



2016-17 Clubs and Activities

Key Club – This is a high school chapter of the Kiwanis Key Club, whose mission is community service. Key Club arranges opportunities for volunteering throughout the year. Members must fulfill a minimum number of hours to maintain membership. Non-members may participate in the activities.

STEM Club – The STEM Club has many roles for students interested in robotics, computer programming, machine tools, 3D design, web design and social media, digital video and photography, marketing and general business. Students can participate in more than one role to help the STEM Club pursue its mission of engaging in group projects, team competitions and community outreach.

Junior State of America (JSA) – JSA is a national, student-run organization. Upper Division students engage in debate on current issues and politics and develop their public speaking skills as well as heightened awareness and knowledge of current events. Our Chapter has weekly meetings and practice debates and travels to conferences to compete against other chapters 2-3 times in the year.

Chess Club – Chess Club offers members the opportunity to play chess with advanced and beginning players. Peers and outside instructors will help new players learn the game. Among many other skills, the game of chess fosters critical thinking, sportsmanship, and honor- which are intrinsic to the game. Students will be encouraged to participate in an intra-school tournament. Club members will also have the opportunity to participate in local competitions. Grades 5-12 students are invited to join.

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) – FBLA is a club for Upper Division students interested in becoming future leaders in areas of business such as finance, accounting, marketing, economics, and management. Students learn about entrepreneurial leaders, create business plans, lead fundraising activities, complete service projects, and attend business-oriented field trips.

Drama Club – Drama Club presents the theatre arts in the Upper Division by producing and presenting two plays a year: one in the fall and one in the spring. Students audition for parts and rehearse after school 2-3 days a week. The group has a designed T-shirt to advertise its work. Field trips, festivals and other events may also be pursued as group activities throughout the year. Students audition and may join the club in this fashion, or they may elect to be a part of the group and work on the crew.

Girl Code – Girl Code promotes self-esteem and self-confidence in adolescent girls. The goal for Girl Code is to provide a safe environment in which group members gain support from their peers and group facilitators to promote feelings of empowerment and self-confidence, as well as learn healthy ways to cope with the stresses and pressures of adolescence. All Upper Division girls are invited to participate. We engage in various activities during the school day, occasional after-school meetings and an annual Overnight Event.

Science Olympiad – Science Olympiad is a 23 event science competition that encompasses all branches of science including biology, chemistry, physics, chemistry, robotics, computer science, and engineering. Students select events of interest to them and are teamed with a partner to prepare for the competition by researching their area of interest, practicing experimentation and/or building structures for the competition itself. Students in 7th through 12th grade are encouraged to participate.

Math Club – Math Club is a dynamic environment where students learn techniques to explore and use logic to solve problems. We compete in some of the most prestigious math competitions in the United States and the world while building friendships through mathematics. Math Club is available for both Middle and Upper Division students.

Blue Crew – Blue Crew is the Upper Division’s Spirit Club. Our purpose is to support all of our student athletes with positive enthusiasm through various activities including: poster and banner making, generating buzz for specific games/meets, and attending events decked out in Wildcat gear!

Student Ambassadors – Upper Division student ambassadors are students who, in a welcoming and positive way, greet families and answer questions using their own school experiences, helping prospective families understand what it is like to be a member of the Academy at the Lakes community. Interested students in Grades 7 through 12 may apply to the program for consideration.

Student Council – This is our student government organization. Separate Student Councils are active in both the Middle and Upper Divisions. Elections for executive officers and class representatives are held each year. ALL students are welcome to attend and contribute to the meetings. Lower Division also sponsors a student council called “Giraffe Club,” and 4th Graders may run for office each fall.

*****Academy at the Lakes is also a member of the National Honor Society, National Junior Honor Society, and Mu Alpha Theta.***