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Club Descriptions

Below is the list & descriptions of clubs offered through Thoreau's After-School Program this year! New clubs are added weekly depending on student and staff involvement!

Nintendo Switch Club - sponsored by Ms. Riva

• We will meet and play interactive games like Animal Crossing. Students will interact verbally while navigating game play.

Walden's Work Zone/Study Hall - sponsored by Thoreau Staff

• This club serves as more of a "study hall" for students to be able to have some quiet time to complete assignments as well as work with after-school staff on homework if needed

Soccer Club - sponsored by Mr. Loht & Mr. Paz

• Students will have the opportunity to scrimmage each other in full field soccer games as well as indoor matches once the weather gets cooler outside.

Green Eagles Club - sponsored by Ms. Galus & Mr. Bohn

• Students will be able to collaborate on all things environmentally friendly from taking care of the Thoreau courtyard and turtle pond to creating eco-friendly educational ideas.

Dungeons & Dragons Club - sponsored by Ms. Wheaton

 The best-known, best-selling role-playing game in the world, Dungeons & Dragons is storytelling with a group of heroes that goes through quests and battles using your imagination.

Newspaper Club - sponsored by Ms. Griffin

 Students will create monthly newspapers digitally and send them out to all of TMS! Jobs include interviewing various people in and out of school, creating a website, or printing newspapers!

Rainbow Eagles Club - sponsored by Mr. Fishman

The goal of this group has been to provide a safe space to support each other, share
experiences, raise awareness, and become educated on the programs and history of the
LGBTQ+ community. Our After-School programs have been attended by students of all
identities as they learn and support their peers and family members as well as get
support themselves.

Culture Club - sponsored by Ms. Wharton & Ms. Alexander-Romeo

 The Culture Club will celebrate the educational, musical, artistic, fashion, pop culture, and cuisine contributions of cultures that make up our school, community, and world.

Diamond Art Club - sponsored by Ms. Riva

• In Diamond Art club, we create works of art from tiny gems and patterns. Bring your own kits or browse and use some from the club collection. Diamond art is a great way to relax after a busy day while creating and socializing.

Art Club - sponsored by Ms. Rumberger

 Spend some extra time after-school working on your art projects with Thoreau's art teachers. Students will be able to create and build unique projects!

Writing Club - sponsored by Ms. Wheaton

 Explore your creative writing side with fun, engaging projects that will broaden your writing styles!

International Club - sponsored by Ms. Evans

Do you have an interest in exploring the cultures, cuisines, architecture and many more
exciting aspects of different cultures around the world? Join Ms. Evans on the 2nd & 4th
Wednesday of every month to find out more!

HIIT/Mindfulness Club - sponsored by Ms. Wharton

 Join some of your fellow Thoreau staff and students in this club where different workout programs will be explored and a variety of mindfulness yoga practices will be discovered.

Chess Club - sponsored by Ms. McNiff

• Come and compete against fellow Thoreau students in a fun but competitive game of chess. All different skill levels are welcomed and encouraged!

Community Service Club - sponsored by Mr. Firestine, Ms. Rouse & Ms. Hinrichsen

• Do you need to earn some community service hours or want to just give back to your school and community in a fun and diverse way? Join the community service club!

SGA (Student Government Association) - sponsored by Ms. Heberer

 Students are given the wonderful opportunity to represent Thoreau as part of the student government association! Come up with fun spirit week ideas, community building opportunities and much more positive school involvement activities!

Volleyball Club - sponsored by Ms. Loehle

• Come down to Gym 1 on Thursdays 1st session and learn the game of Volleyball! Join fellow Thoreau students in a variety of volleyball skill building activities and competitive matches!

Eagles Engineering - sponsored by Mr. Yalowitz

 Get your engineering brain working with Mr. Yalowitz in this creative after-school woodshop class where students will get the opportunity to build and create a variety of projects!

Basketball Club - sponsored by Mr. Barr

 Get the opportunity to hang out with your friends and shoot some hoops in basketball club. This club will have a variety of basketball centered games and competitive scrimmages!

Thoreau United FC - sponsored by Mr. Barr

Are you a big fan of Champions League soccer? Stop by Mr. Barr's class on Wednesdays
to get the opportunity to watch the matches that will include many teams that our
students support including Barcelona, Real Madrid, Bayern Munich, Manchester City,
Arsenal, Manchester United, PSG, and many others!

Science Bowl Club - sponsored by Ms. Oehm

 Compete against fellow Thoreau students in interactive and challenging science/STEM activities!

K-Pop Club - sponsored by Ms. Hooymans

• Join some Thoreau students and bond of your love for K-Pop! Create K-Pop themed activities and discuss the latest K-Pop trends!

Pickleball Club - sponsored by Ms. Bolanos

Get the chance to participate in one of the fasting growing sports today, Pickleball!
 Students will get to compete in matches against fellow students and the occasional staff vs. student match up!

Book Club - sponsored by Ms. Riva

• Want some quiet time to sit and read your favorite book? Join Book Club with Ms. Riva to have just that and participate in group discussions about your favorite authors or series!

Eagles Entry Club - sponsored by Ms. Vargas-Gonzales

This club is for students who just arrived to the country. Our focus is to help them feel
included, make connections, and provide different resources to help them succeed in
school/life. We would love to show them inspirational movies and host workshops.

Board Games Club - sponsored by Ms. Martinolich

 This club is a great time for all students who want to casually play against their fellow friends in a variety of board games such as UNO, Risk, JENGA and other fun activities!

Cooking Club - sponsored by Ms. S. Bolanos

Students who wish to participate in cooking club must sign up with Ms. Bolanos ahead
of time to reserve their spot for a great opportunity to practice their culinary skills and
baking knowledge outside of the FACS classroom.

Crochet Club - sponsored by Ms. Eshbaugh

 Students will learn to make basic crochet patterns using yarn and crochet hooks to create sweaters, potholders, and other items.