

Clubs and Activities

Anime Club – This club views and discusses various Japanese animation movies leading to a discussion of their cultural influences. Adviser: Ms. Osowiecki

Art Club – This club meets monthly or as needed in one of the Art rooms to work on school and community events and projects as well as workshops to explore processes you might not experience in regular art classes. There will be a sign up for individual workshops which may include materials fees. Events the club works on include set painting for Drama Club productions, making bowls and planning for the Empty Bowls Project, assisting the Printmaking Club making t-shirts as well as planning and working our Evening of the Arts event at the end of the year.

DECA – DECA is an international student organization focusing in the areas of marketing, management and entrepreneurship. Students develop their business skills through school sponsored activities including local and DECA sponsored field trips, charitable work, and the operations of Big L's School Store. Students will interact and compete at leadership conferences at both the state and national levels. Open to RHAM students, grades 10-12, enrolled in a business course elective. Adviser: Mr. Landry

Environmental Club - This club is designed to encourage students to learn about and take action on a variety of environmental issues. The club meets twice a month on Thursdays in Room 227. Students get involved with school, community, and global environmental concerns. Activities have ranged from symposia, workshops, trail maintenance, beach clean-ups, school recycling, and school beautification projects. Membership is open to all students. Adviser: Mr. Scace

French Club - The French Club offers students the opportunity to enrich their knowledge and understanding of the various French speaking cultures that exist throughout the world. Students will participate in activities and field trips to museums, France, Quebec, and other diverse francophone cultural events in Connecticut and/or surrounding areas. The club meets monthly and/or as needed. Adviser: Mrs. DeRoy

Gamers Club - A club where students may come one day a week after school to play video games. Some consoles stay at the school and are available weekly. Students can also bring in their personal games or consoles to play at school. Multiple TVs are available as well as a smart board. The club meets on Thursdays from 2:15-3:30 in room 115. Please contact Ms. Murphy with any questions.

Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) - This club is to help provide a safe school environment for all people, regardless of sexual orientation, at both RHAM Middle and RHAM High School. The GSA is a student-run club which provides a safe place for students to meet, support each other and talk about issues of interest or concern among LGBTQ youth and their allies. Any student interested in working to eliminate discrimination, brainstorming ideas for dealing with harassment, talking about issues related to sexual orientation and gender identity and expression is encouraged to join. Some activities include Ally Week, Day of Silence, movie nights, and True Colors Conference at UConn. Club meets bi-monthly from 2:15-3:00 pm in room 125.

Advisers: Mrs. Beirn, Ms. Wnuk

Latin Club - The Latin Club offers students an opportunity to learn about the ancient Greeks and Romans in a non-academic setting. Members engage in activities that focus on various aspects of the ancient world, such as food, art and archaeology, and their influence on the modern world. Activities include field trips and participation in State Latin Day. The club meets monthly or as needed. Adviser: Ms. Brower, Adviser Emeritus: Mr. Pingree

LEO Club – The RHAM LEO Club is a youth run group that works along with the Hebron Lions Club. It's a great way to meet new people, have fun and give back to the community all at the same time. We are involved in many activities volunteering to local organizations and outside our community as well. Some of the things we have done in the past are Fidelco Day, Special Olympics, working at our local food banks, tag sale, bake sales, Hebron fireworks, Valentine's Day flower sales, setting up and serving at many Lions' functions, American Girl Tea Party, Halloween Howl, and more. The biggest event is working at the Hebron Harvest Fair. The Leo's work at a parking gate as well as Old MacDonald's Farm where they interact with children. The club meets twice a month on Mondays after school in the fishbowl. Advisers: Mrs. Hines, Mrs. Schadle and Mr. Griswold (Hebron Lions Club liaison)

Literary Magazine - Our Generation - This student publication comes out once a year. Any student may submit his/her writing (poems, stories, essays, etc.) and all students are welcome to work on the editorial and layout staff. Editors read submissions and choose which are to be included. Computer software is used to design and publish the magazine. Students interested but unfamiliar with computer applications can learn while they participate. Student art work is also featured. Meetings are held once a week. Adviser: Ms. Barton

Math Team - This is an organization for the mathematically minded student who enjoys competing with other high school students in mathematics. There is a varsity team for students in grades 10 through 12 and a junior varsity team for students in grades 10 and below. Practices are held on Tuesdays each week in room 208 from September to March and there are seven varsity competitions once per month during this time as well as four junior varsity competitions from September to December. An All Schools banquet is held at the end of the year to award trophies to top teams and scholarships to top seniors. Adviser: Mrs. Wiley

Mock Trial Team – For students interested in gaining experience in law, debating and public speaking, the Mock Trial Team competes in scrimmages and a statewide competition each year. Students play the roles of attorneys and witnesses in either a civil or criminal trial. RHAM will compete against other schools as the trials are held in multiple superior courts across the state. Actual attorneys and judges from Connecticut will score the competition to determine who advances to the next round. The club meets weekly throughout the fall semester. Advisers: Mr. Merrigan and Mr. Rambone

