

2020-2021 PCHS CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS

ANIME CLUB

SPONSOR: Mr. Ulferts (G216)

EMAIL ADDRESS: nulferts@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Thursdays after school until 3:30

DESCRIPTION: Anime club is for those already a fan of anime or those who want to learn more about Japanese animation. The club meets to read, watch, and create their own anime, as well as to discuss anime with other interested in it.

ART CLUB

SPONSOR: Mrs. Psinas and Ms. Holeton

EMAIL ADDRESS: apsinas@pekinhigh.net kholeton@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

AUDIO PRODUCTION CLUB/MUSICIANS CLUB

SPONSOR: Mr. Woodring

EMAIL ADDRESS: cwoodring@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Every other Tuesday from 3:10 PM - 5:00 PM

DESCRIPTION: It is the mission of the PCHS Musician Collective to introduce students to collaborative music performance, improve on existing skills, and to provide a safe, respectful environment for music appreciation.

AUTO TECH

SPONSOR:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

BEST BUDDIES

SPONSOR: Mr. Tim Carroll (G301)

EMAIL ADDRESS: tcarroll@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: First Tuesday of every month after school at 3:00pm; activities vary.

DESCRIPTION: Best Buddies operates as a student-run friendship club, which creates buddy pairs between students with and without disabilities. Members of Best Buddies make a commitment to communicate with their buddy once a week via email, telephone, or at school. The club has monthly activities for the buddies and their peers (pizza parties, bowling, dances, Secret Santa, and hayrides).

BIBLE CLUB

SPONSOR: Mr. Miller

EMAIL ADDRESS: pmiller@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

CHESS CLUB

SPONSOR: Mr. Ryan Oplt (G403)

EMAIL ADDRESS: roplt@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: TBA

DESCRIPTION: Meet to play chess for fun!

COMMON GROUND

SPONSOR: Mr. Trumbo

EMAIL ADDRESS: atrumbo@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Thursdays at 3:00

DESCRIPTION: Common Ground is PCHS's gay/straight alliance club. The purpose of this club is to give students and their allies a safe place to share ideas and experiences. The club's focus is also to help educate the school community on LGBTQ issues and events.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

SPONSOR: Principal's Office

EMAIL ADDRESS: ksalzer@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Students complete service activities and submit form to the Principal's Office.

DESCRIPTION: Students who participate in any non-profit activity are recognized at Dragon Pride in April. Seniors who have earned 100 hours of service while in high school are recognized at graduation and by having their names published in the Pekin Times. Completed Community Service Hours Verification Forms must be submitted to the Principal's Office.

CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

SPONSOR: Ms. Bridges (G405)

EMAIL ADDRESS: tbridges@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Wednesdays after school

DESCRIPTION: CWC promotes writing and writing events. We create bookmarks in the fall, holiday cards at the end of first semester, and Dragon Prints, a collection of student writing and artwork, every spring. We also attend workshops and enter local writing contests.

DANCE CLUB

SPONSOR: Mrs. Johnson

EMAIL ADDRESS: bjohnson@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

FACS CLUB

SPONSOR: Mrs. Therese Bruning (A113) and Mrs. Ryne Koepple (A117)

EMAIL ADDRESS: tbruning@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Twice per month for about one hour after school. Dates TBA.

DESCRIPTION: FACS Club brings together students who are interested in the use of skills learned in the Family and Consumer Science courses at PCHS. Members must be currently enrolled in a FACS course OR have previously taken a FACS course. FACS Club will sponsor a fundraiser addressing a community issue involving family needs as well as a banquet for members, their families, and invited guests. There will also be a variety of other FACS related activities.

FILM CLUB

SPONSOR: Mr. Kevin Ruehrdanz

EMAIL ADDRESS: kruehrdanz@pekinhigh.net

DESCRIPTION & MEETING TIMES: Film Club is open to anyone with an interest in movies. We meet twice a month, once to choose a film and once to watch it together. Our goal is simple: watch great movies, and have fun doing it!

FRENCH CLUB

SPONSOR: Mrs. Cassandra Bilyeu (C217)

EMAIL ADDRESS: cbilyeu@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: As posted

DESCRIPTION: French club is for anyone who is interested in France, French culture, or French-speaking countries. You do not need to know French to join, as all our activities are cultural. The club meets to celebrate cultural events, have social gatherings, and play games.

FRISBEE GOLF CLUB

SPONSOR: Mr. Cole Stoner (C320)

EMAIL ADDRESS: cstoner@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Wednesdays in the spring

DESCRIPTION: Times are announced on the announcements.

GAME CLUB

SPONSOR: Mr. Jace Mansfield (G502)

EMAIL ADDRESS: gmosiman@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Late start days after school in the cafeteria

DESCRIPTION: We play video games, card games, board games, Dungeons and Dragons, and more!

