



STUDENT ACTIVITIES
BRISTOL CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
2019-2020

*If you're jumping into the world of high school,
ask yourself this question:
What color is your parachute?
Activities round out the experience.
Take a look ... Color your world ... Jump.*

ACTIVITY CAPSULES

BRISTOL CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

2019-2020

CLASS OF 2020 ~ ADVISORS: MRS. KERI MACHOL; MRS. ELIZABETH REICHLER
CLASS OF 2021 ~ ADVISORS: MRS. MICHELLE COLLINS; MR. DAVE GREENLEAF
CLASS OF 2022 ~ ADVISORS: MRS. KATHY ARCHIBALD AND MRS. ANYA ROCHESTER
CLASS OF 2023 ~ MRS. MONICA HAYES AND MRS. JODY CEGLARSKI

ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL – BCHS EDITION

BCHS is planning an Academic Quiz Bowl in the spring of 2019. Teams will be comprised of the top performers from each class on a general knowledge quiz that draws its content from all aspects of the high school curriculum, current events, and pop culture. Teams will compete in a Final Quiz Bowl at the end of March. Cash prizes will be awarded to the members of the winning team.

ADVISOR: MR. DAVE GREENLEAF – ROOM 124

ART CLUB

The Art Club provides students with a creative outlet for developing their own art and to improve their techniques in a variety of media. The Art Club will be seeking to branch out with projects and grow in the school community.

Membership: Open to all students interested in creating art and collaborating around art topics.

ADVISOR: MRS. KRISTINE MONACO-WALSH – ROOM 1

ASL CLUB

American Sign Language Club provides students with an introduction to a beautiful language. Students will learn to communicate in ASL through student-led tutoring. Membership is open to all students interested in learning more about ASL.

ADVISOR: MRS. GINNY TORRESO – ROOM 219

CHESS CLUB

The BCHS Chess Club meets most Fridays after school in Room 202. Anyone who is interested in learning the game or playing chess on any level is welcome.

ADVISOR: MR. DAVID BREWER – ROOM 202

EXCEL CLUB

The Excel Club is sponsored by the Bristol Exchange Club and is for high school students who would like to get involved in community service.

ADVISOR: MRS. PEGGY JARONKO – ROOM 3

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES CLUB

The Family and Consumer Sciences Club is devoted to providing a fun, creative and collaborative environment for students and staff through crafts and culinary arts. Opportunities for community service are also fostered in the organization. Meetings are held monthly with a special activity planned for each meeting.

ADVISORS: MRS. MAUREEN MOSKOWITZ – ROOM 10; MRS. TINA TWIGGS – ROOM 14

CENTRAL STAGE **NEW**

Central Stage is an after school drama group which showcases the performing (acting, singing, dancing) and production (staging, technical) talents of all students in two annual productions. Membership: All students may audition for shows or sign up for the technical (backstage) crew.

ADVISORS: MRS. LINDSEY DiPIETRO – ROOM 218; MRS. GINA GALLO-REINHARD – ROOM 35; MRS. LEA McCABE – (LEAMCCABE@BRISTOLK12.ORG)

FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA

FBLA is a national organization which provides students with opportunities in leadership, service to the school and local community, and more. A business-related field trip is planned each spring. Meetings are held one to two times per month depending upon upcoming activities from 2:10 – 3:00.

Membership: Open to all students interested in business. Annual dues are \$18.

ADVISOR: MRS. LAURIE ROBERGE – ROOM 103

FUTURE TEACHERS CLUB

The Future Teachers Club is an organization focused on providing experiences for students interested in the teaching profession. The club meets weekly to plan and practice lessons. Students from the club travel to South Side School to present lessons to elementary students. Meetings are held on Tuesdays 2:10-3:00pm and interested students are encouraged to attend as often as possible.

Membership: Open to all students interested in teaching and working with younger students.

ADVISORS: MR. COREY NAGLE – ROOM 235 MR. SHAWN MIRMINA – SCHOOL COUNSELING

GAY STRAIGHT ALLIANCE (GSA)

This club focuses on promoting tolerance in the BCHS community.

Meetings are held once or twice a month depending on upcoming events and interests of club members. Past interests have included World AIDS Day, Day of Silence, No Name Calling Week, and National Coming Out Day.

Membership: ALL are welcome.

