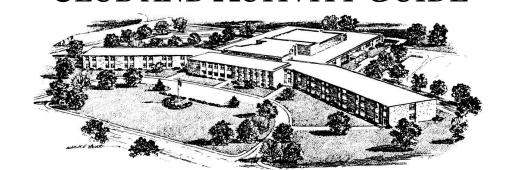
ROCKY POINT HIGH SCHOOL 2023-2024 CLUB AND ACTIVITY GUIDE



HOMECOMING: SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 HOMECOMING THEME: TBD

High School Class Advisors

9th Grade: Mr. Meier

10th Grade: Mr. Nentwich

11th Grade: Mrs. Meadows

12th Grade: Mr. Eichler

Student Council Class Advisor

Student Council: Mr. Scalfani

Art Club

Advisor: Mr. Meier Season: All Year Meeting Day: Tuesday Meet: Room 128

Art Club members are welcome to work on independent projects or those presented by the advisor. The Art Club is open to students of all abilities and to those who may or may not currently be enrolled in an art class. The only prerequisite is the desire to be artistic.

Art Honor Society

Advisor: Mr. Meier Season: All Year Meeting Day: Friday Meet: Room 128

In 1978, the National Art Education Association began the National Art Honor Society program specifically for high school in grades 11 and 12 for the purpose of inspiring and recognizing those who have shown outstanding ability in art. The National Art Honor Society 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 the community. In order to be a candidate for admission, you must be currently enrolled in an art class and have completed two high school art courses with a grade point average of B+ or better and an overall grade point average of B or better. Additional criteria are available from the advisor.

Athletes Helping Athletes

Advisor: Mrs. Calamita

Meeting Day: Thursday

Season: All Year

Meet: Gym

Grades: 10-12, Varsity Athletes

Athletes Helping Athletes is a student-athlete leadership program sponsored by Molloy College. The purpose of the organization is to partner professional athletes with high school student-athletes to deliver motivational messages and mentor 6th grade students. Student-athletes are trained to present lessons on the prevention of drug, alcohol and smoking abuse, good citizenship, the importance of education, and to encourage the younger students to participate in sports and other extra-curricular activities. Membership criteria include a written application, teacher recommendation, and an interview.

Be a Nicer Neighbor

Advisor: Ms. Tribby

Meeting Day: Every other Tuesday

Season: All Year

Meet: Room 206

This club is designed to get students to believe that they can make a positive difference: "...that one determined person can alter society." This is a student-driven club. We stress the "find a way, make a way" philosophy. The students develop ways to make things nicer in Rocky Point. We will have a special emphasis on feeding the homeless and helping our soldiers.

Chess Club

Advisor: Mr. Tillinghast

Meeting Day: Once a week

Season: All Year

Meet: Room 214

This club allows students to get together to play friendly games of chess and to work on their mastery of the game. It will help foster intellectual growth while having fun and fostering relationships.

Chrome Depot Club

Advisor: Mrs. Sciarrone

Meeting Day: Wednesday

Season: All Year

Meet: Library

Students will have the opportunity to explore and learn about technology troubleshooting and repair. Members of this club will have the opportunity to gain community service hours for helping other students with their computer questions.

Creative Writing Club

Advisor: Mrs. Schumacher Season: All Year Meeting Day: Friday Meet: Room 215

The Creative Writing Club will allow students of all grade levels and writing abilities to collaborate with others who have an interest in writing fiction. This club will provide monthly opportunities for students to write, share, and provide feedback for each other's work. Additionally, this club will give both new and experienced writers the opportunity to examine and experiment with a variety of different writing forms, techniques, and styles by engaging in various writing exercises and prompts. Students will write poetry, short stories, monologues, dialogues, prose, poems, plays, song lyrics, and other genres of writing. Particular emphasis will be placed on the craft of writing and the beauty of the written word.

Environmental Eagles Club

Advisor: Ms. Domenchello

Meeting Day: Thursday

Season: All Year

Meet: Room 216

The Environmental Eagles are actively involved in contributing to the ecological health of the community. It is for students who are passionate about creating positive environmental change, not only at the school level, but on a community-wide basis.

