

TCMS CLUB DESCRIPTIONS

Club/Organization Brief Description	Spons or Room #	Contact Email	Meeting Day/Time	Competitive
<p style="text-align: center;">Spanish Club</p> <p>Students will study Spanish cultures, prepare dishes, and create Spanish arts and crafts.</p>	718 or 618	<p style="text-align: center;">Dina Ortiz dortiz@tcjackets.net</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ben McLain bmclain@tcjackets.net</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Amanda McConnell amcconnell@tcjackets.net</p>	Every other week Day TBD 3:30-4:30 Spring semester	Yes
<p style="text-align: center;">LEGO League</p> <p>(1 team, 6 to 10 students in grades 5-8) First Lego League encourages students to think like scientists and engineers. They compete in three areas: Robot, Core Values, and Project. Students will research and solve a real-world problem. They will build, test, and program a robot.</p>	614	<p style="text-align: center;">Will Hanna whanna@tcjackets.net</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sam Sturup ssturup@tcjackets.net</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sarah Rigdon srigdon@tcjackets.net</p>	Weekly 3:30-4:30	Yes Students must apply for this club in August.
<p style="text-align: center;">National Junior Honor Society</p> <p>The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) elevates a school's commitment to the values of scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship and helps middle-level students develop the knowledge and skills to become well-rounded student leaders in their school, community, and beyond.</p>	613	<p style="text-align: center;">Amanda West awest@tcjackets.net</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Brenton Smith bsmith@tcjackets.net</p>	Monthly	Trip to Washington DC
<p style="text-align: center;">FFA</p> <p>FFA is an intracurricular organization for students interested in agriculture. Students can participate in monthly chapter meetings, community service projects, leadership conferences, and career development event competitions, such as Livestock & Horse Evaluation, Forestry, Floral Design, Ag Mechanics, and Public Speaking.</p>	Ag Room	Tyler Jackson tjackson@tcjackets.net	Monthly / 3:00-5:00	Yes
<p style="text-align: center;">Reading Bowl 5th-8th Grade</p> <p>Students read TOME books and meet weekly to answer practice questions. Students then compete against other schools in answering questions about the books.</p>	Media Center	<p style="text-align: center;">Nicole Boyd ntyson@tcjackets.net</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Betsy Garbett jgarbett@tcjackets.net</p>	Mondays 3:00-4:00	Yes

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<p>Drama Club Drama club is for students who desire to become actors, directors, designers, and technicians. This club focuses on giving students the opportunity to improve their speaking skills, express themselves, and just plain “ham it up” in front of an audience. This club includes scene work, movement exercise, improvisation, pantomime, make-up skills, monologues, and oral interpretation.</p>	701	<p>Kimsey Hodge khodge@tcjackets.net</p>	<p>Weekly- TBD Year round 3:30 - 4:30</p>	No
<p>The Stock Market Game The Stock Market Game is an exciting simulation that gives students the opportunity to invest a virtual \$100,000 for 10 weeks in real stocks, bonds, and mutual funds. At the end of the 10 weeks, teams with the highest total equity are eligible for a variety of prizes and awards. Eighth-grade students compete in teams of no more than 4. Students must meet minimum requirements for competition credit.</p>	804	<p>Stacie Layne slayne@tcjackets.net</p> <p>Kendra Reeves kreeves@tcjackets.net</p>	<p>Fall (will be announced)</p> <p>Spring (will be announced)</p>	Yes 8th Grade Only
<p>Interact Club Student-led service club for students who want to make a difference in their school and community and have fun doing it! You’ll build leadership skills and earn service hours all while giving back to your community. No experience needed- just a heart to help and a willingness to get involved!</p>	701	<p>Melissa Artz martz@tcjackets.net</p> <p>Katherine Lattay klattay@tcjackets.net</p> <p>Jill Russell jrussell@tcjackets.net</p>	TBA	No
<p>4-H 4-H is the nation's largest youth organization where kids learn through fun, hands-on projects in STEM, healthy living, agriculture, and civic engagement. Great for students who ride the bus since it meets during school hours.</p>	TBA	<p>Cindy Mott Wynn cmwynn@uga.edu</p>	<p>TBD Once a month, some Sat. (usually at the 4-H office).</p>	DPA-yes

