



# Manatee High School Clubs



Club	Sponsor	Description	Who Can Join	When Club Meets
Academic Team	Stephen Murray	We compete with the other county schools four times each year. Our competitions are formatted in a lockout buzzer, question and answer public quiz. Often compared to Jeopardy or Quiz Bowl, we need students who excel across all academic disciplines.	Anyone who attends practices	Tuesday – after school in room 8-213 Friday – after school in room 8-213
Art Club	Melissa Link	The purpose of this club is to enrich the lives of students through cultural awareness of art and serving the community through art related projects.	Anyone interested with at least a 2.0 GPA	Tuesdays after school in Room 922
Book Club	Eric Silenzi	Do you want to learn something new? Do you want to catch up with friends, meet new people, or even a mix of these. During our book club meetings, students meet in small groups to discuss books they have read or listened to.	Any student	Thursdays 2:30 – 3:15 in the Media Center
Cane TV	Chris Peters	Broadcast group that films all home football games, other on campus sports, concerts, and performances for use on the video board and/or YouTube.	Any student with an interest in broadcast production.	Varies, depends on the time and date of scheduled events.
Ceramics Club	Elizabeth Azcarraga	Students will learn clay hand building techniques such as animal pinch pots as well as how to make pottery on the wheel.	Anyone	Tuesdays, 2:30-3:30
Chess Club	Eric Silenzi Jeffrey Wandel	Our chess club brings students together who share a common interest in playing and learning about the game of chess. The club meets regularly offering its members an opportunity to learn and play the game of chess in a fun and relaxed setting.	Any student: beginners to advanced	Wednesday 2:25-3:30 in the Media Center
Deep Divers	Pauline Barnes William Gilbert	The purpose of this club is to discuss the branches of philosophy and to have students gather to exercise and challenge these ideas in the present day. The Socratic method of questioning, answering, and contemplating other students on interesting and deep topics about life will enrich the student's academic life.	Any Student.	Every other Thursday in room 2-231 from 2:30-3:30.
Drama Club	Heather Catell	Actor? Techie? Dancer? Drama club is a home for all interested in the performing arts on and off the stage. We meet every week to help plan, support, and run theatre productions in our very own Davis theatre. Stop by also for improvisation games, acting exercises, friends, and fun!	Anyone with a passion or curiosity for the performing arts!	Tuesdays from 2:30-3:15 in the drama room.
Dungeons and Dragons Club	Mark Rice	The Dungeons and Dragons Club is a club that meets to play Dungeons and Dragons weekly. We have a few different games going on where each Dungeon Master runs the game. All levels of players are welcome.	Anyone can join. We welcome everybody.	Mondays after school from 2:45 – 4:15

Environmental & Ocean Awareness Club	TBD	The mission of the MHS Environmental & Ocean Awareness Club is to raise awareness about environmental issues, ocean conservation, and to reducing environmental impact as individuals, a school community, and as citizens of the world.	Open to all MHS students who care about protecting, conserving and restoring our beautiful community	Wednesdays 2:30- 3:30
FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)	Terrace Dunbar	FBLA inspires and prepares students to become community-minded business leaders in a global society through relevant career preparation and leadership experiences. Through leadership driven initiatives and contributing to the betterment of our school, local and global communities by engaging in projects and initiatives that brings the greatest good to the greatest number through community service, courses and developing skills.	Any Student interested in Business With the following qualifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Missing no more than 3 meetings per semester. Meetings will be held during or after school, or when necessary.</li> <li>• Members: having and maintaining a 2.0 GPA.</li> <li>• Officers: having and maintaining a 3.0 GPA.</li> <li>• Having no discipline referrals or any type of inappropriate behavior per school year.</li> <li>• Participating in at least four (Leadership Conference Breakfast, Competitions, Awards Ceremony, Community Service) of the organization sponsored activities per school year.</li> </ul>	Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month in Room 210 at 2:30 pm.
FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)	Dennis Stallard	An inter-denominational sports ministry sharing the love of Jesus, games, activities, devotionals, bible stories, and prayer.	FCA is open to any student even if they are not part of an athletic team	FCA meets at 7 AM each Thursday in Room 8-139
Freshman Class Board	Zach Zerbonia	Freshman Class Board meets to plan freshmen activities and ways to get the class involved in school spirit. They participate in various activities, design freshman class shirts, and have fundraisers.	Freshmen	See Dr. Zerbonia
HOSA (Future Health Professionals)	Zachary Zerbonia	HOSA, Future Health Professionals, is a national student leadership organization that provides members with the opportunity to develop their medical knowledge, skills, and leadership through competition and other community-based activities. The club serves to strengthen the community and expanding the knowledge of its members.	HOSA is for health science students & any student interested in pursuing a career in health professions. Students do not necessarily need to be enrolled in the academy or health science to become a member.	Wednesdays after school in Room 205.
Junior Class Board	Amanda Granstad	Class board is a great way to build class spirit while making new friends. Junior Class Board meets to discuss many events in the school. We work on special events like Homecoming Activities, Powderpuff, & Prom but also on special projects that create lifelong	Juniors	Fridays after school in Room 259

