



*High School  
Co-curricular  
Activities  
2019-2020*



# *Extra-curricular Activities*

The purpose of the Academy of the Holy Names' organizations, clubs and activities is to serve and assist all students in the development of their talents beyond what is covered in the *academic* curriculum. In keeping with Academy's philosophy of providing a quality education, we offer and expect participation in these co-curricular opportunities, so that each student may come to recognize her full potential. Even though it is hoped that a student will find a club that fits her interests, participation in after-school clubs is not a requirement.

Organizations at the Academy are strongly committed to service as an integral part of the overall philosophy. Participation in co-curricular activities encourages students to develop initiative, leadership, and both personal and social responsibility. Participation in these activities is voluntary and students select their clubs and activities according to their preferences, their abilities, and the availability of a given club.

Clubs that are currently offered at Academy are re-evaluated from time to time to establish if there is still interest and dedication to a particular club. If it is determined by the moderator that a club has very poor attendance and participation, it may be discontinued and ideas for new clubs will be considered. Any new club to be considered must fit the SNJM mission, fill a need in the school, be approved by administration, and have a faculty moderator.

*A Note from AHN Administration  
and Guidance Departments*

The Academy of the Holy Names administration, faculty, and staff members have worked diligently to create a club schedule to accommodate all AHN students, and we encourage you to actively participate in clubs during your four years at the Academy.

The Sisters of the Holy Names have always believed in the importance of educating the whole child. Providing many different high school club and athletic opportunities are just another way to allow for this philosophy of education. Moreover, colleges across the United States are actively looking to admit well-rounded students, with club and athletic participation being great ways to further showcase your talents.

We believe that you will enjoy your time spent with your fellow club members, engaging in activities designed to brighten someone's day.

If you have questions about any club or activity, please contact the moderator for more details by email or in person. The moderator's name is listed at the bottom of each club's description in this booklet. The format for email addresses is: first initial, last name (oneword)[@holynamestpa.org](mailto:holynamestpa.org).

For example, to email Mrs. Jenny Van Pelt, the club moderator for Student Council, you would use her first initial and last name: [jvanpelt@holynamestpa.org](mailto:jvanpelt@holynamestpa.org).

Please feel free to contact Mrs. Erin Krukar, Assistant Principal, ([ekrukar@holynamestpa.org](mailto:ekrukar@holynamestpa.org)) with any questions you may have.

## *Advisory Clubs - Gold and Blue*

**Any student may be in a Gold club that meets on Tuesday  
AND in any Blue club that meets on Thursday.**

**Gold Clubs:** Ambassadors  
Golden Girls (spirit club)  
Student Council  
Teen Leadership Council – TLC

**Blue Clubs:** Crochet for Charity  
CEO Club (Entrepreneurship)  
Cross Fit (f.k.a. Young Women of Grace)  
Interact Club (Rotary)  
Math Club – Competition Team  
Medical Explorers  
Our Earth (Environmental)  
Prom Committee (by application)  
Robotics – JagWires  
Spanish Club  
Speech and Debate team  
S.W.A.T. – Scientific Women Are Terrific  
Women in Film  
Visual Arts Club

## ***Out-of-School Clubs and Honor Societies***

**Out-of-school clubs and honor societies meet at the discretion**

of the moderator before, during, or after school.  
Members should be attentive to announcements for club meetings.  
Students should be mindful of time constraints and  
look for quality of commitments as opposed to quantity.

**Out-of-School Clubs:**

AHN Theatre Club

Best Buddies

Chess Club

Junior Classical League

Key Club

Make-a-Wish

Music Matters

P.O.W.E.R.

