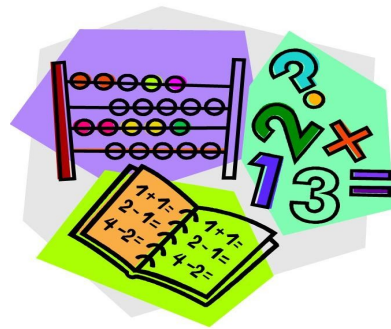


# MORRIS KNOLLS HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES



2020-2021

## **MK CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES**

### **ACADEMIC DECATHLON**

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The Academic Decathlon is a ten event academic competition for high school teams. Each school has three teams for students with A, B and C averages. The teams prepare informally for most of the school year. Students then participate in a day-long event that involves testing, writing, speaking, and a quiz show competition. Each school competes first on a regional level, then depending upon competition results, may advance to the state and national levels.

### **ART SERVICE CLUB**

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A multi-grade level, all-inclusive hands-on club that works on various art projects independently and for the school. Usually meeting once a week, students use their artistic skill and problem solving know how to create murals, installations, and other team oriented art projects around the campus, sometimes with other clubs or school groups. The ASC also holds workshops open to "drop in" members and those interested in participating in occasional individual art activities such as mask making and life drawing sessions. The philosophy behind the group is to include everyone in making the projects, no matter what their skill level, and to learn how to work in a team environment, creatively, communicatively, and cordially. The club welcomes students who want to hone their sense of community and caring through art.

### **BAND FRONT/COLOR GUARD**

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The Band Front, which includes the color guard, provides an element of showmanship through participation with the band in half-time shows at football games and competitions. Band Front members participate in the same activities as marching band members, including spring band trips. No previous flag, dance or marching knowledge is necessary to join. Anyone interested in being a member of the band front of Morris Knolls High School Marching Band is expected to meet the following requirements: a satisfactory scholastic record; Any other requirements posted such as: skill, ability, appearance and posture.

### **BIBLE CLUB**

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The Morris Knolls Bible Club is a fellowship of people who care for one another and for others, who come together to learn more about the God who loves us all, and who attempt to live out their response to that love here in the high school. We try to listen, learn and be supportive in all situations to all people. We meet weekly for study and fellowship and welcome everyone who wishes to be part of a group which tries to be open, honest and accepting of each other.

**CHESS CLUB**  
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The game of chess represents the intrigue of Medieval Europe and dates back more than a thousand years to Ancient India. The MKHS Chess Club is dedicated to learning the strategies and enhancing the critical thinking skills needed for the game. And it's fun too! Spend time with friends (or make new ones) and learn the game that is played all over the world.

**CHORAL ENSEMBLES / CHORUS OFFICERS**

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Officers are elected by the choral members to plan specialized choral activities. Also, concert accompanists prepare materials for upcoming performances in and out of the school.

**COMPUTER CLUB**

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The Computer Club is an educational and fun group. The club explores both computer architecture and new application software. We try to help anyone with his or her computer problems. We also know quite a bit about programming and networking. Our mission is to promote computer programming and to expand the scope of computer knowledge within this school.

**D.E.C.A. (Distributive Education Club of America)**

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Membership in Morris Knolls D.E.C.A. is offered to students who are currently enrolled in business classes. The purpose of D.E.C.A. is to contribute to the development of skills necessary for careers in marketing, merchandising, management and entrepreneurship. Students may have the opportunity to participate in business simulations at the Regional, State and National Conferences. Students also participate in activities to raise money for charitable organizations. Through the variety of activities in D.E.C.A. students develop their initiative, creativity, motivation, and overall employment and business skills.

**ECOLOGY CLUB**

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The Ecology Club is a student driven club that promotes conservation, recycling, "going green" and environmental activism. Past activities have included: Adopt-A-Trail, campus clean-ups, campus improvement projects, and raising funds for natural disaster relief and rainforest preservation, the "save our seas" campaign, save the tigers, ink cartridge recycling, and the Morris County "Slam Dunk the Junk" campaign. The ecology club was active in the creation of the MK recycling program and plans to continue to promote expanding the recycling program as well as working toward the goal of a composting program. All are welcome.

## **ECONOMICS CLUB**

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The Economics Club aims to bring together students of all academic interests to discuss, analyze, and interpret economic issues throughout our local community, the state of New Jersey, the United States of America, and the world. The Economics Club members will participate in regional and national competitions based upon economics. Also, the Economics Club will incorporate fundraisers in order to commit to philanthropy. Through speakers and events, it is the purpose of the Economics Club to reach the student body at Morris Knolls to inform them of the importance and relevance of economics.

