

Parma Senior High School

Extra Curricular Guide

2018-2019

Ambassadors – Denise Pizem/Riaz Moinuddin – Students called when activity comes up

Student Ambassadors are trained representatives of our Student body who assist new students and make them feel at home. Ambassadors also work side by side with our faculty at Open House, Parent Conferences, Redman Pride Night and Vocational Visit Night. They provide school service day and/or night, whenever needed, to help our school run smoothly. Ambassadors earn community service hours for their volunteer activities.

Business Professionals of America (BPA)

Mary Ellen Swinger – meetings held in class

Business Professionals of America (BPA) includes all Business Management I and II Career-Tech students. Students in BPA are studying to become business professionals in college and the workforce. BPA concentrates on financial accounting, business & administrative services, management principles and office management. Students work toward certifications in Microsoft Office 2013 Outlook, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Students compete at the regional levels in financial services, management/marketing, administrative support and human resources. The top students go on to Columbus to compete at state. BPA members attend the fall leadership conference in Columbus and participate in service projects for Special Olympics. Seniors may attend the New York City business/arts field trip in the spring. Fundraising is done during junior and senior year to attend the NYC field trip if students choose to go.

DECA – Paula Murray – Meetings held during class

Over 185,000 high school student in 5,000 chapters benefit from the network and curriculum enhancing programs DECA provides for those with interest in marketing, management and entrepreneurship. DECA helps students to develop skills for successful business careers, build self-esteem, experience leadership and practice community service. DECA members create friendships with like-minded people from all over the world at career and leadership conferences and build resumes that move them to the top of the job and college application list.

Diversity Club – Donald Armstrong –every other Wednesday in Rm. 120 after school

The Diversity Club promotes the understanding and acceptance of all individuals regardless of race, gender, cultural background or other perceived differences that form barriers between people. The group celebrates individual differences while helping students recognize commonalities that we all share as human beings. The group meets by-weekly and engages in various discussions and activities as determined by its' members. All are welcome to join this club.

Drama – Dan Rajkovich – Meet after school during productions - times vary

Parma Senior High Drama produces two shows a year, a fall play and a spring musical. Meetings are held within the first two weeks of September, and information about the audition process and fall show is distributed. Auditions are held before the end of September for the fall play. For the musical, a meeting is held before winter break and auditions are usually held in the middle of January. Rehearsals are normally held Monday through Thursday, with a few Saturday rehearsals just before the show.

Educators Rising – Tami Wozniak-Smith – meetings held during class

This professional organization is both state and nationally recognized as one of the most reputable organizations for students who aspire to become educators. Weekly meetings are held for students who are enrolled in PCSD's Teaching Professions program. The mission of this organization is to prepare future educators by giving them opportunities to connect, compete, and collaborate with other rising educators across Greater Cleveland, across the state of Ohio and across the nation.

Friends of Rachel – Donald Armstrong – Every other Wednesday in Rm. 120 2:35

Rachel Scott was the first victim of the Columbine shooting in Colorado. In her memory, The Friends of Rachel Club encourages students to develop a community of kindness, compassion and mutual respect here at Parma Sr. High. Students participate in a variety of activities and service projects that promote the creation of a "chain reaction of kindness". All are welcome to join this club.

History Club – Rob Cyr – Fridays – after school Rm. 217 (Starting in November)

The History Club is a gathering of students and teachers who share a love and passion for history. Our motto is "We just don't study history...we live it!" Meetings typically last an hour, and include debates on who was the best and worst presidents, the most important men and women in history, conspiracy theories, who deserves to be in the History Hall of Fame, and much more. Any student with a desire to be a member is welcome. We meet every other Friday from December until the end of the school year in room 217.

Movie Club – Bruce Saban – Meetings to be announced - Rm 211 2:40

The movie club meets approximately 3-4 times a month. We discuss and analyze current and past movies. We discuss topics ranging from best pictures to favorite actors and actresses to best and worst horror movies. The club also watches movies once a month. In addition, we discuss symbolism, political agendas and hidden messages that often find their ways into movies.

National Honor Society – Laurie Marshall – Mondays – after school in the Media Center Rm 107 – Thursday 2:30, Friday 7:30 am twice/quarter

The Parma Senior High Chapter of the national Honor Society is part of a national organization that recognizes high school juniors and seniors who demonstrate excellence in scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Selection occurs in the fall and is based on grade point average, community service experience, school involvement, and teacher recommendations. Members participate in chapter service projects that include tutoring in the Parma cluster, the "Give the Gift of Reading" children's book drive, and an annual NHS fundraiser for charity. The chapter meets every month on the second Thursday outside of school.

Senior Advisory Board – Larissa Young/Tom Hanchuk – Every other Wednesday – after school Rm 128

The Senior Advisory Board plans events such as fundraising for the senior class, Winter Formal, Prom Fashion Show and Prom. Any senior can be a part of this group.

Spanish Club – Robert Reid – Every other Thursday - after school Rm. 228

Spanish Club focuses on Hispanic Cultural activities outside of the classroom setting. The students cook Hispanic food and participate in cooking competitions. The club teaches elementary students about the Mexican Holiday "Day of the Dead". The students play soccer against the French Club. They also review current Hispanic cultural films and attend the Cleveland International Film Festival.

Student-Athlete Leadership Group Ryan Madison, Bruce Saban, Mike Durkin –various days 2:45-3:15

Student-Athletes are chosen by coaches to participate in a group that teaches leadership skills and represents our school in service and mentoring projects throughout the year.

8th Grade Student Counsel – Jeff Hartland/ Jackie Szemplak– Every other Tuesday from 2:30 – 3:15 pm in Rm B245

Member will help organize activities for the 8th grade class. Some of those activities will be the

8th grade dances, fundraisers and pep assembly activities. Commitment and service hours are required.

Student Council - Erin Vanek – Friday after-school - Rm PE1

Being a member of student council is both an honor and a challenge. Members plan and organize all homecoming-related events, including the dance, bonfire, parade, and spirit week activities. You participate in community service activities in order to gain knowledge of city government and community problems first hand. Student Council also conducts holiday food and clothing drives, and a variety of fundraisers to support class activities. To be eligible, a student must file a petition for nomination with the advisors. Elections for freshmen are held in September; elections for sophomores, juniors, and seniors take place in the spring, either in April or May. Interested students may run for class officers (freshmen through juniors) or executive.

Yearbook-The Spectrum – Mike Jaszczak – Yearbook office during study halls.

This club is responsible for all aspects in the design and production of the yearbook. Students from all grades participate in attending events to take pictures, write captions and copy, decide on a theme, and design page layouts. While we work with InDesign, Photoshop and Illustrator, no experience is necessary. Students work during their free time or after school. While the work can be challenging at times, creating this memory book is very rewarding.