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Ocean Township School District provides an equal and bias-free access for all students to all school sponsored athletics, activities, and clubs by providing opportunities for students to interact positively with others regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender, religion, disability, or socioeconomic status.

ADVISORS

Advisor	Activity
Mrs. Diane Rinaldi	Academic Team
Ms. Edie Minott	African American Cultural Club
Mrs. Lisa Hanna/Ms. Ann Hanley	Afterglow (Literary Magazine)
Ms. Morgan Devlin	Art Club
Mr. Kyle Titmas	Band
Ms. Kristin Titmas	Band Front
Mr. Michael Pullano	Cable Youth Network (CYN)
Mrs. Susan Russo	Character Club
Mr. Greg Colon	Chess Club
Mr. Teddy Kernizan	Chorus
Mr. Greg Colon	Distributive Education Club of America (DECA)
Mr. Ken Hoff	Double Dutch Club
Mrs. Lynette Werthwein, Ms. Chelsea Gower, Mrs. Alma Garrity	Drama Club
Mr. Jeremy Lipari	eSports Gaming Club
Ms. Tara O'Neill, Ms. Rachael Gerstein	Family Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
Mr. Dave Smith	Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)
Mrs. Angela Barone	French Club
Mr. Jeffrey Soares	Freshman Class
Ms. Julie Shernius	Future Educator's Association (FEA)
Mr. Kyle Titmas	Instrumental Director
Mrs. Regina Basilone	Italian Club
Mrs. Susan Smith	Junior Class
Mrs. Lisa Hanna, Mrs. Donna Emeric	Kaleidoscope
Mrs. Lauren Borenstein, Mrs. Pamela Siciliano	Key Club
TBA	Lighting
Mr. Chris Ippolito	Makerspace Club
Mr. Kyle Titmas	Marching Band
Mrs. Diane Rinaldi	Mathematics Team
Mrs. Andrea Kahikina	Mock Trial Club
Ms. Alisa Singer, Mrs. Michele Conklin	National Honor Society
Mrs. Lisa Hanna	Newspaper (<i>Spartan Spirit</i>)
Mrs. Carol Parise	Ocean Township Medical Society
Ms. Christina DeMuro	Science Club
Mrs. Lisa Hanna	Senior Class
Ms. Edith Minott	Sophomore Class
Mrs. Cara Tevar	Spanish Club
Mrs. Lynette Werthwein	Spartan Dancers
TBA	Stage Crew
Mr. David Schwartz	Student Council
Ms. Kelly DeBari	Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD)
TBA	Township of Ocean Growing Strong (TOGS)
Mr. Timothy Patterson, Mr. Joshua Thompson	Ultimate Frisbee
Ms. Donna DeNoble, Mrs. Andrea Kahikina	Varsity Club
Mr. Teddy Kernizan	Vocal Director
Mr. Marc Willems	Volleyball Club
Ms. Julie Shernius, Ms. Christina DeMuro	Yearbook (<i>Sandpiper</i>)

ACADEMIC TEAM

The Academic Team encourages students who excel in academic trivia and competition. The members of the Academic Team need to be well rounded. The Team participates in many competitions throughout the year. Most competitions are in the "Jeopardy" format of five categories with multiple questions in each. The students are allowed to confer with their teammates before answering. The categories cover almost every topic imaginable.

AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CLUB

The African American Cultural Club (AACC) is designed to increase awareness and reinforce interest in African American history and culture. It functions in a community service and cultural conscious capacity. In addition to the traditional Black History Month observation during the month of February, the AACC plans and conducts several fund raising events during the year. The AACC encourages diversity and club membership is open to all OTHS students.

AFTERGLOW

Afterglow provides an opportunity for students to explore their creative talents, enhance their organizational skills and hone their business acumen. The culminating product of the year's activities is a literary magazine created by students. Selections, publication and distribution are all generated by student efforts. Afterglow welcomes students who are considering a career in writing, business or the performing arts. As a fundraiser project, the Afterglow performs two coffeehouses, which are designed primarily to showcase students' literary talent and artistic expression.

ART CLUB

The Art Club's objective is to evoke the creativity and embrace the talents of the student body. Embracing our talents gives us a sense of identity that is essential in life. Art Club will also build character traits needed for the workplace. In Art Club we will have to work in groups and collaborate; unlike art class where we each work individually. Bounce ideas off one another will improve our communication skills.