Fishing Club

Advisor: Mr. Gabrinowitz

Meeting Day: Wednesday

Season: Fall/Spring

Meet: 120

This club aims to foster and promote the sport of fishing with artificial flies, bait, and lures. The goal of our club is to teach and share knowledge and techniques involved in fishing to organize and lead club outings. Student involvement in the Fishing club also promotes a sense of inclusiveness, provides a sense of community, teaches patience, creates positive memories, and gets students outdoors.

Gay & Straight Alliance Club

Advisor: Ms. Cella Season: All Year Meeting Day: Every other Tuesday Meet Room: TBD

The Gay and Straight Alliance meets bi-weekly to provide a supportive community for gay and straight students to discuss relevant issues and to plan and promote educational activities that encourage acceptance of diversity within the school. Typical meetings include games, discussions, movies, event planning, and time to have fun. Students, staff, and faculty are all welcome!

Guitar Club

Advisor: Mr. Ventura Season: September - May Meeting Day: Wednesday Meet Room Orchestra Room

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The Guitar Club is open to all musicians from Beginner to Advanced. The goals for club members are to acquire the ability to read notation and tablature, as well as play songs, strum chords and improvise. We perform many styles of music including Rock, Blues, Jazz and Classical. Student should bring their guitar to club meetings.

History Club

Advisor: Mrs. Laughlin-Cotter and Ms. Sohngen

Meeting Day: Tuesday

Season: All Year

Meet Room 117

Our History club is driven by our district commitment to educating our students for responsible citizenship as members of the local, national, and world communities and based on New York State and Common Core Standards for teaching and learning social studies history. Students are challenged and encouraged to ask questions, investigate, analyze and critique before they draw conclusions. Students are taught to connect knowledge, skills and values as they engage in historical and social inquiry. They will recognize and respect multiple perspectives and diverse experiences in order to be contributing members of society.

History Honor Society

Advisor: Mr. Acritelli Season: All Year Meeting Day: TBD – See Advisor's e-Board Meet Room 113

The History Honor Society is an organization for all students that are interested within history to conduct writing, research and the assembly programs within our school. We submit stories to be published in the local paper, support historical causes and try to take field trips where we can learn about local and national landmarks, events and people. All students that have mastered their Regents exams and course grades for social studies, will have the chance to graduate with the distinction of being accepted by the Rho Kappa Social Studies Honor Society.

Human Rights Club

Advisor: Mrs. Hludzinski Season: All Year Meeting Day: Thursday Meet Room: Room 221

The Rocky Point Human Rights Club was created to provide the student body with a place where they can establish their own idea on how to become up-standers in society. It is also an atmosphere where students can create and implement action plans of their own to raise awareness of Human Rights issues and promote activism to make students' part of the solution. This club will encourage students to promote Human Rights and treat each other with dignity and respect.

Interact

Advisor : Mrs. Messinetti Meeting Day: Every other Monday

Interact is the student organization associated with Rotary International. The Rocky Point Rotary Club sponsors our foreign exchange programs. Students in the Interact Club are involved in community service on the school, local, national, and international levels. This includes food drives, holiday gift giving, Habitat for Humanity and sponsoring the high school blood drive. The only requirement is the willingness to help others!

Season: All Year

Meet: Room 203

Jazz Band

Advisor: Ms. Kenwood Season: November-April
Meeting Day: TBD Meet: TBD

The Jazz Band performs music of many styles including blues, swing, jazz-rock, and Latin. The band is open to all musicians who can read music.

Leaders' Club

Advisor: Mrs. Calamita

Meeting Day: Friday

Season: All Year

Meet: Gym

The members of the Leaders' Club participate in many service-oriented events. Members help organize and run the Dig Pink Volleyball Breast Cancer Fundraiser. During the holiday season, Leaders' Club members bring food baskets and toiletry bags to local needy families. The members also help coordinate and organize the Athletic Banquet. Leaders' Club is open to all Junior Varsity and Varsity female athletes in grades 9 – 12.

