

Ross High School



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Academic Team	Mr. Smith	Anyone	The team has scheduled practices several times a week, (October-March) in order to prepare for the Academic Team League matches and tournaments. Their goal is to promote academics through competition.	To Be Announced	None
American Sign Language Club	Mrs. Hudak	No prior knowledge of sign language is required. For students who already have a basic knowledge of the language, opportunity for advancing their skills is available.	Students will have the opportunity to learn and use American Sign Language, learn about Deaf culture, and attend events for the Deaf community in greater Cincinnati.	Meets monthly throughout the school year. Deaf community events take place on weekends and attendance is encouraged, but not required.	No required fee. Rotate providing snacks for meetings.
Athletic Teams	Mr. Richards	Students who are chosen after tryouts.	Visit the Athletic page on the website for athletic teams and coaches.		
Cappies Critic Program	Mr. Maus	Critics must apply and be selected.	The Cappies is a national organization that celebrates achievements in theatrical journalism and performance. The critic team is invited to participating schools throughout the city and writes critiques on their productions. All schools are invited to an awards gala at the Aronoff Center at the end of the school year. Any student interested in theatre and/or journalism is encouraged to apply.	The critic team meets once a month to improve writing technique and plan events.	\$25 membership fee
DECA	Mrs. Taylor	DECA is a professional organization for students enrolled in marketing.	To provide students with the opportunity to develop vocational understanding, civic consciousness, social intelligence, and leadership skills.	As needed	\$25.00

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Earth Club	Mr. Jones Mr. Streng	Students interested in environmental care and enjoyment.	Field trips to explore the natural world. Park and campus clean-up projects. After school activities to promote nature and science awareness	Approximately every two weeks.	None
FCCLA	Mrs. Manns Mrs. Roberts	Must have taken a Family and Consumer Science class.	To promote leadership development through family and consumer sciences education.	In class as needed	\$25.00
FFA	Mr. Korb	Must be enrolled in an Agricultural Education class.	Field trips, guest speakers, county and state fair, state and national conventions. Summer FFA camp. Increase agricultural awareness in our community. Break down stereotypes about the program.	Monthly	\$25.00
History Club	Mrs. Eckstein	Open to all	We have fun and hang out while exploring history! We go on field trips to historic sites and museums, play trivia games, watch movies together, host guest speakers, read graphic novels, and more. Activities are optional and open to all! Leadership opportunities.	Twice a month	Field trip fees
International Thespian Society	Mr. Maus	Membership is earned through participation in performance-based activities and training. Officers are elected by inducted members.	This is an international honor society for students who demonstrate excellence in the performing arts. Members earn access to exclusive scholarships and resources. Troupe Officers are elected from existing members and serve as the leadership team for the theatre department, tasked with organizing events and cultivating a culture of excellence and acceptance.	Officers meet bi-weekly to plan and execute events within the department.	\$30 lifetime membership fee
Jazz Band and Marching Band	Mr. Roemer	Must be a member of the high school band and by auditions.	Various performances, both in and out of the Ross Community.	Tuesday and Thursday after school	Must own tuxedo shirt, black pants, and black shoes.

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Mock Trial Team	Mrs. Berlage Mrs. Farris	Open to all students	Students analyze a court case and assume the roles of attorneys and witnesses. Students compete against other schools, arguing the case in front of actual judges and attorneys. Includes the potential for state and national championships!	Up to several times a week September - February: monthly March - June	\$20.00
National Honor Society (NHS)	Mr. Napier	Must have a 3.45 unweighted GPA, hold two positions of leadership (one within 12 months of turning in information packet), participate in two community service activities, two school activities, and a 1.5 average character vote by the faculty council.	Service projects	Bi-Monthly	\$20.00
Rambotics	Mr. Jones	Anyone may join	Fund, market, and build a robot to compete in FIRST FRC competitions. (http://www.usfirst.org/) In the Fall semester, members will help run a LEGO tournament, raise funds and market the team. January is the start of the 6 – week build season. April starts the travel and tournament season.	Once a week in the Fall. Everyday during 6-wk build. As needed during tournaments	Some travel T-shirts

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Ram Theatre Project (Drama Club)	Mr. Maus	Open to all students. Cast members must audition for roles. Crew members must turn in an interest form.	Ram Theatre Project produces a minimum of two full shows each year. - one play, one musical. Students make up the cast, crew, and design team, practicing skills and learning new techniques in the performing and technical arts. As part of the department's mission, a charity project is conducted in conjunction with every show. Though roles and crew assignments are applied for, no previous experience is required and participation is rarely denied. All students are welcome and encouraged to participate.	One organizational meeting at the beginning of the year. Cast and Crew will meet weekly during rehearsals.	\$50.00 participation fee (cast members.) \$25.00 participation fee (crew members.) Possible financial aid available upon request.
Ross Legacy (Show Choir)	Mr. Finkbine	Must be in concert choir and by audition	One will perform a show utilizing costumes, song, and dance, perform at school concerts, competitions and community events.	Practice every Tuesday and Thursday from 6 PM to 8 PM.. Competitions will be held on Saturdays.	Fee will be determined upon size of group.
Ro-Hi-Ti	Miss Rozzi	Journalism student, Sophomores - Seniors may join with submitted application and teacher recommendation	Publish school newspaper, write stories, photography, layout design advertising. The goal is to accomplish a high-quality student newspaper.	Year-long course	None
Rossonian	Mr. Streng	Anyone may join.	Learn photojournalism techniques, page layouts, publication software, and marketing techniques. The goal is to produce a high-quality yearbook.	Weekly meetings after school	None
Spanish Club	Mrs. Gardner	Spanish students current or past; (all levels)	Involvement in Spanish language and cultural activities in the area.	None	None

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Spanish National Honor Society (Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica)	Mrs. Gardner	Students with a 3.5 G.P.A. in Spanish. have completed 3 or more semesters of Spanish. 3.25 overall G.P.A. Interest in Spanish language and culture.	Continued commitment to learning Spanish language and using it to help building positive relationships in the community and world.	Invitation ceremony only.	\$20.00
Student Government	Mrs. Berlage	Based on elections and candidates.	Homecoming crowning, elections, decorations, blood drives, canned food drives, staff appreciation week.	Once a month	None
TSA (Technology Student Association)	Mr. Reed	Any student currently enrolled in a Butler Tech class for this school year or by Mr. Reed's approval	We will learn how to solve technological problems and then design and build solutions to those problems. We will focus on Architectural design, CAD - Architecture, CAD - Engineering, Technology Problem Solving, Dragster Design, Board Game Design, and VEX Robotics Challenge. You may choose to compete in other competitions with the instructor's approval.	Once a month, August - December, then as needed to finish the goals of the contest.	None
Volunteer Advisory Board (VAB)	Mrs. Gardner	Anyone may join.	Serving the community by performing a variety of volunteer projects, while at the same time providing services for the students by helping them prepare for competition for jobs, colleges, scholarships, and selective organizations.	Meetings are held once a month to plan projects. Officers may meet additionally. We typically have two projects per month.	None