

Clubs and Activities at Father Ryan 2023-2024

There are many different activities and organizations available to students at FRHS. Below is a list of club descriptions and club moderator(s). Contact the moderator(s) or Mr. John Michael Simpson in the Campus Ministry and Student Life Office if you have any questions.

*Indicates an activity that requires an audition, application, or a class to participate. Talk to the moderator for specifics.

American Red Cross—

Father Ryan hosts a Red Cross blood drive in the fall and spring semesters. The fall drive will be held this year on Wednesday, October 19 (A-day) from 9:00-2:00. Donors must be 16 years old.

American Sign Language Club—

Join the American Sign Language Club. We are a hands-on connection of language and lives!

Architecture, Construction, and Engineering Club—

Interested in developing a city one day? If you like to tinker, see how things work, or create...ACE is the place for you!

Art Club—

The art club provides any student the opportunity to meet after school to work on special art projects and to share art experiences with their fellow students. You do not need to be enrolled in an art class to join.

Behind the Crest—

Are you interested in becoming the next Lee Corso, Bob Costas, or Doris Burke? BTC provides in-depth coverage for Irish Athletics through broadcasting, filming, editing, photographing, using social media, and more. Learn what sports media is all about with Behind the Crest!

Book Club—

Calling all book lovers! Have you ever wanted to get ideas for your next great read? Do you love talking about books and want to find others who enjoy reading and sharing ideas? Come join Father Ryan's Student-Led Book Club! We will choose a new book to read each month and meet during Break to share ideas.

Cercle Francophone (French Club)—

Parlez-vous français? Practice speaking French and discover the cultures of the French-speaking world through activities such as a crepe workshop, French karaoke, cheese tasting, and more!

Chess Club—

Learn the game or perfect your skills with Mr. Pour and friends. Members play after school and enter monthly tournaments.

Coding Club—

The Coding Club will meet twice a month during Break on Tuesdays in Library 102. Students can choose their own topic or join others on a project to learn the basics of coding apps and games, work with microcontrollers, or create websites. They are welcome to meet in the lab after school if an adult is available to be with them.

Cooking Club—

Do you enjoy cooking and baking? Gather at the table with us to learn a few new recipes and participate in fun-themed events.

Creative Writing—

Tolkien and Rowling had to start somewhere, right? Express yourself at writing events throughout the year and submit work to The Gadfly.

Dungeons and Dragons Club—

Ever want to fight evil monsters or save a city? Now you can! Join with friends and enter a fantasy world where your characters get to control their destinies. Make your own epic story!

E-Sports—

E-Sports is a new club at FRHS that seeks to foster student development in leadership, teamwork, complex real-time problem-solving, and communication skills through exciting video gaming competitions. The E-Sports Club aims to equip students with the ability to compete in E-Sports leagues with the potential to earn college scholarships.

El Club de Español Club—

Hola amigos! Experience the Spanish and Latin American cultures with us! We will watch short videos that portray various cultural events, do activities to celebrate important holidays in Latin America, and discuss issues facing the Hispanic community in Nashville. You do not have to be a Spanish student to join in the fun ¡Gracias!

Entrepreneur Club—

Have you ever dreamed of owning your own business? Do you have aspirations of becoming a millionaire, perhaps a billionaire? Join us as we explore business ideas and opportunities in the Entrepreneur Club.

Environmental Awareness—

Get your green on by helping with the recycling program, raising awareness, tending the native plant prairie, and promoting Earth Day activities at FRHS.

Father Ryan Anglers—

Fishing is a perfect low-stress, low-impact activity that keeps you moving for hours. Anglers host at least four derbies to such places as Cajun Lake Lodge, Caney Fork, Camp Marymount, and Father Ryan. So, grab your friends, and let's go fishing! No experience is necessary.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes—

Athlete or not, FCA is open to all Christians for praise and worship in the Chapel during Break on Wednesdays that fall on B-days.

Gadfly—

Searching for creative individuals with public relations, publicity, and computer editing skills to work for Father Ryan's literary arts magazine!

Garden Club—

Got a green thumb? Members work in the FRHS garden to learn about composting, planting, harvesting, and the benefits of growing their own food.

Investment Club—

Are you interested in becoming the next Dave Ramsey? Learn how to make informed decisions about investment opportunities.

Irish Service Corps—

ISC promotes monthly service projects in the Greater Nashville area and on campus—all coordinated by students!

Latin Club—

The Latin Club is alive and well and meets monthly to celebrate Roman Culture blended with a few Catholic holidays.

Magnificat: Girls Faith Group—

Join a fun Girls Faith Group where female students gather monthly to discuss faith, choices, relationships, and discernment.

Melchizedek Project—

Meet with like-minded Catholic men to consider, study, and pray about a vocation to the priesthood, religious life, or married life.

Mock Trial—

Do you plan to attend law school or need a real-life Law & Order fix? Take on the role of attorney and mimic actual court cases. Compete with other students and schools while learning the workings of the legal system and trial procedures.

Model United Nations—

Are you interested in international relations and politics? Represent a country with a group of your friends and compete with other high schools in TN.

Multi-Cultural Student Union—

Bring awareness of issues within our Father Ryan community and the global community to our school population. Work to create authentic ethnic and cultural celebrations. Participating in ethnic and cultural discussions, bringing guest speakers on campus, off-campus enrichment experiences, and other landmark opportunities.

Music Ministry—

Share your musical talents at all-school masses each month. All guitar players, singers, and drummers are welcome!

***Peer Mentors—**

The nicest group of upperclassmen you will ever meet! Serve as a guide and leader to incoming freshmen and transfer students throughout the year. Applications for Peer Mentors are made available in January to rising Juniors and Seniors.

Purple Masque Players—

Calling all artists!! Want to act, sing, and dance? Want to paint, build, and create? Join the Purple Masque Players and become a part of producing the fall musical and the spring play.

Relay for Life—

Support the fight against cancer! Father Ryan hosts the country's largest student-led Relay for Life event (per capita)! Create a team to participate in Relay Night and raise money for the cause. Save the date for Saturday, October 30, 12:00-8:00pm for this year's Relay for Life.

Respect Life Club—

Members join the Pro-Life campaign by participating in monthly activities and traveling to Washington, D.C., for the Right to Life March in January.

Rocket Club—

The title of the club sells itself! Use science and math skills to build rockets and conduct other fun experiments! Future engineers apply within.

Science Olympiad—

Are you interested in becoming the next Einstein? Start early by joining this fun group of scientists in physics, chemistry, space, and more competitions!

Social Justice Club—

Through the lens of the Catholic faith, examine injustices in our society and learn how to advocate for change, serve those impacted, and seek to stop the problems at the root.

Social Media Ambassadors—

Are you interested in social media? Learn how to create social media content, assist with Father Ryan social media ideas, learn social media strategy, gain experience in digital marketing, and more!

Speech, Acting, and Debate Team—

Have you ever been told to save the drama for your mama? Take part in speech and debate activities and competitions! Get happy—join SAD!

***Student Ambassadors—**

Interested in helping prospective students and parents learn why Father Ryan is such an awesome school? Consider applying to be a Student Ambassador! Applications are available to rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors in March.

Youth in Government—

Are you TN's next Senator or Representative? Check out what life is like for our congressmen and women as you spend a long weekend working inside our state's capitol. See how a bill becomes a law as you debate, create, veto, and pass legislation in a statewide competition.