		memories. We have many fundraisers to raise money for the class and to pay for the Junior/Senior PROM.		
Key Club	Aaron Bokelmann	Key Club is a service club that serves the home and community. We work with Kiwanis club of Bradenton to provide various service opportunities for students.	Any student may join but must have a minimum of 20 service hours per quarter to be considered a member.	Tuesday mornings at 7am in the Media Center
Mu Alpha Theta	Amanda Granstad Shawna Nance	Mu Alpha Theta is an organization whose purpose is to stimulate interest in mathematics by providing public recognition of superior mathematical scholarship and by promoting various mathematical activities. Topics presented during club meetings, participation in our free mathematics competitions, and the interest generated by these activities help members to gain a greater understanding and enjoyment of mathematics.	Anyone in Algebra 2 Honors or above with a 3.0 GPA overall & 3.0 in math classes	We meet 4 times per year before and after school. Room 259
National Honor Society	Candice Hofstra	The National Honor Society recognizes our MHS students who meet high academic standards. The organization was founded in 1921. Today, over 1 million students participate in NHS, which has chapters around the world. NHS emphasizes leadership, service, and academic achievement.	Students must apply and be accepted. 3.5 unweighted at least 50 service hours for juniors and 75 for seniors.	Once a month in the Library
Pickleball Club	Ray Briggs Kathy Marconi	We play pickleball weekly to promote physical activity, socializing, friendly-competition, and fun. Members who choose to do so can participate in local tournaments. We also teach others in the community how to play.	Anyone	Most Fridays at 3 at Miller Elementary Tennis Courts
Pride Club	TBD	Pride Club is a student-run club, which provides a safe place for students of all orientations, identities, and expressions, as well as allies/supporters, to come together to exchange experiences, learn about each other, and form friendships.	We are looking for students that are open-minded and respectful towards others. You do not need to identify as LGBTQ to participate in club meetings, our goal is to provide a safe learning environment for anyone who needs it.	Every Friday 2:30- 3:30 Room 351
Science National Honor Society	Christine Miller	The MHS SNHS club encourages students to engage in community service activities with a scientific focus. This involvement allows students to make a positive on their community, cultivate a sense of social responsibility, and develop a deeper understanding of the societal implications of science.	Enrolled in an AP, Honors or DE science course. 11th and 12th grade (9th and 10th graders can be associate members) Unweighted GPA of 3.0 or above (students with a lower GPA can be associate members) B+ average in all high school science courses Appropriate behavior, no referrals	Dates vary, right after school in Room 234. Contact Ms. Miller

Senior Class Board	Daria Zoller	The Senior Class Board represents the Senior Class and will meet to discuss senior events including Grad Bash, Homecoming Week, graduation events, and selecting the "senior gift".	Seniors	Fridays after School in room 3-352
Sophomore Class Board	Jennifer Reynolds Patrick Garrity	The Sophomore Class Board Represents the Sophomores and works on Homecoming activities, the Homecoming BBQ, school spirit, and fundraising for future activities.	Any Sophomore may join.	2nd & 4th Tuesdays; 2:30; 2-218
"THE" Spanish Club	Maritza Toro	"THE" Spanish Club of Manatee High School offers exposure to the Spanish-speaking world and its culture. Its purpose is to be educational and fun for all members. It helps students to look beyond the doors of our school to touch the lives of others and be open to diversity coming into our lives".	Current or former Spanish class student. Anyone interested in learning some Spanish and culture of Spanish speaking countries.	Every other Wednesday 2:35 pm for regular meetings in Room 8-112 6:00 pm on special activities.
Student Council	Lori O'Leary	The Student Council is open to students all four grade levels who wish to get involved in 'Cane Pride. They meet every other Wednesday after school. They are responsible for planning Homecoming Week, the Homecoming dance, Homecoming court and crowning, various community support activities such as Jordyn's Joy, treating staff during American Education Week and Teacher Appreciation Week, planning Spring Battle of the Classes Week, attending and encouraging all members of the student body to attend football games as well as senior nights of all sports, and keeping the traditions of MHS alive with banners and posters decorating our campus.	All students interested in getting involved.	Every other Wednesday
SWAT (Students Working Against Tobacco)	Terrace Dunbar	SWAT works to change the social norms associated with tobacco. This means we want to change the way people think about tobacco... making it less desirable, less acceptable and less accessible. We do this by advocating for change in local policies that affect how tobacco is marketed, how it is sold, and where it can be used. SWAT members play an extremely important role in the community by educating their peers and the public about tobacco and its negative consequences.	Anyone in Florida who is in 9th-12th grade is able to join SWAT. There is a SWAT Chapter in every county in Florida. Manatee High School's chapter involves any inspired youth advocate for the fight against Tobacco. Any student that wants to be involved in a greater cause.	Every 1st Wednesday of the Month in Room 210 at 2:30 pm
Thespian Honor Society	Heather Catell	Thespian Honor Society (Troupe 2843) is an honors club which recognizes talented, passionate, driven students in the performing arts. Troupe members have the opportunity to attend two competitions annually at the regional level, and through this have the chance to attend state-wide theatre festivals, competitions and workshops. Thespians is an opportunity to explore the theatre community more deeply through performance, education, and networking.	Thespians is audition-based to anyone in the school with a desire to compete in technical and performance-based events. Auditions are held in September. See Heather Catell for more information.	Interest meetings and rehearsals vary. See the theatre callboard or Heather Catell for more information.

TSA – Technology Student Association	Scott Hawley	The Technology Student Association (TSA) enhances personal development, leadership, and career opportunities in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), whereby members apply and integrate these concepts through intracurricular activities, competitions, and related programs.	Any student with an interest in technology	See Mr. Hawley
Youth in Action	Terrace Dunbar	This youth-focused prevention initiatives include educational and skills training programs that give teens the resources they need to navigate a healthy life. Youth in Action is a group of peers coming together in Manatee schools to promote healthy choices and mental wellness.	YIA is a group of peer-to-peer educational teams in 9 Manatee County high schools that collaborate to promote healthy choices and mental wellness. This program is open to any inspired youth who desire to be a community driven leader looking to develop self-leadership through prevention concepts.	Every 2nd Wednesday of the Month in Room 210 at 2:30 pm

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