

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES 2023-2024

Hereford High School provides a variety of extracurricular activities for its students. The following listing provides information about these activities that students will find helpful.

CLUBS

ACTIVE MINDS

Ms. T Wachter
Ms. T Zegers

Active Minds is a student-led group focused on mental health advocacy. The core group meets regularly to plan and prepare activities to promote awareness of mental health and mental illness as well as provide information about resources.

ACTS OF KINDNESS CLUB

Ms. C. Butler

This club is open to all students who wish to help others without personal gain. The club will meet monthly and students will devise new and inventive ways to contribute to both their community and their school while learning how to "pay it forward."

ASL CLUB

Mr. W. Grome

Are you interested in learning about American Sign Language and the deaf community? Come to ASL Club with Mr. Grome. We learn new signs each week, about the deaf community, and raise awareness about the issues that deaf community members face in their daily lives.

ATHLETES SERVING

ATHLETES
Ms. S. Brown
Ms. E. Norton

ASA's mission is to elevate the quality of life for individuals with limited mobility by empowering them to train for and participate in mainstream running events. Hereford's Chapter of ASA volunteers our time at various local events, and also participates in Hereford's Allied Athletics Programs.

A/V TECH CLUB

Mr. R. Pilius

A/V Tech Club is the magic behind the scenes. Any lighting, sound or Technology needs for Hereford High School productions are handled by the A/V Tech Club. Events include theater, dance, and music productions, awards ceremonies and inductions, honor society meeting, and much more.

BEST BUDDIES

Ms. S. Powers

Best Buddies matches students with intellectual and developmental disabilities with students without an intellectual and developmental disability to create a one-on-one friendship. The mission is to cross the invisible line that too often separates those with disabilities from those without.

BLACK EXCELLENCE CLUB

Ms. B Beer
Ms. E Norton

This club gives Hereford students a safe space to discuss and educate themselves on struggles and injustices impacting the black community. Activities may include round-table discussions, researching and discussing historically black colleges/universities, educational outreach for our school community and working alongside the H-Zone Global club on cultural events. This club is open to all Hereford students.

BOOK CLUB

Ms. J. Houseknecht

Book Club provides an opportunity for students to informally discuss books they have chosen to read as a group. The club is open to all interested students in grades 9-12.

BRILLIG

Ms. M.B. Stuller

Brillig is Hereford's creative literary magazine, put together by a club that meets one or more times a week. The magazine, containing writing and artwork by the student body, is published in the spring.

CASA CLUB

Ms. A. Zane

This student-initiated, student-led club works directly with CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Baltimore County, an organization which provides advocates for children in the foster care system. Our primary goals are to raise awareness, recruit CASA volunteers, fundraise, and plan/run the annual Wacky Tacky 5K that takes place in April. The club members meet twice a month in room M-216.

CHEMISTRY CLUB

Mr. C. Fluharty

Chemistry Club is open to all students in grades 9-12 who have an interest in science and are looking to do experiments that are unable to be done in the regular classroom setting. Meetings are held once a month after school in room SC-205. Students attending should be prepared to have fun and see some cool reactions.

CHESS CLUB

Mr. P. Imhoff

Chess Club meets one day per week the entire year. All ability levels are welcome, from those who have never played a game to those who are highly accomplished. Basic rules and strategies are taught in fall sessions. An In-house double elimination tournament determines the top five players who will represent Hereford in a Baltimore County tournament in the spring.

COMPUTER SCIENCE CLUB

Mr. K. Seergae

Computer Science Club is for anyone interested in the field of computer science. All levels of computer science knowledge are welcome! We hold meetings every other Friday during enrichment where we have presentations, discussions, and activities.

DANCE
Ms. E. Norton

Dance Company: Comprised of Hereford's most elite dancers, the company performs locally, as well as showcases statewide and internationally. We also work with guest artists, on and off-site in choreography workshops and master classes.

Dance Team: Open to dancers in Level 4 and Company, by audition only, the Dance Team focuses on jazz and hip-hop choreography. This group represents our program at Athletic Events and Pep Rallies.

Junior Company: Open to dancers in Levels 3 and 4, the Junior Company is an opportunity to work with student choreographers and gain extra performance experience in our program.

DRAMA
Mr. C. Rose

Theater Arts gives students an opportunity to participate in two dramatic performances and a musical presentation each year. Students in grades 9-12 may take Theater Arts as an English elective or may audition for roles in each of the performances.

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS
Ms. M. Esworthy
Mr. C. Fluharty

Dungeons and Dragons Club meets throughout the school year. All ability levels are welcome. Student lead groups will teach new players the rules and strategies throughout the year.

