



VALENCIA HIGH SCHOOL

ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS 2009 - 2010

Animal Care Team Club

Advisor: Ms. Fischer, Room 203

President: Diane Rodriguez, 98034849@hart.k12.ca.us

The purpose of the Animal Care Team is to support animal shelters and to promote general awareness to the public of stray and abandoned animals. ACT educates others against animal cruelty and encourages pet adoption.

Animanga Club

Advisor: Mr. Perl, Room 938

President: K.J. Jin, kjj903@yahoo.com

The goal of this club is to make students understand the culture of anime and to create an actual project contributing to anime.

Atheist and Agnostic (Secular) Club

Advisor: Mr. Phillips

President: Damien Villarreal, daftdamyn@sbcglobal.net

The purpose of the Atheist and Agnostic (Secular) Club is to provide a group for students to discuss secularism in society, observe secularism, and help others understand what secularism means.

B-Boy Breakdancing Club

Advisor: Mr. McKee, Room 516

President: Steven Hiek, camboguy33@yahoo.com

The B-boy club is inspired and dedicated to the growing dance of b-boying. The club will teach anybody the moves, music, and culture of break dancing.

Cancer Awareness

Advisor: Mrs. Feeder, Room 205

President: Alex Patel, kagepatel@sbcglobal.net

This club brings awareness to high school students about cancer. This club will raise money to battle cancer and help cancer-stricken families.

Children's Book Guild

Advisor: Ms. Blok, Room 501

President: Julie Jang, rameonfreak@gmail.com

CBG is an organization designed to support students interested in careers involved with writing, illustrating, and publishing children's books. This club will create books, join competitions, and most importantly, help students grow.

Circle of Friends

Advisor: Ms. Moscoe, Assistant Principals Office

President: Becca Herd, rherd@socal.rr.com

The purpose of "Circle of Friends" is to establish an environment of inclusion for young adults. In Circle of Friends, students with disabilities are supported by established groups of peers who are socially competent, offering many opportunities to form genuine friendships that can last a lifetime. Circle of Friends builds an inclusive campus climate that welcomes and values all students.

California Scholarship Federation (CSF)

Advisor: Ms. Henry, Room 505

President: Blake Owens

The California Scholarship Federation (CSF) emphasizes high standards of service, scholarship, and citizenship for California high school students. CSF encourages service to the school and community while fostering pride in scholastic achievement. Qualifying for membership is on a semester basis following a point system that requires A's and B's in the most difficult classes. To become a lifetime member (Seal bearer) students must have qualified for four semesters during their last three years of high school, including one semester in the senior year. At graduation lifetime members receive a special seal on their diploma, a certificate, pin and gold cords to be worn at the ceremony.

Cultural Films Club

Advisor: Ms. Kalmer

President: Sara Wedel, s_wedel2010@live.com

The purpose of the Cultural Films Club is to compare and contrast different cultural films and film styles.

Cycling Club

Advisor: Mr. Klinger, Room 208

President: Curtis Ryken, dale_ryken@att.net

The purpose of this club is not only the concrete building of physical and mental endurance of high school students, but also a chance given to the members to escape and break away from the peer pressure found in a teenager's life by the means of bicycle riding.

DECA

Advisor: Mr. Mifflin, Room 510

President: Juancho Sunga

DECA, a national association of marketing education students, provides teachers and members with educational and leadership development activities to merge with education classroom instructional programs. DECA chapters attract students who are interested in preparing for entrepreneurial, marketing or management careers. While DECA membership consists primarily of students in marketing programs, membership also extends to alumni and to professional in marketing education and in marketing teacher education. Working hand-in-hand with the education and business communities, DECA's goal is for its student members to develop a "career success kit" to carry into their business and personal lives after graduation.

Drama Club

Advisor: Mr. Whelan, Room 522

President: Nicholas Poehls

The Drama Club is an organization of students dedicated to theatrical arts. The club welcomes any student interested in joining. Students explore opportunities to perform, build sets, run props, manage lighting and sound, and participate in theater production promotions. The Drama Club sponsors two main stage plays and one Backstage Cabaret Variety Show each school year. Each month students also gather for a social activity to create friendships and lasting bonds.

