

**EASTERN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE & CLUB INFORMATION
2016-17**



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ACTIVITY SCHEDULE 2016-17

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Freshman Orientation & Activity Fair
- 6 First Day of School
- 12-13 Fall Play Auditions
- 21 Class ID Picture Day
- 26-30 Freshman Class Elections
- 27-28 Make-up Senior Photos

OCTOBER

- 13 Back to School Night
- 17 Financial Aid Night
- 20 Make-up Picture Day (9-11)
- 22 S.J. Model U.N.

NOVEMBER

- Oct. 31 – 4 Spirit Week
- 1 Sophomore Ring Sale
- 2 Homecoming Dance
- 3-5 Fall Play
- 4 Homecoming Football Game
- 5 Interact Sr. Citizen Brunch
- 15 Powder Puff Football Game
- 16 Tri-M Recital
- 17 Fall Cabaret
- 19 GT Testing

DECEMBER

- Nov. 30 – 2 Cap & Gown Measurements
- 3 Rutgers Model U.N.
- 5-9 Spring Musical Auditions
- 10 SJ Band/ Orchestra Auditions
- 10 Interact Breakfast w/ Santa
- 13 Holiday Concert I
- 15 Holiday Concert II

JANUARY

- 5 DECA Regionals
- 12 Junior College Planning Night
- 18 Tri-M Recital

FEBRUARY

- 3 Pops Concert
- 9-12 John Hopkins Model U.N.
- 16 Tri-M Recital
- 21-23 DECA State Competition
- 23 Team Theatre Showcase
- 24 Interact BUDS Dance

MARCH

- 2 Senior Trip Parent Meeting
- 8 Make-up Senior Trip Parent Meeting
- 10 Sophomore Cotillion
- 9, 11 Spring Musical
- 15 Spring Musical (Autism-Friendly Show)
- 17, 18 Spring Musical
- 21 Tri-M Recital
- 24 Senior Trip Luggage Check
- 25-28 Senior Trip

APRIL

- 6 Option II College Information Night
- 7 Junior Prom
- 12 World Language Honor Induction

APRIL CONT.

- 26-29 DECA National Competition
- 27 Tri-M / NHS Induction

MAY

- 4 American Cultures Club Dinner & Karaoke Night
- 6 Freshman Class Trip
- 12 Student Council Talent Show
- 16 Spring Concert I
- 18 Spring Concert II
- 19 Senior Prom
- 22-26 Class Elections
- 24 Job Coaching Luncheon
- 25 One Acts Plays
- 31 Art Honor Society Induction

JUNE

- 1 Academic Awards
- 5-9 Student Council Elections
- 7 Senior Banquet
- 8 Thespian Honor Inductions & Spring Broadway Cabaret
- 13 Fashion Show / A Night of the Arts
- 22 Last Day of School / Commencement
- 22 Project Graduation

Please note that dates are subject to change – visit www.easternvikings.org for Eastern Regional High School's current schedules and dates.

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2016-17 CLUBS AND ADVISORS

*All Advisors & Club Leaders may be reached by email. Please use first letter of first name, followed by last name @eccrsd.us
(Example: jsmith@eccrsd.us)*

Academic Challenge

Mr. M. Koger and Mr. D. Lindenhofen

The Academic Challenge Team competes against other schools in the conference. The Quiz Bowl-style matches consist of answering questions in a variety of academic subject areas to earn points. Team members are selected through a tryout process beginning in November. The interscholastic competitions begin in January, with the Vikings competing in 10 regular-season matches and an end-of-season tournament.

American Cultures Club

Mrs. R. Fannon and Mr. J. Holmes

Art Honor Society

Mr. B. McConnell

In 1978, The National Art Education Association began the National Art Honors Society program specifically for high school students, for the purpose of inspiring and recognizing those students who have shown an outstanding ability in art. The NAHS strives to aid members in working toward the attainment of the highest standards in art areas, and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community. For students to achieve high standards, art programs must maintain a substantive focus by choosing art content that includes complex problem-solving and a higher order thinking skills, and serious alignment of curriculum, instruction, assessment, and professional development that results in student learning. Eastern Camden County Regional School District is a proud supporter of the NAHS and is recognized as chapter 1245 out of 2,971 chapters nation-wide.

