



HIGH SCHOOL EAST EXTRACURRICULAR BOOK



HOME OF THE THUNDERBIRDS



Welcome . . . you have found your way to the High School East Extracurricular Book! Here at High School East, we have been fortunate to offer a wealth of clubs and activities to provide students with unlimited opportunities to follow their passions, serve their community with pride and extend their learning and competitive spirit.

The benefits of extracurricular activities are inarguable! Many studies suggest that participation in these types of activities improve academic performance, lead to stronger time management skills, allow for the acquisition of new and useful skill sets, build a sense of commitment and responsibility along with creating a forum to meet new friends in and around the school community.

As a majority of activities are open to new members throughout the year, some require prerequisite actions and include an initiation process. However, that notwithstanding, Hills East offers a staggering eighty-one different activities . . . there is virtually something to satisfy everyone's interests. Please read the following pages, become acquainted with the various programs we offer and feel free to pop in for a general meeting of any activity that interests you. Enjoy and get involved!

A CAPELLA (VOCAL JAZZ)

Club Advisor: Dr. McRoy

Auditions will be held in late September for the two HSE acapella groups, "AcousChicks" and "Drastic Measures". Students perform contemporary pop acapella tunes for school concerts and community events such as Safe Halloween, Unity Day and 3rd Grade Music Recruitment Night. Groups are also eligible to compete in acapella competitions on LI and in NYC.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENT ORGANIZATION (AASO)

Club Advisor: Ms. Brown

The mission of AASO is to aid in the growth and development of HSE students through a series of culturally, socially, and academically focused discussions and programs from a unique African American perspective. AASO aims to develop and promote unity. All are welcome!

ACADEMIC TEAM (THUNDERBRAINS)

Club Advisor: Ms. Brown

The Thunderbrains is a club that is for students who are interested in jeopardy-style trivia competitions. This team meets weekly and participates in monthly competitions, "Regional Quizbowl," that will be hosted at other high schools. Students have a chance to compete against other schools to try and qualify for the Long Island Championship. The weekly meetings will consist of practice with our very own buzzers, mock competitions and overall enjoying the club!

AMERICAN COMPUTER SCIENCE LEAGUE (ACSL)

Club Advisor: Mr. Del Giudice

This club is for students interested in computer science. The team competes against teams from around the country and throughout the world in the American Computer Science League. Winners can compete in the online Finals in May.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Club Advisor: Ms. Cullen

Under the umbrella of Amnesty International, which seeks to educate and motivate individuals to take action about human rights abuses around the world, this club educates members on current events and human rights abuses. In addition, members fundraise for local, national, and global causes.

ANIMAL FRIENDS & ADVOCATES (AFA)

Club Advisor: Ms. Kane

This club is for pet lovers, future veterinarians, and all students who are interested in promoting the health, welfare, and protection of domestic animals and wildlife. Guest speakers, participation in projects, and collaboration with animal shelters and wildlife organizations are included in the program.

ARCHITECTURE CLUB**Advisor: Ms. Mead**

As we begin the year in a virtual platform, Architecture Club will use the internet to help create fun projects that will benefit our school, environment and community. In-school architecture club will explore concepts in building, wood work and 3D community projects. Past projects included building a play house, dog house, greenhouse, nock hockey tables, toy chest and more.

ART CLUB

Club Co-Advisors: Ms. Uttendorfer & Ms. Pakula

Art club members will have several opportunities to beautify HS East and make a difference in the community. Students will also develop their artistic skills, while working on creative projects such as school murals.

ART HONOR SOCIETY (NAHS)

Club Advisor: Ms. Uttendorfer

NAHS is a unique club specifically designed for the purpose of inspiring and recognizing those students in grades 11-12 who have shown outstanding ability in art. NAHS members run the art gallery and collaborate on school projects. Students participating in the Visual Arts Conservatory must be a part of NAHS.

ASTRONOMY CLUB

Club Advisor: Mr. Affatigato

Students will learn about planetarium operations, install programs, develop knowledge of astronomy, learn the astronomical basis of specific celestial events, attend outside astronomy talks, and observe events

BEST BUDDIES

Club Advisor: Ms. Guarriello & Ms. Walsh

Best Buddies fosters one-to-one friendships between students with and without Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. The purpose of this club is to provide opportunities for socialization through games and other activities.

