

Extracurricular Activity Guide

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Clubs & Activities



A Cappella Club

The Springfield A Cappella Club is a student run group. Students will get the opportunity to suggest songs, sing solos and duets, learn harmony, practice their beat-boxing skills, and choreograph simple dance routines. This club hopes to bring in students who like to sing, but never get the chance to show their talents!

Advisor: Mr. Lawson, tyler lawson@sdst.org

Academic Team

The Academic Team is open to students who enjoy trivia, quizzes, and/or mathematical problems that go beyond the daily school curriculum. The team meets weekly and participates regularly in both regional and virtual competitions.

Advisor: Mr. Martin, kevin martin@sdst.org

Class Council

Elected class council members meet regularly with other members of their class to discuss and plan events for fundraising and to increase school spirit. If you enjoy working with others, planning events, and are filled with Spartan Pride, then this is the activity for you!

Advisors:

9th Grade: Mrs. Hogg, kathryn hogg@sdst.org

10th Grade: Mrs. Edelmayer, <u>rebecca_edelmayer@sdst.org</u> 11th Grade: Mrs. Spoll, tami_spoll@sdst.org, Mr. Washam

adam washam@sdst.org

12th Grade: Mrs. Lawler, <u>barbara_lawler@sdst.org</u>,

Mrs. Sheahan, nadine_sheahan@sdst.org

Digital Music Club

The Digital Music Club works on creating and producing original digital music.

Advisor: Mr. Williams, joshua williams@sdst.org



Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA)

DECA is STHS's Business Club. DECA competes in regional, state, and national competitions, throughout the year.

Advisor: Mr. Levin, del levin@sdst.org

Interact Club

Interact members improve the local community and foster international understanding of social issues through outreach programs, fundraising, and education.

Advisors: Ms. Barbone, elizabeth_barbone@sdst.org,

Ms. McDade, bridget mcdade@sdst.org





ESports

Do you and your friends enjoy playing video games? We're thrilled to announce the continuation of our Esports program as we embark on our second season in the STHS arena. Join us so YOU can be part of the excitement!

Games We Play: Super Smash Brothers Ultimate, Rocket League, League of Legends, Chess, Overwatch 2, Brawlhalla

We Have:

A Thriving Esports Community
Friendly Competition and Strategy Building
Opportunities to compete in the Pennsylvania Scholastic Esport
League (PSEL)
Play in-person Tournaments

Roles in Shoutcasting, Content Creation, and Social Media

Advisor: Mr. Maharaj, kevin maharaj@sdst.org



Jazz Band

The Jazz Band is an instrumental music group that prepares and studies jazz/big band literature. Members are selected by audition. Performances include several local high school competitive Jazz Festivals, the Springfield Township High School Winter Concert, the Springfield Township High School Festival of the Arts, and recruiting concerts around the district.

Advisor: Mr. Gottesman, chuck gottesman@sdst.org



Mixed Chorus

Mixed Chorus is the largest singing group at Springfield Township High School and meets before school on Thursday and Friday mornings from 7:00AM to 7:55AM. The choir has performed a variety of vocal music, including popular music, Broadway show arrangements, and contemporary music from around the world. Students receive arts credit for participation in a full year.

Advisor: Ms. Benton, amy benton@sdst.org

National Honor Society

The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students.

The National Honor Society has four different criteria a student must meet in order to qualify for acceptance: scholarship, leadership, character, and service. These characteristics have been associated with membership in NHS since its beginning and are why membership in this organization has the prestige that it does.

Advisors: Mr. Malossini, max malossini@sdst.org, Mrs. McCaslin, jennifer mccaslin@sdst.org



Robotics Team

The Robotics Program competes in the FTC Competition. The club consists of students grades 9-12. The team is a part of the FIRST Robotic Competition and competes in regional events and a few off-season competitions. The team meets weekly with an intense building season starting in November. Team members learn the rules of each new game and design/engineer, program/code, and build the robot. The team hopes to build off of the success of last season.

Advisor: Ms. Whittaker, kathleen_whittaker@sdst.org

Set Design

An integral part of our art and theater departments, the Set Design crew designs, builds, paints, and dismantles the sets for two major productions--the fall play and the spring musical--each year at Springfield Township High School.

Advisor: Ms. Gabrielle Wright, gabrielle wright@sdst.org



Spartan Pep Band

The Spartan Pep Band is an instrumental group at Springfield Township High School. Its purpose is to generate enthusiasm and promote school spirit through music. Performances include all home Varsity football games, the Homecoming tailgate, and other spirit-related activities during the year.

Advisor: Mr. Gottesman, chuck_gottesman@sdst.org

Spartan Culture Committee

The mission of the Spartan Culture Committee is to insure a culture of understanding, empathy, and respect amongst all community members of Springfield Township High School. The committee meets weekly before school.

Advisor: Ms. Spoll, tami_spoll@sdst.org



Spartan Singers

The performing arts department offers this prestigious singing group as an opportunity for male singers to inspire audiences and boost school spirit.