GERMAN CLUB/GAPP

SPONSOR: Mr. Dale Holzwarth (C207)

EMAIL ADDRESS: dholzwarth@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Third Thursday of the month from 3:00–4:00pm

DESCRIPTION: Activities such as games, movies, projects to learn more about the German Culture

GIRL UP CLUB

SPONSOR: Ms. Colleen Kahl (G203)

EMAIL ADDRESS: ckahl@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Scheduled Thursday mornings at 7:20 am

DESCRIPTION: The Girl Up Club is an organization that raises awareness and funds for girls in the developing world. The club educates individuals about the struggles girls in the developing world face such as extreme poverty, lack of education, and lack of civil or political rights. Girl Up is open to all students.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

SPONSOR: Mr. Chris Neville (C305)

EMAIL ADDRESS: cneville@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: March through May

DESCRIPTION: Open to all students; students create their own teams; offer an 8-12 game schedule with a tournament at the end; cost is \$5.

JROTC

SPONSOR: Colonel Hallstrom

EMAIL ADDRESS: lhallstrom@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

JROTC DRILL TEAM

SPONSOR:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

JROTC RIFLE TEAM

SPONSOR: Colonel Hallstrom

EMAIL ADDRESS: lhallstrom@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

KEY CLUB

SPONSOR: Mrs. Swanson (G100B)

EMAIL ADDRESS: aswanson@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Second and fourth Thursday of each month right after school

DESCRIPTION: Key Club is a community service organization that is dedicated to volunteering our time and effort to give back to the local community.

LATIN CLUB

SPONSOR: Mrs. Marcene Farley (C209)

EMAIL ADDRESS: mfarley@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Club sets a calendar – usually meets once a month

DESCRIPTION: Latin Club activities traditionally include weenie roast, gladiator games night, holiday bunko party, ice skating, bowling/pizza party, and our traditional Latin Banquet in the spring.

MATH CLUB

SPONSOR: Mr. Andrew Slobidsky (C313)

EMAIL ADDRESS: aslobidsky@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

NETWORKING CLUB

SPONSOR: Mr. Eric McCann (A123)

EMAIL ADDRESS: emccann@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Varied – club sets a calendar and meets once a month.

DESCRIPTION: Networking Club is for students interested in new technology, computers, or careers in IT. Activities may include PC games, console games, and application development.

PCHS COFFEEHAUS: A POETRY CLUB

SPONSOR: Ms. Jeanette Odle (G209)

EMAIL ADDRESS: jodle@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Every other Friday from 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The first meeting for the 2017-2018 school year will be on Friday, August 26th, 2017 in G209.

DESCRIPTION: Coffeehaus (Poetry Club) celebrates the reading, writing, and performance of poetry. The purpose is to enjoy, discuss, and experience poetry in a creative and supportive environment. We also share works from our favorite poets. All are welcome to attend any session.

PEER MEDIATION

SPONSOR: Mrs. Hubner

EMAIL ADDRESS: ahubner@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

PHYSICS

SPONSOR: TBA

EMAIL ADDRESS:

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

POLITICS CLUB

SPONSORS: Ms. Buckrop

EMAIL ADDRESS: gbuckrop@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Tuesdays from 3:00-4:00pm

DESCRIPTION: Politics Club is your chance to talk about the nation's (and world's) most pressing issues. This bipartisan group meets weekly to discuss current events and controversial topics. No political party preference is necessary and all political ideologies are welcome! Meetings consist of group discussion, the topics of which

are brought up by the students and advisors. To be a member, all you have to do is attend! If you have a passion for politics or a desire to learn more, join Politics Club.

PUBLICATIONS/YEARBOOK

SPONSOR: Mrs. Smith

EMAIL ADDRESS: asmith@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

QUILL & SCROLL

SPONSOR: Mrs. Alyson Smith

EMAIL ADDRESS: asmith@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

SPANISH CLUB

SPONSOR: Ms. Susan Hamilton

EMAIL ADDRESS: shamilton@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Four meetings per year (3:00-4:30 pm)

DESCRIPTION: We do a variety of arts and crafts, games, and cooking activities (usually holiday-themed).

STAND UP SAVE EARTH

SPONSOR: TBA

EMAIL ADDRESS:

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

STUDENT COUNCIL

SPONSORS: Ms. Elizabeth Hill (B320), Ms. Clarice Chick (A241), Miss Colleen Kahl (G406), and Mr. Dan Everett (C315)

EMAIL ADDRESS: eswingle@pekinhigh.net ; cchick@pekinhigh.net ; ckahl@pekinhigh.net ; deverett@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Before or after school

DESCRIPTION: Student Council is responsible for planning and organizing events for the student body. Our goals are to not only host events that will create memories for the students of PCHS, but also to inspire enthusiasm within our community. It is our responsibility to govern and lead our school to the best of our ability.

