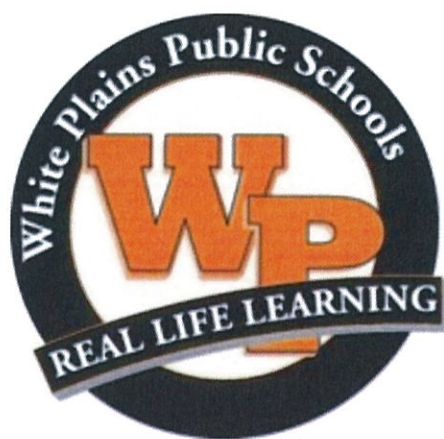


# WHITE PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL



## Tiger'tivities

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## **ACADEMIC CHALLENGE TEAM**

### **Club Advisor - Mr. Larson**

The ACADEMIC CHALLENGE TEAM competes in dual matches featuring JEOPARDY! like questions in all subject areas. The team competes in three W.A.C.K.O. (WESTCHESTER ACADEMIC CHALLENGE OF KNOWLEDGE ORGANIZATION) tournaments (NOV-JUNE) and the OMAR Q BECKINS tournament (MAR). Tournaments are on Saturdays and winners qualify for the NATIONAL TOURNAMENT in June. Tryouts are in September and October.

## **ADVOCATES FOR THE EARTH CLUB**

### **Club Advisor - Mr. Davis**

Students plan and work on environmental activities both in school and in the community. Such activities include the annual Earth Day celebration, storm drain painting, field trips, and guests speakers.

## **ASIAN CLUB**

### **Club Advisor - Ms. Lee-Huh**

The Asian Club meets weekly to discuss ways to educate and engage others in culture, celebrations, and concerns relating to Asia and Asian Americans. Asian Club students participate in school-wide events, run Asian-themed programs and activities for others, participate in community service projects, and get involved in Asian themed events in the community. All students welcome!

## **BLACK AWARENESS CLUB**

### **Club Advisor - Ms. Gillings-Gayle and Ms. Adams**

The mission of the Black Awareness Club is to provide an environment which encourages discussions and activities of interest to the African American population at White Plains High School. The emphasis is on the development of philosophies and values, which may benefit the community and the club members.

## **FRENCH CLUB**

### **Club Advisor - Ms. LeBlanc and Ms. Sands**

The French Club promotes the French culture by organizing and planning various activities to museums, theatre and participates in community service projects. The French Club also offers scholarships to graduating Seniors.

## **GAY-STRAIGHT ALLIANCE**

### **Club Advisor - Ms. Csikortos**

The Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) club's goal is to create a safe, welcoming and accepting environment for all students at White Plains High School, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. We work toward raising awareness regarding issues that impact our club, as well as fostering a more accepting atmosphere for all students throughout WPHS.

## **LATINO ADVANCEMENT COALITION**

### **Club Advisor—Ms. DeCastro and Ms. Restrepo**

This club is designed to promote unity and foster awareness of various Latino cultures throughout the school. Activities include assemblies, forums, special events, publications, and dances.

## **ITALIAN CLUB**

**Club Advisors - Mr. Scarpa and Mr. Spedaliere**

Our club invites all students at WPHS to become members. You do not need to study Italian or be Italian-American to join. In addition to providing the membership with an exciting culturally-enriching calendar of activities geared to enhance the appreciation and image of Italian culture here at WPHS, the Italian Club engages in a variety of social activities that promote the values of the culture to the community-at-large. Come join us for the fun of it, and in time you'll be enriched in more ways than one!

## **JAZZ BAND**

**Club Advisor - Mr. May**

The WPHS Jazz Band gives musicians an opportunity to learn Jazz, Latin, and Funk music in a Big Band setting. The band holds evening rehearsals once each week and performs at school concerts, community and school district events, and regional jazz festivals. In addition to the Big Band, the club includes a highly selective Jazz Combo that performs frequently and meets for an additional rehearsal each week.

