



**SCHOOL
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CLUBS &
ORGANIZATIONS**

HIGHLAND
Local Schools

a legacy of excellence

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This listing of Highland Local School sponsored clubs and organizations was the initiative of the Highland Foundation.

THE HIGHLAND FOUNDATION

Established in 2000, the Highland Foundation for Educational Excellence is an independent, non-profit community organization that supports enrichment programs in the Highland Local School District.

The Foundation is a separate entity from the Highland Board of Education. All decisions are made with the input and direction of the Foundation's Board of Trustees. This Board is comprised of elected community members who are dedicated to providing the leadership to implement those projects that will benefit Highland students and the greater community at-large.

The mission of the Highland Foundation is to acquire and distribute resources to Highland Local Schools to enhance, enrich and supplement learning opportunities for its students, staff and community. We achieve this through:

- Providing direct support for student development
- Encouraging staff excellence and creativity
- Promoting the school district as a center for community learning
- Helping build a strong school and community partnership

Please feel free to visit the Foundation's website to learn more. www.highlandfoundation.org

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ACADEMIC CLUBS

Highland Middle School National Junior Honor Society

Contact: Anna Taylor, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 1807

Purpose: To encourage student participation in leadership roles and community service while they achieve academic success.

Highland High School National Honor Society

Contact: Elaine Reichart, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5210

Purpose: To create enthusiasm for academics and to stimulate a desire to offer service and promote leadership.

Power of the Pen

Contact: Ron Hall, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 1708

Purpose: Open to 7th and 8th grade students interested in creative writing.

Highland Middle School Student Council / Chain Links Club (Rachel's Challenge)

Contact: Becky Watson, Co-Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 1609;
and Sandy Schilling, Co-Advisor, ext. 1603

Purpose: To spread a "chain reaction" of kindness throughout the community, as well as to promote meaningful student involvement by developing leadership and pride in our school.

Highland Speech and Debate Team

Contact: Suzette Burtoft, Head Coach, 330-239-1901, ext. 5124

Purpose: To enable students to develop advanced communication and higher level thinking skills.

Foreign Language Club

Contact: Kelly Codding, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5131

Purpose: To promote involvement in foreign language studies and cultures.

Robotics Club

Contact: Gus Matheou, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5225

Purpose: To provide an after-school activity in which students participate in "engineering-like," hands-on activities that involve building a robot over a six-week build season followed by a three-to-six week competition season. The club also stresses working in an industry-like environment in which sub-teams work together to design, build and test their ideas.

Highland High School Student Council

Contact: Andrew Lynden, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5233

Purpose: To promote meaningful student involvement by developing leadership and pride in our school.

Sign Language Club

Contact: Shellie Bush, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5230

Purpose: To promote public awareness of the deaf community, to practice and learn sign language and to learn about the deaf community and its culture.

PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATIONS

Granger Elementary PTO

Contact: Sharon McFadden, President, 330-725-1396

Purpose: To facilitate a relationship between parents and school and to provide resources to families of the Highland community.

Highland Preschool PTO

Contact: Heather Lahoski, President, 330-239-0624

Purpose: To facilitate a relationship between parents and school and to provide resources to families of the Highland community.

Hinckley Elementary PTO

Contact: Chris Medwid, President, 330-659-2426

Purpose: To promote the welfare of children at home/school and in the community, as well as to increase cooperation between parents and teachers.

Sharon Elementary PTO

Contact: Kathleen Fischer, President, 330-239-0669

Purpose: To facilitate a relationship between parents and school and to provide resources to families of the Highland community.

Highland Middle School PTO

Contact: Annette Wissel, President, 330-239-0802

Purpose: To provide a close relationship between home and school and a positive environment for our students by organizing activities and providing services to them.

Highland High School PTO

Contact: Terri Pfister, President, 330-722-3942

Purpose: To provide a close relationship between home and school and a positive environment for our students by organizing activities and providing services to them.

MISCELLANEOUS CLUBS

Highland Middle School Bowling Club

Contact: Roberta Somerville, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 1707

Purpose: To learn how to bowl, promote fitness and improve skills.

Highland Middle School Girls Choir

Contact: Emily Miller, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 1614

Purpose: Open to any 8th grade girl in an effort to promote ensemble singing skills.

Highland Middle School Guys Choir

Contact: Chris Ilg, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5301

Purpose: Open to any 8th grade boy in an effort to promote ensemble singing skills.

Highland Middle School Jazz Band

Contact: Ed Marquette, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5311

Purpose: Open to any 7th or 8th grade band student in an effort to promote the performance of jazz music and performance skills.

Highland DARE Role Models

Contact: Deputy Sharon Centner, DARE Officer, 330-461-0966

Purpose: Open to students in elementary, middle and high school for the purpose of resisting drugs and violence with peer-to-peer mentoring and service projects.

Highland High School Peer Leaders

Contact: Claudia Johnson, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5212

Purpose: To promote and teach prevention education through positive role modeling, selection criteria.

S.A.D.D. (Students Against Destructive Decisions)

Contact: Claudia Johnson, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5212

Purpose: To provide positive prevention programs and awareness.

Highland Middle School Anime Club

Contact: Charles Franchetti, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 1612

Purpose: To enhance student's drawing skills.

Highland High School Newspaper (*The Stinger*)

Contact: Bruce Folkerth, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5140

Purpose: *The Stinger* is published monthly by students and offers an outlet for students interested in a possible future career in writing and/or publications.

Highland Middle School Newspaper (*The Stinger*)

Contact: Terese Klucar, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 1704

Purpose: *The Stinger* is a bimonthly newspaper produced by HMS students in grades 6-8. This online publication provides the opportunity for students to have an outlet for their writing, artwork and interests.

Highland Middle School Yearbook Club

Contact: Cathy Wilhelm, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 1801

Purpose: To organize and produce the middle school yearbook while learning team work, cooperation and editing skills.

Highland High School Art Club

Contact: Bonnie Kubilus, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5257

Purpose: To provide additional art activities for high school students. The club plans several service projects each year and raises money for an Art Club scholarship.

Highland Choir Boosters

Contact: Chris Ilg, Choir Director, 330-239-1901, ext. 5301

Purpose: To provide support for the students of the Highland Choir Program.

Highland Middle School Drama Club

Contact: Emily Miller, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 1614

Purpose: To broaden Highland students' experience in the arts and give every child an opportunity to perform.

Highland Band Boosters

Contact: Lorne King, President, 330-242-2367

Purpose: To promote and provide financial and moral support for the benefit of the Highland Instrumental Music Program.

Volunteer Opportunities for Teens (VOFT)

Contact: Tina McKeen, Coordinator, 330-239-1901, ext. 5236

Purpose: To pass on local volunteer opportunities to students at Highland High School.

Highland High School Key Club

Contact: Barb Ott, Advisor. Call the High School Guidance Office at 330-239-1901, ext. 5201.

Purpose: Community volunteer organization for students at Highland High School.

ATHLETIC CLUBS

Highland Athletic Boosters

Contact: Jim Bialosky, President, 330-814-3591

Purpose: To promote athletics and provide financial and moral support to the athletes of Highland Schools.

Highland Middle School Ski Club

Contact: Jeremie Pesek, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 2102

Purpose: To learn how to ski or snowboard and improve skills.

Highland High School Ski Club

Contact: Chris Luker, Advisor, 330-239-1901, ext. 5238

Purpose: To learn how to ski or snowboard and improve skills.

Highland Middle School Girls Golf Club

Contact: Mary Becker, Golf Coach, 330-239-1901, ext. 5123

Purpose: To promote girls youth golf.



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