School can be more than books.
We are pleased to present this updated Clubs Booklet originally created by students from Mr. Adolf's Advertising, Design & Illustration class. This has been re-created by Mr. Cliff Butler as he added various colors and icons to enhance the illustrations and text of the student artists.

There are a number of clubs and organizations that you might find interesting. Joining a club is a great way to get to know other students and contribute to your school community. It is very rewarding to work as a team to accomplish a goal, especially when it involves helping others. [Studies support the fact that students who are active members of their school are more likely to perform well academically.] Why not give club membership a try?

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Mr. Butler for his efforts in developing this publication.

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Please note: Although there are a number of clubs in this booklet to select from, not all clubs will be in active status in a given year due to lack of interest or budgetary constraints.
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DANCE Team

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Students from 9th-12 grade are invited to join the JC Dance team. Our purpose is to promote school spirit as well as learning to be part of a team. Dances are choreographed by the students and are performed at the home basketball games of the Boys and Girls Varsity teams.

Dance experience is helpful but not required. Our season runs October through April. We also participate in community service projects and performances out in the community including dancing at a home Binghamton University basketball game.

Students are required to purchase their own dance shoes and jersey for performances. Come and check us out!!
Objective: To promote personal growth and leadership development through Family and Consumer Science education. We focus on activities that expand classroom learning. We also focus on community service.

Reason Students Would Want to Join: Career investigation, develop leadership, community service, self improvements, fun activities, trips and hobbies.

Activities: Card making, ice cream social, Thanksgiving Feast, food and fun trips, food management dinners and making candy apples.

Community Service: Make hats with third-graders, clothing drives, child safety and healthy teens.

Students can join at any time.
Students

High school student participants must be alcohol, tobacco and drug free. These students act as role models providing educational lessons and positive peer pressure for the younger JC students. They may also participate in some community service programs and projects with other SADD groups.
PHILOSOPHY CLUB  Mrs. Pescatore

Purpose: To improve critical thinking and analysis abilities; to enhance intellectual vision; to expand knowledge on life's most important questions, and use that knowledge to act in the world; to develop an ability to find the deeper meaning of things.

Reasons students would want to join: to expand their knowledge of various topics in an organized discussion forum and through dialoguing with others, formulate opinions and insight.

Activities: Open discussions on selected topics with appointed members monitoring the discussion to make certain that everyone gets an opportunity to speak.

Community Service: TBA

Can a student join mid-year? Yes
Science Club is a club that provides an avenue for students interested in science to pursue areas outside of the NYS curriculum. At our meetings, we carry out experiments, investigate phenomena related to science and research areas of interest. If you like science and have natural curiosity then Science Club is for you! We welcome new members throughout the year.

The club is open to 9 - 12th graders.

Some of our past activities have included: bubble wrap egg drop competition, mousetrap racer competition, the science of Hollywood makeup, skull science, Physics demonstrations, electronics building and we have participated in local waterways cleanup and Earth Day cleanups at our high school.
Do you enjoy being challenged? Do you like math? Is so, then the Mathletes Club is for you. The purpose of Mathletes is to work on activities that will extend your thinking and compete in math contests against students from other school districts. Mathletes is open to students in any grade at the high school and you can always join throughout the year. We practice once a month on Mondays and competitions are held on Wednesdays of the same week. As a group, we like to collect food to donate to those who need it and are always open for new ideas for group activities. Please come join us.
Students in the Junior Class work together to raise funds for class projects and class activities. They organize extracurricular activities involving their class to promote class unity and school spirit in general.

Wildcats
Key Club International is the oldest and largest service program for high school students. It is a student-led organization that teaches leadership through service to others. Members of the Kiwanis International family, Key Club members build themselves as they build their schools and communities. If you are a person that wants to give back to your community, then Key Club is for you.

**Activities and Service Projects:**
Key Club members are involved in numerous services over the course of a school year. We meet at least every other week and more frequently when we are involved in a project. Past service projects include: Clothing Drive, Teens for Jeans, Relay for Life, CHOW walk, collected for UNICEF, adopted a family through the Family Enrichment Network, Mentoring Program at the Intermediate School, participation in DVDS4VETS and Caps for Cure, Candy Cane-Gram Sale, volunteering for Special Olympics Bowling Tournament, Dollars for Scholars Father-Daughter dance support and our Annual Pumpkin Painting for Hill Top residents.

Upcoming events include “Spring Egg Hunt” with our JC Elementary After School Program and “Going the Extra Mile” walk for Prader-Willi Syndrome.

If you are interested, you can join at any time during the year; enrollment is ongoing.
Purpose: To promote recreational reading.

Reasons students would want to join: To broaden their experiences in reading various selections; to engage in discussing and analyzing several authors' works.

