

General Interest Clubs

| Group Name | Details |
|-----------------------|---|
| Anime Club | The purpose of the Anime Club is to introduce people to this diverse medium that has great artistic potential. In the club, people with a similar interest have an opportunity to come together, discuss and explore the sub-culture of Anime. Events such as drawing workshops and bake sales also help to bring more excitement to the club. The proceeds from the events' sales go towards the Anime North tickets, an anime convention. This club enriches the lives of students who can use this opportunity to talk about their hobby with peers who share their passion. |
| Art Club | The Art Club is a place where students work independently and collaboratively on activities to develop their skills and ideas through studio-based workshops in traditional and non-traditional media. We also help plan and develop projects with other departments in the form of murals and set design. All grades and skill levels are welcome. |
| Auto Club | Students learn problem solving skills on automobile assemblies in a fully equipped automotive shop. For the past 3 years, the club has been meeting a few times a week during lunch. Auto club runs the length of the school year. |
| Biology Club | The club will serve to promote student growth in the area of biology. We hope to both reinforce classroom learning and expose students to concepts beyond the curriculum. Additionally, we would like to provide students the opportunity to hone and demonstrate their skills through competition. The club will hold weekly meetings consisting of lessons, discussions and hands-on activities such as dissections. The club will also facilitate participation in academic competitions and act as a communication outlet for biology-related events outside of school. |
| Chess Club | The chess club meets to play chess, teach chess to new players and more experienced players are taught fundamentals of stronger play in order to improve their game. The club will hold at least one tournament sometime during the year. The club hopes to send students to some chess tournaments including the annual PDSB chess tournament. |
| Computer Science Club | Computer Science Club runs Mondays after school. Members discuss and learn about various topics of computer science and programming, and practice programming to help prepare for a couple of computing competitions. No programming experience is necessary to join the club. |
| Dance Club | Each Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., students with varying dance experiences unite to groove, have fun, appreciate movement and enhance their knowledge of diverse dance styles. Open to students in grades 7-12, the dance club is a great resource for meeting new people, improving social skills, building confidence through movement and engaging creativity. |
| Debate Club | The Debate Club at Woodlands is a group of students dedicated to partaking in verbal exchanges of style, logic, rhetoric and wit. Meeting weekly on Fridays, club executives deliver lessons on how to communicate ideas and logic effectively, preparing debaters for formal competitions outside of school. The club debates topics ranging from Internet privacy rights to utilitarianism versus libertarianism. Last year, the club took home over a dozen awards from various tournaments and events. |
| Drama Club | Drama Club is The Woodlands School's student-run theatre company. The club mounts several student-run productions every year, ranging from student play festivals to full-scale productions. The club also performs in the Studentwrights and Sears Festivals. Drama Club offers opportunities in acting, directing and writing, as well as lighting, sound and makeup. There are also opportunities to help with backstage work such as makeup and stage management. Students build lasting friendships, strengthen public speaking skills, and develop improvisational talent. Meetings are held every Thursday after school starting at 3:00pm as well as extra rehearsals for productions such as Theatre Shorts and the Musical. The club is open to grades 7 to 12. |
| French Club | Open to students in grades 7-12, the French club serves as a forum for the enhancement of verbal, written, reading and listening communication skills in French. Each Monday, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., the club aims to promote the French language while simultaneously highlighting the marvels of French culture. It is an awesome resource outside of the language classroom for the advancement of linguistic skills in a fun, hands-on and interactive way. |