ADVISOR: DR. COREY NAGLE – ROOM 235

GREENHOUSE CLUB **NEW**

You don't need to love science...You don't need to have a "green-thumb"...You don't even need a lot of time! All you need is a willingness to "sprout, bloom and grow". The Greenhouse Club is open to all students that want to help and learn more about plants. Join us as we contribute to and beautify our school and community. The Greenhouse Club will meet after school and will spend time in the BCHS greenhouse (located outside near the "gym entrance" to the school). See Mrs. Italia (Room 240) or Dr. Nagle (Room 235) for more information.

ADVISOR: MRS. ROMINA ITALIA – ROOM 240; DR. COREY NAGLE – ROOM 235

GX CLUB

The name of this group comes from the sixth generation home gaming consoles: the **G** from GameCube, the **X** from Xbox, and the **Station** from PlayStation2.

GX Station encourages students to make new friends and fosters camaraderie among diverse groups of the students at BCHS. The group meets most Fridays after school in the Library Media Center. Students bring in their own games and compete in Guitar Hero, DDR, Super Smash Bros, Naruto, Halo, singstar, Wii, Xbox 360, GameCube, and PS2.

Membership: All students are welcome.

ADVISOR: TBD

INTERACT CLUB

The InterAct Club is a junior division of the Rotary International Club. The club exists solely for the purpose of performing volunteer work at the local, national, and international levels.

Meetings are held every Monday from 2:10–2:35 in Room 31.

Membership: Open to all students.

Annual events include Mr. BCHS Pageant, Powder Puff Football, Pennies for Patients for the CT Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, holiday food and gift baskets for families in need, HOPE Charity Fitness Challenge. Throughout the year, there are volunteer opportunities at the Bristol Boys and Girls Club, Indian Rock Nature Center, Barnes Nature Center, the Bristol Public Library, and the Bristol Senior Center.

ADVISORS: MRS. KELLY MONAHAN-DiNOIA – ROOM 29; MS. VALERIE GUARINO – ROOM 31

MATH LEAGUE

The Math Team competes against 26 nearby high schools in problem solving meets.

Practices are weekly; competitive meets are held once monthly on Wednesdays at other schools in the greater Hartford area. Students who are involved with another club or team are welcome to participate on a part-time basis.

Membership: Students with an interest in math and strong problem solving skills.

ADVISOR: MR. KELLY McCABE – ROOM 116

MULTI-CULTURAL SOCIETY (MCS)

The Multi-Cultural Society celebrates the many cultures and diverse ethnicities that make up the BCHS community. MCS coordinates a Multi-Culture Week in April to celebrate diversity with culture-infused daily announcements, music, decorations and special lunch menus. During that week the group hosts a "Tastes of the World" potluck dinner complete with entertainment. Field trips to celebrate cultural traditions are also arranged for MCS members. Meetings are held Thursdays, once a month, in Room 23.

Membership: All

ADVISOR: MRS. KATHY ARCHIBALD – ROOM 23

MUSIC TECH CLUB **NEW**

The Music Tech Club is a club where students of all levels of music/creative experience can collaborate and share their ideas. We provide an open environment for everybody to have fun creating music electronically. All students all welcome.

ADVISOR: MR. DAVID NELSON – ROOM 126

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nation's premier service organization established to recognize outstanding high school students.

Membership: Juniors and seniors who meet the academic criteria (3.7 GPA) are invited to join; all members must demonstrate the four pillars of scholarship, leadership, character and service.

Meetings & Events: There are a few required meetings per year. NHS students organize events such as the DodgeBall Tournament and Canned Food Drive.

ADVISOR: MR. PAUL PINETTE – LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER

NATIONAL BUSINESS HONOR SOCIETY

The National Business Honor Society promotes and recognizes academic achievement in business education.

Membership: Juniors and Seniors who have completed three or more business courses or are currently enrolled in a third business course and have met the academic criteria are invited to join. Students must have a 3.5 or better GPA in business courses and a 3.3 or better overall GPA. A \$20 one-time fee covers administrative expenses and the cost of National Business Honor Society graduation cords.

There are no regularly scheduled meetings. An induction ceremony takes place in the Spring.

ADVISOR: MRS. LAURIE ROBERGE – RM 103

PERFORMING ARTS

BCHS is home to a number of high caliber co-curricular musical performing groups. These include: Marching Band, Concert Band, Jazz Band, and other small instrumental groups (Flute Choir, Brass Ensemble, and Percussion Ensemble); as well as Concert Choir, and other vocal groups (Madrigal Singers, BC Flats Contemporary a Cappella, and Bell City Jazz Choir).

