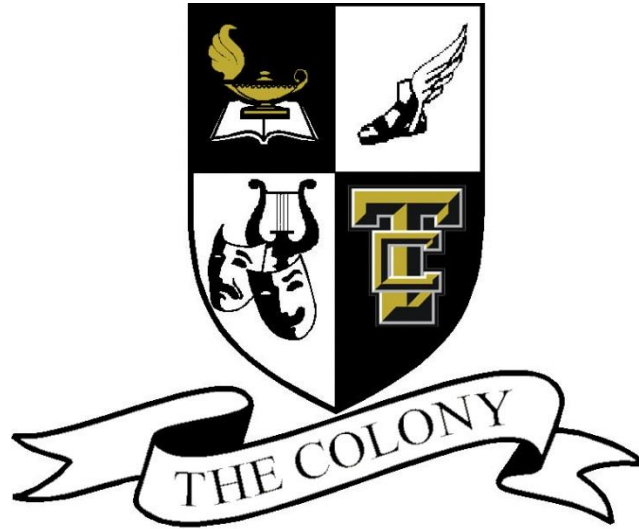


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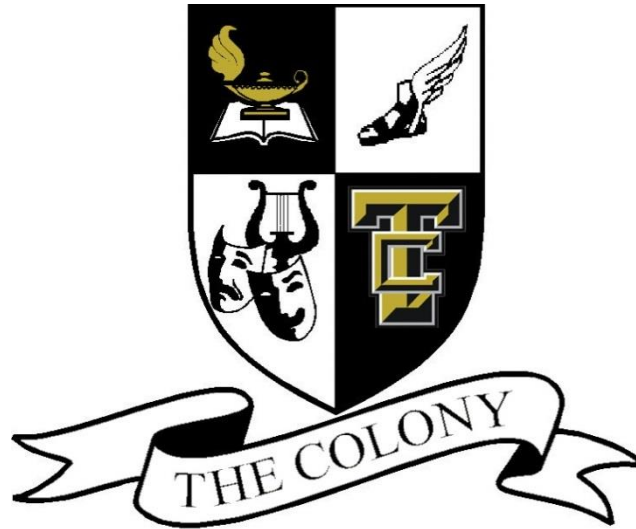
GUIDE TO CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

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Guide to Clubs and Organizations



***P**hilosophy of student clubs and organizations.* The scope of student clubs and organizations and their activities at The Colony High School is such that their administration requires definite policy, organization, and delegation of responsibility. In planning and establishing a student club or organization in the high school, it must be remembered that the purpose of these groups is to develop participation and dependable, socially minded and mature citizens.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Student clubs, organizations, and performing groups such as band, cheerleaders, choir, drill teams, and athletic teams may establish rules of conduct and consequences for behavior that are stricter than those applied to the general student body. If a student violates one of these, it also is a violation of school rules. The consequences specified by the school shall apply in addition to any consequences specified by the organization.

DEFINITION OF EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

See section 19 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 76, Extracurricular Activities, in short, is defined as any activity outside of school curriculum.

DEFINITION OF CO-CURRICULAR

Co-curricular activities are an extension of classroom instruction in which participation is by the entire class or a significant portion thereof. They relate directly to, and enhance student learning of, essential elements through participation, demonstration, illustration, and observation. Co-curricular activities are included in the teacher's instructional plan and are conducted by or supervised by a classroom teacher or other educational professional.

GUIDELINES FOR ACTIVITIES

1. A number of student clubs or organizations and a variety of co-curricular activities are included in the school program to provide enrichment and to contribute to the development of students.
2. All school clubs or organizations will schedule meeting times with their sponsor in an effort to avoid conflicts.
3. The sponsor or an organization officer, with permission of their sponsor, is to secure approval from the administration before arranging for extra or unusual activities.
4. After obtaining permission to schedule a meeting or activity, the sponsor should notify the assistant principal in charge of building use or rental and make arrangements for the room(s).
5. Clubs or organizations may be charged for the custodian's time at the building. Any other arrangements must be cleared through the principal of the school.
6. Clubs or organizations will not be permitted to meet unless the club or organization sponsor is present.
7. Clubs and organizations sponsors must submit an application for fundraising and have it approved by Administration prior to planning any fundraising activity.