Makerspace/Technology Club

Advisor: Mr. Schumacher

Meeting Day: TBD

Season: All Year

Meet: Room 131

The Makerspace Technology Club members are welcome to work on independent projects or those presented by the advisor. The Makerspace Technology Club is open to students of all abilities and those who may not currently be enrolled in a Technology Education class. The only Makerspace Technology Club prerequisite is a strong desire to learn about hands-on problem solving skills, tools and machines and to create exciting and unique projects. Students will have access to various power tools and sophisticated equipment, such as our 3D printers and CNC milling machine. Students are encouraged to bring creative ideas and or real world technological problems they wish to solve and use their club time to execute their proposed solutions.

Any student who is not currently enrolled in any of Rocky Point technology class must complete a lab safety orientation with Mr. Schumacher BEFORE they are permitted to use any tools, machines or 3D printers.

Manga Club

Advisor: Ms. Tribby Season: All Year Meeting Day: Every other Tuesday Meet: Room 206

The Manga Club is created for those students who have an interest in Japanese culture and Anime, the animation style of Japan. Anime has a distinctive art style, which includes exaggerated expressions, features, and movements. The storylines vary in genre and are aimed at different kinds of audiences, which range from children to adults. The purpose of this club is also to study and discuss multiculturalism. The Manga Club is a great place to meet new people and make new friends.

National English Honor Society (NEHS)

Advisor: Mrs. Blume & Mrs. Hludzinski Season: All Year Meeting Day: Monday Meet: Room 213

Membership in NEHS (National English Honor Society) is an honor bestowed on Rocky Point High School juniors and seniors selected for their accomplishments in the field of English and in their overall academic achievement, and who meet the requirements of membership. Membership in NEHS is by invitation, extended through our local chapter on behalf of the national organization. Students who are invited to apply to the Rocky Point High School Chapter of the National English Honor Society must maintain a cumulative, weighted Grade Point Average (G.P.A.) of 90 or higher in Honors English and maintain a cumulative G.P.A. of 86 or higher in AP English, and successfully complete English 9 and English 10.

Math Honor Society

Advisor: Mrs. Alfredson

Meeting Day: Tuesdays 9th Period for Peer Tutoring

Meet: Library

Juniors and seniors are elected into the Math Honor Society based on their math grades and teacher recommendations. The purpose of the Math Honor Society is to encourage the importance of math education among all students. Math Honor Society members tutor students during the 9th period on Tuesday.

National Honor Society (12th Grade Only)

Advisor: TBD Season: All Year Meeting Day: TBD Meet: TBD

Admission to the National Honor Society is based upon academic achievement (92 weighted GPA), service, leadership, and character. Students who are eligible must apply to the Faculty Nomination Committee. Credit of five semesters must be recorded prior to nomination. Early graduates are eligible for nomination to the honor society in the spring of their senior year.

National Science Honor Society

Advisor: Mr. Matwey

Meeting Day: Wednesday

Season: All Year

Meet: 220

Juniors and seniors are elected into the Science Honor Society based on their science grades and teacher recommendations. The purpose of the Science Honor Society is to provide unique opportunities to students such as leadership experiences, national academic recognition, and cooperation with peers. Science Honor Society members will tutor students at an after school session.

Ornithology Club

Advisor: Mr. Rand
Meeting Days: TBD
Season: All Year
Meet: TBD

One of the main goals of the Ornithology Club is to provide students with the knowledge and skills to be able to identify local birds, preserve and appreciate their habitats, and to learn about their life histories. In order to accomplish this, we will take walks around the campus and learn how to identify birds by their distinguishing field marks, flight, habitat, and by their calls and songs. Students will learn about bird survival and hunting techniques, courtship displays, and migration. All of this will be learned through observation and study. The club will connect with bird surveys to help collect data to determine population and migration trends.

Pocket Theater

Advisors: Mrs. Mancini Season: Fall and Spring Meeting Days: Monday – Friday 2:15 – 5:00 P.M. Meet: Pocket Theater

If you have a love for theater and the performing arts, this is the club for you! We put on two productions every year, one in the fall and one in the spring. Auditions are open to all high school students. We welcome anyone interested in acting or participating as members of the stage crew or technical crew. The pocket theater is located on the lower level of the high school near the cafeteria.

Robotics Club

Advisor: Mr. Moorman & Ms. Gambino Season: All Year Meeting Day: See Google Classroom Code: <u>4v5d3er</u> Meet: MS 123

The Robotics Club provides students the opportunity to build and test robots. Students will work to compete in regional and championship competitions. Team members will gain valuable "hands-on" experience in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and math, while building self-confidence, knowledge and life skills.

