Activity Descriptions Directory - 2021-2022

The Clubs and Activities at FLHS are driven by student interest. As the student body changes from year to year, so do the clubs. This list will be updated overtime.

Student Government Clubs

The Falcon Council

Advisor: Ms. Frankel, Ms. Moir

Meetings: Room 255 A/E (A-Week during activity period, and A-Week Thursday afternoons at 2:10 in 318.)

The Falcon Council consists of students who volunteer and/or are endorsed by the student body or appointed by club advisors. The Falcon Council runs the Battle of the Houses and the Perch (our school store). As well as facilitating student elections/activities with other clubs. The representatives are the link between the student body and the administration in fostering school spirit and addressing student body concerns.

Class Clubs (By Year of Graduation)

Class of 2022 (Seniors):

Advisors: Ms. Marseglia, Ms. Ofir Meetings: Room 221, A/E week Meetings led by Class President, VP, Treasurer, and Secretary. The club is responsible for fundraising, organizing class trips, proms, etc. .

Class of 2023 (Juniors):

Advisors: Vicki Hastings, Jillian Combis, Stephanie Smith

Meetings: Room 233, A week

Club members will consist of class officers and others who wish to assist in fundraising and running class events and will be expected to attend all scheduled meetings. Meetings led by Class President, VP, Treasurer, and Secretary. The club is responsible for fundraising, organizing class trips, proms, etc.

Class of 2024 (Sophomores):

Advisors: Ms. Caron, Ms. Trahan, Mr. Sutton

Meeting: Auditorium, A/E week

This club is composed of students slated to graduate in 2024. Club leadership consists of the Class President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. *Officer attendance to club meetings is mandatory*. The main goal is to foster class unity through fundraising efforts and planning Class Dances. Any Class of 2024 student that is interested in leadership, organizational behavior, event planning, or becoming more involved in the school, is welcome to become involved.

Class of 2025 (Freshmen):

Advisors: Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Stetter, Ms. Caserta

Meetings: Room 325, A/E week

Meetings led by Class President, VP, Treasurer, and Secretary. The club is responsible for fundraising, organizing class trips, proms, etc.

HOUSE COUNCILS

Warner House Council

Advisors: Ms. Jenkins, Ms. Mahar

Meetings: Room 345 & 381, A/E week

Webster House Council

Advisor(s): Steven Farkas

Meetings: Room 252, A/E week

Wright House Council

Advisor(s): Ms. Halliday, Ms. Waack

Meetings: Room 235, A/E week

Meeting week (A/E): A week activity period during the months leading up to Battle of the Houses, January-April. Some after school meetings may take place for those members that can make it to start preparations of the decorations for Battle.

<u>Expectations of members</u> – To create the decorating theme, t-shirt design and participant team for Battle of the Houses.

<u>Major work that club does</u> – Raise money for change wars and scholarships, compose house team for the Battle, decorate and dismantle/clean the hallway for Battle of the Houses.

HONOR SOCIETIES

National Honor Society

Advisor: Ms. Newberg, Ms. Sousa

Meetings: Room 225, E

Major work that club does- Tutoring Tuesdays, reviewing with students for exams, one on one peer tutoring, service within the Fairfield community.

SUMMARY OF MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

3.9 or better GPA.

• Membership in at least 3 activities. Any two of these activities must be for at least 2 full school years. Any two of these activities must be associated with the FLHS community.

• A minimum of 5 hours of community service documented on the Service form from the beginning of the candidate's freshman year to the time of NHS application.

- A clean FLHS discipline record.
- Positive ratings from advisor/coach/employer in the area of Leadership totaling 8 or better. Candidates receiving one or more scores of 1 will not be eligible.
- Positive ratings scored by 5 members of the FLHS faculty/staff on the Recommendation forms averaging 3 or better in the area of character.
- NHS commitment sheet signed by candidate and parent/guardian.

Note: Failure to complete any or all of the above by the application's due date may result in non-acceptance into the FLHS National Honor Society.

SELECTION PROCESS

1. Juniors and seniors who have been students at Fairfield Ludlowe High School for at least one semester, have a GPA of 3.9 or better and have a clean FLHS discipline record will be notified through their homeroom of their eligibility for candidacy to the local chapter of the NHS. Eligible juniors will be notified of their candidacy at the beginning of the second semester of their junior year. Students who become eligible as seniors will be notified by the end of October of their senior year.

2. Candidates will complete and submit the application by the specified due date to the advisor.

3. The NHS faculty council will review all applications and select the new members.

4. All applicants will be notified through their homerooms of their acceptance or non-acceptance in NHS.

5. Members will be officially inducted at the spring induction ceremony.

NHS MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

• Members will be expected to participate in the NHS Chapter Service Projects. This participation can be in conjunction with or in addition to the Individual Service Project. A minimum of 10 community service hours is expected to be dedicated to Chapter Service Projects. Our primary project is peer tutoring at FLHS.

• Members will be required to complete an Individual Service Project. This project will consist of a minimum of 10 hours of community service that is carried out within the Fairfield community during each year of membership. These service hours must be completed and documented with the NHS advisor for each year of membership. Juniors' community service hours must be completed between July 1st prior to their junior year and one-week prior the induction ceremony in the spring. Seniors must have 10 community service hours completed between the last day of the school year in June of their junior year and the last day of the fall semester and the final 10 hours 1 week prior to the induction ceremony.

- · Members are expected to attend meetings.
- · Members are expected to participate in the spring induction ceremony.

• Members are expected to continue to uphold the NHS goals of scholarship, service, leadership and character that were used to select each student for membership.

SUBJECT AREA HONOR SOCIETIES

ART - Art National Honor Society

Advisor: Ms. Calkins

Meetings: Room 4, TBD week

The **National Art Honor Society (NAHS)** is designed specifically for high school students who are enrolled in an advanced level art course. The mission of the National Art Honor Society is to inspire and recognize students who have shown an outstanding ability and interest in art. The NAHS strives to aid members in attaining the highest standards in art scholarship, character, and service, while bringing art education to the attention of the school and community. Fairfield Public School's NAHS members will share their creative spirit and artistic talent with the intention of fostering multiple intelligences and creativity with their audience.

