

Ritch Middle School Clubs 2026-2027

School sponsored clubs (excluding competitive interscholastic activities or events) are those under the sponsorship, direction and control of the school that organize and meet for common goals, objectives and purposes. State law requires that parents have the right to withhold permission for their student to participate in any school sponsored club or organization designated by them. For your convenience a form is included in the Parent Notification Letter, addendum to student handbook, if you do not wish for your student to participate in the club you have designated on the form. If a club is added during the year, you will be provided information on the club and your written permission will be required prior to your student’s participation.

Name of Club/ Organization	Mission/Purpose	Faculty Advisor	Meeting Days	Planned Activities
4-H Club	Students will be empowered to reach their full potential, while working and learning life skills in partnership with caring adults.	Josie Davis	All meetings at 8:45 am Monthly as announced	Students will work on leadership development and explore career options. They will support community projects as well.
American Sign Language Club	Empower students to communicate, include, and respect the deaf community by introducing students to American Sign Language and Deaf culture.	Catherine Workman	Tuesdays-3:45-4:30 - \$15.00 - Beginning 2nd week of School	Through hands-on learning, collaboration, and silent parties and games, we strive to build friendships, promote empathy, and celebrate the diversity of all people.
Art Makers Club	To foster student enrichment and creativity by allowing students to create with various art mediums and explore materials within our School Makerspace.	Christy Falls, Latrina Thompson	Once or twice a month as announced after school on Mondays. Cost: \$20.00	Provide students with the opportunity to create, to build, and to invest in new and imaginative ways with various art mediums and materials in the Makerspace Lab. Field trip - to be announced.
Buddy Club	The Raven Buddies program promotes inclusion by creating opportunities for general and special education students to build relationships, learn from one another, and celebrate individual differences	Sara Reid	TBA once club has met; some events will be during the school day	Buddy Club members will engage with special education students through games, social interactions, and classroom activities that promote inclusion, friendship, and the development of positive social skills.
Chess Club	To provide students with an opportunity to learn about Chess and to better their skills.	Dennis Casey, John Miller	One day each month (usually on Tuesday) 3:45-4:45. Begins in September.	Students will have the opportunity to participate in Chess games to practice their skills
Dance Your Heart Out	To utilize dance as a way to build confidence through self-expression and to promote friendship, build bonds, and increase self-esteem.	Stephanie Martinez	Wednesdays after school starting in October	Students will explore different dance styles as well as learn to count beats and rhythm. Together they will select a dance style and create a dance.
Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)	To present students and all they influence with the challenge of establishing their faith and sharing their faith with others.	Angie Acree, A. Richardson, Ginna Stokes	Weekly; Tuesdays @ 7:45; Begins 2nd week of September	Bible study and activities that will promote Integrity, Serving, Teamwork and Excellence, and encourage fellow students through Christian principles.
Garden Club	The P. B. Ritch Middle School Garden was created with the belief that every child should have the opportunity to learn basic concepts from nature itself. Our aim is to promote community, socially responsible, culturally sensitive and environmentally aware behavior through the growth of our urban garden.	Kelley Nunn, Ginna Stokes	Once a month during school hours	Students will have the opportunity to help maintain the urban garden. Students will also have input on designing lessons for the garden to enrich the STEM curriculum at RMS. An application, letter of recommendation, and interview process to participate is required.
Girls Who Code	The P.B. Ritch Middle School Girls Who Code Club empowers young GIRLS to become confident innovators, leaders, and changemakers by exploring computer science, coding, robotics, artificial intelligence, and emerging technologies. Through hands-on learning, collaboration, and real-world problem solving, we inspire girls to lead with confidence, think creatively, and shape the future through technology.	Sherise Dawkins	Tuesdays; 3:45 – 4:45 beginning in September	Throughout the year, members will participate in coding projects through the Girls Who Code HQ platform, robotics and engineering challenges, artificial intelligence and cybersecurity activities, coding competitions, and capstone projects. Students will also connect with women in STEM through guest speakers, college and industry partnerships, STEM outreach events, and a Parent & Daughter STEM Night. The year concludes with a Girls Who Code Technology Showcase, where members celebrate their creativity, innovation, leadership, and achievements with families and the school community.
Junior Beta Club	To promote the ideals of academic achievement, character, service and leadership among secondary school students. (open to students based on grades)	Allen Chavez Markeita Irvin	2nd Wednesday @7:50 beginning September	Community involvement through service and leadership projects.
PBIS Club	To promote and improve positive behavior school wide.	Amanda Badertscher	1st Thursday of every month	Students will collaborate and share ideas of activities and prizes students want as rewards. We will also be involved in the local community.
Reading Club/TOME Society	To promote a love for reading and increase student comprehension and creativity by reading designated books and creating products related to the books.	Christy Falls	An informational meeting will take place during school hours in August. In that meeting, we will determine the week/day that the majority of students are able to meet after school. Dates will be determined, and an informational packet will go home. Students will meet once a month.	Students will read books together and have book discussions. Field Trip to TomeCon on March 9, 2027 (A fundraiser will take place to help with student cost.)
Real-World Robotics & Engineering Club	To enrich students in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.	Nadia Clark, Ana Moroni	Thursdays 2x/Month 3:45 - 5:30 pm	Students will engage in engineering practices with an emphasis on real-world robotics.
Running Club	Improved Heart Health, increased metabolism, hormonal profile, recovery ability, and management of diabetes	Amanda Badertscher, Andy Smith, Micah Gardner	Fridays 7:15-8:15 am in the gym beginning in September. Note: No meetings in December, January or May.	Activities that require the student to run or move quickly for a set amount of time will accomplish our mission. Students will participate in games and activities that will meet or exceed our mission focus(es).
Soccer Club	Students will have the opportunity to play and practice soccer.	Keanu Quintana Allen Chavez	Thursdays at 3:45 - 4:45	Scrimmages, drills, practice skills, and learning rules.
STEM Ambassadors	To lead others in STEM activities and build leadership capacity among student participants.	Christy Falls	TBA; varies based on local school events	Attend STEM events at PCSD schools to lead activities as determined by RMS STEM Committee.
Trading Card Game Club	To teach students about some of the most popular trading card games in pop culture, help develop strategic thinking skills, and foster healthy competitive mindsets focused on personal growth and sportsmanship.	Keanu Quintana	Twice a month on Fridays, usually 2nd & 4th Friday, from 3:45-4:45 PM	Learning to play popular trading card games and common strategies.