are having an impact either locally or nationally. Sometimes, the club writes letters to Congressmen asking them to act on these environmental concerns and they might attend town board meetings when environmental issues are being discussed or voted on. The group is committed to raising awareness of environmental issues throughout the school and is also responsible for various school-wide recycling programs including ink cartridges/toner, cell phones, and paper. The group is often involved in beach clean-ups and beautification projects at the high school. The only requirement to join the Environmental Club is a commitment to the environment.



Forensics Club

Advisors: Mr. Barrett

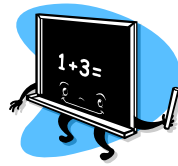
The Forensics Club meets to discuss modern methods of investigating crimes. Members will solve various mock crimes, brain teasers and help to create their own mock criminal case and crime scene. The club will also meet to watch various movies, shows and documentaries that deal with Forensic Science. Some members of the Forensics club will be selected to participate in the Suffolk County Forensics C.S.I. challenge. There are no requirements to join the Forensics club.



French Club (Le Cercle Francais)

Advisor: Mme. D'Amore

Le Cercle Francais is an active club which explores many aspects of the French culture. Club members enjoy French food tasting, listening to French music, watching French movies, and celebrating French holidays such as Mardi Gras! They organize trips to museums, restaurants, concerts, and hockey games. The club holds bake sales and earns money to donate to humanitarian organizations working in Africa and other Francophone countries. Members also enjoy teaching basic French to the younger students at the elementary and primary schools as well visiting Middle School students to share their enthusiasm for the French language and culture. Our end of the year soiree includes a variety of delicious French dishes and desserts! The French Club meets once every two weeks and is open to anyone who is interested in French culture! New members and new ideas are always welcome!



Future Educator's Club

Advisors: Ms. Turzer & Ms. Fleishman

Future Educators is a club designed for students who have expressed an interest in pursuing the field of education after high school. Students meet monthly at the high school to discuss teaching strategies, placement experiences, and community service ideas. Our students are afforded the opportunity to work in an elementary classroom one day a week after school. In this venue they have the chance to experience first hand what happens in a classroom. In addition, students participate in a variety of activities that support the community including Safe Halloween and Special Olympics. This club is open to students in grades 9-12. Future Educators meeting the requirements can join the Future Educators National Honor Society.



Gay Straight Alliance

Advisor: Ms. Jackson

This extracurricular club welcomes students of all grade levels and of wide-ranging interests and talents. A friendly and supportive group of students, this social club seeks to cultivate awareness and acceptance of lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, and transgender students in the high school community. The club offers a safe forum for the discussion of issues relevant to LGBT teens. The GSA also supports and encourages the alliance of straight and LGBT students which allows them to work cooperatively to reduce harassment, discrimination, and bias based on sexual orientation or gender identity. Finally, club members engage in various cultural and educational activities, such as film study, reading groups, hosting of guest speakers, museum and theater outings and various other activities.



Global Justice Club

Advisor: Mrs. DaSilva-Burke

The Harborfields High School Students for Global Justice Club is an organization that was founded to help educate the Harborfields community about social issues affecting people across the globe. The goal is to attract students to participate on a local level and demonstrate how their actions can have far reaching effects. This club meets bi-monthly and works on various group projects throughout the year. Students involved in this club should have a desire to help others and an interest in global issues.



Habitat for Humanity Club

Advisor: Ms. Gold

The Habitat for Humanity club at Harborfields High School provides students the opportunity to work together with needy families on long Island. The students have many fund raisers throughout the year. This money allows them to be involved in a hands-on building experience and to help hard working families fulfill their dreams of owning their own home. The club meets bi weekly. All students are welcome to join. The privilege to build is based on years of participation and age of each student.



The Harbinger - School Newspaper and Website

Advisor: Mr. Ambrosio

Members of the Tornado News Team produce Harborfields' official student newspaper and news website. They are journalists, photojournalists and artists, typically 15 or so, who are committed to informing and entertaining readers, and to bringing students and staff members pertinent news in a timely, lively and appealing manner. From news to sports, to profiles and entertainment reviews, students write, edit, photograph, and design page layouts and artwork aimed at best representing the activities and opinions of Harborfields' students and staff.

The club also attends workshops and conferences at area colleges that are designed to aid and educate high school journalists about the latest trends and technology in scholastic publishing. Working on The Harbinger can help to generate a sense of pride and accomplishment. A finished paper, "hot off the press" is always a product of hard work, teamwork, and fun. There are no requirements to join except that students should be willing to contribute an article, photograph or piece of art to the paper on a regular basis.



Interact Club

Advisor: Ms. Greening

The Interact Club is a community service club. Some of their activities include hosting the annual Safe Halloween program here at the high school and buying gifts for needy children around the holidays. They also hold an annual blood drive. There are no requirements to join the Interact Club. There is no scheduled meeting time. They meet as needed depending on their activities.



