

Fossil Ridge High School Clubs & Organizations

An important focus at Fossil Ridge High School is to encourage students to develop their leadership abilities and to provide them with many opportunities to be involved in their school. We offer various clubs and organizations that extend learning beyond the classroom and allow students to make positive contributions to the community of Fort Collins. Students at Fossil Ridge are encouraged to participate in co-curricular activities to add yet another positive experience to their high school career. All groups must have a faculty sponsor and schedule their events in coordination with the school Activities Director, Mr. Nye.

Below is a list of the activities and their staff sponsors that are available for students at Fossil Ridge. Interested students are encouraged to contact sponsors for more information. If we do not offer a club or organization that meets your needs, then you can create a Student Initiated Club. For more information on creating a club, see Mr. Nye in the Main Office.

School-Sponsored Activities or Organizations

Academic Council	T. Pfeifer	tpfeifer@psdschools.org	E111	Friday	Advisory
<p><i>The Academic Council was founded as a way to unite Fossil's honor societies under a shared, more focused mission to improve both our school's and local communities. By bringing together these already successful student organizations, the Academic Council can tap into a large and diverse pool of volunteer resources and talent. Through combining our strengths, we can have a more profound impact on the climate and culture of our school. Our ultimate mission is to support the community through direct involvement, and in the process develop members' vital leadership and teamwork skills, preparing them for a successful and meaningful future in the world beyond high school.</i></p>					
Amnesty International	J. Speight	jspeight@psdschools.org	W105	Tuesday	3-4pm
<p><i>To help with issues that Amnesty lists on their webpage.</i></p>					
Art Service Club	C. Ermer/B. Klyczek	chelseae@psdschools.org	Room 245	Tuesday	3-4pm
<p><i>Students engage in the creation of art for a purpose. They get the opportunity to create art for themselves, our school and the community. Activities include murals, art for fundraisers and participation in the Larimer County Food Bank's Empty Bowls Project. We explore various art mediums including painting, pottery, photography, printmaking and jewelry. Students are expected to have a high interest in working in teams, thinking creatively and commitment to the completion of projects.</i></p>					

Asian Student Organization	M. Park	mpark@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>The purpose of Asian Student Organization is to spread awareness and educate about the common struggles Asian Americans have. It is also to create a space where a group can interact and spread and share culture.</i>					
Badminton Club	M. Neal	mneal@psdschools.org	Main Gym	TBA	TBA
<i>The purpose of this club is to create a fun and low-stress atmosphere where students can come together to learn how to play badminton or just have a good time. It is also meant to get students moving and exercising, which is vital to do so during a long school day.</i>					
Café San Juan	M. Nortier	mnortier@psdschools.org	W210	Friday	Lunch
<i>Improve use of target language and how students communicate in different cultural customs. Spanish Club provides students with an opportunity outside of the classroom to practice oral proficiency.</i>					
Chess Club	C. Fries	cfries@psdschools.org	E112	Tuesday	Lunch
<i>An opportunity for chess players at all skill levels to learn new techniques, improve their skills and compete at district competitions.</i>					
Chocolate Book Club	L. Fain	lanaf@psdschools.org	Room 515	Tuesday	Lunch
<i>If you like to read and enjoy discussing books that interest you, come to the Fossil Ridge Book Club weekly. Whether your favorite genre is science fiction, fantasy, realistic fiction or non-fiction, come join others with similar interests.</i>					
Cycling Club	M. Murphy	mmurphy@psdschools.org	N210	Thursday	Lunch
<i>The purpose of this club is to bring students closer to the outdoors and teach them trail safety and trail etiquette. We will also promote cycling specific activities within the school (including bike to work day).</i>					
DECA	A. Stevens	astevens@psdschools.org	Round House	Wednesday	Lunch
<i>DECA is a co-curricular marketing program which offers students an opportunity for professional growth, community service and competition through examination, role play, portfolio planning and public speaking. There are opportunities to compete and to run for offices at the local, district, state and national levels. ***rotating Wednesdays with FBLA*** Andy Stevens can also be contacted for more information - astevens@psdschools.org.</i>					
*DLA Club	M. Vasa	mediaz@psdschools.org	Room 515	Mon/Tue/Th	7th Period
<i>Diversity Leadership & Awareness – this organization meets as a class and focuses on building leadership skill, promoting diversity within our student body and increasing awareness and acceptance of all populations and backgrounds.</i>					
Drama Club	K. Rust	krust@psdschools.org	Black Box	Monday	3-4:30pm
<i>Join the Drama Club to have fun onstage and off with new friends! In the past, we have written, performed and produced our own One Act, assisted with the production of the school plays, and played improvisational games. This year holds many exciting opportunities including seeing other shows, attending the International Thespian Conference in Denver and participating in the Theatre Festival with other Fort Collins high schools.</i>					

