

A MESSAGE FROM MS. STEELE VICE PRINCIPAL OF ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS



Hello, Highland!

My name is Lisa Steele, and this is my first year serving our Tartan family as Vice Principal/Athletic Director. As a proud Highland Alum, I look forward to seeing all the great things and accomplishments this year brings to our school.

Highland offers a diverse range of clubs and activities for you to participate in, and are always looking for new students to join in and bring fresh new ideas to the table. Whether you are new or a returning student there is a club for you. We challenge you to get involved, meet new friends and find new interests. Our goal is that every Tartan will sign up for at least one club this year.

If you look through the table of contents, you can see all the clubs that are offered. You will find a brief description, the advisor's name and their email address. If any clubs interest you, reach out to the advisor for more information and how to join.

Students and Families please feel free to reach out if you have any questions. You can reach me at lsteele@bhprsd.org, 856-227-4100 ext. 4080, or stop by E108. Looking forward to a great school year!

Go Tartans!

Lisa Steele '04

Vice Principal of Athletics, HPE, Music, and Activities

Clubs & Activities At Highland High School

A Cappella (Choir)	Ms. Kolody
African American Appreciation Club	Ms. Gay
Art & Illustration Club	Mrs. Cook
Asian American Culture Club	Mr. Dennsion
Bible Study	Ms. Kolody
Class of 2024	Mrs. Killelea & Ms. Minix
Class of 2025	Mr. Wonderlin & Mr. Oberg
Class of 2026	Ms. Pew & Mrs. Connelly
Class of 2027	Mrs. DiRienzo & Ms. Altman
DECA	Mrs. Moderski
Dance Inc	Mrs. Cisrow
Design Studio	Ms. Cook
Fall Production	Mr. Zeoli
Gay Straight Alliance	Mr. Zeoli
Green Team	Mr. Wells
Highland's News to You	Mr. Elliot & Mr. Graziul
History Club	Mr. Wonderlin
Indoor Percussion	Mr. Graves
Jazz Ensemble	Mr. Tumminia
Knowledge Bowl	Mr. Moustakas
L.A.D.I.E.S Club	Mrs. Hopely & Mrs. Moderski
National Honor Society	Mrs. McCracken
Peer to Peer	Mrs. Simmons & Mr. Gore
PEP Band	Mr. Tumminia
Renaissance Club	Mrs. Loring
SADD/Be The Change	Ms. Altman
Spring Musical Production	Mr. Zeoli
STEAM Academy	Mrs. Hall
Student Council	Mrs. Strauss
Tech Squad	Mr. Keyser
World of Difference	Mrs. Rioas & Mrs. Krempa
World Language Club	Mrs. Rios & Mrs. LaSpada
Yearbook Club	Mrs. Baez & Mrs. Tolomeo

ACADEMIC

DECA

DECA is a multi-faceted organization that focuses on integrating classroom instruction, applying learning, connecting to business, and promoting competition. Enhance your career knowledge and skills by putting them into action through rigorous project-based activities that require creative solutions with practical outcomes. Become a poised professional with ethics, integrity, and high standards.

Mrs. Moderski—kmoderski@bhprsd.org

HISTORY CLUB

History Club is a group of like-minded students who are enthusiastic about history. Students work to expand their knowledge and appreciation of history through themed trips, commemoration of historic holidays, discussion of historical and current events, and viewing historical movies. History Club is about making history fun and improving the Highland community at large - we hope you'll join us!!

Mr. Wonderlin—twonderlin@bhprsd.org

KNOWLEDGE BOWL

Are you competitive, but not a typical athlete? Is your brain filled with random knowledge? If so Knowledge Bowl might be for you. In Knowledge Bowl, we compete against other schools in our area to answer questions on varied topics. Matches take place during the winter athletic season. The matches are fast-paced with 100 questions that are completely randomized and include all subjects along with current events.

Mrs. Moustakas—Imoustakas@bhprsd.org

RENAISSANCE CLUB

The goal of Renaissance is to reward every student. Student leaders run committees and organize special events. Club members are also strongly encouraged to engage in community service. We plan the annual Mr. Highland event. Renaissance also rewards students who have achieved Renaissance Card status by organizing rallies such as the Fall Festival and Spring Picnic. During the holiday season we "adopt" less privileged families in the community. Renaissance also runs the school store. Join Renaissance Club to make a difference in your school community.

Mrs. Loring—kloring@bhprsd.org

WORLD LANGUAGE CLUB

Learn and practice world languages while partaking in activities to honor cultural traditions and advocate for the various cultural communities both

locally and globally.

Mrs. Rios & Ms. LaSpada—arios@bhprsd.org & alaspada@bhprsd.org

FINE & PERFORMING ARTS

A CAPELLA

Highland A Cappella is essentially like the movie "Pitch Perfect" in real-life! We rehearse weekly for a variety of performances including concerts, competitions, and community performances. We are one of the few schools in South Jersey to qualify for participation in the International Competition for High School A Cappella!