Italian Club – (Circolo Italiano)

Advisor: Dr. Butler

Il Circolo Italiano is the Italian club of Harborfields High School. In 2010-2011, we went to see "Pinocchio, the Musical" in Manhattan, learned cooking skills at the A La Carte Culinary School in Lynbrook, New York, raised money for the Fukushima, Japan Tsumami relief efforts, learned to play Scopa (a traditional Italian Card Game) and played Bocce outdoors. The Circolo meets every two weeks and is always open to new members. You don't need to speak Italian to join us. Ci vediamo lì! (See you there!)



Kickline-Tempest Dancers

Advisor: Ms. Rhodes

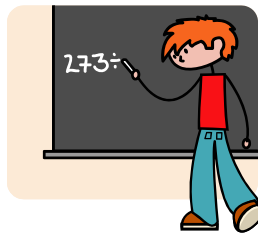
The purpose of the Tempest is to build school spirit. During football season this group performs the halftime show with the marching band. During basketball season they perform the halftime show for the boys' varsity basketball games. Practice consists of conditioning, learning new material, and fine-tuning previously learned material. These activities entail a significant amount of time. The season begins at the end of August and continues through mid-March. There are also practices during February break. To be an active member of this team, progress reports must reflect satisfactory participation in all classes. This entails appropriate behavior and passing grades. There are currently 20 members of the kickline. There are tryouts to be a member of this team. The girls who do come out for the team must have the desire to perform. The girls are chosen partially based upon skill but also on their ability to learn. This team meets twice a week for practice. During the fall season, performances are at all Saturday home football games and during the winter season performances are at weekend varsity boys' basketball games.



Literary Magazine-The Zephyr

Advisor: Mrs. Ritter

The Zephyr is the school's literary magazine. The club meets to discuss topics and publish the magazine. They use computers to scan images and lay out text on a pagemaker program to prepare the publication for print. The literary magazine club is made up of 5 to 10 students. They meet periodically, and there are no requirements to join, but students should have an interest in art, literature and poetry, computers and/or typing.



Mathletes

Advisor: Mr. Bennett

The math department encourages strong math students to test their abilities in competition against other schools in Suffolk County. There are no requirements to join other than a strong interest in math.



Mock Trial

Advisor: Mr. Schoer

Would-be lawyers might be interested in some practical training. A practicing attorney works with our students and prepares them for courtroom competitions. There are no requirements to join and in the past, some of the best participants have been 9th graders.



Model U.N.

Advisor: Mr. Ambrosio

The Model United Nations is an excellent way for students to become familiar with the issues and concerns of our world. Through role-playing, the representatives of the U.N. Member States, students learn about other countries and cultures, while developing a global perspective on issues confronting the world community. The club focuses on preparing to participate in the Ivy League Model U.N. Conference in Philadelphia. There are no requirements to join Model U.N. The Model U.N. club generally meets once per week.



MSGVarsity Media Production Club

Advisor: Mr. Ambrosio

The MSGVarsity Media Production Club creates news stories to be aired on MSGVarsity Channel 14/614 and on the MSGVarsity website. Students take part in all aspects of TV production from digital video and photography to on-air reporting and interviewing to photo and video editing. Harborfields MSGVarsity reporters cover sports games, club and school events, student profiles and more. In the end, students build a great portfolio of work and they get to see the products of their efforts on TV and the internet.



National Art Honor Society

Advisor: Ms. Shields

NAHS (National Art Honor Society) is a program specifically for high school students in grades 11-12, for the purpose of inspiring and recognizing those students who have shown an outstanding ability in art. The NAHS also strives to aid members in working toward the attainment of their highest potential in art areas, and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community.



National Honor Society

Advisor: Mrs. Gavin

The Gloria Vavasseur chapter of National Honor Society is composed of a select group of students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Students are eligible to apply for membership at the end of their sophomore year. Applicants must have a 90 weighted average, and they must exhibit active participation in their school and their community. NHS members are required to complete 40 hours of community service and 5 hours of peer tutoring each year to maintain their membership. Some of the activities that the National Honor Society participates in include: HHS Open School Night, the Breast Cancer Walk at Jones Beach, the Light the Night Walk for Leukemia and Lymphoma, Safe Halloween, the PTSA Barnes & Noble fundraiser, the Huntington Adult Day Care Sweetheart Ball, the HACEF Carnival, Relay for Life, the Washington Drive 2nd Grade Carnival, and they currently run the cans and bottles recycling program at the high school.



Natural Helpers

Advisors: Dr. Harris & Ms. Koenig

To be a Natural Helper, a student is nominated by his/her peers as a helpful, trustworthy person that they can talk to about their personal concerns. Forty nominated students are then selected for training. Natural Helpers attend a 3-day training retreat to learn (1) reflective listening, (2) suicide prevention and (3) school/community referral resources for very serious problems, as well as other skills and information. Members attend weekly lunchtime meetings for support and supervision in their helping activities. Natural Helpers also help youth in the school and community through participating in service projects and through fund-raising. Natural Helpers meet every Thursday during lunch periods 4, 5, 6 and 7.



S.A.D.D.

Advisor: Ms. Ambrosio

The S.A.D.D. club is designed to promote the awareness of destructive decisions and the dangers of drinking and driving. Our club generally meets once a month to plan events and activities throughout the school year. The club is offered to all students in grades 9 – 12.