## **FALL DRAMA**

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Participation in the Fall Play gives student actors and stage technicians the experience of a small cast production in a theatre-in-the-round setting. Students cast in the Fall Play work intensively on their dramatic skills, while those working on the technical side can gain hands-on experience in their areas of interest, which may include set construction, scenic painting, lighting, sound, costumes, makeup, stage management and running crew. Auditions for the Fall Play are usually held at the end of September; rehearsals run through October and early November, with Tech Week and performances before Thanksgiving.

## **FAMILY, CAREER, AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA (FCCLA)**

**Ms. Seaman**

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Students participating in FCCLA will gain skills in communication, leadership and group facilitation. This organization has a goal of helping students in 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades become more self-sufficient while helping their community. Every year a variety of community service projects are planned by the members. It is the membership that dictates the activities we will complete under the guidance of the advisors and officers. All students have an opportunity to gain leadership skills by participating as a committee chair or co-chair of an activity. We meet every Wednesday in Room A-18, unless it is a shortened day due to workshops.

### **FRESHMAN CLASS**

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The main objective of the members of the Freshmen Class is to raise money for the various activities taking place in their junior and senior years. These activities include the Junior Prom, Senior Prom and Senior Class activities.

The Freshmen Class holds 1 or 2 fundraisers during the year. The first fundraiser takes place in the fall. Prior to this sale, a meeting of the entire Freshman Class is organized for the purpose of involving as many members of the class as possible in the fundraisers and spirit events throughout the school year. Additional fundraisers take place in the Winter and Spring. Anyone may get involved in the Freshmen Class. Members are recruited in late September, early October. In October, elections are held for officers of the class.

### **FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA (FBLA)**

**Mr. Mugavero**

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Future Business Leaders of America is a national vocational educational organization for all students at Morris Knolls High School who are interested in and/or preparing for business and/or office or business education careers. Any student who has taken a business course may join.

There are more than 140,000 FBLA members in more than 7,000 chapters throughout the U.S., Guam, Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, and the Virgin Islands. The purpose of this organization is to provide, as an integral part of the instructional program, additional opportunities for high school students to develop vocational career supportive competencies and to promote civic and personal responsibility.

### **FUTURE EDUCATORS OF AMERICA (FEA)**

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Future Educators of America's purpose is to foster the recruitment and development of prospective educators worldwide through the dissemination of innovative programming and relevant research. By elevating the image of teaching, FEA will attract dynamic and diverse students who will become tomorrow's great educators. Meetings will be held twice a month on Tuesdays in the afternoon and once a month on a Tuesday morning.

### **GAMING CLUB**

**TBD**

The Gaming Club is an all-inclusive organization where students will meet to share their love of gaming, meet new friends and play and discover a variety of board and card games. The club meets once a week, and is open to all Morris Knolls students. The intention of the club is for students to just play whichever game they want or, along with other students, discover a new game that is available that week. Different games may be played simultaneously as the entire club will not just focus on one game at a time.

## **GERMAN CLUB**

**Ms. Nowara**

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The German Club's purpose is to bring German life and culture to the American student. Through the club, the traditions and customs come alive. We learn about the festive days in Germany by celebrating the Oktoberfest, Weihnachten (Christmas, with caroling in German), and Fasching (carnival time). Activities may include a trip to New York City, visiting stores specializing in German products and a German café. Other activities include working on World Language Week, writing, producing and directing commercials and creating decorations for the showcase. Club members will also learn German games. Depending on the project, meetings are held either every week or twice a month.

## **H.O.P.E.**

**Mr. Economou**

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Hope stands for **H**appiness, **O**pportunities, and **P**rosperity for **E**veryone. This group is dedicated to serving the community both locally and abroad.

## **INTERACT CLUB**

**Ms. Rock**

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The Morris Knolls Interact Club is a school and community service club affiliated with the Denville Rotary. Meetings are held twice a month to discuss school and community service activities and fundraising events. Interact members serve at functions such as Fall Festival, Santa Land, Memorial Day Veteran's Breakfast, MHRD Health Fair, the Denville Street Fair, and various other fundraisers. The club takes a trip to Six Flags Great Adventure each Spring.