Ms. Kolody—jkolody@bhprsd.org

ART CLUB

Art Club supports students as they master art skills and techniques while creating independent work. Students discover traditional and new methodologies to foster artistic development to build a portfolio of original work.

Mrs. Hurst—ahurst@bhprsd.org

DANCE INC.

Dance Inc. includes the Hip-Hop Dance Team, Contemporary Company, Praise Dance Team, and Step Team. Each team will learn dances in their genre of dance and perform at school and community events. Our goal is to support school spirit and demonstrate a positive way to express emotion.

Mrs. Cisrow—kcisrow@bhprsd.org

HIGHLAND INDOOR PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE (HIPE)

Indoor Percussion is a cross between, Band, Dance, Theater, and Sports. We create a productions that we compete with throughout the winter and spring. Percussion experience is not required. Music experience is recommended but not required. In 2022 and 2023, we have seen record numbers of students involved in the program and we placed second in the Tournament Indoor Association Atlantic Coast Championship.

Mr. Graces—agraves@bhprsd.org

HIGHLAND NEWS TO YOU

This club orchestrates morning announcements each day. HNTY exposes student to television studio equipment and the art of broadcasting. The News Crew makes students and faculty aware of school events and

holidays, promoting a positive school climate.

Mr. Elliott & Mr. Graziul—jelliott@bhprsd.org & jgraziul@bhprsd.org

HIGHLAND THEATRE TROUPE

The Highland Theatre Troupe is the overarching club that features the Fall Play, Spring Musical, and Annual Cabaret. Students with a love for theater have the opportunity to come out and audition for our upcoming shows, Peter and the Starcatcher (Fall Production) and Mean Girls (Spring Musical). In recent years, the students have put on stellar productions of blockbuster hits such as Jekyll and Hyde, The Game's Afoot, Once Upon a Mattress, Harvey, and the Drowsy Chaperone.

Mr. Zeoli—wzeoli@bhprsd.org

JAZZ BAND

The jazz band is a traditional "big band", performing the music of the great swing era. The jazz band also learns and performs music in the great genres of rock, latin, afro-cubano, funk, etc. The jazz band performs in several competitions throughout the spring, and rehearses twice per week after school from December through May.

Mr. Tumminia—ctumminia@bhprsd.org

PEP BAND

The Pep Band performs and entertains for all home football games, performing popular hits of all musical eras. No experience is necessary and anyone can join.

Mr. Tumminia—ctumminia@bhprsd.org

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

GREEN TEAM

Our goal for Green Team is to raise awareness of our generation's carbon footprint. We are responsible for the success of our school's recycling program, organic garden, energy conservation, and we work to raise awareness in the school and community of the global energy and water crisis.

Mr. Wells—swells@bhprsd.org

TECH CLUB

In Tech Club, we work on STEM-based projects and utilize a variety of tools and machines, like the drill press, band saw and table saw. But we also have a laser engraver, vinyl sticker maker, a 3D printer, and a CNC

machine. So if you like to design, build, and tinker with things, then this is the club for you!

Mr. Keyser—dkeyser@bhprsd.org

SERVICE

AFRICAN AMERICAN APPRECIATION CLUB

Come join the African American Appreciation Club at Highland. Here, students will find a sense of belonging, education, and community service right at Highland. We host fun activities including the Black History Month assembly and cookies with Santa. Our club takes an end of the year field trip to places that celebrate African American culture. Come join the fun! Ms. Gay—sgay@bhprsd.org

ASIAN AMERICAN CULTURE CLUB

The AACC promotes the unity, culture and heritage of Asian students, which participates in the wider effort to encourage and promote multicultural awareness.

Mr. Dennison—mdennison@bhprsd.org

BIBLE STUDY CLUB

Bible Study Club is for any student interested in studying the Bible and interacting with students of a similar interest.

Ms. Kolody—jkolody@bhprsd.org

GSA

The Highland GSA is an all inclusive club designed as a safe space for all students. In the Gay/Straight Alliance, students participate in activities meant to spread awareness of the LGBTQ+ community. We actively participate in LGBTQ+ History Month, Pride Month, and all days of visibility. Mr. Zeoli—wzeoli@bhprsd.org

INTERACT

We provide service activities for our school and surrounding community. We host a yearly "Trunk or Treat" in our school parking lot, collect food donations for families for Thanksgiving, and perform clean ups at historical sites.

Mr. Schug & Ms. Pew—tschug@bhprsd.org & mpew@bhprsd.org

L.A.D.I.E.S.

We are a group of women who enjoy helping young ladies develop and enhance their self esteem, positive image, self-respect and purpose in life. We have also collected donations to a local women's shelter in the past to help those in need.

Mrs. Hopely & Mrs. Moderski—rhopely@bhprsd.org & kmoderski@bhprsd.org

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

NHS provides service to the Highland HS and Gloucester Township communities. NHS members participate as volunteers in community activities such as the Blackwood Pumpkin Festival, and provide peer tutoring for Highland students who need a little extra help.