Business – FLHS Business Honor Society

Advisor: Ms. McGuigan

Meetings: Room 315, after school (E)

The purposes of the Business Honor Society are to; promote and recognize academic achievement in business education at the secondary level, foster and recognize leadership skills and character development, help members grow ethically and socially by promoting and encouraging an interest in business, and encourage member involvement in service learning initiatives.

This will be a more rigorous version of our current FBLA club and will work in favor of potential mastery pathways. More importantly, this honor society is directly aligned with our Vision of a Graduate and High School Academic Expectations.

The FLHS Business Honor Society is a club designed for students who have distinguished themselves in the area of Business Education. FLHS Business Honor Society club members are expected to complete one or more service learning projects for each year. All members shall complete six (6) hours of service participation through FLHS Business Honor over the course of the 2021-2022 school year.

FLHS Business Honor Society, a student must be a high school junior or senior. The student must have completed or be currently enrolled in **his/her third business course and meet specific GPA requirements**

To become a member of the FLHS Business Honor Society you will need to do the following:

- 1. Submit a completed application
- 2. Submit an application fee of \$20. (check made out to FLHS)
- 3. Attend the induction ceremony.
- 4. Must complete six (6) service hours during each school year of membership.

CHINESE - National Chinese Honor Society

Advisor: Mrs. Lin

Meetings: Room 255, E-Week, Join online (Google classroom. Class code: TBD)

Being a junior or a senior

- GPA of B+ or higher
- Grade B+ or higher in Chinese for 3 consecutive semesters

Members are responsible for tutoring inside and/ outside of school. They are also involved with a charity around the holidays and plan activities to promote Chinese language. The National Chinese Honor Society is a scholastic organization that promotes and recognizes students who demonstrate citizenship, leadership, and community service. The purpose of the National Chinese Honor ¹Society is to encourage its members to become life-long learners in order to gain a better understanding of Chinese language and culture, as well as to play an active role as a contributing global citizen in the twenty-first century.

ENGLISH - National English Honor Society

Advisors: TBD

Meetings: Room 220 or LMC, after school (E)

Criteria for Membership:

 \cdot A rising Junior or Senior who will have completed at least two years of honors level courses in English.

- Cumulative average of <u>3.7</u> cumulative grade point average
- Cumulative average of <u>4.0</u> in Honors English

 \cdot Members are expected to attend all meetings, communicate effectively with officers and advisors as needed, meet the obligation of service hours set forth by the club and participate in club activities

Some past activities: members provided writing tutoring for underclassmen, conducted a book drive for senior citizens' homes and elementary schools in Bridgeport, and wrote book reviews for the school newspaper

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FRENCH - French Honor Society

Advisor: Marie Lavigne

Meeting: After school (every 2 months), E

SUMMARY OF MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Being a junior or a senior
- · GPA of 3.0 or higher
- · Grade A- or higher in French for 3 consecutive semesters

French Honor Society members are responsible for tutoring once a month. They are also involved with a charity around the holidays and plan activities to promote French language in the school.

HISTORY- History National Honor Society

Advisors: Mr. Timperanza & Mr. Seara

Meetings: Room 147

Criteria for Membership:

 \cdot A rising Junior or Senior who will have completed at least two years of honors level courses in English.

- Cumulative average of <u>3.0</u> cumulative grade point average
- · Cumulative average of <u>4.0</u> in Honors History

 \cdot Members are expected to attend all meetings, communicate effectively with officers and advisors as needed, meet the obligation of service hours set forth by the club and participate in club activities

ITALIAN - Italian Honor Society

Advisor: Laura Finneran

Meetings: Room 129, E Week

SUMMARY OF MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- · Completed two years of Italian and have enrolled in or completed Italian 31.
- GPA of 3.0 or higher
- · Grade A- or higher in Italian for two years

Italian Honor Society members are responsible for tutoring when the need arises.

LATIN - The Latin Honor Society, "Associatio Ad Promovendum Studium Latinum"

Advisor: Ms. Haymond

Meetings: Room 343, B week

The national organization was founded in 1929 by Dr. Albert E. Warsley.

The requirements are that a student must have earned an A or a consistent grade of 90% for three consecutive quarters in any level of Latin.

As a member of the NLHS students must perform 10 hours of tutoring (Latin) to students in need. The initiation ceremony takes place in the Spring.

MATHEMATICS - Mu Alpha Theta – Math Honor Society

Advisors: Mrs. Meyers and Mrs. Sabetta

Meetings: Room 328 (Meyers) and room 326 (Sabetta), E week

Mu Alpha Theta is the United States Mathematical Honors Society for high schools and 2-year colleges. Members provide math tutoring to FLHS students, organize Pi Day events, and have opportunities to apply for scholarships and grants. Must apply and meet GPA requirements to become a member.

MUSIC - Tri-M Music Honor Society

Advisor: Lynda Smith, Lauren Pine

Meetings: E - Two Wednesdays per month after school. Dates are posted in the music department calendar.

Students are invited to audition to become members. In addition to our monthly meetings, students perform for one another and in the community. Students provide service to the music department on an as need basis

Information for Candidates:

Candidates who are invited to apply for Tri-M meet the following qualifications:

General Qualities

- 1. A sincere love of music
- 2. A commitment toward musical excellence
- 3. A willingness to give service to music department
- 4. Good interpersonal skills
- 5. Maintains an overall B average

Musical Proficiencies

- 1. Has or will audition for Western Regional
- 2. Has at least one solo performance ready
- 3. Can identify the title, composer, period and genre of instrumental or vocal works.
- 4. Maintains an "A" average in their school ensemble.

Recommended (but not required)

- 1. Private Instruction
- 2. Involvement in a musical ensemble outside of school
- 3. Enrolled in a non-performance music course
- 4. Leader in ensemble

SCIENCE - Science National Honor Society

Advisor: Ms. Jenkins, Ms. Mahar

Meetings: Room 345, E

Candidates who are <u>invited</u> to apply for membership must meet the following **minimum** qualifications. Applications will then be scored using a points system (more points given for higher GPAs, multiple AP science courses, and meaningful personal statements), and a cutoff score will be determined by faculty advisors to select the top candidates for membership.