| | |
|---|--|
| Math Club | The Woodlands Math Club has been running since 1990 and is dedicated to promoting and training students in higher level mathematical reasoning. We also have a focus on preparation for the many mathematics contests that we participate in. The club runs every Wednesday from 3:00 - 4:15 and houses approximately 35 members. |
| Model UN | The students of the Woodlands Model United Nations Club research, discuss and prepare for debates regarding geopolitical events and issues. The club travels to Toronto to participate in the Southern Ontario Model United Nations (SOMA) at The University of Toronto. They also participate in the day-long event at the Peel Board where they hotly debate global political positions from the perspectives of different United Nation Member States. |
| Muslim Student Association (MSA) | The aim and purpose of the Muslim Students' Association (MSA) is to serve and represent the needs of Muslim students at the Woodlands School. The MSA also strives to be a vibrant, inclusive, integrated and contributing member of the school and Mississauga community. |
| Robotics | The Robotics club meets weekly to learn about Robot building: Design, Manufacture, Testing, Electrical construction, electronics, computer integration and programming. The club hopes to compete in F.I.R.S.T (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Competition, Vex Robotics Competition, and CETA (Computer Engineering Teachers Association) Robotics competition. |
| Rocket Club | |
| Science Club | |
| SHSM SAT | SHSM SAT is the Specialist High Skills Major Student Ambassador Team who meet with SHSM Lead Teachers to help coordinate SHSM events such as the launch, grade 8 parents' night, guest speaker presentations, special trips, fundraisers, announcements, media displays, web advertisements, etc. Members of the SHSM SAT help communicate information to students in the SHSM program as well as train younger members their leadership role for next year. |
| Stand United (GSA) | |
| Woodlands Amnesty | The purpose of Woodlands Amnesty is to create awareness about human rights infringements around the world and to participate in making a difference through the written word by sending emails, signing petitions, holding awareness campaigns, bringing in guest speakers, fundraise for our events and for the larger organization. |
| Woodlands Athletic Association (WAA) | As a member of the WAA, you can run and referee intramurals such as basketball, floor hockey, & volleyball, help out and keep score at home games, plan buy-ins and other fundraisers, help host the Athletic Banquet & Awards Ceremony, and participate in various other sports related activities throughout the school year. As a member, you are expected to attend weekly Monday meetings and volunteer your time to help out with our various events throughout the entire school year. Membership is open to all secondary grades, and you are not required to join a sports team, though a passion for sports and leadership is needed. |
| Woodlands Gaming Society | The Woodlands gaming society is a group where game players of all kinds come for friendly competition. Magic, Pokemon, Yugi-Oh, Wii, Checkers, Chess, Chinese checkers and many more games are played in this group. It is running during the lunch period, once a week. |
| Woodlands International Bridging Service (WIBS) | |
| Writer's Club | Open to all students from grade 7 through 12, Writers Club is a student-run organization devoted to the encouragement and support of creative writing. In its bi-weekly meetings, students gain writing experience through writing starters and writing skills workshops, share their prose and poetry with other club members, and learn about upcoming writing opportunities and contests. The Writers Club also organizes and runs several writing events throughout the year. Finally, valuable leadership, editing and publishing experience can be gained through participation in the compilation and publication of "The Scribe," The Woodlands School's year-end student literary magazine. New members are always welcome! |

School Councils and Other Groups

| Group Name | Details |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Announcements & Morning Music | |
| Improv Team | <p>The Woodlands Improv Team is a group of ten students who compete in the Canadian Improv games, as well as attending Improv workshops, and shows. The team is a subdivision of drama club, so all members of the team must be drama club members. The students who are apart of the Improv Team learn how to creatively think on their feet, as well as being able to accept offers and add on to them. The team is mainly built on trust, and knowing your team members. The team meets twice a week, depending on the availability of the team members. Competition is usually after school; workshops are on weekends. Open to grades 9-12.</p> |
| DECA | <p>DECA is a competitive academic club focusing on business studies. Students gain subject-specific knowledge and then apply those skills using creativity, critical thinking, presentation skills and teamwork. Students have the opportunity to apply their skills in competition against the rest of Peel Region and, if they qualify, they compete at the Provincial and International levels. Our chapter is the most successful in Canada and one of the top three chapters in DECA's entire 200,000 student strong organization, taking trophies at International competition during every year of our 13 year history.</p> |
| Drama Council | <p>The Drama Council is made up of students from grades 9 to 12 who have gone through an application and interview process. These students help organize and coordinate drama events, shows, and workshops offered at Drama Club.</p> |
| Environmental Council | <p>At the Woodlands School, the Environmental Council has a dedicated team of <i>EcoWarriors</i> that work on improving our school and the environment. We take care of the school's recycling, participate in community tree planting events and EcoBuzz, run campaigns such as "Idle-Free" and "Walk & Roll to School" and enjoy lively discussions and team-building activities during our meetings. Students from grades 7-12 are welcome to join and learn to become pro-active about environmental issues.</p> |
| International Bazaar | |
| Music Activity Council (MAC) | <p>The Music Activity Council (MAC) is made up of a small group of music students who work together to help the department run smoothly. Students organize music, the classrooms, sectional rehearsals, concerts, social activities and other events. The MAC gives opportunity for students to develop leadership skills and to contribute in a positive way to the running of the many activities in the music department.</p> |
| Peer Tutoring | <p>Peer Tutoring normally runs during the second half of lunch period on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Student tutors help out students in lower grades who would like assistance with their course material.</p> |
| Prefects | <p>Prefects are a group of students who act as Ambassadors for the school at school events within both the school and local community. An integral part of their mandate as student ambassadors is to create awareness and co-ordinate school wide events for social justice issues both locally and globally. Our campaigns run throughout the school year and try outs for students in Grades 9 through 12 are in May, with interviews in September for new Grade 9 students. Last year we raised over \$18,000 for a variety of causes! They devote their time inside and outside of school hours to support school events by performing duties at School Information Nights, Parent-Teacher Interview Nights, Commencement, and other school-wide events.</p> |
| SAC | <p>The Student Activity Council consists of 26 members: 7 executives, 4 grade reps, and 15 Upper Council members. The Student Activity Council is responsible for planning and executing various events that improve school spirit and allow all students to be involved. Some of these events include dances, spirit days, semi-formal, Battle of the Bands, Grad Breakfast, as well as various fundraising initiatives with other clubs in the school.</p> |
| Science Council | <p>The Woodlands Science Council aims to broaden students' understanding of the valuable subject of Science. During weekly meetings, students may take part in interactive experiments and investigations, such as dissections and labs. Another key objective of the club is to increase awareness and engagement in science contests and competitions by introducing these prestigious contests directly to science-oriented students. Any student at the Woodlands School is welcome to join.</p> |