Chess Club

Mr. J. Friedman

The Eastern chess club meets on most Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the year. Students play chess with other students and practice strategy. Club members may also compete on the Chess Team but it is not required. The team is part of the Greater South Jersey Chess League and competes at the Varsity and JV levels. The league season starts in mid-November and ends with the championship tournament in early March.

Debate Club

Mr. G. Kemery

The Eastern debate team is a competition-based organization that competes during the winter season every Wednesday against 12 of the most academically rigorous high schools in South Jersey. We pride ourselves on superior research, intelligent questioning and case preparation skills as well as an excellence in speaking and decorum. Students may choose their levels of participation by either researching behind the scenes, judging debates or debating each week at the JV and/or Varsity levels. Since 2002, the team of over 50 members strong has reached the South Jersey Debate League championships nine times and has brought the championship home five times. Debate Team meetings and mock debates begin in October and are always on Wednesdays in room 804.

DECA

Mrs. B. Lowery and Mr. A. Sherman

DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality and management. This co-curricular organization provides its members the opportunity to participate in local (Regionals), state (States) and national (ICDC) competition as well as scholarships. DECA prepares the next generation to be:

- Academically Prepared - DECA members are ambitious, high-achieving leaders equipped to conquer the challenges of their aspirations.
- Community Oriented - Recognizing the benefit of service and responsibility to the community, DECA members continually impact and improve their local and broader communities.
- Professionally Responsible - DECA members are poised professionals with ethics, integrity and high standards.
- Experienced Leaders- DECA members are empowered through experience to provide effective leadership through goal setting, consensus building and project implementation.

Any Eastern student grade (9-12) can become a member of Eastern DECA as long as they are currently enrolled in a Business class in Semester one or Semester two.

E.S.C.A.P.E. Club

Mrs. C. Roberts

The Escape Club (Eastern Students Care About Protecting the Environment) is Eastern's primary environment organization dedicated to recycling and creating a greener school and community. The ESCAPE Club consistently participates in Operation Paperback, Terracycle, and Soles4Souls, however, the club's most notable accomplishment is collecting more than a half million bottle caps to donate to Aveda, a cosmetic company that recycles caps into containers for its products. The ESCAPE Club's 150 members do a lot of hands-on recycling and environmental improvement under the supervision of Mrs. Cheryl Roberts. Together, the members continue to raise awareness about the importance of recycling and the need to environmentally friendly. Meetings are in room 401.

French Honor Society

Mrs. M. Goldthorp and Mrs. N. Pearson-Youse

The French Honor Society provides the opportunity to recognize outstanding scholarship in the study of French language through selection for membership and participation in activities featuring French culture. The Society's officers create, plan and direct the chapter's events including the induction ceremony. Activities include visits to french restaurants and the possibility of field trips to cultural activities such as art museums and theatre in the local/Philadelphia area. There are fundraisers and a charitable donation is made each year. The purpose of the Society is to promote the French language and culture.

Gifted & Talented

Mrs. T. Palmer and Mr. S. Picot

History Honor Society (*Rho Kappa*)

Mr. R. Colton and Mr. T. McSweeney

The Rho Kappa History Honor Society provides the opportunity to recognize outstanding scholarship in the study of History through selection for membership and participation in activities. Membership in the Nelson V. Brittin chapter of Rho Kappa is competitive. Students may submit an application in their Junior year.

Interact Club

Mrs. D. Walker, Mrs. J. Woods, Mrs. J. Mancinelli and Mrs. C. Molloy

The Interact Club focuses on helping Eastern's surrounding communities through various service projects. Activities are conducted for the benefit of many groups, including senior citizens and foster children. Members must attend three (3) of the Eastern Interact events and one (1) outside event to be awarded as certificate of participation. Attendance at all Eastern Interact events and two (2) outside events is required to become an officer. All members are required to make one toy and one other donation throughout the year. Service hours may be used for college resumes and Health course requirements.

Junior Classical League

Mr. C. Mercurio

The Junior Classical League enables members to gain an active appreciation of ancient Greece and Rome, thereby assisting them as individuals to interpret and appraise our own world.

