# HCS Elementary Extracurricular Activities 2025-26

Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians,

Our Elementary Extracurricular Activities Handbook is your guide to explore all of the exciting opportunities beyond the classroom this year in the Elementary School. This handbook showcases our array of activities, from arts to technology, where your child can explore passions, develop skills, and build lasting friendships.

We invite you and your child to explore these pages to gain a general idea of what types of activities are being planned for the upcoming year. The specific sign up information will come from the advisor(s) before the start of the club. With a focus on learning, teamwork, and personal growth, our programs aim to create memorable elementary experiences.

All the best, Heather Thomas Elementary Principal

# **Guidelines for Student Participation**

- The advisor(s) will send home a permission form outlining the description, dates, schedule, and any additional information for participation in the extracurricular activity.
- Enrollment in the club will be filled on a "first come first serve basis" from when the permission slip is submitted to the advisor and will continue until the maximum number of students determined by the advisor is reached.
- Your child's participation will be confirmed either by email or another informational letter from the advisor prior to the start of the club.
- All after school clubs will be held from 2:45-3:45.
- Bus transportation is available Monday through Thursday. Please indicate this
  need on the permission form. Should there be any changes in the after school
  transportation plan, please fill out a triplicate Transportation Request Form or call
  the Attendance Office at (315) 824-6301.

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#### **Art Club**

Students are given the opportunity to explore their creative ideas and talents through projects that are an extension of the elementary arts curriculum. This allows students to let their creativity shine. Advisor: Mrs. Whalen

#### **Coding Club**

Students explore the world of computer coding with the assistance of Colgate University mentors. They work together to develop creativity, critical thinking and problem solving skills. Advisors: Mr. Rogers and Colgate Students

### **Drama Club**

Drama Club is designed for students interested in learning more about the aspects of theater. This includes learning stage terminology, working on acting skills, set building, and costumes/makeup design. The Drama Club will present a play for their fall performance. Advisors: Mrs. Farrar and Miss Zogby

#### Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run inspires girls of all abilities to recognize their individual strengths while building a sense of connection in a team setting. Coaches facilitate lessons that blend physical activity with life skill development to enable girls to adapt to whatever comes their way. At the end of the season, the team completes a 5K together, which provides a tangible sense of accomplishment and sets a confident mindset into motion. Advisor: Mrs. Ames

#### **Kickball Club**

Students join together to participate in a recreational game of kickball which allows them to practice good sportsmanship and conflict resolution skills. Advisors: Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Sirtoli

### **Liberty Kids**

An invitation only program for early readers to engage in interactive literacy activities with a Colgate University mentor student. Advisor: Mr. Latella

# **Literary Magazine Club**

Literary Magazine Club invites intermediate students to gather creative writing from all grade levels and compile it into a digital publication published twice a year, celebrating student voices and creativity. Advisors: Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Coddington

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### **Math Club**

Students have the opportunity to explore math concepts and play fun math games in a non-competitive, social environment. Advisor: Mrs. Brooks

#### **Musical Theater Production**

The focus of this club is on rehearsing for a successful performance. Every actor gets a part, their own moment to shine. Students will work on vocal technique and learn to sing as a soloist and chorus member. Students will also learn theater basics like stage directions, blocking, choreography, and backstage etiquette, as well as more complicated concepts like character development and script analysis. Advisors: Mrs. Farrar, Miss Zogby, and Mrs. Hoople

### **Running Club**

This co-educational club provides the opportunities, guidance, and education for students to start and grow their interest in a healthy lifestyle through running. There will be an optional 5K at the end of the season. Advisor: Mrs. Ames

# **Student Council**

Elementary Student Council focuses on community service, civics and government in a student-friendly environment. Advisors: Mrs. White and Mrs. Latella

#### **Yearbook**

Yearbook Club meets throughout the school year to work on the yearbook, plan page designs, and arrange the pictures taken by student photographers. Students work to sort pictures, organize page development and monitor yearbook progress throughout the school year. Advisor: Mrs. Merrill