BUSINESS HONOR SOCIETY

Club Advisor: Mrs. Cappiello and Mr. Cappiello

The Business Honor Society (BHS) recognizes the top business students at High School East. The BHS is a nationally recognized club, and open to all students who are enrolled in business classes. Students will participate in fundraising activities, community service projects, and job shadowing activities. If you are interested in being a business major in college, this is the club for you, as most colleges and universities recognize the Business Honor Society as one of the top extracurricular clubs for students. Only Juniors and Seniors may apply.

CHESS CLUB

Club Advisor: Mr. Del Giudice

This club is for students interested in playing games of chess, learning more about the game, and getting involved in tournaments. The team competes in the Suffolk County Chess League.

CHINESE CULTURE CLUB

Club Advisor: Ms. Reitz

This club will foster students' interest and understanding of Chinese culture through exposure to Chinese food, films, music, and art. Students will also do arts and crafts, skits, and other activities to stimulate their creativity while becoming a part of Chinese culture.

CHINESE HONOR SOCIETY

Club Advisor: Ms. Reitz

The Chinese Honor Society provides the advanced Chinese student with rich cultural experiences such as cooking, literacy, drama, filmmaking, arts and crafts, fundraising, and so on. Membership is open to students who have met the academic requirements of the Honor Society. Students must have an overall 90 average for the previous school year and the school year to date with a completed application process. Students may apply if they are in 10th grade or higher. Current and new members participate in an induction ceremony held in late spring.

COMPUTER CLUB

Club Advisor: Mr. Del Giudice

This is a bi-weekly club for students interested in learning more about computers and computer programming. Students have the opportunity to participate in various college programming contests and tournaments.

CROSS CAMPUS CHAMBER CHOIR

Club Advisor: Dr. McRoy

The Cross Campus Chamber Choir is an advanced mixed choral ensemble for musicians from HSE and HSW. Admission into the group is by audition only. Students must be nominated by their school music teacher to be eligible to audition. The group performs at two concerts yearly, as well as special district and outside events.

CROSS CAMPUS CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Club Advisor: Ms. Romeo

This is a group of select students from HSE and HSW. Students must be in grades 10-12. Students must be a NYSSMA level 6A and above on violin and 5A or above for viola, cello and bass. Placement in the orchestra is by audition and teacher recommendation. The Chamber Orchestra performs two concerts a year. They perform at the winter concert at HSW and the spring concert at HSE. In addition to the concerts, they also compete at the NYSSMA Major Organization Festival in May.

CROSS CAMPUS WIND ENSEMBLE

Advisor: Mr. Belanich

The Cross Campus Wind Ensemble includes students from HSE and HSW. Entrance into the ensemble is based on audition. The group will rehearse and study NYSSMA Level 5 and 6 music. See Mr. Belanich for more information.

DANCE CLUB

Advisor: Ms. Simpson

Dance Club consists of a group of talented dancers, looking for more to join. We will meet virtually bi-weekly for the 2020 - 2021 school year. We will discuss possible options that might enable us to perform in the future.

D.E.C.A.–DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION CLUBS OF AMERICA

Advisor: Mr. Cappiello

A student organization whose program of leadership and personal development is designed specifically for students interested in marketing, management and entrepreneurship. The goals of D.E.C.A. are to promote leadership development, civic consciousness and social intelligence.

EAST SIDE STEP TEAM

Club Advisor: Ms. T. Brown

The Step team performs a unique dance art form that originated in Africa. Stepping is a form of percussive dance in which the participants' entire body is used as an instrument to produce complex rhythms and sounds through a mixture of footsteps, spoken words and hand claps. The Step team performs at school functions promoting school spirit.

DRAMA: THE FALL PRODUCTION

Director: Ms. Torry Reres

Come one, come all, and join the Fall Drama! Whether you are interested in onstage or backstage work, all are welcome. This year we are performing Robin Hood! Come be a Merry Man (or Woman), a Sheriff's guard, or the hero of our tale. Auditions will be announced and after casting is done a hybrid rehearsal schedule will be created. If you like being on stage this is great way to start the in the theater and make new friends.