OVERNIGHT TRIPS

The board shall permit students to take school-sponsored overnight trips for the following purpose:

1. Instructional purpose (field trips and excursions). Approval for trips shall be from the Principal.
2. Activities of school-sponsored or sanctioned club or organizations. Approval for the trip shall be from the Principal.
3. UIL or other sanctioned competitions. Approval for the trip shall be from the Principal.

ACTIVITY FUNDS MANAGEMENT

Each school shall have and maintain a student activity account to manage funds, organization funds, and any other funds into which students have put money in the name of the school. All monies collected shall be receipted by the principal or a designee and deposited to appropriate District account, at the District depository, on the same day if possible.

The principal of the school shall be responsible for the proper administration of each organization's funds in accordance with state and local laws, District-approved accounting practices and procedures, and TEA Bulletin 679.

Monies collected by student groups shall be disbursed only for purposes authorized by the organization or upon approval of the sponsor. The principal or a designee shall approve all disbursements. All funds raised by student organizations must be expended for the benefit of the students.

SECRET SOCIETIES

The board prohibits any fraternity, sorority, or secret society, defined by state law as “any organization composed wholly or in part of public school below the rank of college or junior college...which seeks to perpetuate itself by taking in additional members from the pupils enrolled in such school on the basis of the decision of its membership, rather than upon the free choice of any pupil in the school, who is qualified under the rules of the school, to fill the special aims of the organization.”

Any student who becomes or remains a member, of any such fraternity, sorority, or secret society shall be recommended for placement in an alternative education program.

ACADEMIC DECATHLON

Richard Sulfstede / Cheryl Chupe

This course is Fall Semester, 4th period class, rather than a “club”, open to juniors and seniors who enjoy academic competition. The United States Academic Decathlon is a team competition wherein students match their intellects with students from other schools. Students are tested in ten categories:

Art, Economics, Essay, Interview, Language and Literature, Mathematics, Music, Science, Social Studies, and Speech.

Based on the model of the athletic decathlon, the Academic Decathlon requires participants to prepare for ten academic events. Like the athletic contest, the Academic Decathlon does not permit participants to specialize, but rather the Academic Decathlon encourages academic versatility by requiring students to prepare for all ten events. The Academic Decathlon stresses educational opportunity and academic excellence.

A . V . I . D .

*Brandon Grady/ Heather Acker,
Room J204*

The Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) club encourages students to promote and participate in AVID at TCHS. It supports AVID student, community service as well as organizing functions, activities, social events and fundraisers. AVID members will participate in leadership training and visit college campuses. This club will be a common organization for all AVID students.

B A N D

*Michael Larkin Jeff Bridges
Terry Hurley Brian Teed*

The Colony High School Band is one of the most honored organizations at TCHS. Middle school band participation is a pre-requisite for membership in the high school band.

The Colony Band has performed at the UIL State Marching Contest 8 times (State Finalist on three occasions), has been a TMEA Honor Band State Finalist 6 times, has earned 19 UIL Sweepstakes Awards, performed at the Midwest International Band and Orchestra Convention twice and at the Bands of America National Concert Band Festival, has performed in the Tournament of Roses Parade, and was selected as the 1997 TMEA State Honor Band Champion. The band program has had 61 students earn a chair with the Texas All State Band and Orchestra.

The Colony High School Band program includes Marching Band, Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Winter Guard, and an extensive Percussion Program.

BIBLE STUDY CLUB

Caitlin Eldredge, Room J107

The purpose of the club is to provide a weekly non-denominational, Christ-centered bible study led by students. This club participates in volunteer opportunities throughout the year. Meetings are held in Room J107 during Mega Lunch.

BOARD GAME CLUB

*Matthew Woody/ Auguste Meyrat
Room K209*

The Board Game Club provides students with the opportunity to strengthen their creative and critical thinking skills through board games. The club offers an exciting and enriching alternative to traditional luck-based games like Monopoly or Battleship. Examples of the games we play include: Chess, Backgammon, Dungeons & Dragons, Scrabble, Settlers of Catan and many other innovative games. The Board Game Club does not promote video games or gambling games. Meetings will be held during Mega Lunch.