ENGINEERING CLUB
(National Technical Honor Society)
Mr. M. Dodd-O

This club provides students with opportunities to experience real-world engineering, be involved in technical and non-technical processes while working with industry professionals. It also provides opportunities for students to participate in a variety of engineering-based activities.

ENVIROTHON TEAM
Mr. R. Drylie

This organization is open to all students who are interested in preserving the environment. The club competes in the statewide environmental competitions as well as studying environmental issues and participates in school wide projects.

**FELLOWSHIP of
CHRISTIAN ATHLETES**
Mr. R. Aitken

The FCA meets to discuss scripture passages and their relationship to the lives of students, young people, and athletes. Students entirely lead the discussion and activities.

FFA
Ms. E. Edwards

The purpose of the FFA is the development of agriculture leadership, cooperation, and citizenship and to strengthen the confidence of students in themselves and their work. FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education. We meet regularly to ensure our members have opportunities provided to them to strengthen their abilities in the areas of leadership, growth, and careers.

FOR OUR TROOPS
Mr. R. Greenwood
Mr. W. Halagarda
Ms. C. Butler
Mr. M. Robinson

This club meets to support members of armed forces local and abroad. The group raises awareness of service men and women to the Hereford community.

FRENCH CLUB
Ms. P. Kopp
Ms. H. Bagadasarov

French Club meets after school once or twice a month to enrich students' knowledge of Francophone culture. We focus on French-themed crafts, prepare foods from Francophone cultures, and show two full-length French language films.

**FUTURE BUSINESS
LEADERS OF AMERICA**
Mr. D. Schreiner

FBLA is a vocational student organization with membership open to any student interested in preparing for careers in business or business education. The organization has nearly 200,000 members in more than 8,000 chartered chapters across the nation.

GIRL UP
Ms. J. Houseknecht

Girl Up is hosted at the United Nations Foundation, working across a global community of partners to achieve gender equality worldwide. Girl Up Club are formed by groups of dedicated youth who have joined together to take action and change lives. Girl Up Clubs are fundraising, advocating, and raising awareness so that girls everywhere can have access to the same opportunities.

H-ZONE GLOBAL
Ms. H. Bagadasarov

Are you interested in learning about culture? Do you have a specific culture you'd like to share? Do you need service hours? Join H-Zone Global! We learn about our own cultures at Hereford as well as cultures from all regions of the world through presentations, exhibitions, guest speakers, and so much more!

H.O.P.E.
Mr. R. Drylie

The purpose of Hereford's Organization to Protect the Environment is to raise school and community environmental consciousness and engage in projects to improve school and community environments. Membership is open to all students grades 9-12.

JAZZ BAND
Mr. R. Pilius

This group is open to current music students by audition. Students will perform at concerts and school and community events.

KEY CLUB

This club represents active students who want to serve our community in many ways. We volunteer locally every month at various locations. What makes the Key Club so successful is the fact that it is a student led organization that teaches leadership through serving others.

MD MATH LEAGUE
Ms. J. Watkins

The club is open to all students interested in competing in the metropolitan area math competition.

MOCK TRIAL
Mr. C. Crawford

Let the record show that a Mock Trial will enhance your understanding of the courtroom and prepare many for their future jobs in legal affairs. Join us as we dive into the world of law and deliberation by using our skills in argumentation, evidence collection, and public speaking. If you do not want to become a future lawyer, that's fine! Our goal is to improve your critical thinking and communication skills for class and future use. Come join Mr. Crawford and our team's attorney advisor Mrs. Kessler and become an unstoppable force in the courtroom!

MODEL U.N. CLUB
Ms. S. Looney

The Model United Nations Club is an educational simulation that meets to learn about diplomacy and international relations. The club focuses on research to participate in academic competitions.

PRISM CLUB
Mr. S. Tillman
Ms. M. Esworthy

Prism club is a student-lead club which unites LGBTQIA+ and allied students to build community and work to make their school a safe and welcoming place for everyone. We seek to create greater awareness about the issues and unique experiences faced by LGBT students, discuss current events, host guest speakers, and find community with each other. All students are welcome regardless of identity and orientation.

ROBOTICS CLUB
Mr. M. Dodd-O

The Robotics Club strives to spread understanding and appreciation for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) in our community through the designing of robots and competitions.

SADD
Ms. C. Butler

The goal of SADD is to educate students about the importance of making healthy and safe decisions. The primary focus is on the prevention of alcohol and drug abuse, as well as safe driving practices. The club is open to all students.