*Etched in Stone	B. DeGear	bdegear@psdschools.org	Room N123	Mon/Tue/Th	5th Period
<p>Journalism at Fossil is an opportunity to learn about the ethics and standards that are the foundation of the American free press while investigating and writing stories to inform the Sabercat community. The main newspaper staff must be enrolled in the class to fully participate in the news coverage, but non-staff writers are invited to submit writing to eisopedsubmit@gmail.com or to contact the adviser with any questions.</p>					
FBLA	K. Seeton	kseeton@psdschools.org	Round House	Tuesday	Lunch
<p>FBLA is a nationally recognized business club that offers students an opportunity for professional growth, community service and competition through examination, role play, portfolio planning and public speaking. There are opportunities to compete and to run for offices at the local, district, state and national levels.</p>					
FCCLA	A. Iverson	aiverson@psdschools.org	Room 508	Thursday	Lunch
<p>FCCLA is a dynamic and effective national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education. **2nd & 4th Thursdays***</p>					
*Forensics	R. Jackson	rjackson@psdschools.org	E102	Mon - Thurs	3-5:00pm
<p>Forensics allows students to participate in either debate, interpretive, creative, or informative speaking competitions. Students can compete as individuals or sign up for events with a partner. Debate competitions are head-to-head while all other speaking competitions are in a group setting with four to eight people.</p>					
Fossil Friends	B. Bryan	bbryan@psdschools.org	W113	Thursday	Lunch
<p>The mission of Fossil Friends is to provide friendship and support to people of all abilities. We strive to raise awareness about disabilities through movies, social gatherings, guest speakers and various national campaigns (Autism Awareness "Light It Up Blue" campaign and "End the R Word Campaign", etc.). We welcome all students and staff to join us for lunch on Thursdays!</p>					
Fossil Photographers Society Club	B. Klyczek	receccak@psdschools.org	Room 202	Tuesday	3-4pm
<p>Our purpose is to give students an opportunity to better their photography skills and to become more involved with their local and school photography community.</p>					
French Club	S. Sexton	ssexton@psdschools.org	W208	Thursday	Lunch
<p>Parlez-vous francais? Study the language and culture of Francophone countries through music, movies and discussion. You can also contact Mr. Henry for more information - nhenry@psdschools.org</p>					
FRESH	N. Peterson	npeterso@psdschools.org	N104	Friday	Lunch
<p>The mission of FRESH is to work for sustainability in our school and community, while giving members real-world knowledge and experience in project leadership, environmental issues and effective activism. You can also contact Mrs. Castillo for more information – vcastillo@psdschools.org</p>					