Respect for Life

Saint Peter Claver Tutoring Club

Social Justice

**Honor Societies:**

International Thespian Society

Latin Honor Society

Mu Alpha Theta

National Art Honor Society

National Beta Club

Nat'l Dance Education Honor Society

National English Honor Society

National Honor Society

Quill & Scroll

Rho Kappa

Science National Honor Society

Spanish Honor Society

Tri-M Music Honor Society

*Advisory Club Descriptions*

# *Gold clubs - Meet every Tuesday*

## *Ambassadors*

- Purpose:** To represent AHN in the area elementary schools along with the admissions team and to support special AHN events
- Qualifications:** Minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA for each semester of membership; evidence of integrity, loyalty to the school and a cooperative spirit; availability for after-school meetings and required activities; great articulation skills and poise; Minimum of 15 hours of service required each year
- Selection:** The application process may include faculty evaluations, interviews by club moderators, videotaped interviews, and impromptu talks.
- Activities:** High school recruitment, Alumnae/Alumni phone-a-thon, New parents' night, Silver Coffee, Alumnae weekend, HS open house, Black and White by the Bay
- Moderator:** Ms. Patty Bohannon

## *Golden Girls*

- Purpose:** To actively promote school spirit on campus, at sporting events and through various related programs.
- Qualifications:** Members must be in good standing, have a cooperative spirit, be available for after-school events and required activities throughout the school year.
- Selection:** Application and interview with Golden Girls officers and moderators at the beginning of school. Returning members are given priority based on excellent attendance records.
- Activities:** Attend after-school sporting events, designated sporting events, as well as plan and facilitate Spirit Week activities.
- Moderator:** Ms. Melissa Cox and Ms. Olivia Martinez

## *Student Council*

- Purpose:** To serve as a communication link between the student body and the faculty and between the council and advisories; Members will play an active role in school activities.
- Qualifications:** Candidates must have a GPA of 2.7 (C+) or higher and exhibit leadership qualities.
- Selection:** The student body elects officers in the spring; President and Vice-President are seniors and Secretary and Treasurer are Juniors; Each grade level then elects representatives.
- Activities:** Welcome Back Faculty Breakfast, Freshmen Orientation, All-School Orientation, Haunted Basement, Father Daughter Dance, Home Association Christmas Party, Christmas Formal; Secret Pals; Jag Ball, Mother Daughter Dinner; Powder Puff game; Members help with graduation and other school events as asked.
- Moderator:** Ms. Jenny Van Pelt

## *Teen Leadership Council (TLC)*

- Purpose:** To become a trained peer counselor and to work with incoming freshmen and middle school girls, guiding them on issues such as friendship and other educational and social concerns.
- Selection:** Application, essay, interview with TLC officers and moderator, and teacher recommendation.
- Activities:** Conduct meetings to help freshmen adjust to high school, work with Girls' Circle (a middle school program), work on programs with Frameworks of Tampa Bay
- Moderator:** Ms. Athena Dicus and Ms. Emily Pantelis

*Blue clubs - Meet every Thursday*

## *Crochet for Charity*

- Purpose:** This club provides students a way to provide service to the community while at the same time learning the skill of crocheting.
- Qualifications:** Members must have interest in helping others, arts and crafts, trying new things.
- Activities:** Crocheting hats, blankets, etc. for hospital patients
- Moderator:** Ms. Darlene Lanfranconi

## *Cross Fit (f.k.a. Young Women of Grace)*

- Purpose:** To continue to develop our identity as Daughters of God
- Qualifications:** Open to all students regardless of denomination or beliefs but the content will be presented from a Catholic Christian perspective.
- Activities:** Exploring our Catholic faith in a relaxed small group setting; learning about inspiring saints; and diving into scripture and discovering God's love for each of us.
- Moderator:** Ms. Beth Chase and Ms. Katie Holland

## *Entrepreneurship/CEO Club*

- Purpose:** To provide information and motivation to our students regarding the career path of entrepreneurship.
- Qualifications:** An entrepreneurial spirit and interest in this field
- Activities:** Attend presentations from guest speakers, participate in various entrepreneurial competitions and spread awareness to the study body.
- Moderator:** Ms. Deborah Collins

## *Interact (Rotary Club)*

- Purpose:** To provide service in the community; sponsored by the Rotary Club of Ybor City for those with a desire to serve others.