ESPORTS

Club Advisor: Mr. Simon

eSports is an organized league for competitive and cooperative gaming and is perfect in world where social distancing is required. We will compete online, in tournaments for Overwatch and Rocket League during the season. eSports is a fast growing industry worldwide and we are looking to prepare for an ever advancing world where gaming is a central component. If you are considering joining this club, please be advised that there will be a fee that will determined at a later date.

FASHION DESIGN AND PRODUCTION CLUB

Club Advisor: Ms. N. Brown

The Fashion Club is not only a place to discuss and appreciate different types of fashion, but also where you can learn how to sew and share your own creations with the club members. Our club aims to create an inviting atmosphere to encourage self-expression and uniqueness in members, as well as provide them with fabric arts and craft skills. Club members fundraise each month and contribute to the community through rewarding charitable projects. All are welcome!

FILM AND PODCASTING CLUB

Club Advisor: Mr. Beatty

Experience firsthand what it is like to write and produce thought-provoking audio stories and high quality short films. In the Podcasting & Film Club, you will develop audio production, scriptwriting, filmmaking, and digital editing skills. You will learn from talks given by members of the media business. You will collaborate and create amazing work with other students who share your passion for the audio and visual arts. Audio projects created during the year will be featured in Hills Review, the HS East school podcast.

FRC (FIRST ROBOTICS CHALLENGE) ROBOTICS CLUB

Club Co-Advisors: Mr. Wilson & Ms. Brandwein

FRC Robotics is open to students of all grades from HS East and West. Students learn skills needed to fabricate and program a robot for competition. There are also opportunities for students to learn about computer aided design, creative arts, public relations and to participate in community outreach. The team hosts an invitational competition and participates in two regional contests.

FRENCH CULTURE CLUB

Club Advisors: Ms. Sirulnick

Le Cercle Culturel de Francais affords French students exciting experiences in French to promote their fluency, enrich their vocabulary and extend their cultural awareness. The group will celebrate the richness of the French language and culture through events including holiday festivities, group contests, country picnics, films, cuisine, guest speakers, field trips, and the publication of Le Bruit des Collines, a literary magazine. Any student interested in getting a taste of France beyond the classroom experience is welcome to join.

FRENCH HONOR SOCIETY

Club Advisors: Ms. Sirulnick

The French Honor Society provides the advanced French student with added linguistic, cultural and literary experiences. Members work on projects and performances in the French language as well as fundraisers for the needy. Membership is open to high-achieving students in French language classes each spring. Students may apply if they are in either a French 3H (or higher class) or a French 12R (or higher class). Current and new members participate in an induction ceremony held in late spring. See Madame Sirulnick in room 908 for more information.

FTC (FIRST TECH CHALLENGE) ROBOTICS CLUB

Club Co-Advisors: Mr. Mirchel & Mr. Troise

FIRST Tech Challenge Robotics is open to 9th - 12th grade students from HS East and West. Students work together in teams to build and program a robot that can perform autonomous and tele-operated tasks. Teams compete across Long Island for the opportunity to qualify for the Long Island Championship and beyond. Learn programming, CAD, engineering and, design, marketing, presentation and teamwork skills while competing!

FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA (FBLA)

Advisor: Ms. Cappiello

The Hills East chapter of the national FBLA aims to develop vocational and career competencies needed in the business world. Members participate in district and state competitions, and national level in various business events, community service, fund raising, Career Day, field trips to businesses, and guest speakers from businesses.

FUTURE DOCTORS OF AMERICA

Club Advisor: Ms. Lagis

This club is focused on helping Half Hollow Hills High School East students learn about diverse career opportunities in the field of medicine and to help educate members about occupations, research opportunities, and various volunteer programs. Future Doctors of America will host visitations, plan conferences, engage students in programs and share strategies to explore the multitude of careers in the health care field.

FUTURE EDUCATORS OF AMERICA

Club Advisor: Ms. Nolan

The Future Educators of America is a nationally recognized club which strives to attract students to the teaching profession. Club members will participate in activities to increase appreciation for teachers. They will also learn about the field of education and responsibilities of teachers. The club will also be involved in community service projects.