## **MARIACHI JUVENIL LOS TIGRES**

**Club Advisor - Mr. May**

White Plains High School's very own student mariachi celebrates Latin American cultures by performing traditional music of Mexico and beyond. The mariachi rehearses twice per week and frequently performs at school and community events. The group includes trumpet, violin, vihuela, guitar, guitarron, and singers.

## **J.E.T.S. (JUNIOR ENGINEERING TECHNICAL SOCIETY)**

**Club Advisor - Mr. Dougherty**

JETS provides a unique opportunity to facilitate a student's understanding of the principles of physics. Students will be involved in "hands on" learning experiences that validate scientific principles used in their science courses. The JETS provides encouragement and motivation for students to excel in mathematics and science; experiences that will help students to better understand our technological society and the nature of career opportunities within society.

## **TIGERS NIGHT OF TALENT**

**Club Advisors - Mr. Allen and Mr. Polanco**

The Tigers Night of Talent is a performance that features fashion and talent while fundraising for various community service clubs. The Tigers Night of Talent puts on display of the incredible diversity that makes up the White Plains community. Cultural performances included Asian dancers, Reggae dancers, and Latin dancers, as well as Hip Hop, contemporary and jazz. Live performers range from rock to rap and pop to opera. If you have talent, the Tigers Night of Talent is the place to be.

## **KEY CLUB**

**Club Advisor - Mrs. Woodward**

A community service organization which provides opportunities for students to develop initiative and leadership, and experience in working together while serving the school and the community.

## **MAKER GROUP**

**Club Advisors— Ms. Ross & Ms. Coppola**

Join our community of Makers Mondays at lunch in the Library MakerSpace to explore and create high and low tech projects. Check out our MakerBot for 3D printing, Arduino circuitry kits, Sphero, Cubelet, Mac Lab and more to create personal projects or work together with other students. See Ms. Ross or Ms. Coppola in the Library for more details.

## **ANIMATION GROUP**

**Club Advisors— Ms. Ross & Ms. Coppola**

Learn how to animate in Flash and other programs, and share your own projects and skills in this student led club. Meets Tuesdays at lunch. See Ms. Ross in the Library for more details.

## **MARTIAL ARTS CLUB**

### **Club Advisor - Mr. Crino**

The purpose of this club is to promote physical fitness, self-defense, good lifestyles choices, and fun for both male and female students. The club will meet twice a week and will be taught by instructor Mr. Crino.

## **FREEDOM FIGHTERS-- Mr. Davis**

The goal of Freedom Fighters is to show gratitude towards the men and women who risk their lives for our country. We want to assist these heroes who defended our flag and our most treasured freedoms. We will do this through charity work and fundraisers. We would like to better inform our students through monthly discussions and offer different perspectives on issues happening around the world.

## **MATH TEAM**

### **Club Advisor - Ms. Marchetti**

The Math Team competes in three leagues: N.Y. Math League, the A.P. Math League and the W.I. Math League (participation by invitation only); 12 meets requiring 30-45 minutes each and 6 involving 2-hour commitment; October-April.

## **MIDNIGHT RUN CLUB**

### **Club Advisor - Mrs. Florida**

This club meets every Friday during lunch to prepare for its monthly community service runs, food and clothing drives, and activities in White Plains. This club provides awareness to students about homelessness and hunger in their area, and how they can be of help in their local community by providing outreach through this club. Some monthly activities in this club include volunteering time at local food pantries and soup kitchens, raising money for our annual sleep out that simulates awareness of homelessness, raising money for local homeless shelters, organizing food and clothing's drives, and working with local organizations such as Grace Church in White Plains to cook and serve dinner to those in need.

## **NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

### **Club Advisor-- Ms. Csikortos**

The White Plains High School's chapter of the National Honor Society has an ongoing mission to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of character. Members are expected to uphold the civic, ethical, scholastic, and extra-curricular standards set by school and community in their behaviors both on and off school grounds. NHS members are recognized as school leaders and exemplars. National Honor Society inducts students in their Junior and Senior year.

## **PING PONG CLUB**

### **Club Advisor - Mr. Chen**

The Ping Pong Club's mission is to provide a nurturing environment in which students of all skill levels (from beginners to champs, and everyone in between) can play ping-pong and improve their skills. This sport is a great stress reliever and a fun way to meet new people! Join us on Mondays and Thursdays during lunch outside room G110B. All are welcome!