1. <u>Rising junior or senior who will have completed at least 2 years of honors level</u> <u>courses in science</u>

- 2. <u>Cumulative weighted GPA of at least 3.67</u>
- 3. <u>Cumulative weighted GPA of at least 4.00 in science courses</u>
- 4. Enrolled in at least 1 AP science course
- 5. Completed application including personal statement
- 6. <u>Teacher endorsement</u>
- 7. No academic integrity violations

Advisor Name(s) Nicole Martel, Shiva Kothari

Meeting week (A, B, E): E (Meetings are after school and scheduled as needed)

Major work that club does – Students provide tutoring in science and participate in other activities to spread awareness and enthusiasm for the field.

SPANISH– Spanish Honor Society

Advisor: Ms. LaPierre-Grasso

Meeting: After school (every 2 months), E

SUMMARY OF MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- · Rising or graduating senior
- Overall GPA of 3.0 or higher
- \cdot GPA of 4.0 or higher for 6 consecutive semesters in honors level Spanish classes (10, 20 and 60 are included)

Spanish Honor Society members are responsible for tutoring once a month. They also plan activities to promote Spanish language in the school.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

AFS – American Field Service Club

Advisors: Ms. Krieger and Ms. Bourque

Meetings: Black Box, B Week

American Field Service (AFS): AFS is a service based club that is focused on cultural understanding and volunteerism. Club members are expected to attend meetings on B weeks and fundraise as a contribution towards club efforts and events. Students who enjoy helping others, comradery, travel and wish to work with communities in need are welcome. The focus is on community service and travel experience. We have worked with the homeless in Philadelphia and Washington DC in past years.

American Cancer Society on Campus at Ludlowe High School

(ACS on Ludlowe Campus)

Advisor: Mrs. LeFebvre

Meetings: Room 223, B week

Google Classroom Code:q6y5j55

ACS on Ludlowe Campus is a club that raises awareness and money for various cancer related fundraisers sponsored by The American Cancer Society, Pennies for Patients, and other various organizations. We pride ourselves in our fight to find a cure and save lives. Some of our fundraisers include, but are not limited to: Making Strides, Pennies for Patients, Brain Matters, toy delivery to Smilow Cancer Center at Yale-New Haven Hospital, and Relay for Life. Come join us in our pledge to make a difference!

Anime Club

Advisors: Steven Farkas

Meetings: Room 252, E (After school every other week.)

Expectations of members - To share cultural ideas and information related to anime

Major work that club does – Meets after school to watch anime/discuss themes and cultural connections

Appalachia Service Project

Advisor: Ms. Mason

Meeting: A Week in Room 150

Appalachia Service Project, is an organization that inspires hope and service through volunteer home repair in Central Appalachia. Volunteers go to the region and spend a week working on making a home "warmer, safer, and drier." Club members will fundraise for relief from natural disasters and flooding in the region.

Art Club

Advisor: Ms. Ingram

Meetings: Room 320, B Week

Overall, the purpose of the art club is to give both students' currently taking art and those who may not have room in their schedules but still want to pursue creative endeavors on the side, a chance to relax and enjoy art. As artists, we will provide a prompt each meeting to cultivate creativity; however, our main hope is simply to give students a creative outlet, so there is no pressure to partake in the various prompts that are offered. The Art Club is a welcoming, creative place for members to express themselves through the various art mediums we plan to bring in. We will also introduce various important artists to encourage trying new styles and learning about important components to art history. We also plan to organize various projects within the school and the community relating to art. For example, we aspire to donate art to cafes, restaurants, and other local buildings, make cards for hospitals, make pins or stickers for fundraising, and make a collaborative student art gallery.

Asian Cultures Club

Advisor(s): Ms. Lin

Meetings: Room 255, B week

The purpose of the Asian club is to educate and share with Asian arts, cultures and traditions. The club sponsors field trips, films, speakers and activities related to Asian and Asian American culture.

Axis and Allies Club

Advisor: Mr. Russell,

Meetings: Room 249, A week

Spring 1942 – World War II Simulation. The students play one of the five major countries, USA, United Kingdom, USSR (Allies), Germany & Italy, Japan, (Axis) during World War II. Students are in command of a country's armed forces in an attempt to change the course of war or keep history the same.

Best Buddies

Advisor: Ms. Mengold

Meeting: Room 315, E, ON HOLD UNTIL JANUARY 2021

BESTBUDDIES® builds one-to-one friendships between people with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), through school and community friendship programs that provide socialization opportunities to help erase the invisible line that often separates students with and without IDD.

Members Must:

- Buddy pairs communicate with one another **once a week.**
- Buddy pairs interact in person twice a month.
- Buddy pairs commit to their friendship for at least **one year**.

If you are not able to commit to a full time member, you can be an "accessory member" and join in group activities.

Botany Club

Advisor: Miss Halliday

Meetings: Room 237 / B Week Activites

Description: Botany club is for all plant lovers and those who want to become plant lovers!

- Learn how to take care of plants
- Propagate plants
- Find a community of plant lovers
- Learn the science behind plants

At the end of the year as a club we will decide to give our propagations as gifts, donations, or to club members to take care of over the summer! Week to week activities will be guided by members' interests. Other activities include short videos/movies, plant trivia, talking with botanists, small plant experiments, and more! Members are not required to come to every meeting or bring in plants, but are encouraged to!

Bring Change To Mind

Advisor: Mrs. Smigala

Meetings: Room 349, B Week

The purpose of the club is to bring awareness to mental health and make people feel more comfortable talking openly about mental health while erasing the stigma surrounding it.

Build-On

Advisor: Ms. Laney

Meetings: Room 276, A/E Week

Join our club to help us promote education around the world! We hope to travel Summer 2022 to help build a school :)

Build-On is a nonprofit organization that provides American students with the opportunity to raise funds and travel to a developing nation to build a school. The organization is currently working in eight countries overseas: Haiti, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Senegal, Malawi, Nepal, Burkina Faso, and Mali. The organization itself supports and continues to run the newly built schools, ensuring that at least 50% of the enrolled students are female. They have built over 650 schools so far in these 8 countries and educated over 3,000 students. Our chapter's goal is to raise at least \$30,000 through a combination of individual and group fundraising activities. This club also provides the option for some students to travel with Build-On to construct the school every other summer. The club requires after school and weekend commitments as well as during activity period.

Caelum (FLHS Yearbook)

Advisors: Ms. Antonucci, Ms. Caserta, Ms. Krieger

Meetings: LLC and/or Google Meet

A and B week: We may also need to meet outside of the designated Google Meet time. Times will be determined among staff members.