JVL has certain designated activities with other members throughout the state and nation including: Regional Conference, the National Latin Exam, Princeton University, academic challenge, competes at the state convention in academics, creative projects and academics, induction for the National Latin Honor Society. Fundraisers included the occasional bake sale, the sale of club t-shirts and the computer match in February. Meetings are the third Wednesday of every month.

Key Club

Mr. B. Trinkner

Key Club is an international student-led organization, which provides its members with opportunities to provide community service, build character and develop leadership. Sponsored by the Kiwanis Organization, Key Club empowers its quarter million youth members to lead and serve in almost 5,000 clubs in 24 nations. Providing more than 12 million service hours annually, Key Club proves to be an ever-popular high school organization for teenagers seeking to cultivate leadership, character building, caring and inclusiveness. Our motto: "Caring-Our Way of Life".

Math League

Mr. K. Farrow

The Math League is dedicated to bringing challenging mathematics materials to students. Students in Math League compete for the highest scores, while schools compete for the highest team score. These contests consist of 12 High School Contests each year. All high school students are welcome to compete. Problems draw from a wide range of high school topics: geometry, algebra, trigonometry, logarithms, series, sequences, exponents, roots, integers, real numbers, combinations, probability, coordinate geometry, and more. No knowledge of calculus is required to solve any of these problems. Working through these problems and our contest problem books is excellent practice for the SAT and college-bound students

Mock Trial Team

Mr. K. Farrow

Mock Trial consists of two teams of 2 student lawyers and three student witnesses (a total of 10 starting roles). The state of New Jersey provides every high school with copies of one fictional case that we prepare and compete against other schools. The winner is determined by a judge who rates the lawyer and witness performances on a scale of 1-10. Other team members have "back-up" roles and are jurors or bailiffs, as needed. The season runs from the last week in October to the first week in February. The team will meet every Tuesday and Thursday after school from 2:20-4:00. The matches take place on Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in late January and early February.

National Honor Society

Mrs. K. Cooper and Mrs. L. Rubini

National Honor Society (NHS) is an organization devoted to acknowledging high school students who have excelled in four characteristics during their high school years. These four characteristics are Leadership, Service, Character, and Scholarship. NHS members make every effort to work for the betterment of their community.

Every high school that is part of NHS has its own set of rules and standards that are approved by the school board. In addition, each state that has schools that are part of NHS has a state board and state advisors. The job of the state advisors is to make sure that each school follows the national charter of the National Honor Society.

Any Junior achieving a cumulative, unweighted, grade of exactly 90 or higher at the completion of the second marking period and midterm exams (S2) shall be eligible to be considered for the selection of National Honor Society. Secondly, they must exhibit outstanding leadership qualities, character, and service during their years in high school. Once the student becomes a member, they must retain their GPA and attend all NHS meetings as well as complete a service requirement during the school year. We meet with our officers on the last Tuesday of the month.

NJDFL (Team Theatre)

Mrs. E. O'Keefe and Mr. R. Colton

Team Theatre participates in competitions sponsored by member schools of the New Jersey Drama and Forensics League. Competition categories include both acting and public speaking events. The competitions are on Saturdays from December-February, and auditions for the team are held in October. Students select their own material and rehearse with the coaches and team captains to prepare for the competitions. More information about specific competition categories can be obtained at www.NJDFL.org

NJDFL Mission: To foster a competitive and creative outlet for high school students, while providing a forum for competition and constructive feedback as well as encouraging growth and development in the theatre/speech arenas.

Robotics Club

Mr. C. Miller and Mr. K.C. Bradley

Eastern High School's robotics program is a team that competes in the highly competitive First Robotics Competition. The program is designed to build strong student leaders and inspire high school students to enter the fields of engineering and science.

The students design, build, and test a robot that must complete a series of given tasks. The specific tasks in any given year are released in early January, immediately followed by a six week build season. During the build season, the club meets Mondays-Saturdays to build a complete robot. With guidance from the teacher-mentors, the students take ownership of the project through all stages and work collaboratively to see the project through to completion. Students are divided up into sub-groups with different focuses, including designers, builders, programmers, electricians, and public relations experts. Each sub-group must work and communicate well with the others in order to successfully complete the robot. Following the six week build season, the club travels to two or three competitions which are typically on weekends in March and April.

