

CENTER MORICHES

HIGH SCHOOL

2019-2020

STUDENT ACTIVITY GUIDE

ART CLUB

Advisor – Mrs. Sandberg - DeJohn

The Center Moriches Art Club is offered for students in grades 9-12 who are interested in the arts and are seeking a creative outlet in addition to their academic schedule. Students have the opportunity to work in the medium of their choice and are encouraged to develop their own individual ideas with the assistance of their art teacher. All are welcomed and students do not need to be enrolled in an art class to be a member of the club. The Art Club meets the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesday of every month in room 303. Meetings start at 2:30 and end by 3:30.

BIBLE CLUB

Advisor – Mr. Gerhauser

The Bible club is a student-generated, student-led club that studies the Bible and discusses its application to students' lives. All students are welcome regardless of religion or creed.

BOOK CLUB

Advisor – Mrs. Chance

Do you love to read but don't love having to do the essay that comes after each novel you read in class? Join the CM Book Club! We will be reading a variety of modern day novels then getting together to talk about it...no writing assignments, no laborious activities to complete...just reading good books and sharing your thoughts about it with like-minded people. Members will vote on a book each month so bring suggestions! Meetings are held twice a month and all are welcome.

CSIP

Advisor – Mrs. Soto

The Community Service and Involvement Program (CSIP) has been created in order to promote extracurricular opportunities and to encourage students to become creative, active participants in our school, our community, and our society. Each student at CMHS is a unique individual and has a multitude of talents to offer the school and the community. CSIP fosters continuous involvement, recognition, development, and the affirmation of an individual student's personal worth and ability while fostering civic responsibility. In addition, this program offers a unique opportunity for students to build a résumé of activities and community service for the future.

Our ultimate goal is for each of you to become a concerned, connected, and contributing member of the Center Moriches community. Each one of you can make a difference both now and in the future. You have the power to make a difference if you can take action and look beyond yourself. As Mahatma Gandhi stated, "You must be the change you wish to see in the world."

Center Moriches High School's Community Service and Involvement Program is based on a total of 10 units of community service and involvement each year in grades 9 through 12. If you fail to complete the required number of community service and involvement units each year, you will have your deficiency added to next year's CSIP requirement. The CSIP requirements are a graduation

requirement and must be satisfied in order to participate in Commencement exercises. **Students who do not fulfill the CSIP requirements will not be permitted to attend the Prom or participated in Commencement.** Please refer to the CSIP eboard on the high school web site for more information on this program and ways to earn points.

DECA

Advisor – Mr. Mischler

DECA, an association of marketing students, has maintained a strong membership of well over one hundred students for the past twenty years. Students compete in county, state, and international contests in career and related areas such as TV commercial production, advertising campaign, radio advertising, apparel and accessories, marketing mathematics, finance credit, travel and tourism, public speaking, sales demonstration, economics, accounting, sports marketing, and job interviews. Some contests require students to make oral presentations, while others are evaluated using written exams and role-plays. There are also contests that required a pre-submitted reports and presentation as well.

DECA offers students an opportunity to earn scholarships, be a part of the Center Moriches community, gain leadership skills, compete, travel, and have fun. As far as community and school activities, our plans and efforts are vast. DECA raises funds for the American Cancer Association, MDA and the Leukemia Lymphoma foundation and students attend our annual Marketing Conference to Six Flags Great Adventure.

DRAMA CLUB

Advisor – Mrs. Harkin

The Drama Club provides a hands-on experience for those students interested in all aspects of theater production. Actors, singers, dancers, musicians and stage crew members are invited to participate. Annual community performances take place in early spring.

E-SPORTS

Advisor – Mr. Mischler

Like to play video games? Who doesn't! Join the E-Sports team to compete against 600 schools nationwide in some of the most popular games on the market. Opportunities to be recruited by over 150 colleges and universities are available each season. Prizes are awarded to winning teams throughout the season by the league. E-Sports encourages communication and coordination amongst student athletes. By playing games, students are able to deepen their levels of interaction and communicate more effectively and preparing them for a world beyond high school. E-Sports teaches participants many relevant skills, such as streaming, production, programming and management. The HSEL (High School E-Sports League) offers scholarships to help students pay for college. Some college programs offer E-Sports programs for students, which creates a new viable path to college for those who may never have considered an educational pathway after high school.

FRIENDS AND BUDDIES CLUB

Advisor – Mrs. Fabian

This co-curricular club is offered to grades nine through twelve and will provide opportunities for social interaction for our students with and without intellectual disabilities. Friends and Buddies will focus on increasing acceptance of disabled individuals within our community while also forming meaningful friendships with in the school building. The group will meet twice a month, hold four quarterly evening events and seek to become more involved in school and community activities.