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Super Council | The Executive Council was created this year to unify the student run clubs in our school. It consists of one executive member from each club and is used as a way to increase communication. The executives participate in discussions about issues and contribute new and unique ways to create a more welcoming and safe environment. |
| Student Wellness Council | The Student Wellness Council has the mandate to bring awareness of good physical and mental health through fitness of body and mind. We focus on promoting good nutrition and healthy regular physical activity as a routine so that students will bring this healthy balanced way of living into their adult lives. |
| Woodstock | Representing and reporting on the happenings of the Woodlands is our very own <i>Woodstock</i> newspaper. Club members can choose to work as writers, editors and photographers to produce a thoughtful, fun and informative chronicle of our unique school. Students between Grades 7-12 are welcome to join! |

Sports Teams

| Sport | Details |
|----------------------|---|
| Archery (Club) | The Archery Club normally runs during Semester 2, after school, one day a week. No experience is necessary, and bows are provided. The students shoot indoors at a distance of 18 metres. Members for the high school team are selected from club members, and are eligible to participate in a regional and provincial tournament in late April / early May. |
| Badminton | Badminton improves students' reflexes, fitness and agility in a friendly yet competitive environment. The Woodlands School badminton team has placed in ROPSSAA and OFSAA. Badminton season starts in March and ends in May with 2 to 3 practices a week. |
| Sr. Boys Basketball | |
| Girls Basketball | |
| Bocce Ball | |
| Cricket | |
| Cross Country | The 2014-15 Woodlands Cross Country Team consists of 28 enthusiastic distance runners all looking to achieve personal success this season. The team will travel and compete in 3 invitational meets in Mississauga, Hamilton and Brampton, prior to the ROPSSAA Championships at Heart Lake Conservation Area on October 23rd. Runners advancing from ROPSSAA will compete at the OFSAA Championships which will take place at The University of Waterloo on November 1st. We look forward to an exciting competitive season! Go Rams! |
| Girls Flag Football | |
| Boys Football | |
| Golf | |
| Spin Class | Spin Class is open to all students. No experience is needed. Runs every Tuesday, unless otherwise announced. |
| Girls Table Tennis | |
| Tennis | The woodlands school offers both a competitive junior and senior tennis team. The season is a short and intense one which begins in Sept. and ends in mid October. The qualifying tournament is a day filled with intense and fun tennis matches for doubles and singles - boys, girls and mixed teams. Practises run three times a week; we are fortunate enough to have use of our own school tennis courts and the Springfield tennis club courts a short 5 min. walk away. Students progress through their four years of highschool to become skillful players. |
| Track & Field | |
| Jr. Boys Volleyball | |
| Sr. Boys Volleyball | |
| Sr. Girls Volleyball | |

Music Ensembles

| Group Name | Details |
|---------------------------|---|
| Chamber Choir | The Woodlands Chamber Choir is an auditioned group. All members must be members of the Concert Choir. The Chamber Choir has the opportunity to sing more challenging music in a smaller group. The Chamber Choir performs in concerts at the school and participates in the Ontario Vocal Festival each year. The Chamber Choir has received invitations to perform at the National Music Festival. |
| Choir | The Woodlands Concert Choir rehearses once a week and is open to any student in Grades 9-12. The choir performs in concerts at the school and participates in the Ontario Vocal Festival every year. Our choir has had the privilege of being invited to the National Music Festival for the past number of years. |
| Intermediate Concert Band | |
| Senior Concert Band | The Woodlands Senior Concert Band is made up of instrumental music students in Grades 10-12. This course is a co-requisite with AMI 200, AMI 3MO and AMI 4MO. The band rehearses on Tuesday and Thursday mornings all year from 7:00 - 8:10 a.m. The Band performs at Commencement, School Concerts, Regional Festivals and consistently receives Gold Standings with invitations to the National Music Festival. Students involved in the band have the opportunity to go on an international performance trip every other year. |
| Guitar Club Jam | This is a fairly open and informal fun setting to experiment playing pop and rock and blues and folk tunes on guitar (and bass). Students of various musical abilities meet twice a month to learn, share, and even create music. Guitarists interested in performing have gone on to form bands to compete at the school wide battle of the bands competition. We jam it out from Neil to Jimi to Joni and whatever song a student can bring to the session. The club promotes extemporization, trading solos and rhythms, all for the enjoyment of music. |
| Intermediate Jazz Band | |
| Senior Jazz Band | |