School Musical / Director

Dr. G. Molotsky

The theater club encompasses almost all of the theater activities here at Eastern. It produces, annually, the Fall Play, Spring Musical, and One-Act Play festival. The theater club also has two semi-annual Broadway cabarets that allows students a smaller and more intimate venue to perform. Students can also participate in the stage crew that constructs the sets for the plays as well as various other crews including costumes, props, ushering and publicity for the various theatrical events.

School Newspaper

Mr. W. Bowne

The School Newspaper (The Voyager) is a co-curricular activity whose main mission is to publish the school newspaper. The Voyager, once a month, Students may take the course for three years, starting as sophomores as a Journalism I student. The course is designed for those who love writing, and would love their writing to improve. Students also get real-life experience through in-depth reporting, interviewing, and researching skills. Students also learn Photoshop and Abode InDesign. The school newspaper is a high-profile activity where the whole school, has the ability to read what you write – and have fun while doing so. The Voyager staff is a close-knit staff that acts like a real newsroom, with a variety of duties. Students who do not take the course may still be apart of the activity by coming to our open meetings twice a month.

We meet after school every 2nd and 4th Thursday in Room 605. Times are published on school calendar and on ETV morning announcements. We publish the paper toward the beginning of each month, starting in October.

Science League Club

Mr. D. Berezansky

The Science Club encompasses both Science League (SL) and Science Olympiad (SO). The SL is a competitive activity in which several schools take science tests. These tests are held once a month January-April. The SO team compete at Camden County Community College in January by participating in multiple science events. From there we have the opportunity to place in the state finals in March. The club will meet several times in the first semester organizing and preparing for all events.

Sound and Lighting Club

Dr. G. Molotsky

Spanish Honor Society

Ms. S. Allen and Ms. D Hudak

The Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica is a national and international academic honor society sponsored by the American Association of Spanish and Portuguese, Inc. (AATSP).

The purpose of the Society is to recognize high achievement in Spanish and Portuguese by students of secondary schools and to promote continuity of interest in Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian studies. In order to qualify for the Society, students must be juniors or seniors, in Spanish III, IV or AP, with at least a 92% average of all of the Spanish courses taken at Eastern.

Officers are elected in September and must be enrolled in Spanish IV or AP for their Senior year. Fundraising, charitable, and cultural activities are held throughout the year. Members also provide tutoring for students in Spanish I and II.

Student Alliance/Freshman Studies Program

Mrs. K. Fox, Mrs. E. O'Keefe, Mrs. S. Bunnell-Jackson

The ultimate goal of the Eastern Regional High School Student Alliance is to encourage the growth of all freshmen through the efforts of upperclassmen as role models and faculty advisors. This commitment will provide a supportive environment and enable students to make smooth academic and social adjustments from middle school to high school.

Student Alliance is comprised of students in grades 10-12 who attend a three-day training session in the summer. Activities teach them what it means to be a peer leader, expectations, HIB, lesson planning and public speaking.

Students participate in a variety of activities during the year such as: freshman orientation, back to school night, and respect week. Meetings will be held twice a month during Lunch and Lab, freshman classroom visitations will occur twice a month during the freshman studies class.

Student Council

Mr. S. Garry and Mr. D. Lindenhofen

Student Council serves as the student government of Eastern High School. Student Council is an organization which coordinates and encourages student activities such as the Food Drive, Spirit Week, Homecoming, Powder-puff Football, Toys for Tots, and the Talent Show, while also supporting various charitable causes. The Student Council seeks to stimulate and develop good citizenship and democracy among students, while encouraging leadership through service. The organization meets as a full body on a monthly basis, while executive board meets weekly. All active members are required to participate in a minimum of two activities throughout the school year in order to be considered in good standing.

SUCCESS

Mrs. A. Casseus and Mrs. L. Rubini

The Eastern High School Success Club is a social organization whose mission is to foster relationships between students with exceptionalities and general education students. These relationships are fostered through participants' engagement in club events and activities.

The Success Club does not require membership, or weekly meetings. We only ask that all interested participate in 1-2 monthly events. Previous Success Club events include: movie night, fall hayride, bowling, miniature golf, game night, and holiday/end of year parties. Come Enjoy, Engage, and Enhance!! Enjoy your time at our events, Engage with students of diverse abilities, and Enhance your experience, as well as others, as members of the Eastern HS family.