BAND

Marching Band: The Marching Spartans play at all home and away varsity football games and certain school events throughout the year. The band has performed in a variety of venues such as Disney World, Disney Land, Canada, Virginia, Ohio, Washington D.C., and the Yankee opening day, playoff, and World Series Parade. The band also performs at several local holiday parades and the All Shore Marching Band Festival. Please Note: It is possible to participate in Marching Band as well as a sport or other activity.

Concert Band: The schedule for Concert Band includes three concerts throughout the year plus the OTHS Graduation ceremony. Concert band prepares their wide variety of

music during the school year in band class. Students in Concert Band may also audition to perform in the All Shore Symphonic Band which is made up of students in high schools throughout Monmouth and Ocean counties.

Jazz Band: Jazz Band is an auditioned ensemble that plays at all band concerts and select choral concerts. Jazz Band also performs at extra performances during the school year such as during the lunch periods, pep rallies, and before holiday breaks. Jazz Band has also been asked to perform at outside venues for conventions held at places like the Sheraton in Eatontown and Ocean Place Resort and Spa in Long Branch. Jazz playing and soloing is stressed for members of this group. Students in Jazz Band may also audition to perform in the All Shore Jazz Band which is made up of students in high schools throughout Monmouth and Ocean counties.

Pep Band: Pep band is a smaller version of the Marching Band that performs at select home boys and girls basketball games. Pep band plays a variety of music in the stands of the basketball games. Pep Band has also been asked to perform at several in school events such as pep rallies and parades through the hallways. Pep Band has also performed at local events like the Ocean Township Fall Festival and the Asbury Park Polar Bear Plunge.

Pit Orchestra: The Pit Orchestra is composed of musicians who want to play in the orchestra for the Spring Musical. Music for this group is very advanced and requires outside independent practice time. Instrumentation depends of what show is being performed that year.

BAND FRONT

The Band Front is comprised of Flag Twirling. The Flag Twirlers provide a positive learning environment that will develop a lifelong appreciation and love for music, dance and the arts. They work closely with the Ocean Township High School Marching Band. The instruction focuses on techniques, personal discipline, graciousness, positive self-image and physical wellness. Flag twirling helps build a student's creative being, allowing them to explore and produce works and ideas on their own.

CABLE YOUTH NETWORK (CYN)

The Cable Youth Network is open to all students in the high school that wish to be involved with media or video communications. The club meets regularly for planning sessions and job assignments. Students wishing to be involved in this club may contribute by planning short video segments, recording various programs or scenes in or out of school or editing final pieces. A majority of the student's efforts will contribute to Spartan Update episodes. Formal responsibilities of club leadership are possible for experienced members. The CYN club is a year round extracurricular activity.

CHARACTER CLUB

The Character Club is for students who are concerned with the role of "character" in today's society. The Club plans character-building activities for club members as well as for the entire student body. Members are asked to serve as role models in the areas of

the six pillars of character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. Some of our annual events include Mix It Up Day, which promotes tolerance of differences, student training, and / or speakers, which provide insight on how to exhibit good character, and charity concerts, which raise funds for worthy causes.

CHESS CLUB

Chess Club provides students with opportunities to learn how to play, develop strategies, and compete in tournaments against other students and schools. In addition to the club, there is also a chess team that consists of the top five players from the club. These five players represent the school in the Shore Chess Conference and compete on a regular basis from December through March. Team and individual competition is also available to club members through in-house tournaments.

CHORUS

The OTHS Choral Program is comprised of two curricular choirs plus two after school ensembles. The Concert Choir is open to all students grades 9-12 and meets during study hall every day. The Chamber Choir is a select ensemble that is open to students in grades 10-12 through audition. Designed for dedicated, talented students, the Chamber Choir rehearses challenging repertoire and performs frequently. The Women's Ensemble is an after school all-female choir that rehearses a variety of repertoire. It is open to students grades 9-12 by audition only. The newest vocal ensemble to OTHS is the Noteworthy Gentlemen, an all male a cappella group that performs at various events during the year. The choirs put on a large winter and spring concert each year in addition to community performances and other trips throughout the Northeast.

DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION CLUB OF AMERICA (DECA)

DECA is a student organization operating through the nation's schools to attract individuals to careers in marketing, distribution, merchandising, and business management. The focus is also on increasing civic consciousness, building social intelligence and leadership development. Competency based competitive events serve as vehicles for students to "showcase" their achievement, progress and talent and to receive recognition and awards at local, state, and national levels. DECA strives to develop tomorrow's business leaders today.

DOUBLE DUTCH CLUB

Double Dutch promotes teamwork and diversity, while building students' endurance, strength, agility and coordination. The Ocean Township High School Double Dutch Club reaches out to our distinct student body because all of our students, regardless of athletic prowess, are able to be engaged as either a rope turner or a jumper. Unlike other more competitive sports, experience does not play a factor in order to participate in this club. Our goal is to provide students, from the Varsity athlete to the novice, with the benefits of double dutching. Our mission is to transfer the joy and camaraderie found while double ditching to the students, faculty and staff.

DRAMA CLUB

The OTHS Drama Club, also known as the Spartan Players, seeks to educate students and the community in the theatrical arts. The club produces two shows each school year. In the fall they work on both traditional and non-traditional pieces in order to prepare for the main stage musical production in the spring. Such workshops include experimental theater, "A Night of One Acts," and "Black Box Theater." Each production offers valuable, educational theater experiences for performers and the students working backstage. The Spartan Players offers learning the involvement in all aspects of a show's production which may include, helping create sets, building, painting, costuming, working with props, lighting and managing. The directors as well as visiting theater companies work on character development, confidence in performing, interpersonal relationships and improvisation, while instilling a professional attitude for those seeking a career in theater.

eSPORTS/VIDEO GAME CLUB

The OTHS eSports/Video Game Club consists of a diverse group of gamers. Since not everyone can participate in a physical activity such as Baseball, Basketball, or Soccer; our club allows for anyone to come together, participate, have fun, and play together. We welcome casual gamers, hardcore gamers, and anyone in between. All game types and systems are welcome, ranging from card, board, handheld, home console, and PC.

Along with playing games with other students at meetings, members will be able to participate in discussions with people who are enthusiastic about games, and compete in tournaments. Other club benefits include being able to attend special club events, and being able to "rent" video games from the Video Game Club's Library.

FAMILY CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA (FCCLA)

FCCLA is the only youth national organization with the family as the central focus. FCCLA emphasizes personal growth, stressing character education and critical thinking and decision-making. It promotes the realization that all individuals have leadership potential and work to develop and recognize those capabilities. Any Ocean Township High School student in grades 9-12 who has taken a Family and Consumer Sciences Course at some point (Intermediate School/High School) may join. Dues \$15 (\$9 for National, \$4 for State and \$2 for OTHS)

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES (FCA)

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes mission is to present to athletes and coaches and all whom they influence the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church. The relationships will demonstrate steadfast commitment to Jesus Christ and His Word through Integrity, Service, Teamwork, and Excellence.

FRENCH CLUB

The French Club's purpose is to increase the students' awareness of French culture, literature, holidays and traditions. Meetings are held once monthly. Activities include movie night, Crepe Day, Mardi Gras, participation in Multicultural night, trips to theatrical French Productions and plays, trips to parks and museums featuring French artwork. In order to defray costs incurred by organizing and participating in club activities, the club hosts bake/croissants sales, Mardi Gras bead sales, French Bon Bon candy sales, and club t-shirts sales.

FRESHMAN CLASS

This group is essentially the entire grade 9 class. However, the homeroom consists of the elected officers and appointed volunteer committee chairpeople. All members of the freshman class are encouraged to attend and participate in all meetings. The year begins with students who are interested in becoming a class officer. A general meeting is held to introduce the students nominated. The students who are elected have an important job. These representatives are the role models for their class, showing leadership and direction toward successful class involvement. The purpose of the advisor is to ensure as many students as possible take an active and meaningful role in various class activities.

FUTURE EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION (FEA)

Future Educators Association (FEA) is for anyone interested in pursuing a career related to education: teacher, guidance counselor, librarian, school nurse, principal, etc. The club focuses on teacher appreciation, providing service to teachers and staff and learning more about careers in education through shadowing chosen cooperating teachers.