CHEERLEADERS

*Heather Jones – Varsity
Tim Anderson – JV
Blair York -- Freshman*

Requirements for membership are made through selection by a panel of judges in March of each year. A pre-tryout parent meeting is mandatory. The dates for this meeting are announced in February. Tryout material will be taught at afternoon clinics the week of tryouts.

The purpose of this organization is to create school spirit, loyalty, and pride, while maintaining a high standard of academic excellence. Also, to establish a feeling of loyalty and cooperation through group membership; to set an example of spirit between school and community; to focus on school spirit; while striving for goals to compete successfully at UIL, local and national competitions.

The cheerleaders cheer and/or support all the athletic teams, cheering year-round for football, volleyball, and basketball and appearing at wrestling matches, softball and baseball games.

Requirements for membership are made through a selection of NCA certified judges in March of each year. A one week mandatory clinic will be held before the tryout to teach all the material.

No membership dues collected; however, uniforms and camp expenses are required.

C H E S S C L U B

Jennifer Spaur, Room A209

This club is for anyone that likes to play Chess or would be interested in learning to play Chess. We will meet in Room A209 during Mega Lunch. Come by to play, watch or learn about Chess.

C I R C L E O F F R I E N D S

Jennifer Shaw/Christa Vaughan/Wendy Crow/Katie Brown, Room A103

This is a school sponsored club composed of students who desire to initiate and develop friendships with peers who have special needs. These students look for opportunities to include

their friends in activities during and after school (including weekends), and to make a difference in their lives.

Circle of Friends seeks to enrich the lives of all students by creating lasting relationships regardless of difference. Make a friend and make a difference by joining Circle of Friends.

C O U G A R C R E W

Ryan Cruz, Room B118

The Cougar Crew club is to promote school spirit. Meetings will be held during Megalunch

D E B A T E / S P E E C H T E A M

Tammy Ellis, Room K101

TCHS competes in tournaments in both Speech, Debate and Congress. Events include Lincoln-Douglas debate, Public Forum Debate, Original Oratory, Extemporaneous Speaking, Prose, Poetry, Humorous Interpretation, Dramatic

Interpretation and Duel acting. Tournaments are conducted through the Texas Forensic Association, the National Speech and Debate Association and the University Interscholastic League. Meetings will be during Mega Lunch and after school as needed.

**FAMILY, CAREER, AND
COMMUNITY LEADERS OF
AMERICA**

*Ashlyn Swan/Tim Anderson
Room A128*

past.

Requirements for FCCLA are that a student be currently enrolled in any Family and Consumer Sciences Education (formerly Home Economics) course or have taken one in the

The purpose of FCCLA is to prepare individuals for the future as leaders in their family, their career and their community. Student members participate in activities that make a difference in the school, family, community, and nation by developing projects that address a variety of issues.

Membership dues required.

FANTASY SPORTS CLUB

Ryan Cruz, Room B118

discuss strategies, trades, and rules of Fantasy Football for our leagues and leagues outside of the club.

Fantasy Sports club is to promote, practice and play Fantasy Sports. During our weekly meeting times, the club will

**FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN
ATHLETES (FCA)**

Cleve Ryan, Varsity Gym

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) challenges coaches and athletes on the high school and youth levels to use the powerful medium of athletics to impact the world in a positive manner. FCA is the largest school-based, Christian sports organization in America. FCA focuses on serving local communities by equipping, empowering and encouraging people to make a difference.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

The FCA Vision is to see the world positively impacted through the influence of athletes and coaches.

F I D M F A S H I O N C L U B

Amanda Bensley, Room C103

Sponsored by the Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising our members have one thing in common...they love fashion! Students will have the opportunity to participate in fashion shows, workshops and DIYs, fashion trend research, fashion sketching, field trips, fundraisers and guest speakers. Dues are collected upon joining.

F F A

Kason Peterson, Room C104

FFA (Future Farmers of America) is an intra-curricular student organization for those interested in agriculture and leadership. FFA is not just for students who want to be production farmers. FFA also welcomes members to aspire careers as teachers, doctors, scientists and business owners. FFA is committed to the individual student providing a path of achievement in premier leadership, personal growth and career success. We are aimed to achieve excellence in farming, agriculture and much more. Please come and join us during Megalunch on Mondays in C104.

