

EHS Clubs, Organizations, Activities, and Sports

2009-2010

Academic Clubs		
Organization	Sponsor	Description
Business Professionals of America	Stephanie Lysakowski & Ana Harris (Business & Foreign Language Departments)	For students who plan to follow a career in a business field, BPA offers many opportunities and advantages. We compete at state and national levels in finance, administrative, and technology events. Community service and social activities are also a part of BPA.
Computer Team	Scott Hagin & Brandon Huff (Math Department)	The Edwardsville High School Computer Team's purpose is to develop high level computer skills through projects and robotics within the school as well as inter-scholastic competitions.
Debate and Speech Club	Cara Lane (English Department)	Debate kicks off the year by having one orientation meeting, and we then select willing and able students to participate in Teens Speak Out. TSO participants pick a controversial topic pertaining to today's local youth and do intensive research to prepare a presentation for a panel of local business leaders and politicians at the end of October at Washington University in St. Louis. Following this event, Debate Club will then meet regularly to discuss current events or issues of student interest.
National FFA Organization (Future Farmers of America)	John Davin (Applied Tech)	The FFA is a National Organization designed to educate students in the many different careers in agriculture (Agri-business, Agri-Science, Horticulture, Landscaping and Veterinary Sciences). The FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agriculture education.
French Club	Nancy Sellers & Rachel Symanski (Foreign Language Department)	French club is open to all students. It strives to expand personal experience with French culture and language by celebrating holidays à la française such as Noel, Mardi Gras, National French Week, and more. Some additional activities include: movies, cooking contests, t-shirt decorating, French food sampling, participation in the French Follies variety show, and much more.
French National Honor Society	Nancy Sellers & Rachel Symanski (Foreign Language Department)	The aim of this organization is to stimulate interest in the study of French, to create enthusiasm for and understanding of Francophone culture and civilization, to promote and perpetuate international friendship efforts toward furthering solidarity in the French speaking world. Students are selected for membership during second semester of they junior year according to their GPA and commitment to the propagation of the French language and its culture.

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German Club	Gisela Sommer (Foreign Language Department)	The German club offers opportunity to broaden the knowledge and culture and language through celebrations such as the Oktoberfest, sampling German cuisine at German restaurants and excursions to exhibits/concerts that reflect the German culture.
German Honor Society	Gisela Sommer (Foreign Language Department)	Students who have completed five semesters of German and meet the grading standards in German and overall GPA may join the German Honor Society. Activities vary from year to year, but one of the responsibilities for German Honor Society members is to provide tutoring for lower level students.
Literary Magazine	Dixie Patrow (English Department)	“Write something!” The Literary Magazine staff encourages all students to exercise their creative writing skills and write. Students at EHS submit their works of fiction, poetry or essays to the LitMag staff, and our goal is to choose the works that best represent the students at EHS and publish them in a magazine. We try to find the best examples to show the diversity of talents at our school. We meet once a week on Wednesdays from August to May, and also host a poetry reading in the fall to showcase the individual styles of the poets at EHS. See Ms. Patrow in room A216 for details!
Math Team	Mollie Easley, Melissa Lemanski, Susan Abendroth & Justine Lunte (Math Department)	The Edwardsville High School Math Team’s purpose is to develop high-level math skills through inter-scholastic competitions for advanced students.
Model United Nations	Jeff Gall (Social Science Department)	Model United Nations is a simulation of the United Nation’s system. Students assume the roles of delegates to the United Nations and debate current issues on the U.N.’s agenda. Model U.N. students seek ways the world community can deal with complex global concerns.
National Honors Society (NHS)	Michael Hitt (Language Arts Departments)	National Honor Society, founded in 1921, was created as an organization to recognize and encourage academic achievement while also developing other characteristics essential to citizens in a democracy. These ideals of scholarship, character, service, and leadership remain as relevant today as they were in 1921. Students plan and participate in service activities that benefit the community and school.
Science Fair	Terry Menz (Science Department)	The purpose of this group is to support students who want to enter projects in the regional Regional Science Fair at SIUE and/or Illinois Science and Humanities Symposium at SIUC. The group is open to any student interested in science research.