ITALIAN CLUB

"Ciao," The Italian Club goal is to encourage and promote an awareness of Italian culture and tradition. It accommodates students with a variety of interests in music, art, food, traditions, and people and bridges the classroom to the outside world. The club provides the possibilities of discovering the beauty of the Italian language and culture by offering the students concerts, operas, plays and other Italian traditions. The students organize and execute a fundraiser. Money has been raised which was sent to an orphanage in Italy and other global services (including over \$700.00, which was sent to Kosovo). T-shirts and sweatshirts with the club logo on it are available! *"Benvenuti al Circolo Italiano!"*

JUNIOR CLASS

This group is essentially the entire grade 11 class. However, the homeroom consists of the officers elected in the summer/spring of the previous school year. The officers run weekly meetings to discuss related business. These representatives are the role models for their class, showing leadership and direction toward successful class

involvement. All members of the junior class are encouraged to attend and participate in all meetings. Various fundraisers are held throughout the year. The class officers help to schedule and plan participation in school events such as Homecoming and our biggest is the Junior Prom.

KALEIDOSCOPE

Kaleidoscope is an organization and support group that works to raise awareness, provide support, and promote acceptance of individual differences and rights. Its main objective is to cultivate an environment in which every child learns to respect and accept all people regardless of sexual orientation, or gender identity/expression. As a club, we work to educate the student body and to spread kindness and acceptance through our outreach to include all people no matter how they identify.

KEY CLUB

The Key Club is open to all members of the student body. The objectives of the club are to develop initiative and leadership, provide experience in living and working together, develop and promote good citizenship skills, serve the school and community, and cooperate with the school principal, local Kiwanis, State and International Key Clubs. The club organizes a car wash / fundraisers and a food drive. It assists at school sponsored events (Back to School Night, Plays and concerts, Orientation), and offers support to volunteer organizations in the community. Key Club Motto "Caring...Our Way of Life"

LIGHTING

The Lighting Crew provides the lighting for the Drama Club's fall and spring productions as well as the lighting for: Mr. Spartan, National Honor Society Induction Ceremony, Spartan Scholar, and other school and non-school events.

MAKERSPACE CLUB

Technology Students Association (TSA) portion of this club: The Technology Student Association (TSA) is a national organization of students engaged in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Open to students enrolled in or who have completed technology education courses. Members learn through exciting competitive events, leadership opportunities and much more. The diversity of activities makes TSA a positive experience for every student.

Big Red Robotics portion of this club: Big Red Robotics is Ocean Township High School's organization for students interested in pursuing a career in Robotics, Automation, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence or any related STEM field. This highly competitive club's enrollment has been growing steadily over the years and participants compete in fun and challenging regional and national competitions.

the year including service learning projects, sophomore lock-in and a host of other activities.

SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club is an organization of Ocean Township students that meets regularly throughout the school year to plan activities that are both service oriented and social. The club strives to promote a pride and awareness of Spanish Custom and culture. The club has annual car washes and bake sales that it uses as fundraisers. The members have become very service oriented over the past years. The members enjoy an annual holiday fiesta, a mid-winter get together, and an end of the year party. Several times during the year, the club members go to a Spanish or Mexican restaurant to relax and experience a Hispanic meal. The club has several monthly meetings to plan its activities that change and vary from year to year.

SPARTAN DANCERS

The Spartan Dance Team is the first dance team for OTHS. This group provides an opportunity for dancers to perform and explore their choreographic talents. Dancers are required to meet for rehearsals and learn pieces to perform for the district as well as concerts and competitions throughout the school year. Auditions will be held in the beginning of the school year. The Spartan Dancers perform for Coffee House performances, talent shows, basketball games, pep rallies, and are encouraged to try out for the spring musical for the Drama Club. The culmination of the season is a performance called Ocean Dance Theater where every Spartan Dancer performs with various other dancers within the school.

STAGE CREW

The Stage Crew helps to design and build the stage sets for the fall drama and spring musical. They meet with the Drama Club to watch the rehearsals before design completion and then they practice with the actors to learn how to set the stage, move props and scenery during the production. The crew is part of the production during the run of the play. After the performances, they are responsible for disassembling the set and cleaning the stage area.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council representatives are elected by their class to represent the student body. The basic purpose of the Student Council is to support the school and community, address social issues affecting the school, raise school spirit and participation, honor leaders and good citizens, and serve as liaisons to represent and be the voice of the students at PTSA, Board of Education, and Affirmative Action meetings. Some of the activities run by the Student Council are: Blood Drive, Holiday Toy Drive, Gift Certificates for the Pediatric Aids Unit at Jersey Shore, Fund Raising for State Charities, Leadership Wall of Fame, Voter Registration, Elections, attend State Conventions, Showcase Displays, Walk-a-Thon, and Halloween Contest.