F I T N E S S C L U B

John McDonald, Room H106

The Fitness Club- the science of building muscle will be meeting during Megalunch this year. The focus will be weightlifting and body-building. All are welcome to attend.

F I L M C L U B

Tammy Ellis, Room K101

The Film Club will create original films in the documentary, narrative or animation format. The films will be submitted for the University Interscholastic League Film Contest and will follow those guidelines. Actors, directors, producers, screenwriters and technicians are all welcome.

FRENCH CLUB

Fabienne Morel, Room J110

The purpose of the club is to promote the love of the French language and culture at TCHS. The French Club will have meetings during Mega Lunch in Room J110.

GERMAN CLUB

Stephanie VanSant, Room J111

German Club members will be watching short films, listening to modern German music, playing German based games, celebrating German Holidays and looking at topics in German culture, tradition and participating in events during the school year. If you like German food? Trivia? Sports? Anything to do at all with Germany? Than German Club is for you! You do not have to speak German! German speakers are nonetheless welcome of course!

GLITTER & GLUE CLUB

Elaine Porter, Room J108

Glitter and Glue is the club for you if you like to make amazing projects like you see on Pinterest! Learn how to crochet and make a scarf, headband or blanket. Learn to quilt and make a blanket for your old t-shirts. Create beautiful Christmas cards and make a snowman necklace just in time for winter. Come join the fun in J108 during Block A of Megalunch! See you there!

GREEN SCHOOL CLUB

*Carelys Kenney/ Amy Pleggenkuble,
Room A245*

Through school-based action teams of students, administrators, educators and community volunteers, Eco-Schools combines effective “green” management of the school grounds, facilities and the curriculum. The club will follow the National Wildlife Federation guidelines.

HISTORY CLUB

Jody Comer, Room K219

hands-on exploration of historical sites and cultural activities are posted outside K219.

The TCHS History Club is open to all students who are interested in exploring history at a world, national, state and community level. The club seeks to provide a personal, applications, meeting times and

HOCKEY CLUB

John McDonald, Room H-106

This club is designed for those who love the game of hockey. More information will be given at the first meeting during Megalunch.

INTERACT CLUB

Tammy Ellis, Room K101

Interact organizes at least two service projects per year, one that benefits their community and one that encourages international understanding. TCHS Interact meets in K101 on the 2rd and 4th Thursday during megalunch. TCHS Interact is sponsored by the Lewisville Morning Rotary Club

Interact is a club for youth who want to connect with others in their community or school. Interact club members have fun while carrying out service projects and learning about

JAZZ CHOIR CLUB

Margaret Miller, Room E110

TCHS Tempo. Meetings will be in the choir room during Mega Lunch.

New heights Jazz Choir is an auditioned 4 part jazz choir. Students in this group are members of the varsity choir,

JOURNALISM UIL TEAM

Janet Shideler, Room H109

The Journalism Academic Team competes in the following UIL competitions: News Writing, Feature Writing, Editorial Writing and Headline Writing. Each competition has 3 team members. The team competes at the District level and move on to Regionals and then State. The team members also participate in two practice meets before District competition. Students are trained in the journalism class taught by journalism adviser, Janet Shideler. Students need to be enrolled in a journalism course to be on the team.

JOURNEY TO DREAM

*Ashley Hoffman/ Amy Chamberlin
Room J103*

Journey to Dream is an organization where students can come together to support one another. Journey to Dream empowers and supports students through school meetings, assemblies and community events. We will be meeting every Thursday.

JROTC

*LTC(R), Steven Lopez
1SG (R) Carolyn Zila*

The primary objective of the program is to motivate young people to become better citizens. It is not a preparation program for military service, and cadets are neither encouraged or discouraged from pursuing a desire to serve in the Armed Forces.

The goal of this program to provide a high quality education that leads to life-long learning and success in the responsibilities of citizenship, character building, community service and leadership development. This is accomplished by providing cadets opportunities to develop suitable courses of action to problems and make decisions, lead and develop teams, practice oral communications, public speaking and compete against other JROTC programs in various skills taught within the program.

Strong emphasis is placed on physical fitness and health, character-building that raises self-esteem and self-confidence, engagement in learning, making the right decisions and taking responsibility for all one does, academic achievement and the power of teamwork.