ADVISORS: MR. JOHN ABUCEWICZ (INSTRUMENTAL) – ROOM 125; MR. DAVID NELSON (VOCAL) – ROOM 126

POETRY CONTEST

A Poetry Contest is held in February to screen and determine the school's best poets-on-the-page as well as a live round in March to determine the best performance poets. Poems must be less than 50 lines, in any format, and school-appropriate. The top performance poets go on to the final round of competition in March. Information and entry forms are available from Mrs. Dickau, Room 127, after February 1.

ADVISOR: MRS. G. GALE DICKAU

RAMBASSADORS

RAMbassadors is a senior to freshman mentor program geared at easing the transition from middle to high school. RAMbassadors are instrumental in Freshman Orientation, 8th Grade Parent Night, weekly freshmen advisories, and other events.

Membership: Students are invited to apply and interview during the spring of their junior year.

ADVISOR: MR. TIMOTHY BARRETTE – ROOM 233

RAMPAGE

Bristol Central's student news magazine covering events and topics that matter to students is a great place to have thoughts, writing, photography, or cartoons published.

Membership: All students interested in writing or reporting are welcome to weekly meetings every Thursday. Submissions: Accepted from all BCHS students.

ADVISOR: MRS. JENNIFER PLOURDE – ROOM 215

SIGNATURES

Signatures, the creative arts magazine showcasing student writing, artwork, and photography, is published annually and distributed to students. The issue is also available online from the school website.

Submissions & Publication: Creative works are accepted from all BCHS students. Entries are reviewed by an editorial board of veteran writers.

ADVISOR: MRS. G. GALE DICKAU – THE WRITING LAB – ROOM 127

SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB

The Ski and Snowboard Club provides the opportunity for students to enjoy the sports of skiing and snowboarding. The club sponsors an overnight weekend trip to a ski resort in northern New England each winter for a discounted price in a school sponsored setting.

Membership: Members must know how to ski or ride and must have their own equipment.

Lessons and rentals are not provided.

ADVISOR: MR. DAVID GREENLEAF – ROOM 124

STUDENT COUNCIL

Students are involved in a variety of activities helping the school and the greater Bristol Community.

Membership: Open to all Bristol Central High School students

Meetings: Thursdays, after school, in Room 217

Annual Activities include Red Cross Blood Drives, Button Up Connecticut, the Homecoming Dance, Spirit Week, and the Winter Semi-Formal; several fundraisers are also conducted.

Members also serve on the school Governance Committee which discusses and establishes school policy.

ADVISOR: MRS. SARAH HERTZLER – ROOM 217

TORCH (Yearbook)

The yearbook staff is responsible for organizing and completing a yearbook full of pictures and great memories for all students of BCHS. Staff members make creative decisions on the layout and design of the book as well as creating actual pages in the yearbook.

Production meetings are held weekly from September to April in Room 8.

Membership: Open to all students.

ADVISORS: MRS. LESLIE FERNANDEZ (PRODUCTION) – ROOM 28; MRS. KATHY ARCHIBALD (BUSINESS) – ROOM 23

WORLD LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETIES

The French, Spanish, Italian and Latin Honor Societies recognize those students who have excelled in the study of those languages.

Membership: Students must be enrolled in Level 3 or higher in Spanish, French and Latin or Level 2 or higher in Italian and maintain an average of 93 in Academic levels or 90 in Accelerated levels to be eligible. A one-time fee of \$10 covers administrative expenses and the cost of graduation tassels. There are no regularly scheduled meetings of these organizations.

ADVISOR: MRS. KATHY ARCHIBALD – ROOM 23

SPECIAL EVENTS

A Sampling of Events in 2019–20

Drama Production – 13: The Musical	Poetry Content
Blood Drives	Powderpuff Football Game
Perfect Attendance Breakfast	Junior and Senior Prom
Central's Got Talent -- Talent Show	Push-Ups for Patriots
Winter Semi-Formal Dance	Festivus!
Dodgeball Tournament	Spirit Week
Drama Production – Legally Blonde	Writer's Feast: Reading & Reception
Multicultural Night	RamPage: News Magazine
Mr. BCHS	InterAct HOPE Charity Fitness Event
InterAct Holiday Food Baskets	Cocoa & Cram
BC Rams Read @ Southside School	College Fair
Academic Bowl	& More to Come!!

CURRENT: SEPTEMBER 16, 2019