## **NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY**

### **Club Advisor - Ms. Jordan**

Membership in the Nation Art Honor Society is based upon art scholarship, service and character. Eligibility is limited to high school sophomores, juniors and seniors with a minimum art scholarship average of B. Members are chosen by nomination and review of portfolios by Art faculty and NAHS members. Club activities include: member art exhibits, induction ceremony, art, workshops, gallery and museum trips, portfolio preparation and art careers research.

## **THE ORACLE**

### **Club Advisors - Mrs. Penasso, Mrs. Sahakian, and Ms. Jackson**

The Oracle is the WPHS yearbook. The student run organization is responsible for the planning and production of the yearbook. The all colored yearbook is published once a year and is distributed in June.

## **THE ORANGE**

**Club Advisors - Ms. Simmons & Ms. Loscalzo**

The Orange is a student run newspaper that publishes monthly and reports on various issues affecting WPHS students, faculty, and community members. Staff members meet weekly, and new members interested in writing or taking pictures for the paper are invited to join at any time.

## **THE ROAR**

**Club Advisors - Ms. DeMella and Mr. Chiariello**

The Roar is WPHS' student-run literary and art magazine. All students at WPHS are welcome to submit creative writing and art in various media for the magazine; members participate in judging and selecting submissions for publications and producing the layout of the magazine as well. All are welcome!

## **SCIENCE RESEARCH**

**Club Advisor - Ms. Fleming**

The goal of the SR club is to promote an appreciation for science research. This will include trips to corporate research facilities, guest lectures and visits to and from the National Sciences Foundation, and other government agencies. The club sponsors the Annual SR Symposium, as well as other local and statewide Symposia.

## **S.E.E.D. (SEEKING EDUCATIONAL EQUITY AND DIVERSITY)**

**Club Advisors - Ms. Bolling & Ms. Dale**

SEED is a forum for the discussion of issues that affect us all. We explore topics including, but not limited to, gender, race, class, and sexual orientation. We meet after school on Wednesdays and some Thursdays from 2:45 PM – 4:30 PM. Refreshments are provided. All students, teachers, and administrators of WPHS are welcome. Activities include reading articles, watching videos, listening to guest speakers, attending our annual "Eliminating Racism" overnight at the Taconic Outdoor Education Center, fundraising to give to two charities (one local and one international) and to cover the cost of the overnight, and an end of the year gathering.

## **SONGWRITERS CLUB**

**Club Advisor - Mr. Polanco**

Our club welcomes all students of White Plains High School to cultivate their song writer skills and continue to foster our schools musical diversity. Students meet to study great music, and collaborate with other like-minded students to create songs and develop networking skills. The ultimate goal is to perform in annual cover showcases and original songwriters showcases.

## **SPANISH CLUB**

**Club Advisor - Ms. Lopez and Ms. Restrepo**

The Spanish Club sponsors activities, events and community service projects. These activities cultivate the importance of Spanish culture and traditions.

## **STEP TEAM**

**Club Advisor - Mr. Bannister**

The White Plains High School Step Team (The Royalty Steppers) is a club for students that like to dance and perform in school, around the community and the tri-state areas. We perform at functions for the Youth Bureau of White Plains, the Slater Center, Churches, and Step competitions. We welcome all students of the high school!!

## **STUDENT VOLUNTEERS**

Students interested in volunteer opportunities within the school during study hall periods (library, TV studio, offices) or in the community after school or on weekends (hospitals daycare, recreations dept., etc.) should contact Ms. Amy Geiger. Credit may be granted for specified hours of service.

## **HONORS STRING ENSEMBLE**

**Club Advisor - Mr. May**

The Honors String Ensemble is a highly selective extracurricular string orchestra that performs professional-level orchestral repertoire. The ensemble rehearses one evening per week and performs for school district events, at local hospitals and nursing homes, and for NYSSMA adjudication festivals. The ensemble is open to violinists, violists, cellists, and bassists who have passed an audition into the WPHS Symphony Orchestra.

