

MCI

MAINE CENTRAL INSTITUTE

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

WITH ALMOST 30 DIFFERENT CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES, MAINE CENTRAL INSTITUTE'S EXTRACURRICULAR OFFERINGS HELP OUR STUDENTS FIND THEIR PASSIONS.



MCI OFFERS A WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES to students. Our students are required to participate in a club, activity, or sport during the academic school year, and it is common for students to be involved in multiple activities.

PLEASE REVIEW THE LIST OF CLUBS and activities that we offer students; if you do not see a favorite activity in the list below, we encourage you to create a club or activity for the entire campus to enjoy.

CONTACT DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES Jason Allen a jallen@mci-school.org for more information about how to join an MCI club or how to start one of your own.

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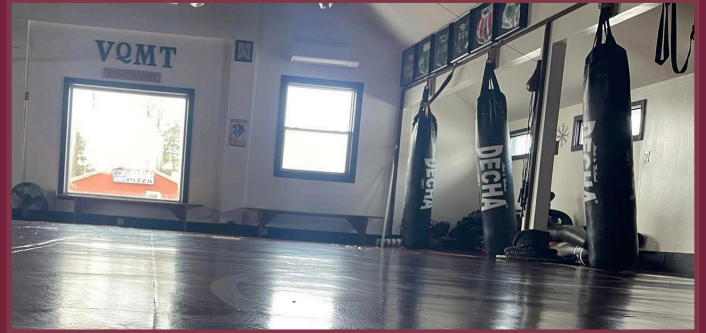
LIST OF CLUBS

AOMORI PROGRAM



MCI students and their families host a homeroom class of Japanese students from Aomori-Minami Senior High School. Aomori students participate in school visits, co-curricular activities, eating and shopping, and typical Maine family activities. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to enjoy a more personal exchange with teenagers from another country, and discover that they have much in common.

BOXING CLUB



The Boxing Club is dedicated to the sport of boxing through the practice of rigorous boxing training. Students travel to the Vision Quest Muay Thai & Fitness studio down the street to learn from the best when it comes to boxing training and fitness.

For more information please contact Mr. Allen at jallen@mci-school.org.

CRAFT AND JEWELRY



If you would like to learn a craft, have a crafting skill to share, or you'd just like to hang out, drink tea, and make some cool crafts, please join us Thursdays during Husky Time! You can learn how to make a necklace, some earrings, or even learn how to knit!

For more information, contact Ms. Shorey at kshorey@mci-school.org.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY



The Cultural Diversity Club will promote and celebrate our diverse cultural community at MCI with student-led activities such as sharing cultural music, food, dance, interactive theatre, poetry, and more. They will continue to organize events such as the Cultural Heritage Day and the International Food Festival.

For more information please contact Ms. Swinton at jswinton@mci-school.org or Mrs. Choinere at mchoinere@mci-school.org

DRAMA



Drama Club welcomes all skill levels and abilities. The club is designed to foster interest and promote participation in theatre activities on campus, showcase student talent in other venues, engage in meaningful theatrical activities and productions, and foster a successful working relationship between students and faculty.

For more information, please contact Mrs. Susi at dsusi@mci-school.org.

ELLA NIGHT



Ella Night continues MCI's long history of prize speaking competition. For more than 100 years, MCI students have been performing monologues to entertain audiences and prove their expertise in the art of spoken word performance. Students participating in Ella Night will spend the months of March and April preparing for their competition after April break.

For more information please contact Ms. Fitts at efitts@mci-school.org.

FENCING



The Fencing Club has a few devotees who think it is a great way to spend a couple of hours once a week, because fighting with swords is very cool! The club is designed to teach competitive sport fencing, starting with foil, to any student who wants to learn. Both males and females fence on an equal footing and the camaraderie mostly trumps the competitive urge. Members who are able to attend regularly are usually amazed at how they improve over the course of a year. We are limited by our equipment to about eight fencers at any one time but are able to accommodate larger numbers by sharing.

Swords, masks, jackets and gloves are all provided by the club in a wide range of sizes so almost anyone can come learn.

For more information, please contact Cleon Grover at cleongrover@gmail.com.

GARDENING



The MCI Gardening Club is comprised of students who all share a passion and love for gardening and helping plants grow. The Gardening Club helps take care of our numerous gardens and greenhouses across campus.

For more information, contact Mr. Robinson at lrobinson@mci-school.org.

GAY-STRAIGHT ALLIANCE



MCI Gay-Straight Alliance's goals are to communicate with the LGBT and youth on campus and advocate their needs and concerns. By bringing awareness to their issues, we will create a stronger, more inclusive community for all MCI students.

For more information, please contact Ms. Buzy at mбуzy@mci-school.org.

HUSKY ARTS



The Husky Arts club is dedicated to the expression of visual art and representation. We draw, listen to music, and watch art videos. The club's specific activities are determined by the group and suggested activities include painting sets for prom, museum visits, free choice art time in the art room, and much more.

For more information, contact Mr. George at mgeorge@mci-school.org.

JAZZ BAND & COMBO



The Jazz Band and Combo continue the history of musical excellence at MCI. Jazz Combo allows students to approach the music in a smaller group with more emphasis on the individual and student leadership, while the Jazz Band comprises of dozens of talented student musicians showcasing their talents every year at our various concerts and annual jazz competitions.

For more information, contact Ms. Buzy at mбуzy@mci-school.org.

KEY CLUB



MCI's Key Club comprises students from all grades who are interested in serving their communities. At our weekly meetings, we talk about community service projects and how we can help others. In the past few years we have also partnered with NHS to provide Thanksgiving meals to local families in need, sponsored the annual Sno-Ball on campus, helped feed those in need through Operation Hunger, made Valentine's Day cards for the local Veteran's home, and more.

