# **STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

# AT ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL



# **ACADEMIC WORLDQUEST**

The World Affairs Councils of America's flagship youth education program is a fun, fast-paced team competition for high school students. Academic WorldQuest tests players' knowledge of current international politics, geography, global economics, history, and world cultures. *Advisor, Ms. Acton* 

## **AVIATION CLUB**

Explore modern technologies, types of aircraft, and the science behind how they work. Gain curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking skills while building enthusiasm for flight. Students will be exposed to careers in aviation through visits by aviation professionals and occasional field trips. *Advisor, Mrs. Thuente* 

## **BEAUTY OF LIFE CLUB**

This student-run non-profit provides families in need with healthy, home-cooked, pregnancy-friendly meals prepared in a commercial kitchen under the direction of a certified food manager. There are opportunities for volunteers to shop for, prepare, and/or deliver meals each week.

Advisors, Mrs. Donahue and Mrs. Gorman

#### **BOOK CLUB**

Students meet once a month to discuss a book that they've selected to read. Copies are provided to all Book Club members through the public library. *Advisor, Mrs. Tucker* 

## **CHESS CLUB**

Students meet to play chess during lunch when they are available. Advisor, Mrs. Brinks

## **CREATIVE WRITING CLUB**

Students gather to develop their creative written pieces and share them. Meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month during lunch. *Advisor, Mr. Davis* 

#### **CROCHET CLUB**

Enjoy the relaxing, meditative, and practical hobby of crocheting, knitting, or needlepoint. *Advisor, Mrs. Dunlop* 

#### **DEBATE CLUB**

Debate Club provides a platform for engaging in thoughtful discussions on a variety of topics with your peers. Participation enhances your communication skills, improves debating abilities, and exposes you to diverse perspectives. Each session will introduce a topic for participants to research and prepare for discussion. At the conclusion of the meeting, a new topic will be assigned for further exploration before the next session. *Advisor, Mrs. Schmuckal* 

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB**

The Environmental Club is open to all students wanting to explore topics concerning protecting our environment. Inspired by Pope Francis' *Laudato Si* encyclical, we strive to educate ourselves and others on caring for our common home - planet earth. Club activities include leading the recycling effort at our school as well as organizing school and community outreach events. *Advisor, Mrs. Thuente* 

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#### HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Auditions for the February musical typically take place in late October. Rehearsals for all cast members begin immediately after auditions. Being in the choir helps with getting a lead role, but is not a requirement. A practice schedule is posted weekly but time involvement does increase during the final 6 weeks before the show. Tech crew members are also needed to help with costumes, props, staging, set building, lights, sound, etc. Most of these begin in January. Show dates are the second and third weekend of February. There is a cost to participate. Rehearsals and meeting times vary by role. *Advisor, Mrs. Hardesty* 

## **INVESTMENT CLUB**

Members learn about investment accounts such as bonds, mutual funds, stocks, and Roth IRAs. An investing competition will take place throughout the year where students can analyze risks and returns. Members will also present lessons to middle school and elementary school students, and have an opportunity to learn from guest speakers. *Advisor, Mr. Penski* 

## **KEY CLUB**

High school student members of Key Club perform acts of service in their communities, such as cleaning up parks, collecting clothing and organizing food drives. They also learn leadership skills by running meetings, planning projects and holding elected leadership positions at the club, district and international levels. *Advisor, Mrs. Tyson* 

## **LEGION OF MARY**

Legion of Mary is an international evangelization organization whose purpose is to bring others to God and Heaven through Mary. Participate in devotions such as the Scapular, the First Friday and Saturday devotions, praying for the unborn, and the Rosary – plus service projects. *Advisor, Mr. Maday* 

## **MEDICAL SOCIETY**

Students gain exposure to Catholic professionals in the medical field to learn about various careers available, how to pursue careers in medicine, and how to integrate their faith with their professional lives. In addition, the Society provides access to membership and charitable opportunities with the Red Cross. *Advisor, Sister Julia Marie* 

# **NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY (NHS)**

The National Honor Society is open to students with a 3.75 or higher cumulative grade point average beginning the spring semester of sophomore year. In addition to academics, members perform several service events throughout the year. *Advisor, Mrs. Klettner* 

#### **PICKELBALL**

Join us for an easy-to-learn, easy-to-play sport. Advisor, Señor Ferris

# **PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

The Praise and Worship club is open to all students who want to grow in their faith by worshiping God using the medium of current, Christian-themed pop music. *Advisor, Mrs. Thuente* 

## **QUIZ BOWL**

Quiz Bowl is a competitive academic trivia game in which students compete against students from other schools. Meets during lunch, September-November. Competitions are held in October and November. *Advisor, Mr. Jurkiewicz* 

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## SOCIEDAD HONORARIA HISPANIC

For young, enthusiastic estudiantes with a love / aptitude for Spanish. Eligible students are 10th grade and above, enrolled in Spanish III and higher. Members will be elected to leadership roles and will be provided opportunities to use the language within the community. They will help organize service projects and seek to become better people and better language users. *Advisor, Señor Ferris* 

#### STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council is elected by the student body to represent the interests of all students. The Council is charged to provide leadership and to support all approved student sponsored activities. Elected members will be required to attend weekly meetings, coordinate fundraising events, represent the interests and ideas of their classmates and fully participate in student sponsored activities. *Advisors, Mrs. Maday and Mrs. DeVol* 

## **TABLETOP GAMING CLUB**

This club fosters community while playing a variety of tabletop games. Outcomes of participation will include building good sportsmanship, interpersonal communication skills, analytical thinking, and reading. *Advisor, Dr. Scott* 

## **TEENS FOR LIFE**

Teens for Life supports life from conception to natural death through prayer, education, and outreach. We pray the rosary outside Planned Parenthood and participate in Life Chain. We stay informed on life issues, teach pro-life apologetics, and offer oratory contests for students to speak on key issues. Our outreach includes partnering with Thrive Medical Clinic's Deck the Dresser ministry, participating in pro-life social media and sidewalk chalk days, and supporting local pro-life initiatives. *Advisor, Mr. LaCross* 

## YOUNG MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

The goal of the group is to grow in love of Christ. We meet during Lent, breaking open scripture, and praying with and for one another. Meets on Fridays during Lent. *Advisor, Mr. Carlson* 

Our list of student activities is ever-changing! If you would like to see something added to our roster of offerings, please contact Mrs. Maday or Mrs. DeVol for instructions on how to prepare a proposal for a new club.