**Qualifications:** Open to all who sincerely want to serve their community and who are willing to participate in in-school and out-of-school service activities.

**Activities:** Service opportunities with a variety of civic organizations, supporting the school's mission trips, Blood Drive, Hunger Banquet, and opportunities for leadership seminars for outstanding members.

**Moderator:** Ms. Paige Rodriguez and Ms. Sarah Moses

## *Math Club - Competition Team*

**Purpose:** To provide students who enjoy math the opportunity to see topics and problems above and beyond classroom curriculum.

**Qualifications:** The desire to learn some math!

**Activities:** Local and national (out-of-state) competitions

\*\* Club meetings are only required for Officers and Team Leads. General members only have to come to the monthly meeting and participate in one competition per semester.

**Moderator:** Ms. Jessica Lamm and Mr. Robert Quinn

## *Medical Explorers Club*

**Purpose:** To help students to better understand the medical professions available to them

**Qualifications:** A sincere interest in becoming a medical professional

**Activities:** Listen to presentations by medical professionals; prepare and ask thoughtful questions; possibility of shadowing medical professionals; involvement in school blood drives

**Moderator:** Dr. Carson Dobrin

## *Our Earth - Environmental/Recycling Club*

**Purpose:** To promote care for the environment and awareness on campus

**Qualifications:** Open to all interested in helping AHN be more "green" and promoting recycling.

**Activities:** Create awareness campaigns in the school and collecting the weekly recycling.

**Moderator:** Ms. Alison Jussaume and Ms. Betsy Suskauer

## *Prom Committee*

**Purpose:** To organize, coordinate, and promote the Junior/Senior Prom, and to attend and oversee Prom during the evening of the event

**Qualifications:** Juniors who are hardworking, responsible, and well respected by their peers; who show initiative, and are talented in various fields (art, business, etc.) may apply

**Selection:** Juniors will be selected through an application process

**Moderator:** Ms. Emily Pantelis

## *Robotics -- "Jag Wires"*

**Purpose:** The purpose of this club is to use physics and math skills to build a working robot on our all-girls team.

**Qualifications:** Members must have an interest in the application of math and physics principles to solve real world problems.

**Activities:** Build a working robot and attend robotic competitions. Attend meetings both during and after school.

**Moderator:** Ms. Kim Quire and Ms. Anne Wynn

## *Spanish Club*

**Purpose:** To focus on the culture and customs of Spanish speaking countries; to support migrant workers and the Dominican Republic mission trip.

- Qualifications:** Must be currently taking Spanish or have completed at least three years of Spanish in order to be considered for membership.
- Activities:** Members participate in activities that support the club's missions of cultural enrichment and helping migrant workers and the Dominican Republic mission trip.
- Moderator:** Mr. Jose Ruano

## *Speech and Debate Team*

- Purpose:** The Speech and Debate team competes in tournaments and oratorical contests to learn and grow in competence and confidence in any public speaking venue.
- Qualifications:** Anyone can join from the theatrically-minded student to the student who likes to research and postulate about current events. Members can earn points to become inducted in the National Speech and Debate Association Honor Society, the older honor society at AHN.
- Activities:** **Interpretation** - Poetry & Prose, Dramatic, Humorous, or Duo Performance, Declamation, Extemporaneous speaking, Original Oratory
- Debate** - Congress, Lincoln Douglas, Policy, Public Forum
- Contests** - American Legion and Rotary International
- Moderator:** Dr. Julie Omodio-Griess

## *S.W.A.T. - Scientific Women Are Terrific*

**Purpose:** Promote STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) activities and scientific careers for women as well as supporting one another in the study of science.

**Qualifications:** Open to all interested

**Activities:** Members participate in activities that expose them to different areas of STEM and career opportunities. Program will feature speakers in the field and opportunities to contribute to the community through fundraisers.