GAY / STRAIGHT ALLIANCE

Club Co-Advisors: Mr. Miracolo & Mr. Heller

The mission of GSA is to: 1) create a safe environment in school for students to support each other and learn about homophobia and other oppressions, 2) educate the school community about homophobia, gender identity, and sexual orientation issues, and 3) address discrimination, harassment, and violence in schools.

GIRLS LEARN INTERNATIONAL

Club Advisor: Ms. Cullen

GLI is focused on the issue of girls' access to education across the globe. Using a GLI-developed curriculum, chapter members learn about human rights, the challenges that girls face around the world to accessing education, and advocate for universal girls education.

HORTICULTURE CLUB

Advisor: Mr. Campanelli

Horticulture Club is an exciting and new opportunity for anyone, grades 9-12, to learn about plants and work to create an aesthetically pleasing and nurturing school environment throughout Hills East. Through various fundraising opportunities, field trips to local arboretums and gardens, collaboration within the school, as well as some hands on learning, students can participate in a social, yet enriching environment and expand their knowledge of the horticulture field.

ICHTHUS

Advisor: Ms. Cannata

Ichthus is a social religious club that is student driven. The club offers lots of fun playing games to help instill friendships with all students within the club and participates in fundraising to help build a stronger feeling of unity within the Christian community at HSE and within our local community.

INTERACT

Club Advisor: Ms. Cannata

Interact Club, a high school extension of the Huntington Station Rotary Club, is an international community service organization which runs activities to benefit our school and our community. The club fundraises for various charities including Pennies For Patients and works hands on at many school and community events. Members are required to participate in events every month. Annual events include Safe Halloween, Thanksgiving Food Drive, Holiday Toy Drive, Teacher and Staff appreciation breakfasts, Pennies For Patients, PS I Love You, and Habitat for Humanity fundraisers with an annual build! Please join us if you would like to participate in our established activities or if you have new ideas for projects you would like us to consider and initiate.

INTERNATIONAL THESPIAN SOCIETY TROUPE

Club Co-Advisors: Mr. Iconis

The International Thespian Society is a service honor society which encompasses all aspects of theatre, including performance, stage crew, design and production. Each chapter explores different topics in theatre, provides service opportunities in the community, and supports school and district theatrical productions.

ITALIAN CULTURE CLUB

Club Advisor: Ms. Miller

This club promotes the appreciation of Italian culture and the celebration of the beautiful Italian language through participation in various activities. Events include cross-cultural holiday festivities, viewing of Italian films, listening to Italian music, the tasting of foods from the many regions of Italy, and cultural or language related games. Any student inspired by the many beauties the amazing country of Italy has to offer is encouraged to come join in our fun and cultural learning experience!

ITALIAN HONOR SOCIETY

Club Advisor: Ms. Miller

Providing advanced Italian students additional time outside of the classroom with cultural experiences. Members work on projects and performances in the Italian language as well as participate in fundraisers for those in need. In addition, participation in the Stony Brook University Poetry Contest is offered to members. Membership is open for the following academic year to high-achieving students in Italian language classes each Spring. Current and new members participate in an induction ceremony held in late Spring. Students may apply if they are in either an Italian 3H class (or higher level class) or an Italian 11R class (or higher level class).

JAZZ BAND

Club Advisor: Mr. Belanich

The Jazz Band ensemble is a select group of musicians who perform at various school functions and at local conferences. Membership in this group is based on audition. Enrollment in music class is required.

JEWISH HERITAGE CLUB

Club Advisor: Ms. Blitzer

The Jewish Heritage Club is a new addition to High School East. We will explore various topics related to the Jewish culture and experience food, dance, music, and culture in various ways.

KEY CLUB

Club Advisors: Ms. Kramer

The Key Club is a community service organization affiliated with Kiwanis Club. It is an international organization devoted to improving the quality of life for less fortunate members of our community. Students volunteer at a number of local programs including Adaptive Aquatics, Team Tutoring, Read and Lead and other programs. Students take part in raising funds for numerous charity organizations and, together with the Huntington Kiwanis, accompany fifty children from the Huntington Freedom Center on a holiday shopping spree buying them needed clothing, shoes, and outerwear. Office elections occur in March, prior to district convention.