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Science Olympiad	Terry Menz (Science Department)	The Science Olympiad Team meets during the fall and early winter to prepare for the Regional Competition at SIU-Edwardsville. The team competes in events covering all of the areas of science: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Earth Science, and Technology
Spanish Club	Donald Mendoza (Foreign Language Department)	The Spanish Club is an organization designed to promote Hispanic cultural awareness and interest in the Spanish language. It has many events during the year. There is a dance group that learns Mexican folk dance and a "news team" that makes videos for special classroom events.
Spanish Honor Society	Myriam Lambiotte & Stacy Jones (Foreign Language Department)	Students who have completed five semesters of Spanish are invited to join this international honor society if they meet the standards concerning Spanish semester grades, overall GPA, and receive the recommendation of the Spanish department. An induction ceremony is held in the fall.
Yearbook	Kim Niemietz, Mike Dando, Greg Kessler (Language Arts)	Yearbook participation is by application and interview
WYSE	Becky Beal (Science Department)	WYSE, Worldwide Youth and Engineering, is an academic team composed of top juniors and seniors recommended yearly by faculty. Team members compete in seven subject areas: Math, English, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Engineering Graphics, and Computer Science.
Youth in Government	Jon Parkin (Social Science Department)	Students learn about how government functions through role-play and problem-solving activities.

Fine & Performing Arts

Organization	Sponsor	Description
Drama Club	Kate Motley, Brad Lewis, Marion Thompson, Lessie Shashack, Cathy Stranc, Cara Lane (Fine Arts Department)	We have a blast putting on shows! We love our work! Come on down to the auditorium. Construction, acting, sewing, lighting, sound, etc... See Mrs. Motley in B116 for more info!
Marching Band	Marvin Battle (Fine Arts Department)	The marching band season begins with summer rehearsals and a two-week camp held within the school district. Once school begins, marching band meets during the regularly scheduled band rehearsal time. An extra marching band practice is scheduled on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 pm.
Thespian Troupe 1534	Kate Motley (Fine Arts Department)	This international honorary recognizes outstanding students in high school theatre.
Vocal Music	Lynda Marshall & Stacey Ritter (Fine Arts Department)	There are three curricular music classes at EHS: Mixed Choir, Concert Choir, and A cappella Choir. In addition, there are three extra-curricular ensembles: 1) "Bravo!" (Jazz Chorus); 2) "Bel Canto" (Women's Chorus), and 3) "AcaFellaz (Men's Chorus), and "The vocal music program also sponsors the Madrigal Dinner in December.
Winter Guard	Marvin Battle (Fine Arts Department)	The Winter Guard is a performance-based group that competes in the MCCGA circuit. Group membership is by audition. Auditions are held in November and rehearsals are in the evenings once or twice each week. The season begins in December and concludes in March.

Occupational Clubs

Organization	Sponsor	Description
FCCLA – Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (Culinary Club)	Becky Holle, Katie Hashley, & Mary Daniels (Applied Tech)	This group is designed for the student who wants to grow in the field of Family and Consumer Science. This includes design, fashion, culinary skills, and career and community building skills. There is opportunity for local, state, and national recognition through active participation, contests, and competitions.
Medical Careers Club	Pam Harmon & Jennifer Weller (Nurse, Applied Tech)	Medical Careers Club is an extra-curricular club for students interested in any aspect of the medical field. The club meets once a month to plan activities and events. The club sponsors the Rally Against Childhood Cancer, which is a fundraiser for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The club also sponsors an American Red Cross Blood Drive in the spring.

Service & Youth Groups

Organization	Sponsor	Description
A.L.P.H.A	Melissa Sanders (Health/PE/Driver's Ed Department)	ALPHA is an acronym standing for Adolescents Learning Positive Health Alternatives. We educate elementary, middle, and high school students not only about the dangers of drug and alcohol use but also about how to make responsible decisions in their lives. We support different kinds of events at the middle school, high school, and elementary buildings along with some community events.
Bluegrass Club	Angelina McLaughlin-Heil (Fine Arts Department)	Bluegrass Club is for anyone who plays an acoustic stringed instrument (fiddle, upright bass, guitar, banjo, mandolin). The groups meets once a week to practice and performs as community service.
Class of 2010	Melissa Beck Jeannie Kennedy (Foreign Language Dept)	Class officers are designed to raise money for school functions and assist with planning prom. Class officers are the elected voice for students in many cases.
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Class of 2012	Paula Pitts & Joanna Cook (School Nurse and Foreign Language)	Class officers are designed to raise money for school functions and assist with planning prom. Class officers are the elected voice for the students in many instances.
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Environmental Club	Cara Noyes & John Ginestra (Science Department/Social Science Department)	The environmental club is responsible for recycling at EHS. We also volunteer at Watershed Nature Center along with raising funds to donate to various environmental groups. Social activities are scheduled each month. Come meet others who share your interest in the environment!
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Tim Funkhouser (PE Department)	The EHS Fellowship of Christian athletes are a student led Christ-centered, Bible-based organization. FCA's mission is to present to athletes and coaches, and all whom they influence, the challenge of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of church. Meetings are held bi-weekly.
Key Club		The EHS Key Club is a group of caring, dedicated students who volunteer their time to help those who are needy in our community. FOA (Friends of All) is a faction of key club dedicated to forming true friendships with, and teaching tolerance of persons with disabilities.
Rotary Interact	Wendy Madrid	Rotary Interact is for students interested in volunteering in our community. Activities and fundraisers will be decided upon and organized by the students themselves.