FUTURE TEACHERS CLUB

Advisor – Mr. Melandro

The Future Teachers club provides opportunities for our students to teach their younger peers. Members work together and brainstorm lesson ideas. During this process, students create an actual lesson plan which will be implemented in a Clayton Huey classroom! This club provides an excellent opportunity for our students to gain authentic experience as a classroom teacher and springboard into a future career!

GSA

Advisor – Mrs. Marino

This club is dedicated creating safer and more supportive schools for GLBT students. The GSA is a group of students who agree to unite to promote and foster a safe, unbiased and welcoming community

among those students who understand themselves to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, or allies. GSA allied members are people, regardless of their sexual orientation, who welcome and accept each other free from fear of harassment or persecution.

INTERACT

Advisor-Mrs. Rose

The Interact Club provides opportunities for students to participate in community service projects and fundraising activities as well as provide opportunities to network with businesses and community leaders. Through our activities, members will develop leadership skills, understand the importance of responsibility and of serving others, and make international connections. The CMHS Interact Club is sponsored by our local Rotary Club which provides students a channel to discover opportunities associated with the Rotary, including RYLA and Youth Exchange Programs. Our community projects and volunteer efforts include: Trick or Treat Street, Oktoberfest, Stuff-A-Bus, Candy Cane Lane, Nursing Home activities, Stony Brook Child Life, Habitat for Humanity, CMPTA Annual Festival and Car Show to list a few...

JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Advisor – Mr. Conefry

Welcome to Jazz Ensemble! Jazz Ensemble is a concurrent club that meets outside of the school day on TUESDAY NIGHTS from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. Students involved will study and perform in a variety of styles including Blues, Latin, Pop and Rock. Students will also learn the basics for improvisation and soloing. Students may be auditioned if enrollment exceeds that of a balanced ensemble. This musical ensemble is an extra-curricular activity which demands 100% commitment from all of its members. It is expected that each member be present at all rehearsals and performances.

KEY CLUB

Advisor – Dr. Flynn-Trace

The Key Club is an international student-led organization which provides its members with opportunities to engage in a wide variety of service activities. Students expand their knowledge and awareness of the importance of helping others in their role as a global citizen. Students use their abilities and skills to discover the importance and satisfaction of making their local community a better place while growing as confident leaders.

MINDFULNESS AND YOGA CLUB

Advisor – Mrs. Gaudioso

The Mindfulness and Yoga Club provides a space and time to slow down from the often hectic pace of the day. Students are guided in self-reflective exercises such as meditation and movement. We discuss various methods and tools to help handle daily stress and create a better sense of overall peace. Open to all! All you need is an open mind! No previous yoga experience is necessary.

MODEL U.N.

Advisor – Dr. Flynn-Trace

Students participate in simulations of the U.N. General Assembly, assuming the roles of ambassadors. Student delegates make speeches, prepare draft resolutions, negotiate with allies and adversaries, resolve conflicts and navigate the Model United Nations Conference rules of procedure. In doing so, students obtain a practical understanding of advancing international cooperation and problem solving.

PEER LEADERSHIP

Advisor – Ms. Hession

The Peer Leaders Club is open to all students in grades nine through twelve. Members of this club assist in welcoming new entrants to Center Moriches High School, including East Moriches students. Members are responsible for providing new entrants tours of the building, assist with the East Moriches Visitor's day and evening orientation. They can assist administration with the freshman orientation, open house and other presentations. Participation in volunteer organizations such as Relay for Life is encouraged.

PEP BAND

Advisor –Mr. Conefry

PEP Band is a highly spirited ensemble made up of band instrumentalists who play at events (usually athletic), with the purpose of entertaining and creating enthusiasm in a crowd. The PEP Band has regularly scheduled rehearsals outside the school day in order to learn music appropriate for sporting events (including our school song, "Down the Field"). Members of the PEP Band dress uniformly at performances and embody school spirit through both visual and audible means.

ROBOTICS

Advisor –Mr. Roy

"The varsity Sport for the Mind," robotics combines the excitement of sport with the rigors of science and technology.

Under strict rules, limited resources, and time limits, teams of 25 students or more are challenged to raise funds, design a team "brand," hone teamwork skills, and build and program robots to perform prescribed tasks against a field of competitors. It's as close to "real-world engineering" as a student can get. Volunteer professional mentors lend their time and talents to guide each team.