WEIGHTLIFTING/FITNESS TRAINING

SPONSOR: All coaches

EMAIL ADDRESS: Athletic Director, Mr. Barry Gurvey – bgurvey@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Every day after school

DESCRIPTION: Weightlifting using free weights and exercise cardio equipment. There is also agility training.

WELDING

SPONSOR: Mr. Lenne

EMAIL ADDRESS: llenne@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES:

DESCRIPTION:

CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS (COMPETITIVE) – ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIRED

BANDS

● **JAZZ ENSEMBLE**

SPONSOR: Mrs. Karli McCann (Band Room)

EMAIL ADDRESS: kmccann@pekinhigh.net

PRACTICE TIMES: Tuesday and Friday 3:00-5:00pm

SELECTION PROCESS: Students playing an instrument may audition in November

SEASON DATES: November – May

DESCRIPTION: Perform music in the jazz, Latin, pop, rock, and funk genres. Students compete against other jazz groups and participate in the Mid-Illini Festival.

● **MARCHING BAND**

SPONSOR: Mrs. Karli McCann (Band Room)

EMAIL ADDRESS: kmccann@pekinhigh.net

PRACTICE TIMES: Early Bird, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and band camp during summer.

SEASON DATES: July through October

DESCRIPTION: Students must be enrolled in either Concert Band or Symphonic Band class to participate. Students perform at home football games, some area parades, and in marching band competitions.

● **PEP BAND**

SPONSOR: Mrs. Karli McCann (Band Room)

EMAIL ADDRESS: kmccann@pekinhigh.net

PRACTICE TIMES: During band class

SEASON DATES: During boys' basketball season

DESCRIPTION: Pep Band performs popular tunes at all home varsity boys' basketball games. Students must be enrolled in either Concert Band or Symphonic Band to participate.

● **WINTER PERCUSSION**

SPONSOR: Mrs. Karli McCann (Band Room)

EMAIL ADDRESS: kmccann@pekinhigh.net

PRACTICE TIMES: Mondays after school

SEASON DATES: All school year

DESCRIPTION: Indoor marching percussion and pit percussion – Includes playing music and marching for drumline members. Drumline is by audition.

● **COLOR GUARD**

SPONSOR: Mrs. Karli McCann (Band Room)

EMAIL ADDRESS: kmccann@pekinhigh.net

PRACTICE TIMES: To be set by sponsor

TRY-OUTS: Last week of March

SEASON DATES: Same as Marching Band

DESCRIPTION: Learn routines with flags to be a part of the Marching Band.

NOTEABLES

SPONSOR: Ms. Leigh Grizzard (Choir Room)

EMAIL ADDRESS: lgrizzard@pekinhigh.net

PRACTICE TIMES: After school and/or evenings

SEASON DATES: January through March (competitions on Saturdays)

TRY-OUTS: May of each school year

DESCRIPTION: Noteables is an advanced show choir. It involves singing and dancing and competes with several schools within Illinois. Members must be enrolled in a curricular choir.

SCHOLASTIC BOWL

SPONSOR: Mrs. Marcene Farley (C209)

EMAIL ADDRESS: mfarley@pekinhigh.net

PRACTICE TIMES: Monday and Thursday 3:00-3:45pm

TRY-OUTS: End of September

SEASON DATES: November through February on Tuesday evenings

DESCRIPTION: Scholastic Bowl is an academic competition much like the Jeopardy television show. The teams compete for toss-up questions to earn a chance at bonus questions on academic questions. Varsity has many Saturday competitions.

SPEECH TEAM

SPONSOR: Mr. Scott Pyle (G101)

EMAIL ADDRESS: spyle@pekinhigh.net

PRACTICE TIMES: Individual sessions once or twice a week

TRY-OUTS: Late August/Early September

SEASON DATES: October through March

DESCRIPTION: The Speech Team is a competitive activity that gives students the opportunity to develop their skills in the area of public speaking acting, and oral interpretation. The 34-40 member team is composed of freshmen through seniors. There are 14 individual events in which students can participate. In addition to the invitational season, there is the IHSA stat series National Forensic League district contest and national tournament. Students interested in a future in performing arts, law, or teaching should consider this team.

THEATRE/DRAMA DEPARTMENT

SPONSOR: Mr. Newt Holt

EMAIL ADDRESS: nholt@pekinhigh.net

MEETING TIMES: Fall and Spring

DESCRIPTION: The Theatre Department produces a fall and spring play every year, and musical every other spring semester. Students work both onstage as actors and backstage constructing the set, designing lights,

operating sound, costuming the actors, and applying makeup. No prior experience is necessary. Any student can audition and participate on the crew.

