

State College Area High School Student Activities 2013 Budget Report

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Welcome to State College Area High School Student Activities!

As students decide which courses they wish to take each year, they should also consider participation in extra-curricular activities. For many students, these activities provide opportunities and experiences, which not only make high school more enjoyable, but also influence and sometimes determine future choices in both education and career paths. We are proud to offer more than ninety clubs and activities for our students. There is something for everyone. You may download a booklet describing all the clubs and activities as a PDF (20 pages). We offer:

- **Academic competitive teams** such as Academic Decathlon, Debate Team, Knowledge Masters, Mock Trial Team, Ocean Bowl, Model United Nations Club, Science Bowl, Science Olympiad, Envirothon and Math Club. These clubs travel to other schools or locations to compete against other teams.
- **Publication** clubs such as Lion's Digest and Little Lion Yearbook.
- Clubs offering **support** include African-American Support Group, Autism/Asperger's Teen Group, Best Buddies, The Gay & Straight Alliance, Peer Mediators, Little Lion Ambassadors, and the Wild Dream Teams.
- **Art**-based clubs like the Art Club, National Art Honor Society, Pottery Club and Senior Video.
- Several **music** clubs such as Chamber Singers, Concert Band, Concert Choir, Jazz Band, Jazz Band 2, Marching Band, Master Singers, Ninth Grade Band, Ninth Grade Choir, Ninth Grade Orchestra, Orchestra, State Band, String Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Tenth Grade Band and Tenth Grade Choir, Tri M Music Honor Society and Rock Ensemble.
- Different ranges of **physical activities** include Dance Team, Fitness Center, Ice Hockey, Outing Club, Anglers, Ping Pong Club, Boy's & Girl's Rugby Club, Ski Club, Swing Dancing, and Majorettes.
- **Theatre** based clubs like Set Design and Construction, Thespians and The Artist Residency Club.
- **Career** interest clubs like the Auto Club, Broadcasting, DECA (marketing), Future Business Leaders of America, Future Farmers of America, Kiva (micro-finance), National Home Builder's Association, Statistics, Student Government, Technology Experienced & Creative Students (TECS), Technology Student Association (TSA), SkillsUSA, Work Experience and Youth & Government Club.
- Clubs that promote **awareness** like Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D.).
- Some clubs that work on **events** like the Battle of the Bands, Dance Marathon, Renaissance Faire, Empty Bowls, and Talent Show.
- **Environmental issues** such as Sierra Student Coalition/Environmental Club.
- Students with interests in **languages and cultures** can join the French Club, Latin Club, German Club or Spanish Club.
- **Community service** organizations, which include Key Club, Leo Club, Little Lion Ambassadors and Habitat for Humanity.

Additional information is available through the State College Area School District web site, activity advisors, and the Student Activities Office. Please contact Kathy Pechtold Student Activities Administrator at 272-3918 or kay15@scasd.org or Student Activities Secretary Shelbi Smeltzer at 272-3910 or sls15@scasd.org with any questions you may have.

Student participation, competition, and performance philosophy

At the high school level for clubs and activities, advisors/coaches will have the dual responsibility of fostering individual skill development and achieving activity/club success. To achieve this end the most effective and capable students as judged by the advisors/coaches, regardless of grade level, will be given the opportunity to further develop their skills, talents and abilities, to participate at the most advanced levels of competition and to perform at the highest levels available for high school extracurricular and co-curricular activities. An emphasis will be placed on helping the members of the activity/club group to work together and to develop a strong desire to attain the highest possible levels of success.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITIES 2012-2013

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
African-American Support Group (A.A.S.G.)	Nicole Bates-Leto
Art Club	Robert Placky
Artist Residency Club	Jill Campbell
Autism/Aspergers Teen Group	Emily Begley & Barb Nilsen
Battle of the Bands (event)	James Robinson
Best Buddies	Jenny Lee & Margie Swoboda
Broadcasting Club	Danelle Boyd
Chess Club	James Robinson
Class of 2012 – Seniors	Jeffrey Kissell
Class of 2013 – Juniors	Eric Davy
Class of 2014 – Sophomores	Susan Braun
Class of 2015 – Freshmen	Andy Marritt
Dance Team	Kelly Frazier
Dance Marathon (event)	Class Sponsors
Debate Club	Steve Lachman
D.E.C.A. (CTC club)	Robin Verbeck & David Williams
Empty Bowls (event)	Jeff Beck
Envirothon	Sue Braun
F.F.A., State College Little Lions (CTC club)	Paul Heasley
Fitness Center Club	Diane Swauger
French Club	A. Showers
French Exchange	M. Graham
Future Business Leaders of America (CTC club)	Jennifer Miller
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered Allies	Sue Brindle
German Club	Eric Smith
German Exchange Program	Eric Smith
Habitat for Humanity	Tod McPherson
Health Occupations Students of America	Mary Ann Neal
Ice Hockey Club Sport	Andy Wilson
Interact	M Muir
Key Club	Lydia Everhart
Kiva	Chris Felsmann
Knowledge Master	Nell Herrmann & Karin Sutherland
Latin Club	Jen Schreiber
Leo Club	Heather Denismore
Little Lion Ambassadors	Counselors
Math Club	Greg Somers & Julie Jones
Merlin's Market (event)	Holly Foy
Mock Trial Team	Steve Lachman
Model United Nations Club	Chris Feldman & Susan Braun
Music Activities:	
♪ Chamber Singers, Concert Choir, Master Singers, Ninth Grade Choir, Tenth Grade Choir	Robert Drafall
♪ Concert Band, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Ninth Grade Band, State Band, Symphonic Band, Tenth Grade Band,	Paul Leskowicz
♪ Jazz Band 2	
♪ Majorettes	Heather Denismore
♪ Ninth Grade Orchestra, String	
♪ Orchestra, Orchestra	James Robinson
National Arts Honor Society	Bob Placky