The Cougar battalion's competitive teams have won several Regional and State championships. To be a member of this organization a student must speak with his or her counselor and then be approved by one of the two instructors.

The program also offers other Extra-curricular activities such as:

Honor Guard – This group presents the National Colors at community events such as football, basketball, softball, soccer and other community activities.

Cadet Challenge – Each Company within the Cougar Battalion competes against each other by performing physical fitness events such as: push-ups, curl-ups, pull/chin ups, V-sit reach, shuttle run and the one-mile run.

Drill Team – This activity is separated into two types of drill teams, the un-armed and armed team. Teams march in a military organization style while competing in an inspection, regulation and exhibition phase that qualifies our teams to compete at State, Regional and National level.

Orienteering- This team competes against other clubs from high schools and organizations in meets to locate marked points on a course in the shortest amount of time. Cougar Battalion teams have gone to win State and National honors.

Academics – This team is made of four cadets that answer questions in a jeopardy and written format. The questions are based on JROTC leadership knowledge, government, history, physical training, and current events.

While working hard to achieve success the Cougar Battalion Cadets take pride in themselves, The Colony Community and the causes that they support. They also represent TCHS at parades, take field trips and conduct a Military Ball each year.

L A T I N C L U B

Jenna Laurie, Room J109

The purpose of the TCHS Latin Club is to cultivate our understanding of the ancient world and its significance in our world today. We look at cool things about Roman culture and the Latin language including Roman poetry, virtues, ideals and food! The Latin Club fosters brotherhood and sisterhood, promotes enthusiasm, encourages competition, inspires dedication, and enriches us as learners. The Latin Club participates in Latin competitions at the area, states, and national level which occur in the spring and summer.

MATH UIL CLUB

Anne Bond, Room H213

The sole requirement for membership is an interest in mathematics and math competition.

The purpose of the Math Club is to prepare students for math competitions both in the Texas Math/Science Coaches Association and UIL events. The Math Club competes in various tournaments in the North Texas area throughout the year. Students also compete in the UIL Academic meets in the spring of each year.

No membership dues are required. Meetings will be held during Mega Lunch in K101.

**MODEL UNITED NATIONS
CLUB**

*Jody Comer, Kristie DeLuna
Room J206*

Model United Nations, also known as Model UN or MUN, is an extra-curricular activity in which students typically roleplay delegates to the United Nations and simulate UN committees. This activity takes place at MUN conferences/competitions, typically sponsored at colleges. Model UN will meet on Fridays in J206.

MU ALPHA THETA

Diana Shepherd, Room H209

Mu Alpha Theta is a national honor society for mathematics. To be a member of Mu Alpha Theta, a student must be enrolled in Algebra II or above and have a weighted average of at least 97 in all math courses taken in high school.

The purpose of the organization is to further an appreciation for the study of mathematics and mathematical applications. The organization also serves as a service organization by sponsoring projects each semester. Meeting will be held during Mega Lunch. Membership dues are required for membership.

**NATIONAL ART HONOR
SOCIETY**

Huong Morgan, Room B108

The National Art Honor Society (NAHS) is a national program that extends the visual arts to the school and to the community. Our goals include building a curriculum to foster and prepare our artists for the art world. It provides enriching art opportunities by inspiring, encouraging and recognizing your accomplishments, achievements and dedication to the arts. We also strive to highlight our artists in the community through volunteer outreach. Membership is based on art scholarship, service and character. Attendance is required at meetings to maintain membership and privileges. Members must be passing all of their core subjects and have above a 90 in their art class.

Members may remain active during such time when not enrolled in art classes. Membership dues are required for membership. Meetings will be held during Mega Lunch.