## **JUNIOR CLASS**

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The Junior Class is involved in various volunteer projects as well as fund raising activities throughout the school year. Our volunteer efforts have included charity walks, bake sales for the military, pick-an-angel, collections for different charities, etc. The goal of our fundraisers is primarily to defray the cost of the Junior prom and they include bake sales, giveaway raffles, penny races, powderpuff football, etc. Our overall efforts are geared toward promoting community concern and positive school spirit.

### JUNIOR STATE OF AMERICA

**Mr. Chegwidde**

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The Junior State of America is a national organization founded in 1934. This club is devoted to fostering an appreciation for history and social studies. JSA hopes to encourage youths to get involved in the political process, develop an understanding of democracy by a healthy exchange of ideas and beliefs, and prepare students to live in a democracy. Typical chapter activities include student debates, field trips, nonpartisan political awareness events, and more. JSA is one of the largest organizations in the United States that is operated almost completely by high school students. This nationwide program has been recognized by the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

### KEY CLUB

**Ms. Hudak**

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Members of this international organization develop initiative and leadership by serving their school and community. By means of their donation of time and effort, Key Clubbers learn to emphasize: the human and spiritual (rather than the material) values of life; the everyday use of the Golden Rule; the importance of striving for excellence. The Club motto is "Caring - our way of life."

### LEO CLUB

**Ms. Fischetti**

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The Leo Club, sponsored by the Lions Club, has more than 5,000 organized groups throughout the world. Its purpose is to inspire volunteerism and leadership. Its members are dedicated to doing community service and helping those who are less fortunate. Activities include Pennies for Puppies, which raises funds for the Seeing Eye, and Leo's Challenge, an activity similar to Special Olympics which includes participants from the four sending districts.

### LIGHTING & SOUND

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Students who participate in this activity will be directly responsible for the lighting and sound for the many stage activities that occur during the school year such as the fall drama, spring musical, the Fashion Show, Senior Variety Show, and functions for outside groups. This club works towards creating a vibrant atmosphere for each event using a state-of-the-art light board and other technical stage equipment. All students are welcome regardless of previous experience.

### LITERARY MAGAZINE/SPECTRUM

**Mr. Collinsworth**

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Spectrum, the Morris Knolls literary magazine, encourages and recognizes excellence in written and artistic expression. Student works are selected and placed in our Spectrum magazine, which is published each spring. Our fundraising efforts help defray publication costs. Membership is open to all students.

**LITERARY SOCIETY OF MORRIS KNOLLS**  
**TBD**

In the Literary Society of Morris Knolls we strive to let you reveal your thoughts in the form of song, poetry, and other types of literature. We go beyond what the eye can see and look for deeper meanings in literature. We want to know what **you** think. We want to hear **your** voice, **your** thoughts, **your** opinions.

**MARCHING BAND**  
**Mr. Schwartz**  
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The members of the Morris Knolls Eagle Marching Band provide the musical entertainment at all Morris Knolls football games. Our band is rated among the finest in the state and members often travel to take part in competitions, to attend festivals and to participate in exchange trips.

Rehearsals are held after school and the Fall schedule is a demanding one. Students in Grade 9 through 12 who are members of the Concert Band are eligible.

**MATH CLUB / TEAM**  
**Ms. Koch**  
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Math Club/Math Team is designed for those students from Grades 9 through 12 who like fun, mathematics, games and puzzles, and competing in mathematics. There are no dues. The officers of the club are elected at the second Math Club meeting of the year.

During the school year, members of the Math Club have the opportunity to participate in the New Jersey Mathematics League which is scheduled once a month for six months. Additionally, members participate in the American Mathematics Competition in February with the opportunity to qualify for the American Invitation Examination.

Our Math Club activities involve problem solving, games, puzzles, preparation for the NJML contests, and fun competitions. The members also provide peer tutoring to students in need of math help on a weekly basis. Our meetings are held on a bi-weekly basis. Our membership is about evenly divided between the four classes and totals around 30 students per year.

**MK PRIDE**  
**Ms. Koch**      **Ms. Schilens**  
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MK PRIDE is an organization dedicated to establishing equality in our community through education, inclusive activities, and respect. Our goal is to help everyone in our community grow into a more respectful and tolerant state of mind.

Activities will include picnics, movie nights, fundraising, forums, discussions, trips, bake sales, and participation in the National Day of Silence. Everybody is welcome to attend.



**MULTICULTURAL CLUB/E.R.A.S.E.**

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The Multicultural Club is a 9-12 student organization that is dedicated to the exploration of American diversity through the visitation of places (museums, galleries, etc.) or taking part in experiences (ethnic festivals, dinners at restaurants). The only requirement for membership is a willingness to try something new, usually having a laugh while doing so.