Game Time Club	J. Menefee	jmenefee@psdschools.org	Round House	Friday	Lunch
<i>If you like watching, playing, following and/or talking about sports, the Game Time Club is for you. Open to non-athletes as well as athletes; males and females; students and staff. Our #1 goal is to build support and excitement for FRHS sports. We will also discuss and occasionally watch high school, college and pro sports on a local and national level.</i>					
Games & Simulations Society	T. Huckaby	thuckaby@psdschools.org	W106 W104 & W106	Tuesday Wednesday	Lunch 3:00pm
<i>The Games & Simulation Society will use a variety of game and simulations to learn critical thinking skills, historic periods, cultural exploration and analysis. We will also explore political policy, diplomatic relations and military history.</i>					
German Club	A. Healy	ahealy@psdschools.org	Media Conf. Rm	Tuesday	Lunch
<i>Hallo! If you want to experience international culture, join us! German Club will offer activities for students who want to experience more of the German culture. We will eat, sing, dance, play games, watch movies and celebrate holidays and festivals. Come help us plan Oktoberfest! We may be able to go to the International Film Night at CSU, the Lincoln Center and restaurants. Auf Wiedersehen!</i>					
Girls Who Code	J. Oswald	joswald@psdschools.org	TBA	TBA	TBA
<i>To encourage and support girls who are interested in computer programming and to increase their knowledge & skills. Participants will work through a curriculum supplied by a national organization.</i>					
History Club	T. Huckaby	thuckaby@psdschools.org	E109	Friday	Lunch
<i>The National Historians is a club for those students interested in history. Each chapter selects its own focus – local history visits to sites and museums, organizing, history fairs or even serious historical writing – it's up to the FRHS students to decide.</i>					
Key Club	M. Kueter	mkueter@psdschools.org	Round House	Monday	Lunch
<i>This club offers leadership opportunities, college scholarships, service learning and personal enrichment. We volunteer to work with kids in the community, run school-wide giving events and meet weekly during lunch.</i>					
Knitting Club Knitwits	M. Amey	mamey@psdschools.org	515	Thursday	Lunch
<i>An opportunity for students to learn how to knit. Supplies to get you started will be provided.</i>					
Knowledge Bowl	M. Cranor	mcranor@psdschools.org	Room 313	Everyday	3-5pm
<i>Academic competitions offer exciting opportunities for students to develop and exercise their scholastic abilities. Knowledge Bowl is a sport for the mind. Setup like Jeopardy, but for teams, Knowledge Bowl involves fast-paced thinking and teamwork. The Knowledge Bowl teams have meets in which our teams and those of several other schools compete.</i>					

Makers Club	J. Oswald	joswald@psdschools.org	TBA	TBA	TBA
<p>Students will meet to discuss, propose, and carry out projects where they make things. This will include, but is not limited to, 3D design and printing, Arduino projects, and Web/App/game design.</p>					
Mock Trial	K. Seeton	kseeton@psdschools.org	TBA	TBA	TBA
<p>Mock trial is a joint effort between students, advisors, and members of the Colorado Bar Association. Judges, magistrates and/or attorneys volunteer their time to coach students in a mock trial. Students assume roles as attorneys or witnesses and compete in a simulated jury trial against another school's team. Students should have an interest in law, forensics, and/or drama. The team will meet outside of school hours from mid-fall through early spring, culminating in a regional competition in February (state and national competitions are in March and May).</p>					
MUN	T. Huckaby	thuckaby@psdschools.org	W106	Thursday	Lunch
<p>Sometimes we just need to get along! The Model United Nations is a regional competition/simulation that allows students to participate as a national delegation to the United Nations. Students simulate political crisis management, debate global political issues, and propose and amend resolutions. It is a fast-paced simulation of war and peace, debate and compromise.</p>					
Mu Alpha Theta Math Honor Soc.	T. Pfeifer	tpfeifer@psdschools.org	Round House	2nd Monday of month	Lunch
<p>Mu Alpha Theta is the National High School and Two-Year College Mathematics Honor Society that serves over 100,000 student members in more than 2200 schools in the United States. We are dedicated to inspiring keen interest in Mathematics, developing strong scholarship in mathematics, reaching out to the community through mathematics tutoring, and promoting the enjoyment of mathematics in high school.</p> <p>To be eligible to join our great MATH chapter, you must have completed College Algebra OR be currently enrolled in PreCalculus. You be Calculus bound at Fossil (so seniors currently in PreCalculus/College Trig are not eligible). You must be a sophomore, junior or senior. You must have maintained at least a 3.5 math GPA throughout your math career (Algebra I and beyond).</p>					
National Art Honor Society	C. Ermer B. Black	chelseae@psdschools.org	Room 245	2nd Tuesday of month	Lunch
<p>National Art Honor Society is a society where we are constantly creating art for our school, community, state and even different countries around the world. Every project the students do is service based in some way. Through the course of a year in NAHS, students will complete six or more service-based art projects.</p>					
National Business Honor Society	K. Seeton	kseeton@psdschools.org	Round House	TBA	Lunch
<p>National Business Honor Society is a division of NBEA (National Business Educators Association) that recognizes students who have excelled in business in high school. Students must have taken three semester classes through the business department (business, marketing, or computer technology) with a 3.5 GPA in those classes and a 3.1 GPA overall. Students are also recognized for their involvement in the business pathway through their involvement in a business student organization or service learning in a business pathway.</p>					

