

Omaha North High Magnet School Clubs/Activities: 2025-26

Other clubs and activities are formed as interest dictates. Students and Staff are encouraged to begin new curriculum related clubs. Contact Mr. Renfro, Activities Director with interests

Academy Student Advisory Boards (Ms. Rhine)

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Each career academy has a student advisory board comprised of 9th-12th grade students in various pathways. Members of the board complete the following roles: attend monthly meetings, advocate for experiential learning, collaborate with industry and higher education partners, and advocate for all students in the academy.

African American History Challenge (Ms. Finch)

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Students prepare to compete with other OPS schools, with teams similar to those in middle school in OPS.

Bands of North (Mr. Coatney)

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Participating students must be able to play a musical instrument. Students will play music recreationally. They will also be able to compete in monthly group/solo performances. Marching Band, Concert Band, Jazz Band and Pep Band are included.

Black Student Leadership Council (Ms. Dailey)

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The mission of BSLC is to increase the understanding and experience of Black culture, cultivate character, and develop leadership by providing internships and experiences where youth can create, organize, and host culturally relevant projects and events.

Cheerleading (Ms. Pierce)

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Ms. Pierce in the GRC has more information about being a North High Cheerleader. Tryouts are in March.

Chess Club (Ms. Johnson)

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Do you like strategy games? Come learn more about the original strategy game where we play other schools and also attend tournaments! Check us out; no experience is necessary!

Clay Club (Ms. Buckley)

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This club provides educational opportunities for members to further their artistic skills and appreciation.

Color Guard for Marching Band (Ms. Bjork)

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Are you interested in being more involved? Do you like to dance? Do you want to try something new? If you said yes to one or all of these questions, please consider joining the North Color Guard! No experience needed, give guard a spin!

D&D Club (Mr. Magnett)

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If you are curious to build a new character, join a campaign, and go off adventuring, please join us for Dungeons & Dragons! In this club players of all experience levels come together to learn more about tabletop role-playing games and to play in campaigns that run throughout the year.

DECA (Mr. Al-Saadi)

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Students in marketing classes participate in district, state and national competitions and activities associated with marketing education.

Drama Club (Mr. Brown)

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Drama Club is for those students who have an interest in and enjoy theatre, The club will learn about different parts of theatre both backstage and performance. We will play improv games, work on monologues for auditions, watch movies and musicals, learn how to operate light and sound equipment, and work on the set for various North High productions. There is also the possibility of taking trips to see live plays and musicals.

Educators Rising (Mr. Krebs and Mx. McNeal)

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Educators Rising is a cocurricular organization for any student interested in education. It provides a clear pathway to increase teacher diversity and teacher quality by emphasizing fundamental teaching and leadership practices critical for becoming education professionals and other leaders within our community.

French Club (Ms. Finch)

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French club has a focus on learning about francophone culture through food. We meet once a month and share food from a francophone area. Members also have the opportunity to participate in World Language competitions a couple of times a year.

Future Business Leaders of America [FBLA] (Ms. Flentie)

Contact: Katherine.Flentie@ops.org

FBLA is a professional organization that prepares student leaders for careers in business through nine set goals. Goals are achieved through local, state and national meetings, conferences and competitions. FBLA will meet Thursday afternoons from 3:15-4:15

Gender Sexuality Alliance [GSA] (Mx. McNeal)

Contact: Sydnie.McNeal@ops.org

This club is a youth-led club advocating understanding and tolerance of all people, and an end to the chronic verbal and physical aggression that gay students face. All students are welcome to join!

German-American Exchange [G.A.P.P.] (Ms. Long and Mr. Custard)

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Please contact these club sponsors for more information about this club!

German Club (Ms. Long)

Contact: Amina.Long@ops.org

This club promotes and celebrates the German language and culture throughout the building and community.

HOSA - Future Health Professionals (Ms. Fricke and Mr. Anton)

Contact: Amanda.Fricke@ops.org Alexander.Anton@ops.org

Students will participate in completing service projects, health professional activities, and health sciences academic competitions to help them prepare for a career as a health professional.

JROTC Color Guard, Drill, Marksmanship, Rifle & Saber Teams- (Capt. Preister)

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JROTC students interested in regulation drill and color guard, as well as fundamental aspects of air rifle marksmanship and archery with competition against other schools in the region.

Junior Class Officers (Ms. Flentie)

Contact: Katherine.Flentie@ops.org

This group of elected sophomores organizes junior class activities and is responsible for the planning, decorating and promotion of Prom in the spring. Look for application information in September.

Latino Leaders (Ms. Johnson)

Contact: Elizabeth.Johnson@ops.org

This club focuses on developing leadership skills while promoting cultural awareness & pride, engaging in community service and preparing for future endeavors in college, career, and life. Some activities include attending leadership conferences, highlighting cultural holidays/customs, and volunteering in the community.

Math Club & Mathematics [Mu Alpha Theta] (Mr. Smith)

Contact: Joshua.Smith@ops.org

Students interested in math participate in enrichment activities and prepare for and participate in local, state and regional competitions.

National Honor Society [NHS] (Ms. Finch & Ms. Fricke)

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Students are inducted into the National Honor Society based on a selection process and criteria. Juniors and seniors are eligible for induction. Activities focus on service to school and community.

National Society of Black Engineers [NSBE] (Ms. Hawthrone)

Contact: Ashley.Hawthrone@ops.org

This program is designed to stimulate interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

Newspaper-The North Star (Ms. Schmeits)

Contact: Molly.Schmeits@ops.org

Students interested in the organization, researching and reporting of a school wide news publication.