Students get to:

- ✓ Learn from professional engineers
- ✓ Build and compete with a robot of their own design
- ✓ Learn and use sophisticated software and hardware
- ✓ Compete and cooperate in alliances and tournaments
- ✓ Earn a place in the World Championship
- ✓ Qualify for nearly \$14.8 million in college scholarships

SADD CLUB

Advisor – Mrs. Marino and Mr. Velotti

Our SADD Club will meet on a bi-weekly schedule on Wednesdays during 10th period. Originally, the mission of the SADD chapter was to help young people say "No" to drinking and driving. Today, our mission has expanded. Positive peer pressure, role modeling and environmental strategies can prevent other destructive decisions and set a healthier, safer course for their lives. SADD has become a peer-to-peer education, prevention, and activism organization dedicated to preventing destructive decisions, particularly underage drinking, other drug use, risky and impaired driving and teen violence. We have

Assemblies and a school wide blood drive in the spring. We encourage all students to join us after school on Wednesday's in Room 106.

SERIOUS ABOUT SCIENCE

Advisor – Mrs. Nolan

High School students will participate in STEM-based activities that cover various topics. Students will build models and participate in experiments that will test various science, math and engineering principles. Students can choose to participate in some or all of the activities.

TECH CLUB

Advisor – Mr. Roy

Technology club is a fun and easy way to learn about using cameras & different forms of media. Students will learn all aspects of media-driven technology through software application and a hands-on field experience. All are welcome.

THEATRICAL LIGHTING AND SOUND CLUB

Advisors – Mr. Clancy & Mr. Turnow

The students in the Center Moriches Schools Lighting and Sound Club serve the school by setting up, operating, and maintaining the lighting and sound board in the high school auditorium. Students will be trained on how to set up, maintain, and operate the lighting and sound board, as well as be trained in lighting and sound design. Membership is open to anyone

who has an interest in lighting and sound in a theater setting. The amount of events to be worked will depend on the number of students who join. We are looking for a few good students who are willing to take part. The first event we are looking for members for is the High School Musical. This event will require being there on most nights from 5-9pm and possibly later. The musical requires a total of approximately 10 evenings, and one day event. Further events will follow in the spring in which students will be participating in the lighting and sound. More details to follow. Please see Mr. Clancy in the secondary school or Mr. Turnow in the elementary school for more details and information.

WEIGHT ROOM CLUB

Advisor – Mr. Scott

Looking to enjoy the weight room and facilities the school has to offer? The weight room is open to anyone interested in becoming fit and is willing to learn how to exercise properly. Students will have the opportunity to workout twice a week for an hour from mid September to beginning of June. Meeting times are after school 2-3pm. Any change in times will be posted on the door. All are welcome!

VOCAL JAZZ

Advisor – Mr. Preston

Vocal Jazz is designed for students who wish to gain performance experience in popular genres of music including jazz, blues, doo-wop, and Broadway. Students will learn history and performance techniques appropriate to each genre. This is a Public Performing ensemble; therefore,

attendance at all rehearsals is mandatory. Regular scheduled rehearsals are on Wednesday nights at 7pm in the LGI. Other special rehearsals will be announced as needed.

YEARBOOK

Advisor – Mr. Kudreyko

Yearbook is a challenging, rewarding year-long process. We need students to take pictures, create layout using special yearbook software, and motivate others to contribute their talents. Our job is to commemorate school functions including, sports, school plays and student life. All grades are welcome – freshman and sophomores especially! If you have the time, we have a project for you!

YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT

of Center Moriches High School

"Democracy must be learned by every generation"

Advisors – Mr. Voelger and Mr. Winslow

YMCA Youth & Government program of The Center Moriches High School is part of a national program of the Y that involves thousands of teens nationwide in state-organized, model-government programs.

Center Moriches High School in conjunction with New York State YMCA Youth & Government provides the education, the problem-solving experience, and the social arena for New York's future leaders to develop and strengthen their skills and confidence to better serve their

communities. The program begins at the local level, where young people identify a community issue of concern, with the assistance of their local YMCA or Youth & Government affiliated school. The participants conduct extensive research on their issue and write a document based on their findings. Local attorneys and government officials are consulted during this process. After the documents have been presented at the District conference, they are sent to the New York State Youth & Government Model Legislative Program.

The second stage of the program is the District Conference. Participants are trained in parliamentary procedure, legislative committee process, debate, press relations, and lobbying techniques

The third stage is the Albany Model Legislative Weekend. This March, participants will travel to Albany to implement the Youth & Government program events in the authentic surroundings of the State Capitol, the Legislative Office Building and the Judicial Building. The Albany weekend culminates several months of hard work for participants; for three intensive days, they become completely immersed in the political process.

Those who participate in Youth and Government gain a rich educational experience that cannot be achieved in any other way.

Meetings are Monday and Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in the High School Library.