**Moderator:** Ms. Kellie Mounce

## *Visual Arts Club*

**Purpose:** To promote a love for the Arts and volunteering together for the better of the community.

**Qualifications:** Open to all those interested in helping others in a fun and creative way. No experience in art required - all you need is a passion and will to serve!

**Activities:** Various projects to benefit the community and ones in conjunction to support other AHN clubs

**Moderator:** Sister Lisa Perkowski and Ms. Melissa Lima

## *Women in Film*

**Purpose:** To promote and celebrate women in the film industry in all aspects such as writing, directing, editing, etc. To emphasize the influence that women in film has on society and the action it may bring, The club focus lies in the film *Period. End of a Sentence.*

**Qualifications:** Open to all students with a love of film and desire to learn more about women's influence in it.

**Activities:** Collections and drives for feminine products for the migrant and homeless community here in Tampa. The club will hold open discussions on important movies that could not have been made without the efforts of women and their influence in film.

**Moderator:** Ms. Lori Kearney

***Out-of-School Clubs --  
Meet Before, During, or After School***

## *AHN Theatre Club*

- Purpose:** The purpose of this club is to work on & in theatre productions
- Qualifications:** Members may participate in full-length productions or one-act productions
- Activities:** Fall and Spring productions
- Moderator:** Ms. Vivian Kimbler

## *Best Buddies*

- Purpose:** “Spread the word to end the word”, show inclusion and friendship between others and mentally handicapped and promote awareness
- Qualifications:** Willingness to work with mentally handicapped children and participate in multiple events throughout the year to raise awareness and spread a message of inclusion.
- Activities:** Each club member will be paired with a mentally handicapped child and participate in multiple events throughout the year to raise awareness and spread the message of inclusion
- Moderator:** Mr. Felix Kalinowski

## *Chess Club*

- Purpose:** To build a love and understanding of the game of chess.
- Qualifications:** Open to all who either simply love to play chess or to those looking to learn.
- Activities:** Playing chess and helping in varied service projects.
- Moderator:** Ms. Beth Chase

## *Courage*

- Purpose:** To raise awareness of student mental health and provide outlets for the student body throughout the year.
- Qualifications:** Willingness to assist classmates lives their life and provide tools to help them

**Activities:** Mental Health Awareness week, monthly activities to promote mental health

**Moderator:** Ms. Krukar and Ms. Pantelis

## *Junior Classical League (Latin Club)*

**Purpose:** To promote fellowship among Latin students; to emphasize the importance of Classical studies and to act as a service club in the community

**Qualifications:** An interest in Latin or Roman civilization, history, mythology or the Latin language, willingness to help build District and State Latin Forum teams.

**Activities:** District and State Latin Forums and workshops; service projects for Costa Rica

**Moderator:** Ms. Ariana Newman

## *Key Club*

**Purpose:** Key Club is an international student-led organization which provides its members with opportunities to offer her service, build character, and develop leadership skills. Our core values are leadership, character building, caring and inclusiveness.

**Qualifications:** Open to anyone who has a willingness to serve (based on service provided)

**Selection:** Open to all; Each applicant is required to complete Club Rush, which is a one-month period where they must complete a certain number of hours with Key Club or they are removed.

**Activities:** Various service projects throughout the Tampa Bay area

**Moderator:** Ms. Devan Adams

## *Make-a-Wish*

**Purpose:** To provide “a wish come true” experience for terminally ill children

**Qualifications:** Anyone with a big heart who is willing to work on fundraising and activities

**Activities:** Participate in walk-a-thon, bake sales and other nationally sponsored Make-a-Wish events

**Moderator:** TBD

## *Music Matters*

**Purpose:** To explore a wide variety of musical professions through discussion and guest speakers as well as serving the community through musical service projects.

**Qualifications:** Open to anyone who loves music, has a desire to help others, and wants to know more about career paths in music.