National Honor Society	S. Ruffer	sruffer@psdschools.org	Round House	3rd Thursday ea. month	Lunch
<p>National Honor Society is a national organization whose members strive to maintain academic excellence and strong character through leadership and service within the school and community. Membership is gained through a selection process that begins in February and is open to all interested students who have a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher. Members are required to attend monthly meetings and complete both group and individual community service work.</p>					
National Technical Honor Society	P. Didero	pdidero@psdschools.org	Round House	TBA	TBA
<p>Contact Ms. Didero for more information. They have 2 meetings per semester.</p>					
Philosophy Club	D. Marshall	dmarshall@psdschools.org	W108	Friday	3-6:30pm
<p>An academic look into the history and uses of philosophy and discussion. The purpose of this club is to create a better understanding of philosophy that will enhance critical thinking, explore knowledge and how it is attained with a result in a more logically grounded understanding of ethics.</p>					
Ping Pong Club	M. Neal	mneal@psdschools.org	Main Gym	Friday	Lunch
<p>This club lets students at Fossil play table tennis no matter their skill level.</p>					
*Ridge TV	B. Gallagher	bgallagh@psdschools.org			
<p>Contact Mr. Gallagher for more information.</p>					
Ridgebotics	M. Park	mpark@psdschools.org	Rm 215	Tues/Wed	3pm
<p>Ridgebotics is the robotics club at FRHS – where students are responsible for designing, building and programming a robot to compete in an alliance format against other teams in the FIRST Robotics Challenge. Teams are required to develop strategy and build robots based on sound engineering principles that inspire young people towards careers in science, technology, math and education (STEM). The Ridgebotics club will help you develop problem-solving, organizational and team-building skills.</p>					
Science Bowl	J. Oswald	joswald@psdschools.org	TBA	TBA	TBA
<p>Academic competitions offering exciting opportunities for students to develop and exercise their scholastic abilities.</p>					
Science National Honor Society	Jennifer Bekken	jbekken@psdschools.org	Round House	TBA	Lunch
<p>SNHS encourages and recognizes students in the sciences. The society encourages scientific and intellectual thought, helps to advance the knowledge of classical and modern sciences seeks to aid the community with their understanding of science, and encourages community service related to science. Meeting dates are 1/25, 2/15, 3/28, 4/18, 5/16</p>					

Science Olympiad	M. Vigil D.Dannahower	mvigil@psdschools.org ddannaho@psdschools.org	TBA	TBA	TBA
<i>Members of Science Olympiad are dedicated to science, collaboration and innovation. Students train to compete in 23 events ranging from knowledge-based anatomy tests to sumo wrestling robots. The training takes place between late October and early February and all aspects of science are covered. Students may be involved in knowledge-based competitions covering anatomy, ecology, ornithology, or fossils. They may build an apparatus such as a tower, musical instrument, mouse trap car or model of a protein. Students are also challenged by labs in chemistry, forensics and optics.</i>					
Songwriters' Guild	T. Hanauer	thanauer@psdschools.org	N209	Wednesday	3-4pm
<i>Students are encouraged to write songs – lyrics, melody and musical accompaniment. They will do this by analyzing successful songs to gain a better understanding of techniques, structure and elements in song writing.</i>					
Spectrum Alliance	J. Pfeifer	jpfeifer@psdschools.org	N205	Tuesday	Lunch
<i>Spectrum Alliance welcomes students of all gender identities, sexual orientations, and backgrounds to participate in conversations and activities concerning a wide range of topics that relate to LGBT+ youth, tolerance and community.</i>					
*Student Ambassadors	M. Murphy	mmurphy@psdschools.org	Room 313	Mon/Tue/Th	7th Period
<i>The FRHS Student Ambassadors strive to excel as leaders through representing our students at events, promoting school spirit, a positive campus culture and a safe campus. We welcome our new students, host visitors to our school and educate peers on controversial and relevant safety issues.</i>					
*Student Council	E. Carson	ecarson@psdschools.org	Room 205	Mon/Tue/Th	7th Period
<i>Student Council is a group of leaders who work to create events and activities to enhance the culture of FRHS. Freshmen are selected through an interview/application process while sophomores, juniors and seniors are elected. This is an extremely involved class at FRHS and many hours are expected of you during school, after school and on the weekends.</i>					
Technical Theatre Club	J. Garner	jgarner@psdschools.org	Black Box	Monday	3-4:30pm
<i>Technical Theatre Club trains students to use the light, sound and other equipment in the Performing Arts Center for FRHS plays, concerts and events. Join us to learn valuable skills and be part of our fantastic theatre family!</i>					
Tri-M Music Honor Society	L. Silvestri	lsilvest@psdschools.org	TBA	TBA	TBA
<i>Tri-M Music Honor Society is designed to recognize student for their academic and musical achievements, and to provide leadership and service opportunities to young musicians.</i>					