^{**}Any cancellations will be posted in the Robotics Google Classroom

Rocky Point Newspaper Club

Advisor: Mrs. Diament Meeting Day: Tuesday



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Meet: Cosmetology Room

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The Newspaper Club provides students with many opportunities to learn about the practical workings of a newspaper by participating in the production of the high school newspaper, *Eagle's Eye*. We will cover journalistic writing style and reporting ethics, news, feature, opinion, sports, reporting, editing and revision and layout and publication. Students who are primarily interested in writing, photography and photojournalism are welcome!

S.A.D.D. (Students Against Destructive Decisions)



Advisor: Mrs. Werthner Meeting Day: Thursday

This is a student-led club designed to help fellow students make responsible decisions and withstand the temptations of peer pressure. S.A.D.D. members are involved in campaigns throughout the year, including the Prevention of Bullying, End Drunk Driving, and Making Good Decisions.

Science Club

Advisors: Mr. Gabrinowitz Meeting Day: Tuesday

In the Science Club, members are involved in a variety of activities which are designed to prepare students to successfully compete in the New York State Regional Science Competitions. During the club meetings, students engage in activities that will train them for the actual competition. Students interested in all areas of science are welcome.

Skills USA

Advisor: Mrs. Stiastny Meeting Day: Twice a Month

Skills USA is a student-led club that provides students the opportunity to develop leadership skills, character development and teamwork. They will be involved in many community service events throughout the year. Eligible students will also have the opportunity to participate in the Skills USA Regional Conference.

Rock Band-Sound Choice

Advisor: Mr. Conlon

Meeting Days: TBD

Season: All Year

MEET: Basement Sound Room

Sound Choice is designated for students with musical talents/interests outside the traditional High School format. Members of the club include students in grades 9 through 12, interested in playing electric guitar, electric bass, drums or keyboards. Music selection would be Blues, Rock and Roll, Folk and similar genre. The section of music will be generated by student members' suggestions, being subject to final approval by the advisor. The club will also be used as a resource for entertainment for school dances and benefits. Make the right Choice – Sound Choice!

Thespian Society

Advisors: Mrs. Mancini and Ms. Spitz

Season: All Year **Meeting Day: TBD Meet: Pocket Theater**

The National Thespian Society is designed "to promote and strengthen theatre arts programs in education." It is an honor society that you earn membership in by participating in school or other theater events. Each time you participate in a performance on or off stage, you earn points. If you have an interest in the arts please join us. All are welcome! We will be meeting once a month.

Varsity Choir

Advisor: Ms. Spitz Season: All Year Meeting Day: Tuesday 6:00 - 7:30 P.M. Meet: HS Chorus Room

The High School Varsity Choir is a select group that will perform at various school and community functions throughout the school year. The music we perform is chosen by the students in the group, and usually features modern selections from Pop, Broadway, and Jazz music. "Varsity Choir" will offer students the opportunity to experience musical excellence while fostering artistry, cultivating social growth, and inspiring student achievement. Students are encouraged, but not required, to also be in the High School Chorus.

Varsity Club

Season: All Year Advisor: Mr. Acritelli Meeting Day: TBD-See Advisor's eBoard Meet: Gym

The Varsity Club is for male athletes who would like to be involved in helping with school functions and community service projects. The main function of the Varsity Club is to help develop and build character for our Rocky Point student athletes. All members will help fundraise, visit local hospitals, support veteran causes, run school dances and work together to support the Varsity Club. These young male athletes have an opportunity to learn lifelong skills that will set them up for success later on in their lives.

Yearbook Club

Advisor: Mr. Armine Meeting Days: Tuesday and Thursday



Season: All Year

Meet: Room 126

The Yearbook Club meets at least once a week with editors meeting more frequently. This club is a highly productive frenzy of activity. Attendance at meetings is mandatory and must be given the same commitment as sports or employment. College admissions officers realize the value and responsibility of being a member of a yearbook club and see it as a positive enhancement of a college application. If you have good organizational skills, take commitments seriously and would like to create a memento that you will treasure for years to come; the yearbook staff needs you!