The purpose of the club and what members can expect to do: Club members create the yearbook. This entails planning what events are covered and assisting with the events, creating/editing/filling page layouts, interviewing students, writing short blurbs or articles, promoting the Replay It app, and assisting in handing out the books at the end of the year.

Caroline House Club

Advisor: Mrs. Meyers

Meetings: Room 328, B Week

Expectations of members: Attend meetings in room 328 during B week activity period. Members can get trained to tutor elementary school age children at the Caroline House in Bridgeport, CT on Monday and Thursday afternoons whenever available (hopefully at least 2 times per year) after school from 3:15 to 4:15.

Major work that club does: tutoring in reading and math every month at Caroline House (opportunity to tutor up to 4-8 times per month, but this tutoring is not required to be a member in the club). In addition, the club runs a bake sale and several drives throughout the year to collect books, jeans, school supplies etc. for the children who need them at the Caroline House.

Chemistry Club

Advisor: Ms. Golrick

Meetings: Room 213, A Week

Chemistry club is for scientists seeking to immerse themselves into all aspects of chemistry! Join to conduct fun experiments with friends. Learn about the cool applications of chemistry to our daily lives. Get introduced to potential careers in the chemistry field. Also, come visit us if you want extra help in chemistry or want to be a chemistry tutor yourself!

Chess Club

Advisor: Finneran

Meetings: Room 129, A

Chess club is for all students interested in learning how to play chess, or for students who would like to practice and improve their skills.

Circle of Friends Club

Advisor: Ms. Mengold

Meetings: Library, A & B weeks

Circle of Friends is a club that provides students opportunities to socialize and plan activities such as planting a Garden in the courtyard and holiday parties. Some students attend to practice social skills in an informal environment of playing games and making new friends.

Climbing Club

Advisor: Ms. Marcucilli

Meetings: Cafe, A Week

The Climbing Club will introduce the sport of climbing. There are countless benefits to this discipline: physical strength, fear and stress management, community, comradery, personal growth, confidence, and patience. The club will discuss these topics, along with local climbing opportunities where members could potentially gather outside of school time to enjoy climbing together.

Climate Committee

Advisors: TBD

Meetings: Room 358, A week

The Climate Committee is seeking both students and faculty who wish to foster a stronger school climate and experience. The club will work with students, faculty and parents to organize school and districtwide events as well as measure the current state of school climate.

Comic Book Club:

Advisors: Ms. Potter, Mrs. Wielk

Meeting:Library, A week

Comic Book Club is for anyone with an interest in comic books and superheroes. Members will have the opportunity to socialize in a relaxed setting while sharing, drawing, discussing, reading, and watching all things comic-related. The only responsibility of Club members is to come have fun, socialize, and meet new people with a common interest!

Computer Science Club

Advisor: Mrs. McGuigan

Meetings: B Weeks, Room 315.

Why Computer Science Club?

The Computer Science Club is open to all students and offers an introduction to the field of computer science, shaping students' future choices in terms of class selection, extracurricular activities, and general interest in the field of computer science. Over the course of this start-up year, the Computer Science Club will aim to collaboratively design and code creative aspects of digital-work which can contribute to FLHS, such as welcome messages for the school televisions, programmed introductions to pep rallies, and more.

Member Responsibilities and Expectations

As a member of the Computer Science Club, one is responsible for attending, if not all, most meetings and actively contributing to the projects/discussions held during the meetings.

Connecticut Students' Cooperative of FLHS

Advisor: Ms. Karmazin

Meetings: Room 142 the Falcon's Nest, B week

Connecticut Students' Cooperative is a nonprofit organization dedicated to linking motivated student volunteers to opportunities to alleviate food insecurity and education inequality across CT. CSC was founded over the summer of 2021 and is keen to gain new members and volunteers.

Cycling Club

Advisor: Ms. Leone

Meetings: Room 255, E week

The FLHS Cycling Club brings together cycling enthusiasts of all levels and styles. Members organize various types of group rides for beginners and advanced level riders. Members discuss the newest technology in bikes. This year, we will be hosting competitions for the most miles biked, and be giving out prizes to winners.

DANCE TEAM

Advisor: Mrs. Alley

Meetings: TBD, E

A club sport. Dance team focuses on coordinated dance routines for competition as well as performing at school events.

Debate Club

Advisors: Mr. Spalding

Meetings: A/E, Virtual

Do you want to enhance your public speaking? Do you want to build confidence? If so, come join us in the Debate Club! In this club we will practice the elements of effective debate, we will discuss global issues, and we will participate in mock debates! Everyone is welcome to join and have a good time! We will hold weekly virtual meetings TBD at the best time for all our members.

Drama Club

Advisors: TBD, Drama Director

Meetings: E

FLHS Drama Club is an Extracurricular Activity that is responsible for presenting 2 Main Stage plays (1 in the fall and 1 in the spring). We also have an evening of student written-directed-& performed plays in May in the Black Box Theatre Classroom. The play performances require a variety of talents: actors, singers, dancers, musicians, set crew painters and builders, lighting, costumes, make up, props, sound, and publicity. We also share our combined talents with our audiences, thus accomplishing more together than we can ever do individually. Drama is SERIOUS FUN! We invite EVERYONE to join us! "All the World's a Stage" and the Drama Club truly has a place for Everyone!

Eco Club

Advisor: Mrs. Hermsen

Meetings: Room 31, B week

A club committed to raising awareness of ways to live a sustainable and environmentally friendly lifestyle in the school community. We organize events such as beach clean-ups and work to improve our recycling system within the school. We are an active club and we would love to have new members!

Engineering Club of FLHS

Advisor: Mrs. Ormond

Meetings: Room 015, A Week (and after school)

The Engineering Club is in its second year and would love to have new members. Our goal is for students to use the engineering design process through hands-on activities and projects. We will explore the field of engineering and STEAM careers with a focus on aviation, 3D modeling, app building and more. Members can plan on meeting on A-Days and afterschool (to be determined).

E-Sports Club:

Advisor: Mr. Sherman

Meetings: Room 147, A week

A welcoming club for all those interested in digital competition in any and all forms. We have teams and common interest groups based around all the current major competitive games and have play experiences ranging from those who are trying a game out for the first time, to nationally ranked teams competing against other high school teams from across the country. Regardless of what you play, you are welcome here!