**NATIONAL ENGLISH HONOR
SOCIETY**

*Auguste Meyrat / Adam Lowber
Room J209*

The National English Honor Society (NEHS) is an organization for students currently enrolled in AP Language and Composition or AP Literature and Composition. NEHS aims to recognize those students who do well in their English classes (at least a 3.0 GPA in English), encourage them to develop their reading and writing skills, and to spread a love of the English language among their peers. In order to achieve their goals, NEHS will engage in various projects during the year like the NEHS blog (www.tchsnehs.blogspot.com), reading clubs, club promotions, volunteer activities, and periodic induction ceremonies. Seniors in the group can note their involvement in NEHS on college resumes, and they may also have an honorary cord to wear on their graduation gown as a mark of distinction for their achievement in English. For more information about NEHS, please see Mr. Meyrat (J209) or Ms. Wilt (J211). Meetings will be held during Mega Lunch.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Rachel Oleksiak Room J112

Prospective candidates for membership in the National Honor Society must have a cumulative GPA of 99.0 or higher with one full semester residence at TCHS. Students with the required scholastic average are asked to complete a Student Activity Form. Students are expected to have participated in community service activities and show outstanding qualities of leadership, character, and service. The details for selection are in the TCHS Student handbook. By national organizations rules, ninth grade students are not eligible for consideration.

The National Honor Society is the front-runner of organizations that promote recognition for students who reflect outstanding accomplishments in the area of scholarship, character, leadership, and service. The TCHS National Honor Society Chapter is an active organization. Community service and GPA are criterion for selection and continued membership.

The purpose of The Colony High School National Honor Society is to recognize and encourage academic achievement and to develop characteristics essential to citizens in a democracy, including service, leadership, and character. It also strives to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership and to develop character in individuals.

**NATIONAL SCIENCE HONOR
SOCIETY**

*Richard Sulfstede/Jamie Holbrook
Room A244*

The National Science Honor Society is for Juniors and Seniors with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above, who are enrolled in an upper level advanced Science class. They must maintain a 3.5 in ALL of their Science classes to retain membership. Meetings will be once a month and will include discussions on current events, guest speakers and possibly field trips. One of the requirements for National Science Honor Society will be to help with tutoring underclassmen, as well as developing and maintaining a Science Club.

**THE COLONY HIGH SCHOOL
ORCHESTRA**

Gary Needham, Orchestra Room

The Colony High School Orchestra Program offers a wide variety of musical ensembles for string players as well as other musicians. While the primary enrollment in the Orchestra Program is composed of only violin, viola, cello, bass, piano and harp, other musicians on campus are utilized throughout the year.

Admission to the program is by audition with prior experience needed in either a middle school orchestra or a private instruction situation. Classes offered during the school day are Chamber Strings, Symphony Strings, and Concert Strings. Other ensembles which perform during the year are full Symphony Orchestra, full Philharmonic Orchestra, the Pit Orchestra for the TCHS musicals, and various smaller ensembles as needed for school, community, and civic functions.

The Orchestra Program has grown in both numbers and recognition throughout our state and nation. It has received consistent Sweepstakes Awards at UIL competitions, First Division and Best in Class Awards at the national level, and many of our students have been recognized with Outstanding Soloist awards. Our graduating senior string players are in demand from universities and are consistently awarded very generous scholarships.

Each year the orchestra travels to either to a national festival or makes a concert tour which includes master classes with professional musicians. Private study is highly recommended and available on campus during the school day. There is a very active booster organization to lend support to the Orchestra Program.

**PEER ASSISTANCE AND
LEADERSHIP (PAL)**

Jamie McCarty, Room K108

Members must be a Junior or Senior and must go through an application and interview process. The application process begins in March of the preceding year and interviews are scheduled in April. Class membership will be announced by the end of April 1st.

P.A.L. is a community emphasized outreach program that involves high school role models. The chosen P.A.L. role models visit with schools within the community, in the hope of being a positive influence on at-risk students at the elementary and middle school campuses that feed into TCHS. PAL services the community in many ways through its efforts in working with youth, D.A.R.E., and other community based groups and events.

Students earn two state credits and must be able to enroll in the class for one full school year. It is offered during third period only.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Janet Shideler, Room H109

The Photography Club will be held on Tuesdays during Mega Lunch, A Block in Room J101. No camera? No worries! You'll learn techniques using your phone, iPad, and other types of cameras. Learn pre and post processing techniques, compete and win awards, and lets simply have fun capturing life through a lens.

**QUILL AND SCROLL
INTERNATIONAL
JOURNALISM HONORARY**

Janet Shideler, Room H109

The purpose of this club is to instill in students the ideal of the standards of the profession of journalism by developing better journalists and by recognizing a higher code of ethics, and to promote clear and forceful writing in TC Publications---*Track of the Cat* yearbook and *The Paw Print* www.tcpawprint.net. Members pay \$25 for a membership pin and graduation cord. Students must be in a journalism/photojournalism class for a minimum of two semesters.