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Organization	Sponsor	Description
Student Council	Melissa Beck (Foreign Language Department)	Student council is an organization that helps the school, the students of EHS, and the community. They help organize the homecoming and volunteer with the Metro East Humane Society and Glen/Ed Food Pantry. Student Council is an organization that gets things done for the school and has fun doing it.

Other Clubs & Activities

Organization	Sponsor	Description
Animal Rights Club	Brie Hatton (Fine Arts Department)	This club is for students who express their interest in animals. If you are looking to better the lives of several different animals this club is for you.
Anime Club	Greg Kessler (Media Center)	Students gather to view and discuss Animation in all its forms, Japanese and otherwise.
Breakfast Club/ Friends of the Library	Sheryl Burian & Kristen Schrewe (Media Center and Language Arts)	Students meet before and/or after school two or more times a month. Breakfast Club activities include Scholastic Book Fair, candy sales, and story time for second graders. The money raised through twice a year candy sales is used for donations to the media center, USO, and other events planned by the club.
Chess Club	Nathan Rassi (Science Department)	Chess Club is open to anyone who enjoys the fundamentals of Chess. Competitive matches are held among the club members and against other schools through the Gateway Chess League. Chess Club meets Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2:15-4:00 in Room 318. Chess sets and clocks are provided.
Class Officers	Varies each year	Students in all classes are eligible to run for a Class Officer, representing his/her grade 9-12. The offices are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historians. Elections take place at the start of each year.
ELL Constitution Club (Earn it, Learn it, or Lose it!)	Carol Wilkerson (Language Arts Department)	Are you interested in becoming a lawyer? Do you think you might pursue a career in government? Would you like to be a better citizen? Or do you just like to argue??? Then join ELL, a group dedicated to learning and understanding more about how our government works. We do this by reading, discussing, and debating actual Supreme Court decisions. We also take field trips to places like courthouses and law schools. Scholarship money may be available for students who participate in this group during all four years of high school.
Film Society	Cara Lane (English Department)	The goal of this group is to encourage and promote film appreciation through monthly film viewings and discussions. Past films include Alfred Hitchcock's <u>Rear Window</u> , <u>Napoleon Dynamite</u> , and <u>House of Flying Daggers</u> .
Film Syndicate	Dave Lipe (English Department)	Film Syndicate is a group for students interested in the art of making films. The group meets once per month and conducts a film festival in the spring -- "The Eddies".
Global Ambassadors	Stacey Jones (Foreign Language Department)	
Intramurals	Carol Clawson (PE Department)	Intramurals is an after-school program designed to give students, freshman through senior years, the opportunity to participate in such activities as 3-on-3 basketball, volleyball, bowling, and flag football. Hopefully, students will come out and enjoy a little excitement, plus good old-fashioned exercise!!!

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Newspaper	Michael Dando (English Department)	The newspaper staff is responsible for writing stories for and publishing the Tiger Times. We also publish the Senior Magazine. Newspaper publication is in conjunction with the high school Journalism class.
Possumbird Fine Art Society	(English Department)	The Possumbird Fine Art Society, or Possumbird for short, is a creative writing and story-telling club. Possumbird's goal is to help students create their own individual writing style. We strive to stimulate our members' imaginations in a variety of ways; writing story-go-rounds (a person begins writing a story and hands it to another person, etc. until it is completed), short stories, novellas, and plays. Other ways of trying to get students' imaginations started is through oral stories and drawing-go-rounds. We peer edit our stories and read them out loud, which improves our members' public speaking skills as well as writing. Possumbird is a no pressure club that always welcomes new members with open arms.
Prom	Chris Head (English Department)	Prom is neither a team nor a club. The class officers organize the process. Volunteers from the junior class help decorate the day of the event. A few are involved in the distribution of invitation packets.
Plugged-In	Sairee Knabe (Social Science Department)	The purpose of Plugged-In is to raise awareness of diversity through both in-reach and outreach in the community; to promote tolerance of diversity in race, gender, ethnicity, age, socioeconomic status, and religion; and to encourage interaction with students outside of one's own social group at EHS.
Spectrum	Deanne Voegele (English Department)	Spectrum is EHS's gay-straight alliance. Its mission is to promote acceptance of alternative lifestyles at EHS, making the school a safer and more inviting place for everyone.
Student Venture	Jon Parkin (Social Science Department)	A non-denominational, student-led prayer and Bible study group.
War Games Club	Greg Kessler (Media Center)	Daily opportunity where students can match their wits with each other and faculty members playing wargames, role-playing games, CCG's, and miniatures..