The Falcon Report

Advisors: Ms. Krieger

Meetings: Room 275 -TV studio (in the LMC), A / E

The Falcon Report is a student news shows focusing on topics and issues of importance to the Fairfield Ludlowe community. Club members work in reporter / photographer teams to conduct interviews and gather footage to produce interesting stories and promos that supplement the work produced by the class. This club provides the perfect preview for students who are interested in taking the class and also provides an opportunity to participate for students who cannot make the full-year course commitment. Students interested in the Fairfield community, broadcast journalism, writing, videography, documentary, and/or editing are welcome to join.

Fashion Club (FIDM)

Advisor: Ms. Huber

Meetings: Room 361, A week

This club in conjunction with FIDM is for those students interested in the world of fashion. Students will come together to discuss current trends in fashion, the fashion world, social media, and at FLHS!

Feminism Club

Advisor: Ms. Hilton

Meetings: Room 322, A week

This co-ed club discusses issues relevant to feminism.

Filmmaking Club (Cinematic Syndicators)

Teacher: TBD

Meetings: TBD, A Week/after school

Description: This is a club where students will make movies and videos for fun and for competitions. Students will learn to act, record, write, and edit all in a friendly environment. In addition, those who enjoy a certain area in filmmaking will be allowed to practice and hone their craft. Time will be spent out of school hours so be prepared to be dedicated in this club! Whether you are a complete beginner or a seasoned expert, you will have fun in this club where you can let your imaginations come true.

French Club

Advisor: Ms. Forte

Meetings: Room 283, A week

French Club is open to all FLHS students, regardless of grade level. The purpose of the French Club is to explore francophone arts and culture amid an atmosphere of friendship and conversation. To run for a position as a French Club officer, students must be currently enrolled in French studies. To run for president of the French Club, the student must be a junior or senior.

Full Court Peace – FLHS

Advisor: Ms. Huntington

Meetings: Room 243, B week

Full Court Peace strives to unite, strengthen and educate local and global communities through basketball. As a club here at Ludlowe, we work with youth basketball programs to promote positive interactions on and off the basketball court. Fundraising is also an essential part of our program, like free throw shooting contests and equipment drives. This club provides lots of opportunities for high school students, including an annual trip to Cuba. This organization has done lots of work in Europe and Central America, but the group is currently focused locally in Fairfield County, CT, where the income gap is at its widest nationally. As a high school club, we hope to organize year-round basketball leagues and camps for boys and girls in grades 4-8 from a diverse array of socioeconomic statuses and racial and ethnic backgrounds. The curriculum employs team basketball as a means of increasing communication, understanding, and camaraderie among these youth. The Ludlowe chapter of Full Court Peace will be paired with a community center, which we will work directly with to bolster its basketball programs both financially and organizationally. For more information, feel free to visit http://www.fullcourtpeace.org/

The Future Business Leaders of America

Advisor: Ms. Rainho

Meetings: Room 314, A/E week (after school as needed).

The Future Business Leaders of America is a nationally recognized organization, and is the largest business career student organization in the world. FBLA's mission is to bring business and education together, fostering positive working relationships. Goals include developing leadership skills, strengthening confidence, encouraging community commitment, and facilitating the school to work transition. FBLA meets Activity A-week, and after school as needed in order to accomplish all of our goals set by the group at the beginning of the school year. There are state and national membership dues that need to be paid in order to be recognized as active members of FBLA-PBL (Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda).

Future Medical Professionals Club

Advisor: Dr. Ryan Kelly

Meeting: Room 347, B Week

Demographic: Future medical professionals of all kinds - doctors, nurses, surgeons, pharmacists, medical technicians, EMT's, and more.

The purpose of the Future Medical Professionals Club is to educate and inspire high school students who are interested in pursuing a career in medicine and healthcare. Goals

- 1. To educate high school students about the many different careers in medicine.
- 2. To inform students about the different career pathways and requirements when entering the field of medicine.
- 3. To discuss with students the various skills and practices needed in different medical fields.

Obligations and Responsibilities of Members

- 1. Attend as many B week meetings as possible.
- 2. Be attentive and express interest and enthusiasm in the topics.
- 3. Join the "Future Medical Professionals" Google Classroom.
 - a. Assignments will not be required, but encouraged for more exposure.

Girl Up

Advisor: TBD

Meetings: Room 145, A Week

FLHS Girl Up will be determined to empower women to stand up for their equality within our own community and around the world. We want to show girls that it is important to fight for their femininity by learning about the struggles of their sisters around the world and working together to put an end to inequality. Mission Statement from Girl Up Website: No matter their background, girls have the power to transform themselves, their communities, and the world around them. Girl Up is a global movement of empowered young women leaders who defend gender equality. Through leadership development training, Girl Up gives girls the resources and platform to start a movement for social change wherever they are. For those who stand with us in this movement, there is no rest until we achieve equal rights for every girl. Because when girls rise, we all rise.

Graphic Design Club

Advisor: Mrs. Ormond Meetings: Room 015 B Week

The Graphic Design Technology (GDT) club will provide students with an ability to design and create t-shirts, posters, digital designs, and stickers for other intra-curricular activities and personal projects. Students will develop a better understanding of design principles, typography, as well as teamwork and leadership skills. Members will gain a basic understanding of different ways of production such as dye sublimation, screen printing, and heat press. Come to weekly meetings (B week and E) *Pre-requisites: Enrolled/Completed GDT III, IV, or V with an openness to express creativity and strong collaboration skills*.

The Grassroots Tennis Club:

Advisor: Mr. Reisert

Meetings: Room 327 A week

The club is for those students that are interested in helping the Grassroots tennis program. We send volunteers to hit with children that are just learning the game of tennis and also help with academics by tutoring. We do fundraisers to help support Grassroots tennis. All members are expected to commit at least one visit per month to Grassroots, either in a tutoring/mentoring capacity or with basic tennis instruction.

FLHS' Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA)

Advisor: Dr. Dardani, Ms. Smith, and Mr. Superty

Meetings: Room 201 (aka The Black Box, B week)

The GSA is a student-run club that brings together GSD (gender and sexually diverse students) and non-GSD (Allies) to support each other, provide a safe place to socialize, and create a platform for activism to fight homophobia and transphobia.

Intramural Program

Advisor: TBD

Meetings: Gym, E

Intramurals is an extracurricular activity that supports the Physical Education program. Some of the activities are Volleyball, Badminton, Basketball and Pickleball. This is held on Monday and Thursday evenings from 7:00pm to 9:00pm starting the second Marking period. All are welcome to come and join the fun.