Mrs. McCracken—hmccracken@bhprsd.org

PEER MENTORING

Peer Mentors of Highland is one of the largest clubs at Highland serving over 100 students by providing established relationships between Peer Mentors and incoming freshmen helping them navigate their freshmen year, academics, sports, clubs, and relationships. Mentors are trained to handle everyday obstacles freshmen face as well as serious issues like alcohol and drug abuse, dating violence, and suicide. There are activities during the year for our mentors and mentees to bond together!

Mrs. Simmons & Mr. Gore—bsimmons@bhprsd.org & dgore@bhprsd.org

S.A.D.D. (STUDENTS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING)

S.A.D.D. Club's mission is to empower young people to make positive decisions when confronted with the risks and pressures that challenge them in their daily life. S.A.D.D. Club gives students a safe space to discuss, educate and bring awareness to Highland about topics such as safe driving, substance abuse, mental health, and personal wellness. Some of our events include therapy dog visits, participation in "Week of Respect" and promotion of various other school initiatives.

Ms. Altman—aaltman@bhprsd.org

WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

World of Difference is an organization that seeks to help Highland students recognize bias and the harm it inflicts on individuals and society, explore the value of diversity, improve intergroup relations, and combat racism, anti-Semitism and all forms of prejudice and bigotry. Our culminating event is the Multi-cultural Fair which is a celebration of the diverse cultures of Highland High School and our community.

Mrs. Rios and Mrs. Krempa—arios@bhprsd.org & mkrempa@bhprsd.org

YEARBOOK

Yearbook is a great way to meet new friends and express yourself creatively. Throughout the course of the year students will help out with various yearbook-related tasks, including selling yearbooks, photography, working on promotions, and eventually yearbook distribution. Join yearbook to help share the memories of high school!

Mrs. Baez & Mrs. Tolomeo—nbaez@bhprsd.org & htolomeo@bhprsd.org

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council is a club that anyone in any grade level can join. Student voices are heard and we strive to promote a positive school climate.

Mrs. Strauss—tstrauss@bhprsd.org

CLASS OF 2024 EXECUTIVE BOARD

The class of 2024 E-Board helps organize prom, spirit week, fundraising and senior year events for the entire class.

Mrs. Killelea & Ms. Minix—akillelea@bhprsd.org & jminix@bhprsd.org

CLASS OF 2025 EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Class of 2025 Executive Board helps to plan events & activities to bring the Class of 2025 together. These have included contests, fundraisers, dances, and other exciting events throughout the year. Join us to help plan out the next few years!!

Mr. Oberg & Mr. Wonderlin—jeoberg@bhprsd.org & twonderlin@bhprsd.org

CLASS OF 2026 EXECUTIVE BOARD

Class of 2026 will have elected leadership positions and a group of volunteer students that can help make the best decisions for the Class of 2026! This includes fundraising, pep rallies, spirit weeks, dances, and eventually Senior Trip to Disney!

Mrs. Connelly & Ms. Pew—mconnelly@bhprsd.org & mpew@bhprsd.org

CLASS OF 2027 EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Class of 2027 Executive Boards serves as the freshman classes' leadership vehicle to plan, promote, and execute a variety of high school milestone events throughout their four years at Highland.

Mrs. DiRienzo & Ms. Altman—adirienzo@bhprsd.org & aaltman@bhprsd.org

Highland Athletics

FALL	
Cheerleading	Ms. Gay—sgay@bhprsd.org
Cross Country (Boys)	Mr. Wagner —bwagner@bhprsd.org
Cross Country (Girls)	
Esports	Mr. Elliott—jelliott@bhprsd.org
	Mr. Wells—swells@bhprsd.org
Football	Mr. Leary—bleary@bellmawrschools.org
Soccer (Boys)	Mr. Bonilla—abonilla@bhprsd.org
Soccer (Girls)	Mr. Oberg—jeoberg@bhprsd.org
Tennis (Girls)	Mr. Wonderlin—twonderlin@bhprsd.org
Volleyball (Girls)	Mr. Pelletier—jpelletier@bhprsd.org
WINTER	
Basketball (Boys)	Mr. Tolomeo—ptolomeo@bhprsd.org
	Mr. Senft—jsenft@bhprsd.org
	Ms. Gay—sgay@bhprsd.org
_	Mr. Gratton—tgratton@bhprsd.org
	Mr. Wagner —bwagner@bhprsd.org
Wrestling	Mr. Plefka—fplefka@bhprsd.org
SPRING	
	Mr. Gore—dgore@bhprsd.org
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	TBD
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•	Mr. Wonderlin—twonderlin@bhprsd.org
	Mr. Leary—bleary@bellmawrschools.org
	Mr. Harper—ahearper@bhprsd.org
Volleyball (Boys)	Mrs. Bradley—hbradley@bhprsd.org