**Activities:** Performances during the semester visiting nursing homes, children's homes, hospitals, etc. to brighten the day of those in the facilities.

**Moderator:** Ms. Vivian Kimbler

## *P.O.W.E.R.*

**Purpose:** A 9-member programming board along with other members dedicated to the mission of Passionate Outstanding Women Encouraging Respect. POWER's activities are open to students of all grade levels regardless of club membership.

**Qualifications:** Open to all rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors who are able to maintain behavioral and academic standards at school and in the community that are reflective of the club's goals.

**Selection:** Application process in the spring semester to select students for the following school year

**Activities:** Monthly discussion hosting; Culture month events; Student meditation sessions; Coordinating events with other clubs promoting the mission of respect among diverse groups throughout the school community.

**Moderator:** Ms. Stacy Filocco

## *Respect for Life*

**Purpose:** To promote respect for all life in our school and community through prayer, education, and the cultivation of value for life

**Qualifications:** Members must have the willingness to exercise compassion, understanding, and courage in the defense of life.

- Selection:** Open to all willing to fully participate in the cultivation of respect for life.
- Activities:** Monthly prayer meetings, fundraising for pro-life initiatives in the community (baby bottle fundraiser, March for Life, etc.) and other educational events.
- Moderator:** Ms. Megan Dubee

## *Saint Peter Claver Tutoring Club*

- Purpose:** To provide one-to-one tutoring for children in the surrounding elementary/middle schools such as St. Peter Claver and St. Joseph's.
- Qualifications:** Must be able to provide transportation to designated tutoring school on Mondays from 3:30 - 4:30.
- Activities:** Weekly tutoring responsibilities after school
- Moderator:** Ms. Judy Perrella

## *Social Justice*

- Purpose:** To promote awareness of the three core SNJM social justice issues of water, human trafficking, and immigration.
- Qualifications:** Open to all students with a desire to educate the school community on the issues
- Activities:** Short presentations to elementary school students, fundraiser events, and creation of small posters to be hung around the school to raise awareness of issues discussed.
- Moderator:** Ms. Kim Wiley

# *Honor Societies – Meet as Needed*

## *International Thespian Honor Society*

- Purpose:** The purpose of this society is to honor secondary school students for their outstanding work in theatre.



**Qualifications:** Members must participate in at least two full-length productions, or one full-length and two one-act productions, or four one-act productions

**Moderator:** Ms. Vivian Kimbler

## *Latin Honor Society*

**Purpose:** To recognize outstanding achievement in Latin

**Qualifications:** A 90% average or higher is required after the first three semesters of Latin

**Selection:** Grade eligibility, evidence of interest in the subject, good conduct & character

**Moderator** Ms. Ariana Newman

## *Mu Alpha Theta (Math Honor Society)*

**Purpose:** To recognize outstanding ability in mathematics and to help others improve their math skills

**Qualifications:** Must have completed two or more years of college preparatory mathematics (Algebra 1 or higher), earned at least a 3.9 weighted GPA in mathematics courses in high school, and have at least a 3.5 weighted cumulative GPA. Students must also be of high moral character.

**Selection:** Application process includes willingness to peer tutor and above qualifications

**Activities:** Peer tutoring; meetings; and attendance at induction ceremony

**Moderator:** Mr. David Bland

## *National Art Honor Society*

**Purpose:** To recognize ability and interest in the visual arts

**Qualifications:** Completion of three or more semesters of art in grades 10, 11, 12 and have at least a 3.5 overall GPA and a 4.0 GPA in art classes, good character, an interest in promoting the arts. Students must complete service hours for continued membership.