**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

**Mr. Collinsworth**

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The National Honor Society is an organization founded to honor students who have excelled in the areas of leadership, scholarship, service and character. Faculty nominations and data forms completed by prospective members are reviewed by a faculty committee that selects students to be honored. Following induction, members are required to maintain the standards of the organization and act as models of behavior for the student body. An organization service program and an individual service program are requirements of membership.

Further information regarding guidelines and the selection process may be found in the Student/Parent Handbook.

**NEWSPAPER/QUILL**

**Ms. Immediato/Ms. Augenstein**

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The Quill is the student newspaper, and as a member of the Quill, the student is involved in the planning of each issue of the newspaper. This includes determining the topics for each issue's articles, composing and revising those articles, taking and collecting photographs, completing artwork and laying out the final copy as it will be given to the printer. Any student interested in journalism, art or photography is invited to join the club.

**PHILOSOPHY CLUB**

**Mr. Lipsen**

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If you are ready to handle such difficult questions as, "what is the meaning of life?" or "which was the best Marvel movie?" then come join the MK Philosophy club. This club is a fun way to better understand our society and ourselves. The club provides an opportunity for students to learn some of the greatest ideas of philosophy, while talking about teen issues, popular culture, music, and current events. Activities may include discussions, debates, guest speakers, short videos, movies, and field trips.

**PROJECT L.E.A.D.**

**Ms. DiStasio**

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Project L.E.A.D. provides Freshmen and other students new to Morris Knolls a chance to become quickly orientated to the school environment.

Highlights include coordinating the Freshman Orientation Program in September and the Freshman Orientation dance. This club not only helps freshmen students, but also allows its members to practice leadership and organizational skills.

Membership in this program necessitates an application process, meetings from March to June and in September, a meeting one evening in August, the Orientation Program on the day before classes start, and participation in the Freshman Orientation dance. The program is completed after the first couple of weeks of school.

**PSYCHOLOGY CLUB**

**Mr. Hrynyk**

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The Psychology Club meets once a month to discuss different areas of the psychological field. Students will learn about new literature and the impact of psychology in modern society as well. Students will be involved in fundraisers that will enable them to take trips which relate to psychology. They will also be required to do at least 30 hours of volunteer work at local businesses, day care centers, institutions, etc.

**SENIOR CLASS**

**TBD**

The Senior Class, as an activity, attempts to uphold and continue many Morris Knolls traditions while raising money to offset the cost of the Senior Prom. Meetings are open to all interested class members.

Class officers are elected at the end of the junior year and work together over the summer to plan the upcoming year's events. Among the many traditional activities carried on by the Senior Class and officers are: the selection of a Homecoming Queen, Powder Puff Game, Hallway Decorating, Annual Magazine/Popcorn Sale, Senior Teach Day, Caps and Gown Sales, Field Day/Picnic and, finally, the Senior Prom. Various other projects arise during the school year which the class officers work diligently to complete.

**RACIAL JUSTICE ALLIANCE**

**Ms. Johnson / Ms. Schilens**

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Our club's purpose is to educate and inform the students of Morris Knolls of existing racial problems and initiate a sense of inquiry, conversations and responsibility. RJA was founded by students just like you who felt fed up and helpless in the current climate surrounding racial biases. By joining RJA you are giving teenagers, with similar mindsets, a voice in Morris Knolls High School.

### **SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB**

**Mr. Higgins/Ms. Malec/Mr. Geary**

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The objective of this club is to offer a ski program to students at reasonable rates. Along with a few preliminary meetings in the Fall, the majority of skiing is done on Thursday evenings. We will also sponsor one trip to Vermont if the club shows an interest. Approximately 100-150 students are currently involved each year. Everyone is welcome to join.

### **SkillsUSA**

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SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers, and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps each student excel by empowering its members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens. SkillsUSA improves the quality of our nation's future skilled workforce through the development of framework skills that include personal, workplace, and technical skills grounded in academics.

### **SONGWRITERS CLUB**

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This club is designed for any student who is interested in the writing, arrangement, recording, production, performing, marketing, graphic art design, tee-shirt design, special effects or anything else connected to a student-generated CD of original music. All styles of music are welcome. No experience is necessary. Even if you simply like to listen to original songs – this is the club for you. Let's just rock the house!