Model UN – This is a club for students interested in international relations and problem solving. RHAM students assume the role of ambassadors from a particular country in order to research different political, economic, environmental, and humanitarian crisis issues. The annual trip to New York City provides students the opportunity to visit their nation's mission office and interview an ambassador about the nation's response to these issues. The club culminates with students writing resolutions and debating these issues at a United Nations simulation with approximately 1,000 high school students from around the state, typically held at the University of Hartford. The club meets at RHAM after school one day a week from September to December. The culminating simulation is held in early December. Come create an international incident with us! Advisers: Mr. Joseph and Mr. Burgess

Newspaper Club - Club members can contribute articles, columns, artwork, or photographs to the weekly electronic newsletter, The Little RHAMbler (which goes out to students, staff, and parents), and/or the monthly full-color magazine, The RHAMbler (which goes out to students and staff). Share your opinion with a large audience! Students may join at any time during the year. Meetings are generally once a month in Room 630 or conducted digitally, but attendance is not mandatory. Advisers: Mrs. Clifton and Ms. Osowiecki

Peer Helpers – Peer Helpers are high school students who are trained in self-awareness and communication skills. They also receive bi-monthly training in issues relevant to adolescence such as stress management, eating disorders, suicide prevention, healthy relationships, etc. Informally, Peer Helpers use their skills in their everyday interactions with others. Formally, they act as mentors to freshmen students, maintaining monthly contact throughout the year. Peer Helpers are also involved with Freshman Orientation and community service activities. Adviser: Ms. Perry, Mrs. Lata

RHAM Buddies – This is a group for students with intellectual or other developmental disabilities. Non-disabled peers, who might be interested in special education, would like to develop leadership skills, or just would like to have fun, are welcome to attend these monthly sessions and participate in various recreational activities with these special needs students. Advisers: Ms. Jakubiec, Ms. Murphy

RHAM Drama Club - This group meets one semester a year and offers students the opportunity to put on one Musical Production a year. Roles in the musical production are designated by an audition process. Students receive training in acting, movement, stage craft, voice, and teamwork, as it takes many important pieces to create a successful performance. Other than on stage roles, behind the scenes positions are needed such as stage crew, tech crew, set builders/painters, costumers, etc. Past musicals include "Grease", "Little Shop of Horrors", "Cinderella", "Music Man" and many more! Please contact Ms. Wnuk if you are interested in any of the above. Look for Musical Audition postings to stay informed.

Ski & Snowboard Club - This group travels to ski areas throughout New England, including after school during the week and day trips on weekends. All students willing to ski & snowboard safely are encouraged to join. Members must maintain academic eligibility. The Ski & Snowboard Club program at RHAM provides an excellent opportunity for students wishing to learn how to ski or snowboard or for current skiers or snowboarders to improve their technique. Rental equipment is available. Adviser: Ms. Osowiecki, Mr. Rambone

Student Council - The Student Council is a form of student government which plans a variety of student activities such as assembly programs, spirit weeks, dances, and other events. In addition, its elected members discuss issues and ideas, which are significant to the student body. Club meets twice a month in the Main Office conference room. Adviser: Ms. Gorman (Main Office)

Technology Student Association (TSA) – is an international organization of students devoted to learning more about technology. The club meets once a week beginning in October. At the spring conference students participate in many varied categories such as 3D solid modeling, film technology, structural engineering, architectural design, race car design, robotics, digital game design, problem solving, and public speaking. During the academic year, students will have the opportunity to participate in the VEX robotic competition which is open to teams from around the country and the world. The contest involves building a robot to compete in timed activities against other team robots from other schools. TSA is open to RHAM students with an interest in learning more about technology and who have the drive to be the best. Adviser: Mrs. Lastrina

Ultimate Frisbee Club – Ultimate Frisbee is one of the fastest growing sports in the country and RHAM has decided to jump on the bandwagon. The Ultimate Frisbee Club is a co-ed club that is open to all students and meets two days a week during the spring semester. Learn the fundamentals and rules of the game. This club is a great way to meet other students, get a good workout, and most importantly have fun.

Adviser: Mr. Rambone

Video Production Club (VPC) – The Video Production Club is at the cutting edge of RHAM video work. Students in the “VPC” record concerts, do sports broadcasts, and create films and other videos for competitions nationwide. The VPC holds four national awards and numerous state trophies and commendations for their work. Members have the opportunity to attend events like the Student Television Network’s national convention, which is held every year in cities like Orlando, Los Angeles, Dallas, San Diego, and Atlanta. Students interested in careers in the film, television, or video fields are strongly encouraged to join the Video Production Club where they will have access to experiences unavailable anywhere else. The VPC meets weekly (usually Tuesdays) in the school’s TV Studio. Adviser: Mr. Bancroft

Yearbook Club - This team consists of dedicated students in grades 9 -12 who enjoy photography, art, journalism, computer graphics, and more. Using these skills, students produce “The Triangle,” RHAM High School’s Yearbook. Come join the fun and experience a sense of accomplishment and pride when the yearbook is published. Add this to your resume or college application. Meetings are held once a week and more frequently as needed throughout the year. Advisers: Ms. Osowiecki and Mrs. Thurber-Lund

NEW CLUBS OR INTRAMURALS - There are many active clubs to meet student interest. If any student would like to start a club, submit a request in writing to the administration. If at least ten (10) members and a volunteer advisor are interested, the group will be considered a “pilot” club. Sports such as badminton, volleyball, weight lifting, etc., may be organized as after school activities depending upon student interest and availability of advisory personnel. For information on any of these programs see the Director of Athletics or any physical education teacher.