If you have any questions, please ask TBD.

Junior State of America Club

Advisor: Mr. Timperanza

Meetings: Room 223, A week

A Bi-Partisan Political discussion group. Members will discuss political topics and debate viewpoints.

Kindness Ambassadors:

Advisors: Ms. Kotara

Meetings: Room 266, B week

Are you interested in creating opportunities for students to connect to one another, and build meaningful relationships?! Kindness Ambassadors has been formed to increase student outreach among peers and to create a more inclusive school community that fosters relationship building. Students will develop ways to help other students feel more included in the school community - something that has become increasingly important during recent months! Our club's first initiative this year is Kindness Rocks Painting!

Key Club:

Advisor: Ms. Brown

Meetings: Auditorium, B week

The student portion of Kiwanis KEY = Kiwanis Educated Youth. KC is a community service organization, volunteering in the community, fund/supply drives for community organizations, and donations to charities worldwide. We participate in volunteer activities at local charities, school system events as well as national and international drives.

Lawn Games Club

Advisor: Mrs. D'Andrea

Meetings: Room 250, A week

Students will meet during activity to coordinate events and learn games including Spike-Ball, Can-Jam, Corn-hole and other various lawn games. Events will be held on the front field.

Library Volunteers

Advisor: Ms. Waters

Meetings: Announced through Google Classroom

Library volunteers help out in the library in a variety of ways. They help plan events, keep library materials organized and accessible, write book reviews, and troubleshoot technology for peers. Volunteer hours and opportunities are flexible to accommodate students' schedules and interests. Library volunteer work can count toward community service hours for honors societies with prior approval from the advisor. Join the Library Google Classroom for updates.

The Falconer (Literary Magazine)

Advisor: Ms. Hilton

Meetings: Room 322, B week

Students write creative stories, plays and poems for publication. Student created art work is also incorporated. Publication occurs in the spring and students work together for creating works, editing works and creation and distribution of the physical magazine.

Ludlowe Democrats

Advisor: Mr. Parisi

Meetings: Room 257, E (after school, as needed)

For students who tend to favor liberal or progressive political leanings and/or support political candidates on the left. Students produce issue advocacy campaigns and engage in canvassing activities to support local, state or national Democratic candidates. Students run voter registration drives to strive to get students engaged and informed in their duty as citizens.

Ludlowe Leaders

Advisors: Housemasters

Meetings: LLC, E (after school, as needed)

The Ludlowe Leaders are junior students who provide a valuable service to the school. Ludlowe Leaders are called upon to give tours and orient new students and parents at various events, including our Preview Day, Freshmen Orientation, Open House, 8th Grade Night, other 8th grade transition activities, and occasionally give tours to visiting families. Applications are completed at the end of sophomore year and include an interview with the housemaster. In order to participate, you must be available for activities the week before the first week of school (in August) as well as some night activities. Participants also get a t-shirt to identify yourself as a Ludlowe Leader.

Ludlowe Republicans

Advisor: Mr. Russell

Meetings: Room 249, B week.

For students that subscribe to conservative, and/or moderate-conservative points of political view. During election years, student may have the option of volunteering at the local GOP headquarters. This is an excellent "civic" opportunity for students.

The Make-A-Wish club

Advisors: Mrs. Zach

Meetings: Room 329, B week

The Make-A-Wish club is run in conjunction with the Make-A-Wish foundation based out of Trumbull, CT. The focus of our club is to raise money for children who are terminally ill. The Make-A-Wish foundation gifts children who are ill with trips, celebrity meetings, vacations and experiences that they could never afford without the fundraising and generosity of the Make-A-Wish organization and clubs that support it.

Math Team:

Advisor: Ms. Smith

Meetings: Room 358, A/E week

Students interested in competing in the Fairfield County Math League. Math meets are the first Wed. of each month and students compete in up to three different tests against other FC schools.

Math team competes in 6 matches at Wilton High School against many other schools in Fairfield county. We practice during the activity period (A week) and after school. Each student competes in three rounds, solving three problems in each round without a calculator in ten minutes. The topics range from arithmetic to advanced trigonometry. Any student who loves math, enjoys competition and/or just wants to have fun with friends should join the team.

Mock Trial:

Advisor: Ms. Sousa. Mr. Patrick

Meetings: Room 324 E week

Mock Trial Club participates in the State of Connecticut Mock Trial Tournament. We prepare both the Defense and Prosecution for a case that is released State Wide over the course of several months. We practice 5-6 hours per week and compete in December at the Stamford Court House.

Model United Nations

Advisor: Mr. Seara

Meetings: Room 146, B week

Model United Nations is an academic simulation of the United Nations where students play the role of delegates from different countries and attempt to solve real world issues with the policies and perspectives of their assigned country.

Mythology Club

Advisor: Ms. Haymond

Meetings: Room 343, A week

Mythology club is a regular gathering of students who like to learn about Greek and Roman myths. Members will explore how each myth applies to his or her own life. Members will learn about Greco-Roman mythology through film and reading. Members will explore myths of creation, the Titans, the Olympians, and Monsters, Destruction, the Underworld, abstract divinities, Great Families, Heroes and more. Students may elect to take the "Medusa exam" in the fall whereby they may compete for prizes and awards.

The Nest - Student Fan Club

Advisor: Shawn Sailer/ Sara Kinsley

Meetings: B/ E Week

Students do not have to be an athlete to be a member of this club; all are welcome. There are 2 main goals of the club. <u>The first goal</u> is to create excitement around our athletic program. Students will work together in a variety of ways to attract more support to all games throughout the year. Club members will have a major role in determining the best way of reaching this goal. <u>The second goal</u> of this club is to provide support to the community at large. Club members will develop and implement events that will not only aim to improve the culture of the school, but will also help raise money. These funds can be distributed to any school/community cause that the club feels strongly about.

Operation Hope

Advisor: Ms. Wennberg-Merritt

Meetings: Room 344, B/E week

Operation Hope is a club that helps to support the efforts of Operation Hope of Fairfield, a county wide organization established to help end hunger and homelessness in Fairfield County. We meet in Room 344 on "B" weeks to plan out activities that we can support. Once a month, on the third Thursday of the month, we prepare a dinner for 50 in the Culinary Arts Room, then deliver it and serve it at the Homeless Shelter in Fairfield. We also support the Op Hope Food Pantry, both directly and indirectly (Postal Workers' Food Drive), hold a Thanksgiving Fixings Food Drive at FLHS, help with gift wrapping at the holidays, and hold a Holiday Cookie Bag Drive. There are other initiatives we can support as well as fundraisers we can engage in, based on the efforts and initiative of members.