ROBOTICS CLUB

Kenny Hoang, Jin Choi
Room A244

A student led club that will focus on designing, building, programming and operating robots to perform tasks to compete against others while developing STEM and 21st century skills. Cooperate as a team to overcome challenges to successfully achieve a common goal.

SPANISH CLUB

Kaywanda Lamb, Room J104

The purpose of the Spanish Club is to develop appreciation for the Spanish language and worldwide Hispanic Culture and to collaborate with other TCHS Students who enjoy speaking Spanish outside of the class room. Meetings will be held during Mega Lunch.

SPEECH UIL TEAM

Tammy Ellis, Room K101

The purpose of the Speech Team is to promote and participate in events of the National Forensic League and to encourage and support the activities of the Speech and Debate program at The Colony High School, especially in the area of speech competition. After school practice is required for tournament competition. Speech tournaments are held approximately once a month on Friday and/or Saturdays. There are 8-10 speaking events available to choose from including both acting events, persuasive speaking events and debate.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Jamie McCarty, Room K108

To become a member of Student Council a student must complete an application and have it approved by the officers.

The purpose of the organization is to create a greater sense of responsibility within the student body; to strive for better student/faculty relationship; to promote unification of the student body and better representation of its ideas to the faculty and administration; to promote a positive attitude in the advancement of leadership and loyalty; to promote spirit in the school activities; as well as to uphold traditions and to set standards for generations of TCHS students to come. The objective of Student Council is to provide a service organization doing various activities within the community throughout the year, while developing student leaders. Membership dues are required.

STUDENT MEDIA PHOTOGRAPHY

Janet Shideler, Room H109

The club will meet during Mega Lunch. Students in journalism classes who want to further their student media photography are encouraged to join. The photographers take pictures at all sporting events and school activities. The members can use their own camera or can be trained on the school's SLR Canon cameras which can be checked out to them.

TCHS BASS FISHING CLUB

Cody Carpenter, Room C104

#C104 during Mega Lunch.

The purpose of the club is to educate students about all aspects of bass fishing. Meetings will be held in Room

**TEMPO SELECT VOCAL
ENSEMBLE**

*Margaret Miller, Erik Holmberg
Room E110 (Choir)*

movement.

To become a member of the vocal performing group, TEMPO, a student must audition the previous spring before a panel of judges. The students are judged on vocal ability, musicality, stage presence, sight singing and

Members of TEMPO learn teamwork, unity and a variety of musical skills. They perform for social, civic, community and school events. TEMPO functions as an excellent public relations group for TCHS.

TCHS Choirs are composed of five choirs, including:

Concert choir – a non-varsity, mixed ensemble

Encore – a ladies choir

Tempo – a varsity mixed ensemble

Men's choir

New Heights – jazz ensemble – must be a member of Tempo to audition for this select ensemble.

The group meets once a week after school. The objective of each music organization is to strive for excellence in choral music.

THE COLONY ACADEMIC

UIL TEAM

Tammy Ellis, Room K101

The TC Academic Team is a group of students that compete in a variety of academic events supported by the University Interscholastic League. Events include

Accounting, Computer Applications, Computer Science, Current issues and events, Journalism – Editorial, Feature, Headline and News Writing, Vocabulary. The team meets to get study materials, take practice tests and just to socialize. The District, Regional and State competitions take place in the Spring.

**THE COLONY TOPCATS AND
COUGARETTE JV DRILL TEAM**

*Haley Harris, Tara Fecher
Topcats Room*

The Colony Topcats is the dance/drill team for The Colony High School, which promotes teamwork, unity and school spirit, while aiding in the building of students' character, responsibility and leadership.

Additional emphasis is placed on proper nutrition, conditioning and quality of life. Membership for the Topcats is determined the preceding year by a panel of qualified judges. Each student desiring to audition for membership will attend a camp prior to the date of auditions, which are held at the end of March, or at the beginning of April. The selection process has an indeterminate number of positions, but those selected will have met or exceeded a minimum-rating requirement.