- Selection:** GPA eligibility, completion of application and on-time submission, and satisfactory conduct
- Activities:** Activities are determined by group selection. All members are required to participate in the Annual Arts Fest and to complete their chosen service to be recognized at Honors Convocation.
- Moderator:** Sister Lisa Perkowski

## *National Beta Club*

- Purpose:** To recognize scholarship and to provide service in the school and local community
- Qualifications:** A 3.5 minimum cumulative, weighted GPA and the desire to provide service
- Selection:** Open by invitation only to students in grades 10, 11 and 12
- Activities:** Attend meetings and participation in fundraisers; Earn service hours (10 min.)
- Moderators:** Ms. Darcy Dwyer and Ms. Kerry Keegan

## *National English Honor Society*

- Purpose:** The purpose of this honor society is to recognize high achievement in language arts.
- Qualifications:** Students must have attended AHN one semester prior to consideration for membership. Students must complete four consecutive semesters of high school English. Students must maintain a minimum overall GPA of 3.5 and an English GPA of 4.0 for three consecutive semesters
- Selection:** The moderator will determine if student fulfills the above-noted grade eligibility. Once notified of her eligibility, a student will complete and submit the NEHS application, which includes a one-time fee of \$15
- Moderator:** Ms. Virginia Pendleton

## *National Honor Society*

- Purpose:** NHS recognizes students who demonstrate outstanding scholarship, service, leadership, and character.
- Qualifications:** Students must meet the 4.20 weighted, cumulative GPA requirements by the end of the sophomore or junior year, and demonstrate exemplary conduct each year.

Students do not join NHS; they are invited to apply for membership after the selection process is complete.

**Selection:** Students are selected based on the following criteria: grade point average, exemplary conduct, evidence of outstanding service, leadership, and character. Selection is determined by a faculty council appointed by the administration. Based on meeting the GPA requirement, juniors and seniors are invited for membership at the start of those respective years. Induction takes place in October of the junior or senior year.

**Activities:** Members offer tutoring services, sponsor fundraisers.

**Moderator:** Mr. Brian Butterly

## *National Speech and Debate Association Honor Society*

**Purpose:** National honor society for students who excel in speech and debate through participation on the AHN Speech and Debate team.

**Qualifications:** Through participation in the Speech and Debate team, members earn points to become inducted in the National Speech and Debate Association Honor Society.

**Moderator:** Dr. Julie Omodio-Griess

## *Quill & Scroll (Journalism Honor Society)*

**Purpose:** To recognize the highest type of high school journalistic or school media achievement

**Qualifications:** Must be at least high school sophomore and be scholastically in the upper-third of her class; must have completed superior work in some phase of high school journalism/media in writing, editing, broadcasting, video, etc.

**Moderator:** Dr. Lauren Oetinger

## *Rho Kappa (Social Studies Honor Society)*

**Purpose:** The purpose of Rho Kappa is to recognize outstanding achievement in Social Studies.

**Qualifications:** Students must have completed four semesters of courses in the field of social studies and be prepared to complete at least six semesters. Students must maintain an 88 (A-) entering the junior/senior year in four semesters of social studies courses or have taken AP European or AP Human Geography and earned a 3 or higher on the College Board AP exam. Prospective members must also have a letter of recommendation from a current teacher.

**Selection:** Grade eligibility, evidence of interest in the subject, evidence of satisfactory conduct and good character

**Moderator:** Ms. Lori Kearney

## *Science National Honor Society*

**Purpose:** To recognize outstanding achievement in the sciences and to encourage these students to pursue the study of science, engineering and technology in college.

**Qualifications:** The honor will be conferred at the end of junior or senior year. To be eligible, a student must have and maintain a 4.3 overall GPA with a 4.0 in at least one Honors or AP level science course in the year prior to consideration and (for juniors) also the following year.

**Selection:** All students who meet the qualifications will be selected.

**Moderator:** Ms. Judy Perrella

## *Spanish Honor Society*

**Purpose:** To recognize outstanding achievement in Spanish

**Qualifications:** Three consecutive semesters of "A" or better are needed to apply for membership. Students are eligible after the midpoint of Spanish 2 or higher and are invited to join in the spring. Excellence in Spanish must be maintained for continued membership. Members must actively support the society's service efforts.