IHSA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

BASS FISHING CLUB

COACH: Mr. Greg Ries

EMAIL ADDRESS: gries@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: March 2

BASEBALL

COACH: Mr. Larry Davis Mr. Uhlman

EMAIL ADDRESS: ldavis@pekinhigh.net cuhlman@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: March 8

BOYS BASKETBALL

COACH: Mr. Jeff Walraven Mr. McGinnis Mr. Crouch Mr. Stoner

EMAIL ADDRESS: jwalraven@pekinhigh.net bmcginnis@pekinhigh.net jcrouch@pekinhigh.net
cstoner@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: November 9

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

COACH: Mr. Cole Stoner

EMAIL ADDRESS: cstoner@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: August 10

BOYS GOLF

COACH: Mr. Brett McGinnis Mr. Crouch

EMAIL ADDRESS: bmcginnis@pekinhigh.net jcrouch@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: August 10

BOYS SOCCER

COACH: Mr. Gus Kormah & Mr. Brad Slover

EMAIL ADDRESS: abkormah@msn.com ; bslover@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: August 10

BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING

COACH: Mr. Richards Matt Elliott

EMAIL ADDRESS: mitchrichards@gmail.com

START DATE: November 23

BOYS TENNIS

COACH: Mr. Zinck

EMAIL ADDRESS: jzinck@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: March 1

BOYS TRACK

COACH: Eric Mccann Mr. Nutter Mr. Craig

EMAIL ADDRESS: emccann@pekinhigh.net dnutter@pekinhigh.net jcraig@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: January 18

CHEERLEADING

COACH: Mrs. DeeAnna Guerra (Varsity) Debbie Long

EMAIL ADDRESS: faith917@hotmail.com dlong@dist102.org

PHONE NUMBER: 309-353-5318

PRACTICE TIMES: Tuesday and Thursday 3:00-5:00pm and during summer

SEASON DATES: August through March

TRY-OUTS: End of March / Beginning of April

DESCRIPTION: Tumbling and stunting experience helpful: Cheerleaders attend all varsity football and boys' basketball games, most freshman football games, home sophomore football games, and boys' sophomore basketball games. We attend UCA camp each summer. We also host a camp with Pekin Park District each August.

FOOTBALL

COACH: Mr. Doug Nutter Mr. Pedersen Mr. Williams Mr. Davis Mr. Uhlman

EMAIL ADDRESS: dnutter@pekinhigh.net cpederson@pekinhigh.net zac.williams@pekin.net
ldavis@pekinhigh.net cuhlman@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: August 10

GIRLS BASKETBALL

COACH: Mr. McGinnis Ken Nielsen Laren Blondell Jay Fitzanko Chris Neville

EMAIL ADDRESS: bmcginnins@pekinhigh.net kenkpn@comcast.net fitzanko@gmail.com
cneville@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: November 2

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

COACH: Mrs. Allie Jones

EMAIL ADDRESS: ajones@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: August 10

GIRLS GOLF

COACH: Mr. Chris Neville

EMAIL ADDRESS: cneville@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: August 10

GIRLS SOCCER

COACH: Mr. Edgar Sandoval, Ms. Jessica Beck and Jen Adkison

EMAIL ADDRESS: esandoval@pekinhigh.net ; jbeck@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: March 1

GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING

COACH: Ms. Dunn Ms. Weckbach

EMAIL ADDRESS:

START DATE: August 10

GIRLS TENNIS

COACH: Mr. Zinck

EMAIL ADDRESS: jzinck@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: August 10

GIRLS TRACK

COACH: Mrs. Christina MacEwan Mr. Shemansky

EMAIL ADDRESS: cmacewan@pekinhigh.net redbirds26@yahoo.com

START DATE: January 18

POMS/DANCE

COACH: Mrs. Sue Johnson

EMAIL ADDRESS:

PRACTICE TIMES: Two to three times a week after school

TRY-OUTS: In the spring (practice times before try-outs)

SEASON DATES: August through early March

DESCRIPTION: The PCHS Pom/Dance Team is an audition-based team. The purpose of the squad is to promote and uphold school spirit and to perform at both the home varsity football and varsity boys' basketball games. Selection is based on criteria established and described in the group's constitution. The team is required to attend and compete at Summer Camp.

SOFTBALL

COACH: Skip Penning

EMAIL ADDRESS: cleaning@epd86.org

START DATE: March 8

VOLLEYBALL

COACH: Mrs. Yvonne Thompson, Mrs. Priscilla DeLaere and Emma Owdom

EMAIL ADDRESS: yvonne.thompson@pekinhigh.net; pdelaere@pekinhigh.net

START DATE: August 10

WRESTLING

COACH: Mr. John Jacobs, Mr. Poole, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Gambetti

EMAIL ADDRESS: jjacobs@pekinhigh.net Pooleee2003@yahoo.com ahaynes@oberlanderelectric.com
chadgambetti@gmail.com

START DATE: November 9