North Drill Team (Mr. Stephens)

Contact: Derontay.Stephens@ops.org

We are looking for dancers and drummers. Interested students can contact Mr. Stephens for more information.

A Novel Idea: North High Book Club (Ms. Baijnauth)

Contact: Gretchen.Baijnauth@ops.org

Students meet monthly in the library to discuss books. The topic, genre, or theme changes every month. All students are welcome to join!

Omega sQuires (Mr. Nichols)

• Contact: Ron.Nichols@ops.org

The Omega sQuires is a mentoring group for male students in grades 9-12, led by the men of the Beta Upsilon Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated. The program's goals are based on four principles.

- 1. Scholarship: Support and assist young men in being academically successful through tutoring, career exploration, resume development, etc.
- 2. Fitness: Promote physical, mental, and emotional wellness of all members
- 3. Service: Active participation in community development through volunteering and programs that support those in need
- 4. Leadership: Provide examples and opportunities for personal, professional, and social development.

Orchestra Music (Ms. Rydberg)

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Participating students must be able to play a musical instrument. Students will play music recreationally. They will also be able to compete in monthly group/solo performances.

Outdoor Club (Ms. Alati)

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Please contact the club sponsor for more information about this club.

Pep Club (Ms.Bias)

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The purpose of Pep Club is to promote school spirit by attending, cheering at, and publicizing games.

Potato Club (Ms. Connor)

• Contact: Sheila.Connor@ops.org

Originally founded in 2017, Potato Club is one of the most widely recognized clubs at Omaha North High School. Potato Club equips students with knowledge about the different varieties of potatoes. Potato Club emphasizes inclusivity by building bonds over the shared joy of the different potato variations. Community engagement also plays a major role in Potato Club as members volunteer at various school events. Through each of these activities, students gain leadership experience. Come join our unique, one-of-a-kind club during one of our monthly meetings. See you tater, best spuds!

Powerlifting Club (Mr. Sneeze)

Contact: Lionel.Sneeze@ops.org

Students who are interested in health and fitness, or general well-being and exercise. There are competitions to highlight your personal growth.

Principal's Student Advisory (Mr. Humphries)

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Students from each grade sign up to meet monthly with the principal. Student concerns about school procedures and possible solutions are discussed.

PTSO (Ms. Morrison)

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Omaha North Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO) strives to support the students, faculty, and staff of North High School through a number of programs and services. We support the student body by providing funding to student groups to purchase equipment, uniforms, or travel to events and conferences. We support the faculty and staff by providing volunteers for concessions at sporting events, helping out with staff back to school breakfast, open house, homecoming events, and post-prom.

Robotics (Mr. Wiemer & Ms. Runyon)

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Contact the sponsors above for more information.

Russian Club (Ms. Long)

Contact: Amina.Long@ops.org

This club promotes and celebrates the Russian language and culture throughout the building and community.

Science Bowl (Mr. Huber)

Contact: <u>John.Huber@ops.org</u>

The National Science Bowl is a science knowledge competition, using a quiz bowl format. The winning team of each regional Science Bowl competition is invited to participate in the finals in Washington, D.C., with all expenses paid! A team consists of 4 or 5 students, however, only 4 students play at any one time. If you love Science, come check us out!

Science Olympiad Club (Mr. Anton & Ms. Prusha)

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Students interested in science, physics, math, and engineering participate in a variety of competitions where team and individual problems are solved through science, math, and engineering principles.

Senior Class Officers (Mr. Custard, Mr. Degner, Ms. Hawthrone)

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Senior Class officers work with Administration (including the Principal, Assistant Principals, and the Deans of Students), Senior Class Sponsors (teachers), and the School Counseling Director in providing leadership for the graduating class.

SkillsUSA (Mr. Wiemer & Ms. Runyon)

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SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps each student excel. SkillsUSA's mission is to empower its members to become world-class workers, leaders, and responsible American citizens.

Speech and Debate (Ms. Thomas)

Contact: Emily.Thomas@ops.org

Students compete in speech events, which are divided into two categories: Public Address and Interpretation. Public Address events involve professional speaking in event categories such as Extemporaneous, Original Oratory, Informative, Radio Broadcasting, and Discussion. Interpretation events involve theatrical performances in categories such as Humor, Drama, Poetry, and Prose. Student led debates in competition with other schools. Hone skills in public speaking and point/counter point articulation

Student Ambassadors (Dr. Gutierrez)

Contact: Amanda.Gutierrez@ops.org

Student Ambassadors are a small group of students (in their junior and senior year) dedicated to the positive promotion of Omaha North High School. Students work on a volunteer basis to serve as liaisons between the current North High community and prospective students. Student Ambassadors are visible at many campus events held for prospective students and families and work in conjunction with student organizations as needed.

Student Council (Ms. Siert)

Contact: Rebecca.Siert@ops.org

Student Council represents the voice of the student body and promotes student leadership through activities for the school and community. Student Council members are elected by a school-wide vote held in the spring.

Vocal Music (Mr. Skaggs)

Contact: <u>AlexanderThomas.Skaggs@ops.org</u>

Participating students will be able to sing and work with others to create a cooperative ensemble. Students will sing music from a variety of backgrounds for both casual and formal performances. Students will have the opportunity to develop social and ensemble skills, improve their singing, and cooperate in order to achieve mutual goals.	