### **SOPHOMORE CLASS**

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The Sophomore Class Club is made up of officers and a Sophomore Class Council. The officers are a group of students who are elected President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Council consists of sophomores who wish to assist the officers in decisions or activities for the class. The main objective of this club is to raise money for Junior and Senior Proms and class activities.

Many methods of fundraising are available to sophomores including bake sales, car washes, cookie or candy sales, and class-sponsored activities, such as sport marathons. These fund raisers are organized by the Sophomore Class Club and its advisor so that the entire class is included in money-making activities. All activities are planned and organized when the club meets on Mondays.

### **SPANISH CLUB**

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Twice a month a meeting for the Spanish Club is held. Location and dates are announced as locations become available for use. Our goal is to enhance the appreciation of the Spanish language and its culture. Furthermore, as a club, we will participate in fundraising activities in order to benefit those in need while gaining cultural awareness.

### **SPRING MUSICAL**

**Ms. Garry**

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Every March, MKHS produces their Spring Musical, and there are many roles to be played both on and off the stage! Auditions for performers are in late December, and rehearsals begin in early January, usually every day after school. Musicians are needed for the pit orchestra, and students are encouraged to participate in stage crew, costuming, make-up and hair design as well. See Mrs. Garry for details.

### **STAGECRAFT**

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Students who participate in this activity will be directly responsible for the construction, painting, installation, and maintenance of the sets, for both the fall drama and the spring musical. All students are welcome, regardless of previous experience, and any level of active participation is welcomed. This club works under the philosophy of creating a professional-quality set for each play, while enjoying the camaraderie developed from working together with others in the pursuit of a common goal. Simply put: We get the job done, and we have fun!

### **STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

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The Student Government Association is an important and active organization at Morris Knolls. SGA is the major medium of student representation within the school and functions as a sounding board for student opinion as well as a vital communication link between the students and the administration.

Over the years, changes in school policy such as those concerning parking and dress code were the result of proposals initiated by SGA. The SGA officers participate on district committees along with administration, faculty and community representatives. The SGA sponsors school spirit activities throughout the year and coordinates activities of student service and commemoration of events memorable to the student body. The SGA supports ongoing and new student activities and clubs.

Further information regarding the SGA may be found in the Student/Parent Handbook.

### **TECHNOLOGY STUDENT ASSOCIATION (TSA)**

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The Technology Student Association (TSA) is the national organization comprised students who are currently enrolled in or have completed technology education classes. TSA promotes opportunities to explore a wide variety of interests using a hands-on approach. This student driven club challenges students to use and improve their STEM skills through intracurricular activities as well as team and individual competitions.

### **TEEN LEADERSHIP COUNCIL**

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A leadership component of the Program for the Gifted and Talented, Teen Leadership Council (TLC) is a student leadership group within Morris Knolls that provides peer support to students needing and requesting information, assistance, or simply a compassionate listener. TLC also presents special programs for the school, district and community. TLC promotes a "no use" message regarding drugs, alcohol, and tobacco, and they sign a contract in which they agree to remain drug, alcohol and tobacco free while serving as Council members. TLC members are required to be interviewed and participate in training sessions before they can be designated as part of the Council. Nominations may be given to any current TLC member or Ms. Evans in the Guidance office.

### **THESPIAN SOCIETY (And Video)**

**Ms. Garry**

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The goal of the Theatre Club is to get students active in various aspects of theatre, both on stage and off! The club plans a performance-oriented fundraiser, community-oriented projects, a Comedy Improv Night, and a Broadway Cabaret. Club members also attend a professional theatre performance.

### **TV PRODUCTION/FILM CLUB**

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The TV Production Club is composed of students who display an active interest in learning more about television production techniques and equipment. Activities range from producing original programs (interviews, music videos, demonstrations, etc.) to assisting classes with their productions, and finally, producing programs for district-wide use. All students are welcome to join the club.

### **UNIFIED CIRCLES CLUB**

**Ms. Rodimer/Mr. Kelly**

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Membership in the Unified Circles Club enables students to become better acquainted with the special needs students of Morris Knolls High School and to assist them in their daily school activities. Club members use their lunch and study periods to accomplish these goals. In addition, members plan and run parties and special events. They help with the Special Olympics, bowling, swimming, skiing, basketball, and track and field competitions. Students not only raise money for special field trips, but also accompany the Special Ed. students to New York, shopping malls, museums, etc. Fund raising activities include raffle sales, newspaper drives, bake sales, and concerts.

