

**RHSS Extracurricular Clubs
2018-2019 School Year**

Club Name	Staff Sponsor	Meeting Location	Meeting Dates	Club Description
Anime	Ms. Jack	Room 119	Thursday's after school	Students watch and discuss anime
Archery Club	Ms. Horak	Gym C	Wednesday or Thursday (after school)	Learn to shoot. Make some friends. Enjoy the sport of Archery.
Best Buddies	Ms. Manji	Launch	Fridays, period 4 12:30-1:15 (recruitment for Best Buddies is conducted at the beginning of the school year. The commitment is for the duration of the school year)	Best Buddies is an opportunity for students with exceptionalities to be paired with peers who do not have an exceptionality. This symbiotic relationship is meant to share common experiences and create long lasting friendships.
Breakfast Club	Ms. Kennedy-Aylsworth, Ms. McKay, Mr. Young, Mr. Grewal, Ms. Thomas, Ms. Sidhu	Room 102	Every day: 7:30 am-8:15 am	A Staff and Student Volunteer group that provides a variety of breakfast items for the students in the building to enjoy.
Chess Club/Team	Mr. Xanthios	Room 218	Tuesdays after school	Promote the learning of chess, administer the Rick Hansen Chess Tournament and select a team to compete regionally and provincially.

Christian Club	Ms. Thomas, Mr. Gaglardi	Room 206	Thursdays: 3:15-4:15(ish)	We play games, have discussions from a Biblical perspective, and just hang out.
Cricket Club	Ms. Kharakia	Gym	TBA	Students join this club who are interested in cricket and play either outside or inside depending on the weather!!
Culinary Club	Ms. Kennedy-Aylsworth	Cafeteria	TBA	A group of “foodies” who get together and create several sweet and savoury dishes that the students take home to enjoy with their families.
Dance Pak	Ms. Catalano	Dance	TBA	Audition based dance crew based on hip hop dance.
KJVC Pop Dance Club	Ms. Sidhu, Ms. Stewart, Ms. Pereira	Room 117	Monday 3:15-4:15(ish)	Korean, Japanese, Vietnamese, Chinese Dance pop. Students who get together to learn different styles of pop dancing.
DECA	Mr. Couch, Mr. North, Ms. Berry	Room 219	Tuesdays: 3:15-4:15	DECA is a business club focused on preparing its members to compete in DECA sponsored business events.

Diversity Club	Ms. Sidhu, Kavina (Settlement worker)	Room 117	Tuesday, Lunch periods (3 and 4)	Provides an opportunity for International Students to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand their student network. • Integrate students into the Rick Hansen school community. • Have access to Mentors to help with language acquisition, academic success and acculturation. Celebrate cultural events to promote inclusivity.
Drama Council	Ms. Wade	Room 109	Thursdays before school or Thursdays at 3:15	Drama council works to raise the profile of theatre and the performing arts at Rick Hansen through performances, talent shows, and other ways of showcasing the talents of the students at RHSS.
Electric Vehicle Team	Mr. Lehman, Mr.Schepis	Room 135	TBA	The University of Waterloo has come up with an electric vehicle competition for high school students. We utilize our tech department to design and build an electric endurance racecar.
French Club - La Petite France	Ms. Vaz, Ms. Ramraj	Room 315	Alternating Thursdays, 3:15pm	Students meet to participate in games and activities about French culture in English and French. Enrollment in French not a requirement to participate; all are welcome.
Gaming Club	Mr. Burns, Mr. Maitland, Mr. Grewal	Room 209	Wednesdays: 3:10-4:30 (and some Fridays)	We play a variety of games: halo, counter strike, smash bros., Pokémon, magic the gathering, and a variety of board games.

Gardening Club	Mr. Mcallister,	Phys ed	Friday mornings, once a month	Weed, plant, water and take care of school garden
GSA	Ms. McCalden, Mr. Young	Room 232	Most likely will be Wednesday's after school	Safe space for our LGBTQ students & allies, promote awareness, develop Climate initiatives.
Hansen For Humanity	Mr. Birrell, Ms. Frankland	STORM Centre and/or Rooms 303	Thursdays (monthly)	A student-led club that runs social justice awareness and fundraising projects for local and global initiatives.
Helping Hands	Mr. Maitland, Mr. Mottram	Room 118	TBA	Connects newcomer students with a mentor to help them adjust to RHSS culture and academic success.
HOSA	Ms. Bogseth, Ms. West, Ms. Baik	Room 222	Tuesdays after school	Students interested in pursuing careers in the medical field meet, learn and practice in teams to compete in events at the Health Occupations Student Association competition in March.