## **SADD**

**Advisor- Ms. Murphy**

SADD's mission is to empower young people to successfully confront the risks and pressures that challenge them throughout their daily lives. The WPHS SADD chapter raises awareness of the dangers of impaired driving and the negative effects alcohol and drugs can have on an individual's life. We promote healthy alternatives and raise awareness through prevention activities.

## **GIRL TALK**

**Advisor- Ms. Murphy**

Girl Talk is an international non-profit peer-to-peer mentoring program with a very simple premise: high school girls mentor middle school girls to help them deal with the issues they face during their formative early teenage years. Our mission is to help young teenaged girls build self-esteem, develop leadership skills and recognize the value of community service.

## **WONDER WOMEN**

**Advisors- Ms. Lowenhaupt and Ms. Jackson**

Wonder Women is a club dedicated to gender equality and forging greater opportunities for women in all communities. By examining local and international issues affecting women, Wonder Women seeks to better understand the issues and concerns facing women around the world. Meeting weekly on Tuesday during the lunch period, Wonder Women welcomes all students to create a respectful environment for diverse points of view and a commitment to gender equality at school and in the larger society. Presentations on diverse topics facing women are presented during lunch time discussions and fundraising for a worthy cause that promotes gender equality occurs throughout the year. Wonder Women is an inclusive club that recognizes all genders and their contributions to feminism.

## **THEATRE UNLIMITED**

**Club Advisor— Ms. Cepler**

Theatre Unlimited is WPHS's theatre club. TU is responsible for producing the school plays and musicals, which includes opportunities for directing, designing, performing in, and running shows. TU also encompasses stage crew: the group of students who help build and paint sets pieces; hang and focus lights; and run the light and sound boards during performances. Additionally, the theatre club experiences theatre outside of school by seeing shows and engaging in workshops regarding theatre performance.

## **LIBRARY GROUP**

**Club Advisors— Ms. Ross & Ms. Coppola**

Library Club gives students a voice in improving our library program. We meet Wednesdays at lunch in the Library to plan trips and special events, write for the Library blog, make suggestions for book and media purchases, share snacks, and discuss ways to make the Library more friendly and welcoming for all. See Ms. Ross or Ms. Coppola in the Library for more details.

## **BOOK GROUP**

**Club Advisors— Ms. Ross & Ms. Coppola**

Book Group meets every Friday in the Library at lunch to read a book of their choice together, chat about favorite authors and genres, and write reviews for the Library blog. Come discuss new books and old favorites with fellow readers! Speak to Ms. Ross or Ms. Coppola in the Library for more details.

## **VIDEO GAME GROUP**

**Club Advisors— Ms. Ross & Ms. Coppola**

Video Game Group meets Fridays after school to play multiplayer games in the Library.

## **SCIENCE FICTION CLUB**

**Club Advisors- Ms. Degraphenreed**

The mission of the Science Fiction Club is to create a comfortable, fun environment in which students can learn about and discuss literature, film, and other cultural aspects of the science fiction genre. This club will help expose WPHS students to a variety of sci-fi media from a global perspective and allow them to go beyond the mainstream knowledge. Students will gain hands-on interactive experience through film, field trips, museums, exhibitions and analytical discuss.

## CO-CURRICULAR PLEDGE

The students and staff of White Plains High School are proud of all students who are active in co-curricular clubs and activities. We expect that our pride in these students, and their pride in our school, will always be reflected in their conduct. All students involved in co-curricular activities are required to sign the "Co-Curricular Pledge."

In addition to the clubs listed in this Tiger'tivities, the following groups may run depending on student interest:

Model U.N. Group  
Fashion Group  
Girl Talk Group  
Stock Market Group  
Garden Group  
Health and Fitness Group  
Debate Team  
Anthropology Group  
Philosophy Group  
Poetry Group  
Cooperative for Education Group  
Knitting Group  
American Sign Language Group  
Humane Society Group  
High School Democrats of America Group  
Global Ambassadors Group  
ICU Movement Group  
Filmmakers Group

If you would like to start a new group, please complete the Club Formation Form which can be found in the Student Activities Office (Room C-101).

### FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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