# **Cary-Grove Extracurricular Activities**

#### **ACES**

Sponsor: Mr. Joshua Norten

<u>What We Do</u>: Academic Challenge for Engineering and Science is for students interested in math, English, the sciences, computer programming, and/or engineering graphics. We organize in late November to prepare for the spring competitions between schools in Illinois. This is a fun way to represent C-G and earn individual and team awards.

<u>Meeting</u>: See Mr. Norten for details

# **Black Student Union**

**Sponsor:** Dr. Fisher and Mrs. Mokry

What We Do: Educating and advocating for all students of color.

Meetings: Wednesdays, time TBD (watch for flyers)

#### **Book Club**

Sponsor: Mr. Mack

What We Do: A variety of books are read throughout the school year that are chosen by the club members.

Meetings: Tuesdays 3-4 pm in C25.

#### **C-G Buddies**

Sponsors: Mrs. Jauch and Mrs. Schnake

<u>What We Do</u>: A program that pairs student leaders with students in the school who have special needs. Last year, the group went on 20 different outings including community restaurants, bowling alleys, arcades, & mini-golf. Students were able to practice their social skills and their ability to function in the community through a variety of experiences.

Meetings: See Mrs. Jauch for meeting dates.

#### **Chess Club**

Sponsor: Dr. Chianakas

What We Do: Practice weekly, as the season has 10 competition events. No tryouts necessary. Members range from new

to the game of chess to medalists in the state tournament. All skill levels welcome!

Meetings: Starting in late October meets Wednesdays after school. Competition season begins in November.

#### **Color Guard**

Sponsor: Mrs. Taylor

What We Do: The school flags performance group. Performs at home football games alongside the marching band.

Meetings: Tryouts for the following year are in May of the current year. Season is August – November.

## **Comedy Club**

Sponsor: Mr. Neff

<u>What We Do</u>: A blend of speaking, acting, and improvisation, this group meets weekly (Tuesday/Thursday after school) to practice and prepare for four entirely original shows ... two in December and two in May. No tryouts necessary – just

show up!

Meetings: Tuesday in D19 and Thursday in C2 after school.

## **Connect Crew**

Sponsors: Mrs. Anderson & Mr. Magnini

What We Do: Student leadership group open to Juniors and Seniors. This group mentors our freshman class.

Meetings: Apply for this group at the end of your sophomore & junior year.

## **CVC Club**

Sponsor: Mr. Anderson

What We Do: Comic Books, Video Games, and Cinema. A social group that meets to watch and discuss movies, have retro

gaming tournaments, play MAGIC card games, and make an occasional trip to the retro arcade in Dundee.

Meetings: After school starting in November. Days of the week vary. See Mr. Anderson for dates.

## Drama Club

Sponsor: Mrs. Whalen

<u>What We Do</u>: The C-G Drama Club produces two shows per year: a fall and spring mainstage production. Cast sizes vary. To be cast in a C-G Drama production, students must audition. However, there are many opportunities available for students who are not cast to be involved in the productions in the areas of tech crew, props, publicity, & costumes. <u>Meetings</u>: Students interested in participating in a C-G Drama production should attend the informational meetings held

prior to the audition process for each show.

## Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

Sponsor: Mr. and Mrs. Schuetzle

What We Do: A weekly gathering for students to grow in their faith and sport.

Meetings: Friday mornings at 7 am in C2.

# **Fishing Club**

Sponsor: Mr. Huff

What We Do: Students meet to decide on places to fish and discuss fishing. The club will go and fish multiple times

throughout the year.

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month at 7 am in C31.

# French Club | German Club | Spanish Club

<u>Sponsor</u>: Mme. Johnson (*French*) | Frau Kieffaber & Mr. Kremer (*German*) | Sra Withers & Senor Muench (*Spanish*) <u>What We Do</u>: Parties, Games, Celebrations, Trips, and more! These language clubs are social in nature – a chance to connect with your classmates and teacher and have fun!

Meetings: Monthly. Events are posted in your language class.

#### Freshman Class

Sponsor: Mrs. Sukow

 $\underline{What\ We\ Do} \text{: } \textit{Get\ together\ to\ plan\ class-specific\ events\ such\ as\ homecoming\ week\ and\ other\ activities,\ fundraisers,\ and\ description and\ description$ 

special events. Class clubs have an overarching goal to raise money for their junior year of prom.

Meetings: One or two meetings each month.

## **GSA (Gay Straight Alliance)**

Sponsors: Mrs. Vetta & Mrs. Swartz

What We Do: Provide a safe place for our LGBT community. A social group open to all students.

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays from 3-4 pm in B8.

## **History Club**

**Sponsors**: Mrs. Stonebraker & Mrs. Huff

What We Do: This social club discusses and creates projects related to the study of history!

Meetings: Wednesday mornings at 7 am in E4.

#### Interact

Sponsor: Mr. Kelly

<u>What We Do</u>: The C-G community service club. Weekly meetings to plan ways to serve including: We Don't Stop the Music, Letters to Santa, mobile market food drives, supply drives for soldiers, coat drives, shopping with underprivileged children, school supply drives, elementary school fun fairs, Special Olympics, Breast Cancer Fundraising and more! <u>Meetings</u>: Wednesdays before school at 7am in C2. All are welcome to attend.

#### Jazz Band

Sponsor: Mr. Magnini

<u>What We Do</u>: An ensemble made up of saxes, trumpets, trombones, rhythm sections.

Meetings: Wednesday from 3 - 4:30 pm.

# Jazz Choir/Jazz Combo

Sponsor: Mr. Whalen

<u>What We Do:</u> Jazz Choir: A select group of 8-9 mixed voices and vocal percussion with extensive choral and music reading ability, singing mostly pop and jazz music; admittance by audition only. Auditions take place during the fourth quarter. Open to junior and senior choir members.