Mental Health Awareness Club	Ms. Rayner Ms. Podur	Room 200	Wednesdays starting at 3:10pm General meetings (everyone is welcome) are once a month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A student run club that holds events and activities to spread awareness of mental health challenges and decrease the negative stigma associated with mental wellness.
Model UN	Ms.Syed Ms. Papaiconomou	Room 203	Wednesdays afterschool - 3:10 pm. Meeting usually run to 4:00pm	RHSSMUN prepares students to participate in a variety of conferences. Conferences simulate UN meetings. Applications for the club are held at the beginning of each semester and the end of the year. Students gain skills in leadership, public speaking, debating, researching and diplomacy.
Music Council	Mrs. Powell and Mr. Lampropoulos	Room	Some Mondays after school	Plan musical events etc.
Muslim Students Association (MSA)	Ms. Mousa, Mr. Kaoud	Room 216	Execs meet every other Wednesday in room 212 General members meet every other Tuesday after school In room 216	Students hold Bi-Weekly Halaqas (workshops) that are student planned and driven. Topics are chosen by students early in the year. Students also plan various charity events such as clothing drives, and iPledge campaigns. MSA collaborates with other school clubs on such events.

Portfolio Club	Ms Horak	Tuesdays Room 104	Sept-Jan	Students work towards their Portfolios in preparation for University or College or workplace
Robotics	Mr.Lehman	Room 135	Off season Sept-Dec Monday and Thursday Season Jan-April Everyday	Students who are interested in technology, business, design, mechanical, programming ect can benefit from joining our robotics team. We have a grade 9/10 team(1285 the big bang) and grade 11/12 (1241 Theory6). Each year Nasa releases a challenge in Jan where we have 6 weeks to build a robot to compete.
School Magazine	Ms. Gorven and Mr. Olivera		Some Mondays after school and some lunch periods (per.4 first semester) Specific dates TBD.	Students write articles and creative pieces, submit artwork and photographs once per semester to be assembled in a digital magazine format.
School Reach	Ms. Podur, Mr. Oliveira, Mr. Ho	Room 108	Mondays after school (senior team) Tuesdays after school (junior team)	Students answer trivia questions on a variety of topics in a fun and competitive environment.

Science Club	Ms. Jang-Ing, Ms. West, Ms. Bogseth, Ms. Whitmell, Ms. Baik	Room 204	Executive meets every Wednesday at 3:10; Events run once a month on Fridays at 3:15pm. See calendar outside 204/206 for specific dates	Science club is all about seeing the world of science year-round. We do experiments like colour-changing liquids and rollercoasters, activities like miniature house-building and candy-making, and dissect horse eyes and sheep brains. It's a group for students who like to try new things, meet awesome people, and do SCIENCE!
Student Activity Council (SAC)	Ms. Medeiros, Ms. Whitmell, Mr. Young	Room 203	Mondays starting at 3:15pm	Students are selected and voted upon by the student body to run activities accessible to every student at RHSS. These include semi-formal, Spirit Days, dances, and charity collections.
Student Ambassadors	Mr. Mottram	Guidance	Friday mornings (as needed) Students are selected in September/October through an application process	The Student Ambassador Program is a leadership opportunity for students who are dedicated to serving and representing Rick Hansen Secondary School. Student Ambassadors perform duties for many school events, including, but not limited to: -registration day -school tours -gr. 7-9 curriculum night -gr. 8 course selection assemblies -parents' night -gr. 7 days -Take Our Kids to Work Day -Pathways in Motion Day -gr. 9 orientation -gr. 9 exam preparation

White Pine Book Club	Ms. Stevens	Library	End of Sem 1-June Only – Wednesdays after school	This is a reading club for teens to share a love of books and to encourage the development of literacy skills. The White Pine Book Club is part of the Forest of Reading Program. This program runs in elementary and secondary schools. The selected books are nominated each year by the Ontario Library Association. Students across the province read, discuss, then vote on their favourite book in the Spring. Authors receive significant recognition if their book is chosen as a favourite.
Wind Ensemble	Ms. Cellaire-Powell	Room	Wednesdays from 3:15-4:30	School music club
Yearbook	Mr. Ho	Room	Period 5 this semester, TBD next semester	Yearbook