KICKLINE (DIXETTES)

Club Advisor: Ms. Martinez

The DIXETTES team allows for both male and female students to foster leadership, sportsmanship, and dance appreciation through the art of dance and performance. KICKLINE is made up of various dance styles including lyrical, jazz, hip-hop, Pom-Pom, and high kick. The DIXETTES perform for community events and compete at several competitions at least four times during the Winter months.

MATH HONOR SOCIETY

Club Advisor: Ms. Liegey

The Mu Alpha Theta is the national mathematics honor society for secondary school students that motivates and recognizes mathematical achievement. Students must meet eligibility requirements of 90 math average, 90 on all three New York State mathematics regents exams, and participation in at least one of the following: Mathletes, Math Fair, AMC or SCMC. In addition, this organization performs a service to our school and community by providing math support to students who are in need.

MATHLETES

Club Advisor: Ms. Liegey

Mathletes is a club formed to present interested students with math problems that encourage thinking "outside the box". Both creativity and speed are necessary to solve these unique problems. The Mathletes team competes in the Suffolk County Interscholastic Math League, the Suffolk Math Tournament, and the New York Math League. Additional events may be scheduled.

MOCK TRIAL

Club Advisor: Mr. Zaiff

Members compete in statewide mock trial tournaments along New York State Bar Association guidelines. Note: when in-season, the club will start at 2:20 p.m. and meet until 6 pm on competition days.

MODEL UN

Club Advisor: Ms. Lagis

Model UN is a simulation of the UN General Assembly and its other multilateral bodies where students perform an ambassador role while debating topics such as gender equality, climate action, global health, any many more. Students have the opportunity to learn about the policies and procedures of the United Nations while learning how to conduct research in order to fulfill different roles as representatives from different nations. This is a national activity and may involve competitions with other schools.

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Club Advisor: Ms. Mohammed

The Muslim Student Association promotes an understanding of the Muslim religion and culture by creating an educational and interactive environment. We want to provide a diverse, comfortable and confident atmosphere to all members. All are welcome!

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Co-Advisors: Ms. Nolan & Ms. Toneatti

This is an academic organization that is grounded in the cornerstone of the National Honor Society. These include Scholarship, Service, Character and Leadership. Each year after second quarter, Juniors and Seniors who academically qualify (93% average, weighted for AP and Honors courses only), will be invited to apply to this prestigious organization. There is an application process that includes proof of school involvement, ten hours of community service and recommendations from teachers. The NHS eBoard provides more details regarding the application process. Once students are inducted they are expected to uphold the NHS pillars (mentioned above), participate in a peer tutoring program and complete four hours of community service each month. Freshmen and sophomores should focus on academic performance, school involvement and community service.

ONE WORLD YOUTH CLUB

Club Advisor: Ms. Cunningham

The purpose of the One World Youth Club is to promote global awareness, leadership, and character building through community outreach and collaboration with other One World Youth Clubs.

PEER AIDS EDUCATORS

Club Advisor: Ms. Mouzakes

The Peer Aids Educators are a group of students dedicated to the cause of HIV/AIDS awareness. Members of this club will work together to help educate their peers on the prevention of HIV/AIDS by helping to get the correct information out and to help clear up any misinformation on the topic.

PEER CONNECTIONS (FORMERLY LIFE SKILLS CLUB)

Club Advisor: Ms. Ruiz & Ms. Kubicko

This club will provide students with hands-on activities that incorporate a variety of skills including leisure, technological, social, problem solving, self-care, and listening skills. During this club the students will be encouraged to collaborate with their peers and identify interests through exploration.

PEGASUS - THE LITERARY MAGAZINE OF HIGH SCHOOL EAST

Club Advisor: Ms. Hogan

Pegasus is a literary arts magazine committed to publishing the finest examples of student expression in a given year in the areas of poetry, short story, drama, essay, art architecture, photography, sculpture, and music. All Hills East students are invited to submit to the advisor of Pegasus any of their writing or art work for consideration for publication. Writing is discussed in open forum at weekly meetings conducted by the editors of the magazine and voted on by staff members. Members are encouraged to share their responses to various art forms while learning about craft and criteria for judgment. It is not required that one who seeks publication be a member of the staff of Pegasus.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Club Advisor: Ms. Uttendorfer

Open to all students who love photography. Members will work with 35mm film and digital cameras to create a variety of projects. Students will print and prepare work for local contests and shows. Students collaborate with the yearbook club.