Jazz Combo: An extracurricular instrumental ensemble that rehearses twice a week after school, this is a select group of 3-7 instrumentalists that play contemporary jazz and rock. Auditions for the ensemble are held at the start of the school year and are open to all students.

## **Junior Class**

Sponsors: Mrs. Jacobson & Mrs. Kieffaber

What We Do: Plans the homecoming float and Prom. Helps at graduation.

Meetings: Watch for meeting days and times.

## **Latino Leadership**

Sponsors: Mrs. Matthias & Mrs. Bachta

What We Do: A social group that brings together Latino students at Cary-Grove for a variety of activities and events in

the aim of developing leaders.

Meetings: See sponsors for upcoming meetings.

#### **Math Team**

Sponsors: Mrs. Thakur & Mrs. Bogda

What We Do: Math team practices and competes in mathematics events throughout the winter.

Meetings: Wednesdays after school.

## Musical

Sponsor: Mr. Boncosky

What We Do: The annual school musical is performed in March.

Meetings: Tryouts are in December.

#### **National Honor Society**

Sponsors: Mrs. Thakur & Mrs. Veldhoff

<u>What We Do</u>: National Honor Society is for Juniors and Seniors exhibiting the qualities of Scholarship, Service, Leadership and Character. Students are selected for induction in the fall of each year and participate in school and community service projects during the school year.

Meetings: Apply for this group at the beginning of your junior or senior year.

# **Poetry Club**

**Sponsor**: Mrs. Montgomery

What We Do: The purpose of Poetry Club is to provide a space for our students and staff to explore and develop their

talents in the literary arts. We will come together with the goal of creating, collaborating, and sharing our work.

Meetings: Mondays from 3 - 3:45 pm in C17.

#### **Robotics Club**

**Sponsors**: Mr. Hawley & Mrs. Hatters

What We Do: Build and program robots to use in competition.

Meetings: Mondays & Thursdays 3 - 5 pm in the Robotics room (H10).

#### **Scholastic Bowl**

Sponsors: Mrs. Lada & Mrs. Jauch

What We Do: Jeopardy-style trivia from all subjects!

Meetings: Tuesdays & Thursdays after school from 3 – 4 pm. November - March

## **Science Olympiad**

Sponsors: Mr. Wagner & Mr. Albamonte

What We Do: Science Olympiad is an organization of students that compete in events from a wide range of science and

technology topics. Students work mostly on their own time to prepare for events.

Meetings: Tuesdays & Wednesdays 3 - 3:45 pm in B14. Meetings will start in mid September

#### **Senior Class**

Sponsors: Mrs. Garis & Mrs. Meyer

What We Do: Work on homecoming float, help put together senior seminars, help with senior breakfast.

Meetings: Watch for signs and emails for meeting days and times.

## **Sophomore Class**

Sponsor: Mrs. Veldhoff

What We Do: Get together to plan class-specific events such as homecoming week and other activities, fundraisers, and

special events. Class clubs have an overarching goal to raise money for their junior year of prom.

Meetings: One or two meetings each month.

#### **SPARK**

Sponsors: Mrs. McKnight & Mrs. Sukow

<u>What We Do</u>: Welcoming new students (including the new student/teacher breakfast), kindness cards, acceptance week, fundraising/donating to CG families in need, teacher appreciation coffee and pastries, thank you baskets for custodians

and various other school outreach activities

Meetings: Friday mornings at 7am in D11. Events happen throughout the school day and year.

# **Speech Team**

Sponsor: Mrs. Sukow

<u>What We Do</u>: Speech Team is a competitive performing arts team. The team consists of 14 individual events which include acting, comedy, public speaking, and student written pieces. Speech team competes from the end of September through February.

<u>Meetings</u>: Speech coaches meet with students after school. Students are asked to commit to practice 1-2 days per week after school and be available for Saturday competitions.

#### **Student Council**

Sponsors: Mr. Mack & Mrs. Schnake

What We Do: Council members are interested in providing activities for the student body, improving school morale, and

acting as liaisons between students and the administration. Activities include general student council meetings, homecoming week and parade; also community service projects, blood drives, dances, and Mr. Cary-Grove.

Meetings: Thursdays at 7 am in EE11

# **Swing Choir**

**Sponsor:** Mr. Boncosky

<u>What We Do</u>: Swing Choir membership is open to all choir students wishing to audition their singing and dancing abilities in the fall of each year. This group practices twice weekly in the fall and spring. Activities include performances at Fall Follies and many public and private functions.

Meetings: Tryouts are in the fall of each year.

#### **Tech Crew**

Sponsor: Mr. West

<u>What We Do</u>: The C-G Tech Crew assists in the creation and production of the Plays (presented by the Drama Club), Musical, and Music Department performances. Tech Crew members will have the opportunity to participate in nearly all aspects of technical theatre including set construction, scenic artistry, properties, lighting, sound, and stage management. <u>Meetings</u>: See Mr. West for more information.

## **Trojan Times**

Sponsor: Mr. Hester

<u>What We Do</u>: *The Trojan Times* is Cary-Grove's newspaper. Its members collaborate to create a monthly newspaper covering topics relevant to students' lives, such as school events and policies, entertainment and sports. The group aspires to give students a realistic journalism experience.

Meetings: Mondays after school at 3:00pm in D17.

#### Yearbook

Sponsor: Mrs. DiLeo and Ms. Smith

What We Do: Yearbook members create the yearbook. Yearbook is a creative club where designers, photographers and

journalists meet in order to produce the only official documentation for Cary-Grove High School.

Meetings: Will be decided after the first meeting. Watch for signs in the hallways.

