

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	E-111	TBD	TBD
<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>					
Amnesty International	J. Speight	jspeight@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>To help with issues that Amnesty lists on their webpage.</i>					
Art Club	C. Ermer B. Klyczek	chelseae@psdschools.org	245	Wednesday	4:10 – 5:10 pm
<i>Art Club is a place to come explore different art materials and techniques and a time to get creative and relax. Whether you are enrolled in art classes or not, this club is for everyone to enjoy."</i>					
Asian Student Organization	N. Henry	nhenry@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	Large Gym	Monday	Lunch
<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>					

Cafe' San Juan	M. Nortier	mnortier@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<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	E-102	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	N-217	TBD	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@psdchools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<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	Roundhouse	Thursday	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 Thursdays with FBLA** Contact Andy Stevens for more information.</i>					
DLA Club	M. Vasa	mediaz@psdschools.org	N-116	M, W, F	6th 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 through various school-wide initiatives. DLA strives to build and promote a positive school climate, while working to create a space where everyone feels they belong.</i>					
Drama Club	T. Bayens	tbayens@psdschools.org	Black Box (241)	Monday	4 – 5 pm
<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	N-123	J2 – M, W, F	4th Period5
				J1 – M, T, Th	7th Period
<i>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. Website: www.etchedinstone.org</i>					
FBLA	K. Seeton	kseeton@psdschools.org	Roundhouse	Thursday	Lunch
<i>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. ** rotating Thursdays with DECA**</i>					

FCCLA	K. Bedard	kbedard@psdschools.org	508	Thursday	Lunch
<p>Are you a high school student who has, is currently, or interested in taking a course in Family and Consumer Sciences? Well then come join FCCLA! Being a part of Family Career Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) helps you develop real world skills tht prepare you for college and be career ready. As an FCCLA member you will have the opportunity to travel to State and National Competitions where you will meet some awesome new people. You can participate in various events such as Fashion Design, Early Childhood Education, Culinary Arts and so much more. Join today to make a difference in your own life, family, school and community!</p>					
Forensics	R. Jackson	rjackson@psdschools.org	E-102	TBD	Varied
<p>Forensics allows students to participate in either debate, interpretive, creative, or informative speaking competitions. Students can compete s 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. Tournaments are on Saturdays. We are always eager to work around student schedules for meetings!</p>					
Fossil Friends	B. Bryan	bbryan@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<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!</p>					
French Club	S. Sexton	ssexton@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<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	L. Smyser	lsmyser@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<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. Contact Ms. Smyser for more information.</p>					
Game Time Club	J. Menefee	jmenefee@psdschools.org	Round House	Friday	Lunch
<p>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.</p>					
Games & Simulations Society	T. Huckaby	thuckaby@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<p>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.</p>					
German Club	A. Healy	ahealy@psdschools.org	E-210	Wednesday	Lunch
<p>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!</p>					

Girls Who Code	J. Oswald	joswald@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>To encourage and support girls who are interested in computer programming and to increase their knowledge and skills. Participants will work through ha curriculum supplied by a national organization. Club logistics will be available once the number of interested participants is known.</i>					
History Club	T. Huckaby	thuckaby@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<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	Every other Weds	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 event sand meet weekly during lunch.</i>					
Knowledge Bowl	K. Rude	krude@psdschools.org	E-102	TBD	TBD
<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	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>Students will meet to discuss, propose, and carry out projects where they make things. This will include, but is not limited to, 3-D design and printing, Arduino projects and Web/APP/game design.</i>					
Mock Trial	K. Seeton	kseeton@psdschools.org	N-101	Times announced	TBA
<i>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).</i>					
MUN	T. Huckaby	thuckaby@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>Sometimes we just need to get along! The Model United Nations (MUN) 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.</i>					

Mu Alpha Theta Math Honor Society	J. Forster	jforster@psdschools.org	Roundhouse	2nd Mondays of each month	Lunch
<p><i>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.</i></p> <p><i>To be eligible to join our great MATH chapter, you must have completed College Algebra OR be currently enrolled in PreCalculus. You need to 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 1 and beyond).</i></p>					
National Art Honor Society	C. Ermer B. Klyczek	chelseae@psdschools.org	TBD	Wednesday	4:10 – 5:10
<p><i>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.</i></p>					
National Business Honor Society	K. Seeton	kseeton@psdschools.org	Roundhouse	2 x semester	Lunch
<p><i>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.</i></p>					
National English Honor Society	T. Oswald	toswald@psdschools.org	Roundhouse	Wednesday	TBD
<p><i>The National English Honor Society (NEHS), founded and sponsored by Sigma Tau Delta, is the only international organization exclusively for high school students and faculty who, in the field of English, merit special note for past and current accomplishments. Immediate benefits of affiliation include international recognition, scholarship eligibility, and opportunities for international networking with others who share enthusiasm for, and accomplishment in, the language arts.</i></p>					
National Honor Society	S. Ruffer	sruffer@psdschools.org	PAC	3rd Tuesday ea. Mo. March and May	lunch
<p><i>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.</i></p>					
National Technical Honor Society	P. Didero	pdidero@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<p><i>Contact Ms. Didero for more information. This club has 2-meetings per semester.</i></p>					

Philosophy Club	R. Marshall	dmarshall@psdschools.org	W-108	Friday	4:15 – 5:15 pm
<i>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.</i>					
Photographers Society	R. Klyczek	rebeccak@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>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.</i>					
Ping Pong Club	M. Neal	mneal@psdschools.org	Large Gym	Monday	Lunch
<i>This club lets students at Fossil play table tennis no matter their skill level.</i>					
Ridge TV	B. Gallagher	bgallagh@psdschools.org			
<i>Contact Mr. Gallagher for more information.</i>					
Ridgebotics	H. Beaven	hbeaven@psdschools.org	215	2 x per week (varied days)	4:00 – 5:30 pm
<i>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. The club will NOT meet on Fridays.</i>					
Science Bowl	J. Oswald	joswald@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>Academic competitions offering exciting opportunities for students to develop and exercise their scholastic abilities.</i>					
Science National Honor Society	J. Bekken	jbekken@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>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 will be provided at a later date.</i>					
Science Olympiad	M. Vigil	mvigil@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>Members of Science Olympiad are dedicated to science, collaboration, and innovation. Students train in teams to compete in 23 events covering all aspects of science. Students may be involved with knowledge-based events covering topics such as anatomy, designer genes, diseases, fossils, or ornithology. They may build an apparatus such as a plane or boomilever made from balsa wood, a musical instrument, or a gravity powered car that stops on its own. Students may be challenged by labs in chemistry, forensics, or circuits. Students may focus on science skills such as designing an experiment, describing how to build an object without seeing it, or breaking codes.</i>					

Songwriters' Guild	T. Hanauer	thanauer@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<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	T. Forkner	tforkner@psdschools.org	TBD	TBD	TBD
<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	W-209	M, W, F	6th 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	S. Carson	ecarson@psdschools.org	205	M, W, F	6th 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 (241)	Monday	4 – 5 pm
<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	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>Tri-M Music Honor Society is designed to recognize students for their academic and musical achievements, and to provide leadership and service opportunities to young musicians.</i>					
Uke Revolution Ukulele Club	L. Fain	lanaf@psdschools.org	N-217	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	T. Hanauer	thanauer@psdschools.org	TBD	Friday	Lunch
<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	E-110	M, W, F	4th 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>					