### **VARSITY CLUB**

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To be a member of the Varsity Club, a student must be a varsity letter winner. Students may only join the club after successfully completing a varsity sport at Morris Knolls and attend a meeting showing intent to be a member in good standing. Officers consisting of a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Secretary-Treasurer are elected each year. Meetings are held as needed by the president and approved by the advisors.

The Morris Knolls Varsity Club stimulates general interest in all athletics; promotes greater participation in sports; fosters enthusiastic team and school spirit; engenders among the athletes of this school the highest qualities of fellowship, sportsmanship, and honor; and maintains pleasant relationships with other educational institutions.

All members agree to respect the authority of all officials of the Varsity Club, to observe and cooperate in all rules of the organization in upholding the reputation and honor of Morris Knolls High School, to take part in all club activities and act in whatever capacity necessary for the benefit of the club.

The major activities of the club are the acquisition of Varsity Club jackets, Senior Awards, support of community service and other leadership roles at Morris Knolls High School. Community services include donations to various organizations, such as the coordination of the Toys for Tots.

### **YEARBOOK (TALON) / YEARBOOK SALES CLUB**

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The Yearbook/Talon Club assists the Yearbook Publication Class in creating the yearbook for Morris Knolls High School. Membership is open to all students in grades 9 thru 12. Students in the Yearbook/Talon Club assist by submitting original photography of school related activities, clubs and sporting events as well as proofreading, layouts, backgrounds and copy.

The Yearbook Sales Club actually pays you for being a member! The purpose of the club is to sell advertising space in the Talon to businesses and individuals throughout the community. The more you sell...the more discounted your yearbook becomes. Many members earn a **FREE** yearbook! Meetings are two times a month until March.

## Honor Societies

Art Honor Society – Ms. Stauss – [dstauss@mhrd.org](mailto:dstauss@mhrd.org)

Business Honor Society – Ms. Benack – [jbenack@mhrd.org](mailto:jbenack@mhrd.org)

English Honor Society – Ms. Amicucci – [damicucci@mhrd.org](mailto:damicucci@mhrd.org)

French Honor Society – Ms. Rapagnani – [erapagnani@mhrd.org](mailto:erapagnani@mhrd.org)

German Honor Society – Ms. Nowara – [dnowara@mhrd.org](mailto:dnowara@mhrd.org)

Math Honor Society – Ms. Lubrecht – [llubrecht@mhrd.org](mailto:llubrecht@mhrd.org)

National Honor Society – Mr. Collinsworth – [jcollinsworth@mhrd.org](mailto:jcollinsworth@mhrd.org)

Science Honor Society – TBD

Social Studies Honor Society – Mr. Bradley / Ms. Foley –

[ebradley@mhrd.org](mailto:ebradley@mhrd.org)/[lfoley@mhrd.org](mailto:lfoley@mhrd.org)

Spanish Honor Society – Ms. Regueiro-Caskey – [iregueiro-caskey@mhrd.org](mailto:iregueiro-caskey@mhrd.org)

Tri-M Honor Society – Mr. Schwartz – [dlschwartz@mhrd.org](mailto:dlschwartz@mhrd.org)

Information regarding applying to honor societies is disseminated throughout the school year.

## ATHLETICS

Morris Knolls High School is a member of the NJSIAA, the NJAC (Northwest Jersey Athletic Conference), North Jersey Super Football Conference, the Morris County Ice Hockey League, the New Jersey Interscholastic Lacrosse League (boys and girls), and is represented by the following athletic teams:

- Fall: Cheerleading  
Cross Country (Boys and Girls)  
Field Hockey (Girls)  
Football  
Soccer (Boys and Girls)  
Tennis (Girls)  
Volleyball (Girls)
- Winter: Basketball (Boys and Girls)  
Bowling (Co-Ed)  
Cheerleading  
Fencing (Boys and Girls)  
Ice Hockey  
Indoor Track (Boys and Girls)  
Swimming (Boys and Girls)  
Wrestling
- Spring: Baseball  
Golf (Co-Ed)  
Lacrosse (Boys and Girls)  
Outdoor Track (Boys and Girls)  
Softball  
Tennis (Boys)

In addition to regularly scheduled contests, Morris Knolls participates in county, state, and invitational athletic competition, and thus far have compiled an enviable record in these activities.

Each season, students will receive an athletic schedule that lists dates, times, and places of each athletic event. All athletic schedules can also be found on the school website or on NJSPORTS.net.

For further information, please contact the Athletic Department at (973) 664-2238.