Athletics

Sport	Time of Year	Coaches
Cheerleading	<i>Fall & Winter</i>	Head Coach –Emily Johnston Assistants - Audrey Lewis, Ashley Church, Lauren Mortensen
Cross Country	<i>Fall</i>	Head Coach – George Patrylak Assistant – Steve Chapman
Field Hockey	<i>Fall</i>	Head Coach - Katie Horvath Assistant – Cathy Ward Freshman – Brie Hatton
Football	<i>Fall</i>	Head Coach – Mark Bliss Assistants –Carry Bailey, Craig Colbert, Andre Collins, Doug Heinz, Dan Johnson, Chad Lakatos, Matt Martin, Kelsey Pickering, Brian Schoby, Jason Steward, Mitch Wilson Sophomore – Jason Steward & Mitch Wilson Freshman – Brian Schoby
Golf – Boys	<i>Fall</i>	Head Coach – Dene Schickedanz Assistant – Doug Wright
Golf – Girls	<i>Fall</i>	Head Coach – Tresa Laboube
Tennis – Girls	<i>Fall</i>	Head Coach – Dave Lipe Assistant – Holly Force
Dance Team	<i>Fall & Winter</i>	Head Coach – Hilary Mitchell Assistant – Lisa Laskowski Jr. Varsity – Amanda Arteberry
Soccer – Boys	<i>Fall</i>	Head Coach - Mark Heiderscheid Jr. Varsity – John Ginestra Freshman – Chad Laughlin
Swimming – Boys & Girls	<i>Fall</i>	Head Coach – Heath Keller
Volleyball - Girls	<i>Fall</i>	Head Coach – Jami Parker Assistant - Kelly Schaille, Heather Bonde, Camilla Eberlin

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Volleyball – Boys	<i>Spring</i>	Head Coach – Andrew Bersett Assistant – Frank Masek
Basketball – Boys	<i>Winter</i>	Head Coach – Mike Waldo Varsity Assistants – Allen Duncan, Kyle Stewart, Paul Johnes Sophomore – Anthony McNeil Freshman – Kevin Paur
Basketball – Girls	<i>Winter</i>	Head Coach – Lori Blade Assistant Varsity Coach – Donna Farley JV Head Coach – Tanya Guell Freshman – Julianne Green
Bass Fishing	<i>Spring</i>	John Davin & Jarrod Marshall In addition to fishing as a group, students attend meetings to discuss conservation, fish biology, aquatic ecology, and fishing tackle & techniques.
Bowling – Girls & Boys	<i>Winter</i>	Head Coach – Craig Ohlau
Wrestling	<i>Winter</i>	Head Coach – Jon Wagner Assistant – Kevin Matarelli, Doug Heinz
Baseball	<i>Spring</i>	Head Coach – Tim Funkhouser Assistant – Mike Waldo, Craig Ohlau Sophomore – John Klepak Freshman – Bill Herman
Soccer - Girls	<i>Spring</i>	Head Coach – Abby Bohnenstiehl Assistant – Chad Laughlin, Suze Gibson
Softball	<i>Spring</i>	Head Coach – Lori Blade Assistant – Donna Farley, Ryann Spann JV Coach – Liz Bray
Tennis – Boys	<i>Spring</i>	Head Coach – Dave Lipe Assistant – Paul Stuart
Track – Boys	<i>Spring</i>	Head Coach – Chad Lakatos Assistant – George Patrylak, Mitch Wilson, Brian Schoby
Track – Girls	<i>Spring</i>	Head Coach – Steve Chapman Assistant – Chaka Gibson, Mikala Marquez, Matt Martin