SPANISH CLUB
Ms. C. Marshall

The Spanish Club meets bi-weekly to enrich students' knowledge of and appreciation for the diverse Hispanic communities in the United States and throughout the world. During club meetings, students have the chance to do things that don't always fit into the curriculum, such as learn songs, dance, try different foods, watch movies, learn about current events and practice speaking Spanish. The club is open to all students in any level of Spanish. Meetings are held before school, during enrichment, and some evenings. There are no dues, and attendance at the meetings is voluntary.

STEEL DRUM BAND
Ms. J. Sovich
Mr. R. Pilius

This group is open to current music students only. Students will perform at concerts and school and community events.

STUDENT COUNCIL
Ms. M. Baylor
Ms. T. Wachter

The purpose of the Student Council is to provide students with an opportunity to learn the practical applications of the democratic process. The Student Council affords members the opportunity to represent Hereford High School, gives students a voice in the school and in the county. It is open to all students in grades 9-12 who wish to run for office or may be interested in an appointed position. Students participate in community activities to learn about the importance of developing relationships with their society and the constituents that they help represent in order to learn the democratic process.

SWENEXT SOCIETY
Mr. M. Dodd-O

Society of Women Engineers focuses on female students interested in engineering and STEM related careers. This club provides networking opportunities with leading female engineers in the area and allows opportunities for engineering-based competitions.

TEAM ONE LOVE
Ms. E. Norton
Ms. M. Esworthy

The purpose of this club is to raise awareness of the risk of violent behavior that can develop while in a relationship. Members of this club will serve as student ambassadors to the One Love Foundation and be advocates and facilitators of its mission. Students will partner with local groups including The House of Ruth for volunteering and fundraising opportunities. In addition to working with counselors, students will serve as facilitators in future "Escalation" workshops.

THE GROWER'S CLUB
Ms. E. Edwards

The Grower's Club provides opportunities for students to experience plant production at the school level. Students will learn how to plant, maintain, and propagate plants on the school grounds, including the aquaponics lab and greenhouse. As a part of this experience students will also participate in organizing and conducting the annual Poinsettia and Spring Plant Sales. In addition, students will also be given the opportunity to prepare for and gain industry-recognized greenhouse and horticultural certifications for employment in the industry.

UNICEF CLUB
Ms. J. Houseknecht

The Hereford UNICEF Clubs program is rooted in a belief that everyone in the United States has a vital role to play as the voice for children everywhere. UNICEF Club partners with UNICEF USA to activate their local community by advocating, building community, fundraising, and speaking out for UNICEF's child survival work in more than 190 countries. It is UNICEF USA's goal to empower youth in the United States with the resources and skills to be effective global citizens – thinking globally and acting locally for the world's most vulnerable children.

HONOR SOCIETIES

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Mr. R. Causarano
Ms. J. Houseknecht

The purpose of the National Honor Society is to give practical meaning to scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

INTERNATIONAL THESPIAN HONOR SOCIETY

Mr. C. Rose

The purpose of the International Thespian Honor Society is to recognize students demonstrating scholarship theatrical talent, character, and service.

MU ALPHA THETA

Ms. A. Coburn
Ms. J. Watkins

This National High School and Two-Year college Mathematics Honor Society is dedicated to inspiring keen interest in mathematics, developing strong scholarship in the subject and promoting the enjoyment of mathematics in high school students. Students must have completed five credits of college preparatory mathematics or have completed four and be enrolled in a fifth. The student must have maintained a 3.5 average over the coursework and have an overall average of 3.3.

NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY

Mr. S. Tillman

National Art Honor Society seeks to serve the school and community and provide unique art-making experiences for all students. We produce collaborative artworks for the school as well as personal works for students' own portfolios. We also provide opportunities to develop leadership and service skills. This year, with Clay Club ending, we'll be incorporating more chances to work with clay.

NATIONAL ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY

Ms. C. Brown

National English Honor Society recognizes students who, in the field of English, merit special note for past and current accomplishments. The goal of NEHS is to nurture these persons in such ways that they are encouraged to develop and further their abilities in the various fields of English and to encourage members to use their talents in the service of others.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY FOR DANCE ARTS

Ms. E. Norton

Comprised of leaders in our dance program, the Honor Society focuses on giving back to the community of dance, as well as experiencing as much new dance as possible within the school and beyond.

QUILL & SCROLL HONOR SOCIETY

Ms. J. Burgess

The Quill & Scroll Honor Society is for students who work on the school newspaper, the creative writing magazine, and the Yearbook.

RHO KAPPA NATIONAL SOCIAL STUDIES HONOR SOCIETY

Mr. E. Martin

Rho Kappa, the National Social Studies Honor Society, recognizes excellence in the field of Social Studies for juniors and seniors. Rho Kappa provides national recognition and opportunities for exploration in social studies.