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<p>Student Council This club is for students who like to be involved in setting up school events, such as dances and the can drive. We also try to help MERIT students get their service learning hours. Please sign up for the Remind.</p>	505	<p>Rachel Henderson rhenderson@tcjackets.net</p>	Every other Tuesday (subject to change)	No Service Learning Projects
<p>FCCLA Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. FCCLA is a nonprofit national career and technical student organization for young men and women in Family and Consumer Sciences education in public and private schools through grade 12.</p>	FCS Lab	<p>Megan Palmer mpalmer@tcjackets.net</p>	First Thursday 7:30	No
<p>Science Academy Students will explore Space Science, Animal Science, and Roller Coaster Physics in an after-school program, followed by a 4-day field excursion to Kennedy Space Center, EPCOT, Wonderworks, Disney's Animal Kingdom, SeaWorld, and Universal Studios. A must-do for all Science Nerds!</p>	603	<p>Dana Studdard dstuddard@tcjackets.net Djuana Rinehart drinehart@tcjackets.net Kim Simmons ksimmons@tcjackets.net</p>	Tuesdays 3:30 - 5:00 8th- December 7th - October 6th- February Overnight Field Trips Involved	No
<p>Math Olympiad 5th/6th Come explore mathematical concepts while developing flexibility in solving non-routine problems with multiple solution paths.</p>	510	<p>Sarah Rigdon srigdon@tcjackets.net</p>	Bi-Weekly Beginning in November	Yes
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<p>Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) FCA focuses on serving local communities around the globe by engaging, equipping, and empowering coaches and athletes to unite, inspire, and change the world.</p>	Cafeteria	<p>Lee Taylor ltaylor@tcjackets.net Anna Hester ahester@tcjackets.net</p>	Beginning in September Weekly 7:30 am	No

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<p>Dance Club Just dance!! If you have a love for dancing and enjoying music, come join us.</p>	Dance Room	Katie Gaston kgaston@tcjackets.net	TBA	No
<p>Disc Golf Disc Golf is a healthy, inexpensive, recreational activity that provides upper and lower body conditioning, aerobic exercise, and mental stimulation. Students will use various forms of mathematical knowledge to play. From keeping score to choosing the right angle, to knowing standings in competition, playing by the numbers is part of disc golf. Disc golf is played like golf except, instead of a ball and clubs, players use a flying disc. Disc golf is quick and easy to learn, so anyone can play!</p>	720	Gavin Wilson gwilson@tcjackets.net Britain Pyle bpyle@tcjackets.net	Weekly starting in January (Day TBA) 3:30-5:00	
<p>Young Local Historians Travel back in time to see how big events like the Civil War, World Wars, and the Great Depression impacted Thomas County! In this club, we'll explore our local history through museum visits, guest speakers, and real historical documents. If you're curious about how the past shaped our community, this is the club for you!</p>	804	Heather Ward hward@tcjackets.net	Starting in October, weekly on Thursdays 3:30-4:00	No
<p>Chess Club This club is for anyone who wants to learn more about chess: beginners and intermediate players. This is a great opportunity for students to expand their knowledge of a timeless game while improving their problem-solving skills and having fun at the same time.</p>	615	Betsy Garbett jgarbett@tcjackets.net	Starting September, twice a month on Tuesdays 3:30-4:30	Yes

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<p>Latin Club The Thomas County Schools Junior Classical League is a chapter of both the Georgia and National Junior Classical Leagues, which are organizations committed to an appreciation of the impact of the Classical Greek and Romans cultures on modern life. It is an academically competitive club and participates in several testing events, as well as state and national in-person events.</p>	703b	<p>Charlie Gammel cgammel@tcjackets.net</p>	Friday Mornings	Yes
<p>InVentures 6th-8th grade students passionate about entrepreneurship and innovation. This club empowers students to identify real-world problems and develop creative, practical solutions through product design. Members will actively engage in research, product development, critical thinking, and presentation skills, gaining hands-on experience as they bring their ideas to life and pitch them to an audience.</p>	508	<p>Brandi Clapper bclapper@tcjackets.net</p>	September-January Tuesdays 3:30-4:30	Yes
<p>Rubik's Cube Club All skill levels are welcome—from beginners to advanced solvers! This club offers a fun and supportive environment to practice solving Rubik's Cubes and connect with fellow enthusiasts. Each student should bring their own standard 3x3 Rubik's Cube. Each week, we will focus on a new step in solving a Rubik's Cube. As students progress, we'll hold friendly in-club competitions to challenge and celebrate improvement.</p>	510	<p>Sarah Rigdon srigdon@tcjackets.net Katie Brewer kbrewer@tcjackets.net</p>	Weekly for 6 weeks Day TBD	No
<p>Jotting Jackets Calling all storytellers, poets, and idea-makers! Do you love to write or want to try something new? Join our school's creative writing club! We'll dive into fun and inspiring activities, share our stories, and even enter writing competitions. No experience needed-- just bring your imagination!</p>	719	<p>Kristi Keve krkeve@tcjackets.net Rena Ramirez rramirez@tcjackets.net</p>	1st and 3rd Thursday of each month 3:30-4:30	Yes

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<p>Archery Club (FCA Outdoors) All skill levels are welcome! Come practice shooting a bow while uniting and inspiring to make the world a better place.</p>	618	<p>Ben McLain bmclain@tcjackets.net Gerald Pannel</p>	TBA	Yes
<p>Builders Club Are you interested in helping your community? Do you want to learn more about service learning? Were you a K-Kid at Cross Creek? This is the club for you!</p>	Lunchroom	<p>Logan Odom lodom@tcjackets.net</p>	TBD	<p>No Only Service Learning Projects</p>