Key Club International is the high school organization sponsored by Kiwanis International. High school student members of Key Club perform acts of service in their communities, such as cleaning up parks, collecting clothing and organizing food drives.

For more information, please contact Mrs. Palonis at apalonis@mci-school.org.

MASARDIS



Masardis is MCI's recurring coffeehouse. Masardis explores the many facets of MCI's creative community members, routinely recognized and newly found. Masardis sponsors performance art through regular coffeehouse nights showcasing student and faculty talents with light refreshments.

For more information, please contact Mr. Buys at jbuys@mci-school.org.

MATH TEAM



The Math Team generally meets once a week for practice. Doing several math problems in a limited time may not be everyone's idea of a great way to spend an afternoon, but the pride of success at such a mental challenge is very rewarding. The team competes in the Maine Association of Math Leagues throughout the year.

For more information, please contact Mrs. Wess at jwess@mci-school.org.

MODEL UN



Model UN is a student group with a focus on global awareness, citizenship, and diplomacy. Students learn about international issues and work together to solve problems. Each May the team travels for three days to discuss global issues with schools across Maine. Model UN is also offered as a second semester course.

For more info, contact Mr. Brownell at ebrownell@mci-school.org.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



The National Honor Society is a national organization that comprises high school sophomores, juniors and seniors. Membership in the National Honor Society is one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a student. The NHS strives to recognize the total student—one who excels in four areas: Scholarship, Leadership, Service and Citizenship, and Character. Membership, however, is more than an honor. It incurs a responsibility and an obligation to demonstrate those outstanding qualities that resulted in selection.

This organization is not open to all students, but exemplary students are chosen by a committee of faculty members. Students must have a cumulative GPA of 85 or better and also must attend MCI for two semesters to be considered. MCI reviews new candidates each September, and students are inducted into MCI's NHS chapter every October.

For more information, please contact Mr. Robinson at lrobinson@mci-school.org or Mrs. Libby at jlubby@mci-school.org.

MEDIA CLUB



The MCI Media Club is dedicated to anything related to mediated communication and expression. The club allows each individual student to pursue their own interests, such as photography, videography, media writing and journalism, graphic design, social media marketing, and more.

For more information, contact Mr. Rollins at brollins@mci-school.org.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE



Outdoor Adventure Club gives students opportunities to get outside and be active. The club takes advantage of the great outdoor resources in central Maine and beyond. Recent adventures include an overnight biking trip, a hike to Katahdin Peak, and a paddle from the Pinnacle to Douglas Pond in Pittsfield.

For more information, please contact Mr. Libby at mlubby@mci-school.org.

SKATING



The MCI Skating club is dedicated to the chilly pastime of ice skating. Students will travel to indoor skating rinks or skate locally during the cold winter months.

For more information, please contact Ms. Fitts at efitts@mci-school.org

SKI & SNOWBOARD



Ski and Snowboard Club organizes around trips to local mountain resorts to enjoy time skiing, snowboarding, and the apres ski scene! We often ski at Sugarloaf on weekends, but we have also traveled other resorts in Maine. It is a great opportunity to learn and enjoy some of Maine's best winter scenes!

For more information, contact Mr. Buys at jbuys@mci-school.org.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS



Student Ambassadors serve as MCI's representatives to prospective families and students. MCI Student Ambassadors participate in various capacities throughout the year at various admissions events and activities. They also serve as hosts for students who participate in the MCI experience.

For more info, please contact Mr. Tasker at mtasker@mci-school.org.

STUDENT COUNCIL



The Student Council serves the student body. We solicit input around student issues and concerns, and develop and implement ways to address those issues. The Student Council is one avenue for administrators to gather input as well. Additionally, we conduct service projects for MCI and sponsor activities designed to meet our pledge in our mission statement. We raise money to fund three scholarships and to fund attendance at leadership conferences.

For more information, please contact Mrs. Verrill at jverrill@mci-school.org.

TABLETOP GAMING



The Tabletop Gaming Club at MCI is comprised of students who all share a love for strategy and tabletop games such as Dungeons and Dragons and Magic: The Gathering.

For more information, contact Mr. Brownell at ebrownell@mci-school.org, Mr. Elderkin at lelderkin@mci-school.org, or Mr. Pomeroy at apomeroy@mci-school.org.

VOLLEYBALL



The purpose of the MCI Volleyball Club is to provide a friendly atmosphere for volleyball players and anyone interested in learning the game to meet and play with others in Parks Gym. The club has open play once a week for players to enjoy recreational volleyball. Everyone is welcome to come and participate.

For more information, contact Mrs. Granke at kgranke@mci-school.org.

YEARBOOK



Students in the Yearbook Club are responsible for creating MCI's yearbook, The Trumpet. Students participate in a variety of activities including: photography, digital editing, journalism, and business management. Yearbook is a lot of fun and celebrates a variety of student talents.

For more information, please contact Ms. Shorey at kshorey@mci-school.org.

YOUTH & GOVERNMENT



Youth and Government allows students to better understand Maine's legislative process. Students learn how bills are made in Maine and propose their own pieces of legislation. Students then travel to the State House in Augusta where they debate and discuss their own legislation.

For more info, please contact Mr. Brownell at ebrownell@mci-school.org.

ANNUAL CLUB AND ACTIVITY FAIR



MCI holds the Annual Club and Activity Fair at the start of each school year, usually during the first day of school with all students. The fair is held in Parks Gym or Front Campus, and each MCI club is represented by the faculty/staff advisor and student members. The fair is a wonderful chance for students to learn about the many clubs that MCI has to offer.

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