Activities: Monthly meetings with analytical discussions on selected works from a wide range of genre including biographies, sci-fi, mysteries, historical fiction, etc. Videos such as Rod Serling's TWILIGHT ZONE are also presented at the last meeting of the year to discuss visual literacy elements.

Community Service: TBA

Can a student join mid-year? Yes
Le Cercle Francais is an extracurricular club that encourages the enjoyment of French culture through a variety of activities. Students engage in the cooking, tasting and selling of traditional French foods. Club members enjoy at least two French Movie Afternoons while enjoying “crepes”. Some other activities enjoyed may be; playing traditional French games, listening to modern French music artists, teaching French to elementary students and other activities related to French customs. In the past, club members have cooked a French meal for friends and family and collected bottles and cans. Some of the highlights are the annual Valentine’s Day Carnation Sale and NYC day trip in April/May.

Meetings are held twice a month in room 247 after school. You can join any time.
If you are someone who is interested in experiencing new cultures and friendships with students from different parts of the world then Hello Club is for you! Hello Club is a unique type of organization in which students from different countries and cultures come together to share their stories and way of life. Hello Club has gone on many fun field trips, participated in different types of fund raising activities and has donated money to various community organizations. If you are interested in joining just listen to the morning announcements to find out when the meetings will take place.

New members are always welcome and may participate at any time during the school year.
The purpose of Art Club is to have fun while creating art for the community. Art Club members should be students who want to create art outside of school and have a willingness to help the community. Activities that Art Club participates in are mural painting, logo design for school, First Friday gallery visits and museum visits.

This year the Art Club is beginning a large mural project that involves painting pictures for vacant buildings on Main St.

Students can join mid-year.
Club’s Purpose: The purpose of the Tri-M Music Honor Society is to inspire music participation, create enthusiasm for scholarships, stimulate a desire to render service and promote leadership in the music students of secondary schools. Music students are eligible for induction beginning in 10th grade. Applicants must have a 95 or above music average and a 90 or above academic average to join as well as go through an application process. Tri-M members are expected to represent the very best of our music department.

Mrs. Chudacik
The purpose of the Wildcat News Team is to produce an entertaining and informative morning news broadcast and to create PowerPoint presentations, that will loop continuously throughout the day, which showcase school events, celebrations and other miscellaneous school information. The reasons one would want to join, is to learn basic news production skills such as creating a script, running the sound board, basic video editing and public speaking, not to mention exploring your creativity outside the classroom and most of all – have fun! Students can not join mid-year, however if you are interested in being a part of the news team, at the close of each school year there is an application and audition process that will allow you to participate in the news team the following year.

The news team is looking for students that:

- exhibit a professionalism that is appropriate for a high school audience
- are interested in production and delivery of a news broadcast
- have artistic interests (graphic design, computer skills, acting, music etc.)
- have excellent attendance and are willing to arrive 15–20 minutes early to school each day
Yearbook Club meets every week during the school year. It covers events that happen throughout the school year as well as attempting to capture a picture of every student in the school. The book is organized into sections: 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th grade, sports, music, faculty, clubs as well as many candid photos. Staff members are responsible for taking pictures as well as designing and marketing the book.
Sophomore Class

TBA

Purpose: Students participate in school and community functions.

Reason students would want to join: To build positive relationships among class members and throughout the school.

Activities: Students raise money to help cut the cost of senior year activities and brainstorm ideas for a 10th grade, fun to be at school day.

Community Service: The club members typically attend community walks.

Can a student join mid-year? Yes. Enrollment is open throughout the year.
The purpose of the Special Olympics Club is to provide year round athletic training and competition opportunities for persons with developmental disabilities. A student with an IEP and a developmental disability is welcome to join to enhance their school experience like typical sports, including soccer, bowling, volleyball, basketball, swimming, and track and field. Our Broome-Tioga area club also offers downhill skiing, bocce, golf, tennis and horseback riding. Activities include a club picnic fundraiser for bowling and track and field, JC Holiday Parade and JC Homecoming.

**Community Service:** We usually don’t do community service work but work with the Honor Society and Key Club, and volunteers from these clubs help at our events. We also have volunteers from Binghamton University at our track and field event in May. A student can join mid-year as long as they complete a physical and have the desire and commitment to participate weekly.
Student Government is the vehicle for the student voice, providing opportunity to lead the student body in educational and extracurricular endeavors, and for all students to be represented equally. Student Government sponsors and coordinates many fun activities and service projects for the whole student population. In the past, Student Government has run Battle of the Bands, Mr. Rogers Sweater Drive, Class Elections as well as many other school activities. If you are interested in Student Government you must run for and be elected into an office. However, all students are encouraged to participate in all activities that the club plans and puts together. If you are not in Student Government, you can still get involved by being a part of many committees organized by the elected body.