Thespian Honor Society & Theater Club

Dr. G. Molotsky

Tri-Music Honor Society

Ms. K. Mitchell

The mission of the Tri-M Music Honor Society is to foster a continued interest and desire for excellence in music performance, encourage appreciation in listening to music, promote opportunities for sharing music both within our school and within our community, advance musical knowledge, and to promote our school as a center for musical enrichment.

Students enrolled in a music performance class for the second, third or fourth year, with a weighted or un-weighted GPA of 90% or above are eligible to audition for the Tri-M Music Honor Society.

The Tri-M Music Honor Society will present five recitals during the school year –November, December, January, February, and March. All recitals are free and are open to the school and the community.

The group meets monthly and sponsors a Share the Music service project each year.

Share the Music A Tri-M Music Honor Society Community Service Project

- What is Share the Music? Share the Music provides musical instruments to schools that cannot afford instruments. We provide instruments by:
 - Raising money with bake sales and raffles at concerts
 - Collecting instruments from members of the local community
- How Can You Help? If you have an instrument in working condition collecting dust somewhere in your house, feel free to contact us. We will pick up any instruments at your convenience and also provide you with a voucher for an Astral Artistic Services Performance! If you don't have an instrument but are interested in supporting our cause, please stop by one of our bake sales or raffles! Thank you for your interest in helping us to share the music!

Yearbook Advisor

Mr. M. Hering and Ms. M. Hanzok (Business Advisor)

Yearbook Club is a full year club of dedicated students that share a common goal of publishing the best product possible. The club requires people who are self-motivated, team players, and willing to remain committed to responsibilities. The yearbook is a student run publication that is meant to represent the people, ideas, activities, and events of a given school year. Yearbook Club is a great way to get involved at Eastern and actively contribute to the lasting memories of the school and your graduating class.

Skills that the Yearbook Club promotes: *critical thinking, research, reporting, writing, editing, photography, design, computer graphics, production, project management, people management, business, and advertising.*

CLASS ADVISORS

CLASS OF 2017	CLASS OF 2018
Ms. C. Forvour & TBA	Mrs. C. McBride & Mrs. D. Smyth
CLASS OF 2019	CLASS OF 2020
Ms. L. Lucia & Mr. C. Speechley	Mrs. T. DeCoursey & Mrs. N. Pearson-Youse

CO-CURRICULAR CLUBS

School Store

Mr. J. Butler

Indoor Drumline

Mr. B. Trinkner

Indoor Drumline is a competitive music activity similar to marching band. Drumline combines both marching percussion (snare drum, tenors, bass drum, cymbals) and a stationary front ensemble (marimba, xylophone, synthesizer, guitar, etc.) to create a dynamic theatrical show production. The ensemble is dedicated to fostering student talent and appreciation for musical percussion. Drumline fosters important skills including teamwork, leadership, musical ability, reading music, marching, and development of music performance.

Marching Band

Mr. J. Stanz

The Marching Vikings are a competitive marching band, which competes at local, regional and national marching band competitions. Throughout the season, the band works on a competitive show, which is typically 7-8 minutes in duration. The Marching Vikings offer a variety of student leadership positions. Within the Marching Vikings, we have the following sections: Woodwinds, Brass, Pitched Percussion, Marching Battery, and Colorguard. The Marching Vikings foster important skills including teamwork, leadership, musical ability, reading music, marching, and development of music performance.

The Marching Vikings are 2011, 2012, and 2014 State Champions and the 2012 and 2014 Atlantic Coast Champions. The Marching Vikings also perform at the Memorial Day parades held in Gibbsboro and Voorhees.

Instrumental

Mr. J. Stanz and Ms. K. Mitchell

String

Ms. R. Fernandez

Vocal

Mrs. K. Akinskas

Indoor Color Guard

TBA

Indoor Color Guard is a competitive activity utilizing various equipment, such as flags, rifles, and sabres, along with dance, to create a unique theatrical production. Performed to pre-recorded music, the color guard often utilizes a floor design and various props to tell a story through color, equipment, and movement. The group fosters important skills including teamwork and performance. The guard performs locally and out of state throughout the winter and spring months.