Orchestra Club

Advisor: Ms. L. Smith

Meetings: Room 121, B Week

Students select music and rehearse during the activity period. Students are expected to practice music on their own. Students may choose to perform outside of class. This is a student run ensemble.

Partners for Literacy

Advisor: Mr. Nulf

Meeting: Room 244, Week B

The Partners for Literacy are a group of students who donate school related technological supplies to children in less privileged neighborhoods of Connecticut. We organize events/book drives to gather donations from Fairfield Families to bring to the less fortunate school systems of Connecticut. Our Primary goal is to inspire the ludlowe community to acknowledge our privileges, and donate supplies to kids who may need it more. With the current state of the country, we have an opportunity to recognize our privileges, and give back to the world. Our club will meet after school, typically for a few hours every month, in preparation and for completion of our events. Throughout the year we will be organizing book drives and runs to raise money and supplies.

Pencils of Promise Club

Advisor: Mrs. Zach

Meetings: Room 329, A week

A club dedicated to raising money to help build and equip schools in areas where children do not have access to schools. Pencils of Promise is an international community that supports access to quality education.

Performing Arts Club

Advisor: Mrs. Pine / Mr. Superty

Meetings: Black Box (Rm. 201) / Meets every week - Students may choose which week(s)

There is NO audition and NO requirement to perform.

Mission: to bring equity and access to the performing arts.

Learn about both behind the scenes and on the stage work. Workshop scenes, work with guest artists, or simply share an appreciation for the performing arts. Music, dance, acting, visual art - ALL are welcome! Our goal for the second half of the year is to put together a "review". Again, performing is optional!

Prospect (FLHS Newspaper)

Advisor: Ms. Marchello

Meetings: Room 215, A/E Week

Prospect is the student run school newspaper here at FLHS. *Prospect* contributors work collaboratively to ensure that the achievements, concerns, and opinions of the FLHS community are heard and expressed through our digital paper.

Staff writers are generally encouraged to write at least one article for the paper per marking period. *Prospect* also welcomes all students interested in photography. Editors are responsible for overseeing and editing articles associated with a particular section of the paper.

Recycle to Revive Club

Advisors: Mr. Patrick

Meetings: Room 224, A week

The mission of this club is to change the world by changing our local community. We first help our community through collecting bottles and cans to make our town more green. Once we recycle what we have obtained, we use the money we collect by purchasing an animal or gift basket through Heifer Project International. The animals and gift baskets purchased through Heifer Project International go to families in poverty-stricken countries all over the world. Heifer Project International also implements a program in which the recipients of the gifts have to pass on the first female offspring of their animal to another family in their community so the gift we will give has up to nine times the impact. Our work as a club will assist in both the fight to end world hunger and to go green in our own community.

Red Cross Club (The American Red Cross)

Advisors: Ms. Mahar

Meetings: 381, A week

"The FLHS Red Cross club, affiliated with the American Red Cross, hosts two blood drives each year, one in the Fall and one in the Spring. The American Red Cross challenges us to meet a certain # of pints of blood donated, and if met, seniors in the club qualify for scholarship opportunities."

RAAFT (Raising Abuse Awareness For Teens)

Advisors: Tim Morris & Mrs. Sforza

Meetings: Library Lecture Hall, A/E

We will be working with the Center For Family Justice on educating teens about Healthy Relationships.

Rocketry Club of FLHS

Advisor: Mr Francois

Meetings: Room 218, A week

Members will explore rocketry using physics, chemistry, mathematics and CAD programs to design and build model rockets. We will plan for the club to enter into the Team America Rocketry Challenge, a nation-wide contest for student amateur rocketry enthusiasts. Members should expect to attend all meetings during the activity period as well as some meetings after school.

Science Bowl Club

Advisor: Mrs. Golrick

Meetings: Room 213, B/E week

The "Science Bowl" is a team competition that takes place in early March. Our FLHS team will compete against teams from schools all around New England to answer questions from all subjects of science and math. Winners of the regional competition go on to compete at the state level. From September to March, members of this club will meet in and out of school to practice together for the competition. Members of this group should love science, be dedicated to meeting out of school to practice, and be up for a challenge! This club is mostly student run, but please see Mrs. Golrick if you have any questions.

Spanish Club

Advisors: Ms. Benko, Ms. Chiera. Ms. Grasso

Meetings: Room 254, A week

Some past activities: Día de los Muertos Door Decorating Contest; Pulsera Project; hat/scarf/gloves drive for Bridgeport; members have met at Bridgeport food pantry to translate for Spanish-speaking patrons and also at Fairfield Public Library to read books to children in Spanish; Cinco de Mayo activities at FLHS.

Sports Analysis Club

Advisor: Vincent Camera

Meetings: Room 359, A week

We discuss professional sports in general, the impact of individual players, their roles and abilities for their teams and speculation of what players will contribute to the world of fantasy league play and performance as well as the NFL Draft. Sports typically discussed are football and baseball.

SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving)

Advisors: Tim Morris & Mrs. Sforza

Meetings: LLC Lecture Hall, B/E

Will be working with MADD and the Fairfield Cares Coalition on educating youth about the dangers of drinking and driving. We will also be working on a Social Norming Campaign.

S.O.S. Club

Advisors: Ms. Stetter

Meetings: Room 301, B week

Students ... <u>Supporting Our-Selves</u>, this is a group of students that works together to educate the school community on teen issues to help their peers and raise money..

Strings for Spaulding

Advisor: Ms. Huntington.

Meetings: TBA, A week . Google classroom code is rnn5osu.

Strings for Spaulding is a club in which we will make and sell handmade friendship bracelets to donate to Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital in Boston. Each member will unleash their creativity by making unique friendship bracelets that we will sell and donate the proceeds to Spaulding! We will also be organizing fundraiser events such as charity fun runs/walks and bracelet sales.