National Home Builder's Assoc. (CTC club)	Chris Warren
Ocean Bowl	Nell Herrmann
Outing Club	John Donoughe & Bob White
Peer Mediators	Counselors
Pottery Club	Jeff Beck
Quidditch	Maggie Muir
Renaissance Faire (event)	Dana Zuhlke
Rock Ensemble	James Robinson
Rugby Club (sport)	Jeff Kissel
S.A.D.D.	Traci Edelman
Science Olympiad	Jack Lyke
Science Bowl	Nell Herrmann
Set Design/Construction	TBA
Senior Video Club	Danielle Crowe
Sierra Student Coalition/Environmental Club	Susan Braun
Ski Club (sport)	Keith Thompson
SkillsUSA (CTC club)	
Spanish Club	Maggie Muir
Spanish Exchange Program	Maggie Muir
Stage Crew	James Robinson
State High Anglers Club	Heather Shakley
State High Publications – Lion's Digest and Little Lion Yearbook	Rebecca Thorsen & Sara Rito
Student Government	Greg Somers
Stat Club	TBA
Swing Dancing	Jessica Cole
Talent Show Committee (event)	HollyFoy
Technology Student Association (CTC club)	Doug Ripka
Thespians	Jill Campbell & Sharon Pearson
Tri-M Music Honor Society	Paul Leskowitz
Wild Dream Team – North	Jill Hetrick
Wild Dream Team – PSU	Marla Yukelson
Wild Dream Team - South	Jenny Lee
Work Experience Club (CTC club)	Cheryl Speakman

Some clubs are Career and Technical Center oriented and are listed as CTC clubs. For information regarding these clubs contact Deb Antos, CTC Secretary, Room 135 HSN

Brief descriptions of these clubs may be found on the State College Area School District website at www.scasd.org. Just choose the High School at the top of the page and then click on the Activities tab then go to [Activities General Information](#). A link to the descriptions may be found on the Welcome page.

2011

Total Number of Activities/Clubs: 110

2012

1) Eliminated clubs due to low attendance or the need for budget cuts:

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| 1. Sky's the limit | 12. Multicultural Club |
| 2. Book Club | 13. S.T.A.T.E Club |
| 3. Gaming Club | 14. Auto Club |
| 4. Anime Club | 15. Television Production Club |
| 5. Hot Stepperz | 16. People's Forum Club |
| 6. Rocketry Club | 17. Human Issues Club |
| 7. Slay the Dragon | |
| 8. Black Box Project | |

2) Reduced the operating budgets for the following clubs:

1. Academic Decathlon
2. Acclivity
3. Debate Club
4. Fitness Center
5. Knowledge Masters
6. Mock Trial
7. Music
8. Science Olympiad
9. Student Government

Total financial saving from reductions: \$ \$25,650.

2013

Total Number of Activities/Clubs : 93

Total Number of Requests to add new clubs: 9

No new clubs were approved due to the necessity to maintain the budget

2013 forward:

Continue to maintain 93 clubs,

Only add new clubs if current clubs show attendance reduction

Audit current clubs for attendance, point accuracy, and data collection

Survey results:

How many **hours** a week do you typically meet as a club group?

0-2	57%
2-5	2%
5-10	0%
10 or more	12%

On average, how many **students** does your club serve?

0-5	3%
5-10	0%
10-20	3%
20 or more	65%

As an advisor, how many hours after school hours do you devote to this club?

0-5	52%
5-10	0%
10-20	0%
more than 20	18%

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Student Activities Analysis

	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Salaries & Wages	312,253.23	315,880.30	337,926.59	304,675.06	291,262.28
Benefits	51,677.32	44,602.01	49,334.51	45,742.77	46,457.83
Operating Expense	175,924.00	180,497.80	166,518.43	159,815.14	146,861.97
	<u>539,854.55</u>	<u>540,980.11</u>	<u>553,779.53</u>	<u>510,232.97</u>	<u>484,582.08</u>