THEATRE AT THE COLONY

Dwayne Craig, Room - PAC

Theatre at The Colony's mission is to create happiness by providing the finest in entertainment for people of all ages within our community. Our objective is to prepare each student to continue his or her career or educational goals in theatre, be it in college, university, conservatory, acting school, or an apprenticeship program. However, by creating good work habits, study skills, and cooperative learning experiences, the student is better prepared to establish a career in any field of endeavor. Our season includes 2 main stage musicals, 2 musical revues, a UIL competition one-act play and class plays. Membership is obtained through audition and grades must be maintained in all classes to stay eligible.

THE PAW PRINT NEWSPAPER

Janet Shideler, Room H109

Students who want to be a member of The Paw Print newspaper staff must complete an application from The Paw Print adviser, Janet Shideler and be interviewed by the newspaper editors. It is preferable that you have taken journalism (first period in the fall) and/or photojournalism (first period in the spring). Applications are available in H109.

Applications must be completed in the spring before enrolling in the course, and a one-year commitment is preferred. Yearbook students will be trained in the following areas: computers, photography, design, writing, Adobe InDesign, Adobe iMove and Adobe Photoshop.

The Paw Print is a student-driven newspaper with a mission to cover campus-sponsored events before, after, and during the school day. Staffers are required to interview people, write stories, shoot photos, sell advertising, and design the layout for each paper, hard copy or online version. Skill in photography, art, and ad design would be helpful. Staffers will be asked to participate in UIL competitions which includes news writing, feature writing, editorial writing and headline writing. Staff members are invited to attend scholastic conferences and camps.

THE UNITED FANDOM CLUB

*Lori Bakke, Stephanie Boscarino
Nicholas Goodnight Room B106*

The United Fandom is a diverse collection of students who gather together to share in the enthusiasm of obsession. The United Fandom brings together students from all corners of anime, video game, movie, comic book, literature, TV realms and unites them into one glorious fandom within an everlasting community of open-mindedness, friendship and acceptance. If you are a fan of debates, improve games, art contests and are obsessed with anything from Halo to Harry Potter, from Attack on Titan to Star Wars, and anything nerdy in between-The United Fandom is just for you. Please contact your friendly neighborhood sponsors:Ms. Bakke, Ms. Boscarino or Mr. Goodnight for further information. We meet in Ms. Boscarino's room in B106 during Mega-lunch.

TRACK OF THE CAT YEARBOOK

Janet Shideler, Room H109

Students are want to be a member of Track of the Cat yearbook staff must complete an application with Track of the Cat adviser, Janet Shideler and be interviewed by the yearbook editors. It is preferable that you have taken journalism (first period in the fall) and/or photojournalism (first period in the spring). Applications are available in H109.

Applications must be completed in the spring before enrolling in the course, and a one-year commitment is preferred. Yearbook Students will be trained in the following areas: computers, photography, design, writing, Adobe InDesign, Adobe iMovie and Adobe Photoshop.

The purpose of the Track of the Cat is to produce the official yearbook of The Colony High School. Its mission is to cover all aspects of student life, academics, clubs and organizations, and all school-sponsored sports.

TRAVEL CLUB

Lana Crevier, Lori Bakke
Room H107

Travel Club will allow wanderlust students to build a community with like-minded peers in order to share a love for travel and an exposure to new places and ways of life. Travel Club will open students' eyes to different cultures and nationalities through travel, helping to build their self-confidence and real-world skills as their knowledge of the world and independence is expanded outside of the classroom. If you dream of traveling one day or already have your passport full of stamps feel free to join us. Group travel is not required in order to be a part of travel club.

ULTIMATE CLUB

Brian Davenport, Room H208

The purpose of the club is to promote, practice and play the sport of Ultimate Frisbee. During our weekly meeting times the club will practice throwing techniques, strategies, and drills of all aspects of Ultimate Frisbee. During these times we will also plan regular scrimmages and tournaments that will be held outside of the school day. Meetings will be held on Tuesdays during Mega Lunch, A Block in the Big Gym. We will also hold regular after-school practices on Wednesdays. Members are encouraged to bring a light and dark colored shirt, athletic shoes or cleats, water, and a Frisbee to after school practices.

Text @TCUltimate to 81010 for game and practice updates.