Technology Student Association Club - TSA Club

Advisor: Mr. Barcello

Meeting: Room 015, A and/or B week

The Technology Student Association (TSA) enhances personal development, leadership, and career opportunities in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), whereby members apply and integrate these concepts through intra-curricular activities, competitions, and related programs.

TSA is accelerating student achievement and supporting teachers by providing engaging opportunities to develop STEM skills.

Competitions between other TSA clubs throughout the state that include competitions about:

*3D Animation	*Animatronics	*Architectural Design
*Biotechnology Design	*Board Game Design	*Coding
*Computer-Aided Design (CAD), Architecture		
*Computer-Aided Design (CAD), Engineering		
*Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM)		
*Debating Technological Issues		*Digital Video Production
*Engineering Design	*Fashion Design and Technology	
*Future Technology Teacher	*IT Fundamentals+	*Music Production
*On Demand Video	*Photographic Technology	*Promotional Design
*Software Development	*Structural Design and Engineering	

Members can expect to work on designing for projects and competitions during the activity period and possible classes.

Members should be in an elective that involves STEM.

Teens for Tolerance Club:

Advisor: Mrs Alley

Meetings: Room 333, A week

Teens for Tolerance is a school club, striving to promote acceptance, positivity, and a welcoming atmosphere. Aiming to create our own community in FLHS, we strive for these goals through various campaigns and social events with other classmates and clubs. Together, we run campaigns such as "The R-Word Campaign" and "Project Post", both promoting acceptance and optimism. Inclusion and friendship are our main priorities, and we successfully spread this throughout every school year!

Tiny Miracles Club

Advisor: Mrs. Hastings

Meetings: Room 125, B Week

When a baby is born more than three weeks earlier than the predicted due date, that baby is called "premature". Premature babies, or more commonly known as "preemies", are not fully grown and developed. Therefore, they tend to face severe, life-threatening health problems and have to spend a significant amount of time in a hospital's neonatal intensive care unit (NICU). Therefore, as the Tiny Miracles Club, our mission would be to help support families with preemie babies that are currently in the NICU, preemie babies that have graduated from the NICU, or preemie babies that have unfortunately passed.

Website: https://ttmf.org/

Club Activities:

- Making no-sew blankets for preemie babies in the NICU.
- Making holiday gift baskets for preemie families.
- Packing supply bags for preemie families.
- · Creating interactive fundraisers to raise money.

Trading Card Game Club

Advisor: Ms. McDonough

Meetings Room 220 A week (and after school)

The Trading Card Game club is a place where people who play trading card games such as PokeMon, Yu-Gi-Oh!, Magic: The Gathering, etc. can come together to meet over their shared interests and have a comfortable community to trade, play, and improve their skills in both tournament and casual play. It is also a place where people who would like to learn how to play a card game can come to learn and practice.

Treat Yo'Self Club

Advisors: Rachel Marcucilli and David Pepitone

Meetings: 145, B Week

This club is to provide students with a place to focus on their well-being. During these difficult times, self-care is one of the most important things we can all work on. We will explore a variety of activities to treat ourselves: cooking, baking, and outdoor activities like hiking local CT trails. Food and the outdoors go hand-in-hand, and they are both great ways to nourish our bodies and our minds. This club's mission is to help students find balance in their lives, working on both personal goals and nurturing themselves. Students will discover their inner self, even the not so sparkly parts!

Ultimate Frisbee Club

Advisor: Mr. Reindel

Meetings: Room 315, B week

The Ultimate Frisbee Club is the club that handles the business affairs, scheduling, and other organizational activities of the ultimate Frisbee team. The team has formal practices and games in the spring but the club meets throughout the year to plan for the season and run team activities.

UNICEF

Advisor: Ms. Cardoso

Meetings: Room 151, B week

UNICEF is mandated by the United Nations General Assembly to advocate for the protection of children's rights, to help meet their basic needs and to expand their opportunities to reach their full potential. Meet with us on B week to plan ways to support UNICEF's mission in our community and beyond.

Unified Sports

Advisors: Ms. Foley, Mrs. Schiavo, and Mr. Schulz

Meetings: Large Gym, practice after school Fridays, 3 tournaments a year

Special Olympics Unified Sports is an inclusive program that combines individuals with intellectual disabilities (athletes) and individuals without intellectual disabilities (partners) on sports teams for **training** and competition. There are usually three tournaments a year, one each in soccer, basketball and track. The mission of this club is to foster inclusion and tolerance for difference through the participation in sports.

Volleyball Club

Advisors: Mrs. Rembish

Meetings: Room 250, A week

The purpose of the boys Volleyball Club is to bring attention to the boys volleyball program, as of right now we only have 11 players 9 out of the 11 players are seniors, so unless we get a big group of freshmen or sophomores the Ludlowe boys volleyball program will come to an end after this year. The boys volleyball club is also a place to meet new people and form stronger connections with teammates. We will also hold outside of school events to have fun and play some pick up matches. Member responsibilities will be to bring attention to the club, show up, participate in activity, and to help set up and take down the net at out of school events.

We SEW Care Club

Advisor: Mrs. Huber

Meetings: Room 361, B week

<u>Mission</u> - To provide children who are sleeping in hospitals or shelters away from their home with handmade items to provide comfort and extend our support.

<u>Members</u> - open to Ludlowe students who are ALREADY proficient in basic sewing skills. Members will be provided fabric and patterns to individually sew the items for donations.

<u>Activities</u> - Sew items (such as pillowcases) to stock hospital and shelter closets using the fabric and materials we already have. Distribute the items to the identified hospitals and shelters. Fundraise/seek donations to purchase additional fabric and materials as/if needed.

Wood-Working Club

Advisors: Mr. Robinson, Ms. Zimmermann

Meetings: Room 024 (Wood Shop), B week

This club is all about learning how to use wood shop tools and machines. Each week members will learn how to use a different tool/machine.

Youth for Equity Club

Advisor: Mr. McCloskey, Ms. Huntington

Meetings: Room 262 A week

Youth For Equity is a club at Fairfield Ludlowe High School in Fairfield, Connecticut. Our diverse group of students are active and engaged citizens both in the Ludlowe community and beyond. Youth For Equity is a place to learn about each other, and connect with the community around us. We engage in a growth mindset by encouraging failure as this is part of the learning process. Our goal is to educate others and uplift, we embrace challenges, learn from criticism, and find lessons and inspiration in the success of others. When we band together, our words are amplified and a difference is made.