**Selection:** Grade eligibility, evidence of interest in Spanish, and evidence of satisfactory conduct and good character; Freshmen are not eligible for membership.

**Moderator:** Ms. Micky Stagg

## *Tri-M Music Honor Society*

**Purpose:** To recognize students with exceptional music ability and who give service to the school through the use of their musical talents.

**Qualifications:** Completion of two or more semesters of music ensembles, maintain a 3.5 overall GPA, with a 4.0 in Music classes; have a good character and an interest in promoting music through community service

- Selection:** Students who meet all academic requirements and have taken at least two semesters of music ensembles will be notified of their eligibility in the spring.
- Activities:** Perform at the Student Art Fest in the spring; and volunteer four hours helping with the spring musical
- Moderator:** Ms. Vivian Kimbler

## *Athletic Teams - Jaguars*

**Basketball**

**Crew**

**Cross Country**

**Dance (Jaguarettes)**

<b>Golf</b>	<b>Lacrosse</b>
<b>Soccer</b>	<b>Softball</b>
<b>Swimming &amp; Diving</b>	<b>Tennis</b>
<b>Track and Field</b>	<b>Volleyball</b>

If you wish to join a team, you must sign up, try-out, and be chosen for sports team membership because of your athletic ability. A special, athletic health form must be on file before you try out for any sport. A student must earn an un-weighted semester GPA of 2.0 or above to participate in extracurricular activities the next semester. Any student who receives a grade of “F” in any class for a quarter is ineligible to participate in extra-curricular activities for a three-week period. Freshmen have an equal opportunity to be selected for team membership. Some sports only field a varsity team and others field a junior varsity team, as well. There are openings for managers of the different sports, but you have to make the fact that you are interested in such a position known to the particular coach. Rules and regulations for the athletic programs are outlined in the Athletic Handbook. Questions regarding the AHN Athletics Program should be addressed to Mr. Kevin Vargas, Athletic Director – [kvargas@holynamestpa.org](mailto:kvargas@holynamestpa.org).

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leadership, and both personal and social responsibility. Participation in these activities is voluntary. Students select their clubs and activities according to their interests and their abilities. Attendance at extra-curricular events demonstrates respect for classmates and pride in the school and its values.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:** To be eligible to participate in AHN co-curricular activities, which includes all clubs and athletic teams, students must follow a full subject schedule and maintain satisfactory conduct. If a student is placed on academic probation, she is not eligible for participation in sports or activities during the following semester.

- Upon completion of the first six weeks of each semester, grades will be viewed weekly by the high school administration. At that time, any student with a grade lower than 70% cannot miss the class(es) in which she received that (those) grade(s) to participate in a co-curricular event. Students will regain their eligibility once their grade(s) has (have) risen to or above a 70%.
- Any student who receives an “F” grade in any class for a semester is ineligible to participate in co-curricular activities for a three-week period. The three-week ineligibility period would be in effect over the first three weeks of the following semester.
- Any student who earns an unweighted GPA below 2.00 in a semester is ineligible to participate in co-curricular activities the next semester.

**FUND-RAISING FOR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY AGENCIES:** Organized fund-raising activities on behalf of the school and local community agencies may, with the approval and permission of Administration, be conducted in the school. All other monetary collections among students are positively prohibited unless authorized by Administration.

#### **ATTENDANCE AND CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- Students absent from school for the day or who become ill at school and go home may not attend or participate in a cocurricular activity or school function on the day of the absence or early dismissal. This includes all athletic events, drama/music/art events/practices at AHN or any other school.
- Students who have attended school but who leave school for a medical or dental appointment may participate in a cocurricular activity later that day ONLY if a doctor/dentist note, stating the day and time of the appointment, is provided to the HS receptionist.
- **Students arriving late to school who are not in attendance by 9:00 am on MTRF or 9:45 am on Wednesdays, may not attend or participate in any co-curricular activity or school function later that day.**