Advisor: Ms. Benton, amy benton@sdst.org

Spartan Songbirds

The Spartan Songbirds, an all-girl vocal ensemble, sings everything from pop to classical as well as accompanied and a cappella vocal arrangements. You need to be a member of Mixed

Chorus to audition for the group.

Advisor: Ms. Benton, amy benton@sdst.org

Spartan Steppers

Spartan Steppers is a school step team for any student grade 9-12. We recognize that stepping is a cultural art form derived from African roots and heritage and therefore, we are dedicated to holding to those cultural traditions as well as leadership development, fellowship, and a commitment to school excellence. The Spartan Steppers use rhythms, beats, dances, various movements and chants to inspire and entertain our audiences. We perform at pep-rallies, events and activities throughout the school year. Spartan Steppers welcomes learners of all cultures and backgrounds are encourages them to S.T.E.P. from the Soul!

Advisor: Ms. A. Ward, <u>alexia_ward@sdst.org</u>

Stage Crew

Stage crew students work behind the scenes in our yearly Thespian productions. Students have opportunities to work as a backstage crew member, a tech crew member, or a house crew member. Students on the crews also gain points to join Thespian Troupe 1154.

Advisors: Mr. Arner, <u>david arner@sdst.org</u>

<u>Mr. Meder, dan meder@sdst.org</u>



Strategic Game Club

Strategic Game Club meets weekly to play board games and card games as well as the famous role playing game, Dungeons and Dragons. We also hold periodic "Epic Meetings" to play longer games such as Risk or Talisman as well as electronic games. The club also raises money for children's hospitals with an annual 24-hour gaming event.

Advisor: Mr. Arner, david arner@sdst.org

Student Council

The Student Council serves and represents the student body of Springfield Township High School before the faculty, staff, administration, Board of School Directors, and community of Springfield Township. The Student Council plans and runs many of the school-wide events throughout the year.

Advisors: Ms. McDade, bridget mcdade@sdst.org

Ms. Ulkloss, jamie ulkloss@sdst.org

Sustainability Club Advisor

The Sustainability Club works with the school community to improve its footprint on the world.

Advisor: Mr. Maharaj, kevin maharaj@sdst.org

GSA

Springfield Township High School GSA strives to create a more accepting school community regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. We offer educational opportunities for the community and provide a safe, non-judgmental space as a support network for LGBTQ+ students and allies who share a vision of social equality.

Advisor: Mx. Brügger, cory brugger@sdst.org

The Book Club

The Book Club provides an opportunity for students to read, participate in and lead discussions on student-selected titles. We engage in passionate, in-depth conversations about literature with one another while enjoying food and friendship.

Advisor: Ms. Travis, kara travis@sdst.org



The Chronicle (Student Newspaper)

The Chronicle is a newspaper of the students, by the students, and for the students of Springfield Township High School.

Advisors: Mrs. McCaslin, jennifer mccaslin@sdst.org

The Concert Choir

Concert Choir prepares students for college and beyond by offering the opportunity to learn, practice, and perform a wide range of vocal music and mixed ensemble. The course emphasizes healthy singing techniques for many styles, including classical, Broadway, jazz, and pop. Students also study composition techniques and elements of music theory and history relevant to the group's performances. The choir performs at the Winter Concert, Festival of the Arts, Woodmere Chamber Concert, Senior Awards, and Commencement.

Advisor: Ms. Benton, amy benton@sdst.org

The Retina (Yearbook)

The Retina Yearbook is devoted to creating a visual and textual landscape that documents and represents the diverse interests, activities, and educational experiences of our vibrant learning community. The staff, a select group of students, is committed to developing and implementing sectional spreads in accordance with specific design trends in digital media and print publications. Real-world problem-solving and collaboration are cornerstones of our dedicated team.

Advisor: Mr. Gershman, eric_gershman@sdst.org

Thespian Troupe 1154

Thespian Troupe 1154 is the drama club at Springfield Township high school. Affiliated with the International Thespian Society, the troupe produces two main stage performances each year, a play in the fall and a musical in the spring. The troupe is involved at the state level with the Pennsylvania Thespians as well. The students and faculty participate in an annual state conference in December and an international festival in June.

Advisors: Mrs. Thornton, <u>marlene_thornton@sdst.org</u>, Ms. Vezzosi, <u>anjelica_vezzosi@sdst.org</u>



Voices Of Excellence

Voices of Excellence (VOE) is a minority student leadership group at Springfield Township High School that focuses on building its members character through service.

Our mission is to promote academic excellence, develop organizational and leadership skills, and enhance emotional intelligence in all VOE members.

All VOE members value learning, have a strong work ethic, take academic risk, and strive to reach their highest level of potential.

http://voice-excellence.weebly.com/

Advisors: Mr. Thompson, leonard_thompson@sdst.org,

Ms. Moore, linda moore@sdst.org



World Language Club

The Springfield Township High School World Language Club strives to provide all interested students with the opportunity to explore international cultures, customs and celebrations. Experience international cuisine, customs, and culture with festivities such as Oktoberfest, Mardi Gras, and Cinco de Mayo!