Get involved and run for Student Government.
The purpose of Ski Club is to experience a sport that participants can enjoy for their entire life. Students should join Ski Club because it’s fun and a great way to spend your Friday nights. The club skis at Greek Peak six Friday nights from January to February. This year the club was able to arrange a weekend ski trip to Stowe, Vermont. The club has participated in the American Cancer Society’s “Hope on the Slopes” campaign. Students must join at the beginning of the school year.
The goal of Spanish Club is to expose students to Hispanic cultural activities outside of the Spanish classroom. Some of these activities include: attending a Flamenco Dance performance at Binghamton University’s Anderson Center, seeing a theatre production of “Don Quijote” at Ithaca College, or meeting at the local restaurant, Tapatios, for dinner and live Mariachi music. Spanish Club members also participate in the local CHOW walk as a community service project. Of course the most popular Spanish Club activity is the annual trip to New York City in May for touring, shopping and of course eating at a Mexican or Spanish restaurant. Spanish Club is open to all students, whether enrolled in Spanish class or not. Students may join at any time during the school year.
Freshman Class

TBA

**Purpose:** Students help with school or community projects, become familiar with school policy, and raise money for their senior year.

**Reason students would want to join:** To get to know and interact with classmates through fun activities.

**Activities:** Students participate in Homecoming during Spirit Week. They work with freshmen in spearheading the Hall Decorating Contest.

**Community Service:** Includes Dollars for Scholars phone-a-thon, money donations, cleanup projects.

**Can a student join mid-year?** Yes
Science Olympiad is a club which challenges students in team events at a rigorous academic competition. The team events are well balanced between the various sciences as well as a balance between knowledge of content, process and skills. Students prepare for competition during the fall and early winter months building, practicing and learning about their chosen fields of endeavor.

Students who enjoy working with their hands in science, thinking outside the box and just want to push themselves beyond the everyday science classroom would enjoy this club. Students in grades 9 through 12 are welcome to join and compete.

Various competitions of the past include: Astronomy, Boomilever, Bridge Building, Herpetology, Entomology, Robot Ramblers, Sounds of Music, etc.
The Senior Class officers and advisor plan and organize events to make the Senior Year a memorable one. Major fundraisers include operating the concession stand at varsity football games and the ever popular Wildcat Idol that takes place in the Spring. This year’s officers are planning a Senior Week in June that will have an event for Seniors to participate in during the last week of school.
The club’s purpose is to acknowledge those students who excel within the school community in the area of scholarship, leadership, character and community service. All applicants are evaluated on those four qualities. A student would want to be a member of National Honor Society because it is an honor to be recognized in this manner. It also enables students to participate in excellent service opportunities. Graduating seniors wear an academic stole with the NHS insignia at graduation. Our biggest activities include fundraising for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital and the Daffodil sale of the American Cancer Society. We also tutor students who need academic assistance. Student are invited to apply for membership each March.

**Objective:** To promote personal growth and leadership development through family and consumer science education. We focus on activities that expand classroom learning and community service.
Varsity Club is a club that is designed to involve the student athletes of Johnson City High School with the middle and elementary schools and other community/school organizations.

**The purpose of Varsity Club includes:** 1. Encouraging and fostering a sense of community. 2. Promote leadership qualities with Johnson City athletes as role models. 3. Demonstrate and promote good sportsmanship and conduct. 4. Allow athletes to be recognized for outstanding achievement and promote participation in high school sports.

**Reasons for joining Varsity Club include:** 1. Gaining a sense of pride in your school. 2. Being recognized for your achievements in being a Varsity Athlete. 3. Working together with students in varying Varsity sports. 4. Volunteering for community projects and sports concession stands.

**Activities include:** 1. Club meeting. 2. Working Boy’s Basketball and Wrestling concession stands. 3. Running charity/community events throughout the school year.

**Community service events include:**
1. Hope and Hoops for Haiti Fundraiser.
2. Teachers vs. Teachers Basketball game.

Students can join mid-year as long as they are competing in a Varsity school sport.
Gay-Straight Alliance

**Purpose:** To eradicate homophobia and offer a place that is a forum for discussion and a source of support; to provide education about the range of social, political, and health issues affecting gay individuals.

**Reason students would want to join:** To gain insight into and offer support to individuals who subscribe to different lifestyles and preferences.

**Activities:** Students engage in thoughtful and respectful discussions structured around a central topic or activity.

**Community Service:** TBA

**Can a student join mid-year?** Yes. GSA is also open to all students regardless of their sexuality.
The Boy’s Volleyball Club exists to teach the basic and necessary skills of volleyball. The boys involved work together with the advisor or coach to learn the rules, strategies and game play needed to compete in sectional tournaments in the early spring. The Boy’s Volleyball Club allows students to achieve a level of competition as well as some physical and athletic involvement. The club runs annually from January through the end of March.
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