Ukulele Club Uke Revolution	L. Fain	lanaf@psdschools.org	Room 515	Friday	Lunch
<i>Ukulele Club is an opportunity to learn how to play the ukulele and enjoy the process of making music together.</i>					
Writers' Guild	L. Plank	lplank@psdschools.org	N207/Media	Wednesday	3-4pm
<i>This club supports creative writers in the creation of Fossil Ridge's literary magazine. The oRIDGEinal writer's workshop encourages sharing and improving writing. Guest speakers present on publishing and creative process. Club members work together to collect, screen and publish writing, art and photography of the students and staff at Fossil Ridge.</i>					
*Yearbook	K. Salz	ksalz@psdschools.org	E110	Mon/Tue/Th	3rd Period
<i>The yearbook staff aims to capture the unique environment created by the students at Fossil Ridge. Recognizing the importance of the PEOPLE at this school, it is our focus to include all students in this publication.</i>					

Student Led Organization

2018-2019 Student-Initiated applications are available on the FRHS website under activities.

American Sign Language Club	Anastasia Abshire	77180@psdschools.org	Main Gym	Wednesday	Lunch
<i>This club is an opportunity for students to learn sign language.</i>					
Anime Club	Caroline Kirkpatrick	62370@psdschools.org	E103	Thursday	Lunch
<i>This club is a friendly environment for anime lovers and a chance to make new friends.</i>					
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Katherine Lammons	48741@psdschools.org	N202	Monday	Lunch
<i>FCA is a place for students to come together to share their faith and how it applies to sports.</i>					
Garfield Club	Ethan Carter	82289@psdschools.org	E112	Monday	Lunch
<i>This club is for lovers of Garfield comics, TV & movies.</i>					

Investment Club	Gavin Johnson	49507@psdschools.org	E109	Wednesday	Lunch
<i>Investment Club seeks to encourage discussion about financial and business literacy at FRHS. Activities include new discussions, guest speakers from the business community, and investment simulations. Everyone is welcome!</i>					
NBA Club	Jonnie Salmon	48773@psdschools.org	W208	Wednesday	Lunch
<i>NBA (Now Basketball Analyzing) is a place to have a fun experience learning about the NBA and basketball in general while participating in a fantasy basketball league.</i>					
Outdoor Adventure Club	Kara Trombley	49006@psdschools.org	N102	Monthly	3:00pm
<i>This club is designed to bring together students who are passionate about being outside. In this club, members will take part in planning and experiencing outdoor adventures such as hiking, paddle boarding, skiing, snowshoeing, etc. We will also learn how to take care of ourselves in the outdoors.</i>					
Who Cares Youth Group Club	Isaac Bruce	93697@psdschools.org	N121	Mon – Fri	lunch
<i>We will be giving students a purpose and a path at Fossil Ridge and the world around them. This club is a youth group club and an outreach club that is welcome to anybody and everybody within Fossil Ridge High School.</i>					

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