Advisors: Mr. Martin, <u>kevin martin@sdst.org</u>, Ms. Cohen, <u>jeannie cohen@sdst.org</u>

Youth and Government

Youth and Government debates current events every week and participates in a YMCA-sponsored model of state government for a weekend every spring in Harrisburg. Students can be lawmakers, lawyers, judges, or even the student governor. Great opportunities for leadership and looks wonderful on college applications!

Advisor: Mr. Taylor, <u>matthew_taylor@sdst.org</u>

Assistant Advisor: Ms. Maguire, megan maguire@sdst.org



Athletics

Fall

Football

You can find Coach Shelly and the rest of the Spartans in Spartan Stadium on Friday Nights! Reach out to Coach Shelly if you're interested in playing. If not, come to a game and support your classmates.

Coach Shelly, chris shelly@sdst.org

Boys Soccer

When Coach Meder isn't running the morning announcements, he's out on the soccer field! Be a part of our Soccer team by contacting Coach Meder!

Coach Meder, dan meder@sdst.org

Girls Soccer

Interested in Soccer? Reach out to Coach Conover! Being a part of the Girls Soccer Program creates lifelong friendships you don't want to miss out on!

Coach Conover, marissa_conover@sdst.org

Field Hockey

Come and meet Coach Stum and the rest of the team out on Nixon Field! The Field Hockey team has a long tradition of excellence, and you can join in on the fun!

Coach Stum, anita stum@sdst.org





Boys & Girls Water Polo

Coach Igou has led our Water Polo Teams to Small School State Championships, and he's even won a few of them! If you love the water, then Water Polo may be right for you!

Coach Igou, taren_igou@sdst.org

Golf

Do you enjoy spending time on the Golf Course? Stop by Coach Vizza's classroom and learn more about our Golf Team.

Coach Vizza, tom vizza@sdst.org



Girls Tennis

Game, Set, Match! Come by the new tennis courts and join Coach Brach and the team for some tennis this year!

Coach Caddick, abbycaddick57@gmail.com

Boys & Girls Cross Country

If you see one of your classmates running around the community, it very well be a member of the Cross Country Team! If you enjoy going on runs, reach out to Coach Woods about joining the team!

Coach Woods, niara woods@sdst.org





Boys Basketball

Swing by the Navy Gym and find the boys basketball team practicing hard! If you want to be a part of the team, reach out to Coach Fusaro.

Coach Fusaro, rfusaro10@gmail.com

Girls Basketball

Stop down to the Athletic Office to talk hoops with Coach Giordano! If he's not helping Mr. Ferraro or Mr. LaRocco, he's probably drawing up plays!

Coach Giordano, david giordano@sdst.org

Boys & Girls Swimming

If you would rather be swimming than standing come and meet Coach Militello & Coach Reiner. The Spartan Swim program has had incredible success over the years and are always looking for new members!

Coach Militello, <u>nmilitello1970@gmail.com</u> Coach Reiner <u>stotsman@aol.com</u>

Boys & Girls Indoor Track

Want to get in shape for Spring Track & Field? Want to have fun doing it? Meet with Coach Woods to learn more about the Indoor Track team.

Coach Woods, niara woods@sdst.org





Wrestling

Come and join Coach McCaslin and the rest of the team in the wrestling room this winter!

Coach McCaslin, corey mccaslin@sdst.org

Unified Bocce

Love playing Bocce Ball on the beach? You should try it in the gym! Coach Kelly is always looking for interested athletes to join the Unified Bocce Team!

Coach Kelly, elaine kelly@sdst.org,

Boys Lacrosse

Reach out to Coach Resch if you are looking to join the lacrosse team on Nixon Field this Spring!

Coach Resch, hankresch58@gmail.com

Girls Lacrosse

Coach Conover is looking for all interested lacrosse athletes! If you love lacrosse, reach out to Coach Conover for more information!

Coach Conover, marissa conover@sdst.org

Baseball

The baseball team takes a trip down to Florida every year and comes back stronger than ever every time! Contact Coach Primavera if you would like more information.

Coach Primavera, drprimavera@aol.com



Join your fellow Spartans on the softball diamond in the Spring this year! Reach out to the athletic department if you are interested in joining the team!

Coach Gehlhaus, heather gehlhaus@sdst.org

Boys & Girls Track & Field

Coach Mazurek loves very few things more than Science, but coaching the track and field team might be one of them! Stop by Coach Mazurek's classroom to learn more about the team!

Coach Mazurek, chris_mazurek@sdst.org

Boys Tennis

Join your fellow Spartans on the tennis court in the Spring this year! Reach out to the athletic department if you are interested in joining the team!

Coach Wetton, aileen_wetton@sdst.org

Unified Track & Field

Come and be a part of the inclusive track and field experience with Coach Proto and Coach Schrage!

Coach Proto, allie proto@sdst.org