Science Research Club

Advisor: Ms. Rhodes

The Research Club supports the science research program. Students meet to share ideas, practice for contests and explore new advances in science and social science. It is mostly attended by students enrolled in the science research classes, but other interested students are welcome to attend. The club meets two times a month, with typically five to ten students attending. The only requirements to join are an interest and enthusiasm for science and research.



Spanish Club(El club de español)

Advisor: Stefania Mattio

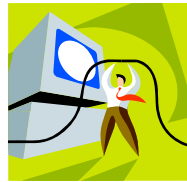
El club de español is a lively club that explores Spanish and Hispanic cultures. Members enjoy Spanish and Hispanic food, movies and music. Members have the opportunity to celebrate and learn about cultural holidays such as *El día de los muertos*, *El cinco de mayo* and *La tomatina*. Students are also actively involved in raising funds for humanitarian organizations as well as club expenses. The end of the year fiesta includes tasty authentic treats and cultural music and dancing. Our club also participates in school functions such as Safe-Halloween and *La Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica*.



Student Government

Advisor: Mr. Taylor

As the elected representatives of either their class or the Student Government, students participate in planning school activities. These activities include Homecoming, dances or other fundraising activities. Elected students participate in public debates regarding topics such as increasing school spirit, student privileges and class activities. Elections for the following school year are held in late May or early June. There is an established nominating process for all potential candidates. The Student Government, which is made up of between 30 and 40 students, meets every week during periods 3, 6 and 9. The requirement to participate is that they must be elected a class officer or student government officer or representative.



Technology Club/Electronic Multimedia Studies

Advisor: Mr. Guillam

Electronic Multimedia Studies is a club available to Harborfields High School students who are interested in electronics, media, computers, and entertainment systems. There are workshops and activities about computer maintenance and repair, custom computer creation, video game system repair, and general electronic repair. We also host weekly game (video and card) competitions and tournaments, allowing students to meet and interact with other students with similar interests. If you enjoy Computers, Electronics, or Games - EMS will provide a welcoming atmosphere and a creative environment for learning and exploring today's cutting edge tech.



Theatre Company

Advisor: Mr. Incorvia

The Theater Company is a terrific and exciting organization whose members are talented and fun-loving students wholeheartedly in love with all the different aspects of theater. In addition to improving performance skills in acting, singing, and dancing, the members of the company learn how to build and paint scenery, hang and focus lights, and use sound equipment. The Theater company produces four shows each year: a Drama or Comedy in the fall semester, a mid-year student-written and directed short play festival called PlayFest, a traditional spring musical, and an end of the year celebration of classical theater called Shakespeare in the Courtyard. Cast and crew meet according to published rehearsal schedules, generally five days a week in the afternoons and on Saturday mornings. Members of the company have a varied range of interests and talents. The company currently has more than 55 active members of whom 18 are Honors Thespians. To become an Honors Thespian, a student must maintain better than average grades in all score subjects and participate in some capacity in all four productions.



“Trax” Music Appreciation Club

Advisor: Mr. Stone

The “Trax” Music Appreciation Club encourages students to share their musical interests with one another by discussing and analyzing contemporary music. The club aims to raise music awareness at Harborfields by publishing articles in the school newspaper, organizing music-related contests, and attending concert performances by local and popular bands. The club meets routinely after school on a weekly/biweekly basis and all students are welcome.

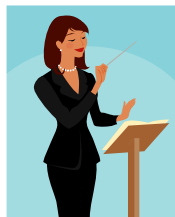


Tri-Fit

Advisor: Mr. Zenyuh

The Tri-Fit Club is available to the Harborfields High School community to introduce members to ALL aspects of healthy and active lifestyles. Guest speakers, workshops, and events are organized to help students develop the knowledge and habits necessary to pursue a healthy life. Organized bicycle rides, repair classes, inspirational and educational lectures and participation in Duathlon/Triathlons are among the opportunities afforded to the Tri-Fit Club members.

NO EXCUSES, Tri-Fit is a club for EVERYONE!



Tri-M Honor Society

Advisor: Ms. Scilla

Tri-M is a music honor society in which the underlying goal is to further the education and quality of music in both our community and school. Upon induction into the Tri-M Music Honor Society each member is required to participate in a number of community service related activities deemed applicable for members of a music honor society. The Tri-M Music Honor Society actively participates in the assistance at school district concerts, NYSSMA, SCMEA All County Festivals and other community-based musical activities. The requirements to join Tri-M are: an 85 weighted average in all subject areas; a 95 unweighted average in music courses; enrollment in a HHS music performance ensemble; excellent character; and qualities of leadership and service. The Tri-M meets on the second Monday of each month.



Yearbook - Harborlight

Advisor: Mr. Ambrosio

The Yearbook Club consists of students working towards the production of the high school's yearbook. Students determine the format and content of the yearbook. They also take the photographs that are found in the yearbook, lay out the pages and write the text for the yearbook. There are between ten and thirty students who work on the yearbook. The meetings are held as needed depending on deadlines. There are no requirements to join.