S.A.D.D. - STUDENTS AGAINST DESTRUCTIVE DECISIONS

Club Advisor: Mr. Belanich

SADD is a club to empower young people to successfully confront the risks and pressures that challenge them throughout their daily lives. SADD focuses on prevention of all destructive behaviors and attitudes that are harmful to young people, including underage drinking, substance abuse, violence, reckless driving, depression and suicide. SADD's unique approach involves young people delivering education and prevention programs to their peers through school and community activities. Some of the activities that SADD members participate in are: Safe Halloween, National Smoke Out, Blood Drives, and the MADD Walk.

SCIENCE-BASED ACADEMIC TEAM

Club Advisor: Ms. Talleur

Members compete in the New York State Regional Ocean Sciences Bowl, Brookhaven National Lab Science and Math Tournament, and Long Island Envirothon Contest. You will practice academic questions and gain knowledge about topics which include oceanography, marine biology, chemistry, marine geology, navigational history, mathematics, earth science, physics, natural history. Winners receive substantial cash prizes, opportunities for trips and scholarships. Students in all grades are welcome.

SCIENCE EXPLORERS

Club Advisor: Ms. Dugan

This club offers an excellent opportunity for students in any science class to pursue research in areas of their personal interest. Students will have fun researching interesting topics, stimulating academic growth, collaborating with mentors and friends and gain valuable research experience. In addition, members will raise money for a charity of their choosing. Students will have the opportunity to attend professional research events. In addition, several students will be chosen to present their research at the Long Island Science Congress. Not only is this a great way to spend time with friends learning about fascinating topics, it is also a wonderful resume builder!

SCIENCE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Club Advisor: Ms. Werle

The Science National Honor Society is an organization committed to scientific excellence and exploration. Eligibility requirements include a score of a 92 on a Regents or a 4 on an AP exam, for a total of 3 exams. Activities include discussions, lectures, and community involvement, such as peer tutoring. SNHS is open to students in 11 or 12 grade only.

SCIENCE OLYMPIADS

Club Advisor: Mr. Page

The Science Olympiad is North America's most prestigious team-based science and engineering competition. Students choose from a wide variety of knowledge, problem-solving and engineering events to practice and then compete at Invitational, Regional, State and (hopefully) national tournaments. Individual and team awards are presented at every level of competition.

SOCIETY OF ASIAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS

Club Advisor: Ms. Kane

The primary goal of the Asian-American Society is to improve understanding between Asian and other cultures. The group participates in fundraisers for United Nations' charities, sports competition with other high school Asian-American clubs, and community service projects.

SOCIETY OF INDIAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS

Club Advisor: Ms. Nolan

The goal of the Society of Indian-American students is to share the rich and diverse Indian culture throughout the community. We will participate in cultural celebrations, activities that celebrate diversity and numerous fundraisers.

SPANISH CULTURE CLUB

Club Advisor: Ms. Miracolo

The Spanish Culture Club will encourage students to participate in activities that will broaden their knowledge of the culture of various Spanish-speaking countries. Students will enjoy Hispanic cultural food, music, art and movies.

SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY

Club Advisor: Mr. Lorusso

The Spanish Honor Society focuses on promoting the study of the Spanish language and the culture of the Spanish speaking world through hands-on activities related to seasonal events, celebrations and national holidays. Membership is limited to students who have met the academic requirements of the Honor Society and are inducted into the Archer Huntington Chapter of the Spanish Honor Society of Half Hollow Hills H.S. East. Students must have an overall 90 average, present a completed application and participate in an interview directed by the advisor and senior members of the SHS. Students may apply if they are in either a Spanish 3H (or higher class) or a Spanish 12R (or higher class).

SPEECH AND DEBATE TEAM

Club Advisor: Ms. Mollica

There are a variety of different events for students to compete in, such as Interpretive Speech for students looking for a theater outlet for the year or three different styles of debate for students that are looking to discuss and argue various current day issues. Please come to our meeting for a full description of each event!

SPRING MUSICAL PRODUCTION

Production Director: Mr. Iconis

Actors, Singers, Dancers, Musicians, Craftsmen, and Visual Artists are given the opportunity to immerse themselves in the world of musical theater, culminating in a theatrical performance open to family, friends and the entire Half Hollow Hills community. Rehearsals will be a combination of in-person and virtual. Please contact Mr. Iconis for details.