STUDENTS AGAINST DESTRUCTIVE DECISIONS (SADD)

Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) is a peer leadership organization dedicated to preventing destructive decisions, particularly underage drinking and drug use and impaired driving. SADD believes that young people can have fun, enjoy life, and nurture positive, personal relationships without the distraction and distortion of alcohol. We seek to demonstrate positive and attractive alternatives for teenagers.

TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN GROWING STRONG (TOGS)

The mission of the Township of Ocean Growing Strong (TOGS) program is to provide leadership, knowledge, and resources to promote healthy youth, adults, and families. Students are recognized as a valuable asset in implementing positive changes in both their school and community. The program is designed to empower students and help them to recognize the importance of their impact on the world around them. The TOGS youth group has successfully organized food, supply, and fundraising drives, a school spirit week, faculty-student events and orientation for new students. It is also an organization that promotes a sense of community within school by working together with our other high school clubs in an effort to successfully reach common goals.

ULTIMATE FRISBEE CLUB

Frisbee Club's goal is to get more OTHS students active while creating or enhancing Frisbee skills. This club will benefit the school community because it will host events where students of the school pay to play, and then donate this money to a charitable cause. Any student will be able to join this club.

VARSITY CLUB

The Varsity Club is a very well established organization for all athletes. Members work together as a group to raise money to fund scholarships and to buy new equipment for the athletes. They set up the annual Bonfire to promote all the fall sports, and to get the entire school involved. The club also runs clothing sales to raise money to fund the biggest event of the year, which is the fashion show. Money raised from the fashion show provides scholarships to the graduating athletes. This organization is growing each year and flourishes from the support received from the athletes of Ocean Township High School.

VOLLEYBALL CLUB

The Volleyball Club's vision is ultimately to create a fun, entertaining, and spirit-filled atmosphere for students. Our mission is to teach students teamwork and create a competitive environment. On a school-wide level, we will encourage maximum school spirit and help shape individual Spartan legacies. Every student will have the opportunity to engage in the passion, poise, and purpose of the sport. This club belongs in OTHS because it creates an opening for students who enjoy volleyball in physical education class to play volleyball on a higher level.

YEARBOOK / SANDPIPER

The yearbook consists of two staffs, a production staff and a sales/business staff. The yearbook club has the responsibility of producing the annual "Sandpiper" yearbook for the students, staff and interested persons. The staff designs, lays-out, writes and edits the entire yearbook. The process begins in late spring of one school year and finishes in late March/early April of the next. The completed product is distributed to seniors at the Senior Picnic. Underclassmen receive their yearbooks the next week. Computer systems are used to produce the yearbook using the latest in technology and software. The student staff also works closely with the publisher and our official photographer. The yearbook business staff is charged with the responsibility of selling and distributing the yearbook. The staff is available during the months of October through January in the cafeteria during lunch periods to sell the book. In addition, the business staff processes a large number of ads for inclusion in the back of the Sandpiper.

ATHLETIC TEAM LISTINGS

SPORT

LEVEL

FALL

Cheering	Varsity
Cross Country (boys)	Varsity
Cross Country (girls)	Varsity
Field Hockey	Varsity, JV, Frosh
Football	Varsity, JV, Frosh
Gymnastics	Varsity
Soccer (boys)	Varsity, JV, Frosh
Soccer (girls)	Varsity, JV, Frosh
Student Trainers	
Tennis (girls)	Varsity, JV

WINTER

Basketball (boys)	Varsity, JV, Frosh
Basketball (girls)	Varsity, JV, Frosh
Bowling (boys)	Varsity
Bowling (girls)	Varsity
Cheering	Varsity, JV
Ice Hockey	Varsity
Indoor Track (boys/girls)	Varsity
Student Trainers	
Swimming (boys/girls)	Varsity
Wrestling	Varsity, JV, Frosh

SPRING

Baseball	Varsity, JV, Frosh
Golf	Varsity
Lacrosse (boys)	Varsity, JV
Lacrosse (girls)	Varsity, JV, Frosh
Softball	Varsity, JV, Frosh
Student Trainers	
Tennis (boys)	Varsity
Track (boys)	Varsity
Track (girls)	Varsity