SCIENCE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Mr. J. Smith

This group is open to juniors and seniors who have a 3.5 G.P.A. and have taken at least one advanced placement science class.

SOCIETE HONORAIRE DE FRANCAIS

Ms. P. Kopp
Ms. H. Bagdasarov

The purpose of the *Societe Honoraire de Francais* is to recognize students who have excelled in the study of the French language and Culture. Students who have completed levels III and IV with a straight A-average and who are enrolled in the Level V AP course are eligible for nomination by their teacher. Additional nominations may be made at the end of the Level V year. Only students who maintain an A average and complete both the Level V and Level VI AP courses will be allowed to wear the honor cords for the SHF during the graduation ceremony.

SPANISH NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Ms. T. Bibaud
Ms. C. Marshall

The purpose of the *Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica* is to recognize those students who have excelled in the study of Spanish language and culture. Students must have completed three courses in Spanish at the high school level with a minimum 3.5 G.P.A. in the language and be currently enrolled in Spanish V. (Exception: Those who enrolled in Spanish III in ninth grade need only two courses at the high school level and be currently enrolled in Spanish V.)

STRING SINFONIA

Mrs. J. Sovich

For dedicated string musicians wishing to perform throughout the Hereford community and special events.

TRI-M NATIONAL MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY

Mr. D. Sobel

This Honor Society is open to students with a minimum GPA of 3.0, have participated in high school music class for a minimum of one year and are currently enrolled in a music ensemble. Students participate in music activities and performances to enrich the school and community culture.

CLASS ADVISORS

The purpose of the class organization is to build school and class spirit and to raise funds for activities such as dances and Senior Prom.

Class of 2024	Ms. Molly Esworthy	Ms. Jamie Higgins Shaul
Class of 2025	Ms. Charissa Butler	Ms. Jennifer Erline
Class of 2026	Ms. Brittney Beer	Ms. Sarah Looney
Class of 2027	Mr. Robert Aitken	Ms. Sharon Place

Hereford Athletics

Fall

Varsity and JV Cheerleading
Boys Varsity and JV Soccer
Girls Varsity and JV Soccer
Boys Varsity and JV Football
Girls Varsity and JV Field Hockey
Girls Varsity and JV Volleyball
Boys Cross Country
Girls Cross Country
Badminton
Girls Golf
Boys Golf
Allied Soccer

Winter

Varsity and JV Cheerleading
Boys Varsity and JV Basketball
Girls Varsity and JV Basketball
Boys Varsity and JV Wrestling
Boys Indoor Track
Girls Indoor Track
Allied Bocce

Spring

Varsity and JV Cheerleading
Boys Varsity and JV Lacrosse
Girls Varsity and JV Lacrosse
Girls Varsity and JV Softball
Boys Varsity and JV Baseball
Girls Track and Field
Boys Track and Field
Tennis
Allied Softball

Hereford High School has an enrollment of approximately 1200 students and competes in the MPSSA (Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association) in the 2A classification. Hereford Athletes participate in 25 varsity sports and 21 junior varsity teams.

The Hereford Athletic Program is rich in history and accomplishment with more than 500 Varsity County Championships, more than 300 Regional Championships and 78 State Championships. During the past school year Hereford won state championships in Girls' Cross Country. For the past five years, the Hereford High athletic program has been ranked the #1 athletic program in Maryland.

Many of Hereford's athletes go on to participate in collegiate sports at schools such as Rutgers, University of Maryland College Park, Bucknell, Boston University, James Madison, Towson, University of Maryland Baltimore County, Johns Hopkins, Morgan State, Salisbury State, Frostburg State, Washington College, McDaniel College, Roanoke College, Virginia Tech, Oregon, Vanderbilt University, University of Delaware, Delaware State University, Loch Haven, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania State University, York College, Stevenson College and Goucher College.

Hereford High School is proud of the academic excellence of its athletes. On the average, more than 80% of all athletes attain a GPA of 3.0 or better during their sport season and are recognized by Baltimore County's All-Academic Team, the highest percentage of students identified as All Academic of all the Baltimore County Public Schools. Approximately 75% earn 3.25 or better. Academic progress is monitored by the athletic staff each season and submitted to the Baltimore County Office of Athletics.

With more than 85 coaching positions, Hereford Athletics has an excellent overall program to meet the needs of its student population. Hereford also offers participation in the County's Allied Sports program. This program is established for students with a variety of learning and physical disabilities, as well as for those able-body students who prefer a less competitive environment.