STAGE CREW CLUB

Club Advisor: Ms. Reres

Stage Crew Club introduces students to the world of backstage. We will be learning the art of set design, construction, lighting, sound, and props. We will work several theatrical productions and musical concerts over the course of the year.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT & GRADE LEVEL ADVISORS

Club Co-Advisor: Ms. Helmes & Ms. Hogan

The Student Government is a direct link between the Administration and the students of Hills East. In addition, we coordinate the student elections, Homecoming, James E. Allen Holiday Show, Trick or Treat Street, Color Run and many more school activities. There are two segments of the Student Government. The class officers serve as an Executive Board and organize all events. The student senate consists of representatives from each grade level. These students can volunteer to be a part of the senate and must attend meetings regularly.

- **Senior Class Advisors:** Ms. Merejo & Ms. Kramer (Assistant) - Responsibilities include Homecoming, Senior Banquet, Senior Class Superlatives, Senior Video Production, Senior Prom & Senior Class Website.
- **Junior Class Advisor:** Mr. Nolan - Responsibilities include Homecoming & Junior Outing.
- **Sophomore Class Advisor:** Ms. Nolan - Responsibilities include Homecoming, Class Rings & Safe Halloween .
- **Freshman Class Advisor:** Ms. Angileri - Responsibilities include Homecoming.

SUSTAINABILITY CLUB

Club Co-Advisors: Dr. Sherman & Ms. Talleur

The High School East Sustainability Club is focused on planning and coordinating programs within the school community aimed at reducing waste, reusing materials in innovative ways, and recycling paper, plastic, and glass. Students will be engaged at all levels of planning and development, and will play a key role as volunteers in running our programs throughout the year. Please join us in our quest to make High School East environmentally friendly for the students of today, and tomorrow!

"THE BIRDCAGE" - THE HIGH SCHOOL EAST BOOKSTORE

Club Advisor: Mr. Cappiello

The Bookstore is open every day in the main lobby. Members learn about inventory, sales, ordering, bookkeeping, and many other skills needed to run a business.

THE THUNDERBIRD - THE HIGH SCHOOL EAST STUDENT NEWSPAPER

Co-Advisors: Ms. Davis and Ms. Dalton

The Newspaper Club is open to all students and produces our award winning school newspaper, the Thunderbird. Members of the club have the opportunity to write, photograph and design the newspaper for our print and online editions. Our paper presents stories and ideas circulating around our high school community and beyond.

TRI-M (MODERN MUSIC MASTERS) MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY

Club Co-Advisors: Dr. McRoy & Ms. Benstock

The Tri-M Music Honor Society is the international music honor society for secondary school students that motivates and recognizes musical achievement. In addition, this organization performs a service to our school and community by acting as hosts to outside musical groups. Students who are earning any distinction in Music through the Music Conservatory must be members of Tri-M.

"WE THE PEOPLE" CONSTITUTION TEAM

Club Advisor: Mr. Pitman

Students demonstrate their knowledge of the Constitution at simulated congressional hearings. The competitions are held at the district, state and national levels.

WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Club Advisor: Ms. Austin

The Women in Science and Engineering Club welcomes all young women and men in all grades. Club members support each other in school and individual pursuits related to STEM classwork, courses, research, college and career options. We learn from each other and have fun at each meeting with movie and book discussions, field trips, hands-on experiments, guest speakers and more. All students from HSE and HSW are welcome to join!

XX CODERS

Club Advisor: Ms. Kavner

XX Coders is a club that advocates for educating young women in the wonders of computer science. By exposing teenage girls and introducing them to computer programming-- with goals such as making your own video game or web application-- XX Coders hopes to help close the gap between men and women in the computer science field by encouraging and motivating adolescent girls about new and current technology such as computer science.

YEARBOOK

Club Advisor: Ms. Merejo Assistant Advisors: Ms. Pakula, Mr. Iconis & Ms. Ciofrone

Production of the annual Hills Horizon H.S. East yearbook is broken up into two units: a production team for design and layout and a business team for advertising and sales. All grade level students are encouraged to join.