Equestrian Club

Advisor: Ms. Valentine, Room 826

President: Kali Jelen

The Equestrian Teams purpose is to compete as a member of the Interscholastic Equestrian League of Los Angeles; which aims to: support and develop athletes for regional and national competition in equestrian sports; to encourage a knowledge of horsemanship; to encourage teamwork in fair and friendly competition; to encourage the development of superior riding skills in young riders' and to take any and all actions that may be considered appropriate to accomplish the foregoing.

Eco Club

Advisor: Mrs. Feeder

President: Sophie Sidby, eerocks12@yahoo.com

This club informs students of current environmental problems and helps our school function with more sustainability.

Fencing Club

Advisor: Mr. Whelan, Room 522

President: Jacob Waschak

The Fencing Club is a group of enthusiastic individuals who gather once a week to engage in the fine art of fighting with swords. They spend their time learning both defensive and offensive techniques.

French Club

Advisor: Ms. Langdon, Room 934

President: James Youlios, jamesyo91@aol.com

This organization is dedicated to the promotion of French culture and information about France and French-speaking countries. All students are welcome to join.

Future Teachers of America

Advisor: Mr. Hayes

President: Shelby McEwen

This club goal is to raise awareness for underprivileged children attending underdeveloped schools in Louisiana. The club also hopes to branch out and help many other schools in America.

Valencia Futbol Club (VFC)

Advisor: Mr. Sheggrud

President: Matthew Peters

The purpose of this club is to make students more aware of soccer on campus and in America.

Gay-Straight Alliance

Advisor: Mrs. Forbes, Room 603

President: Chris Alfarero, wolfie_kun@yahoo.com

The purpose of the Gay-Straight Alliance is to provide a safe and healthy environment for discussions involving, but not limited too, the LGBT community, health, relationships, personal issues as well as an opportunity for bonding experiences for similar persons. All members are welcome!

Good Samaritans Club

Advisor: Mr. Bechtholdt. Room 923

President: Trevor Ashley

This club helps students become aware of issues and helps them participate in organized charities around Southern California.

Habitat for Humanity

Advisor: Mr. Broers

President: Nicolle Lee

This club seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the world and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. A major goal of the campus chapter would be to carry out the principles of the Four Functions (Fundraising, Building, Advocating, and Educating) through our actions.

Invisible Children of Uganda

Advisor: Ms. Margrave, Room 930

President: Juliana Harn, julianah527@yahoo.com

ICU is a student-led club at VHS whose main goals are to bring awareness and to assist physically, financially, emotionally and spiritually to those in crisis in Northern Uganda, Africa where hundreds of thousands of people have been displaced and terrorized by the Lord's Resistance Army for more than 20 years.

Key Club

Advisor: Mr. Minkus, Room 801

President: Eric Kim

The Key Club is the oldest, most established community service organization at VHS. It has sponsored community drives, special charitable fund-raisers, and many other activities. The Key Club also has social and on-campus activities. Key Club International is the largest high school service organization in the world.

Mighty Kites

Advisor: Mr. Berns, Room 612

President: Joe De Santis, vwbuglover63@yahoo.com

This club will educate students in the culture and flying technique of kites.

Model United Nations

Advisor: Ms. Itaya

President: Chelsea Itaya

Model United Nations give students the opportunity to explore the world of international politics and diplomacy.

Mustard Seed Communities

Advisor: Mr. Albert, Room 806

President: Katya Ortiz

This Catholic organization has orphanages in third world nations to care for children with disabilities. It was designed to raise awareness for the disabled children in the Mustard Seed Communities.

National Art Honor Society (NAHS)

Advisor: Mrs. Pharis

President: Riley Reiss

The purpose of the National Art Honor Society is to inspire and recognize students who have shown an outstanding ability in art. The club strives to educate student and children about art.

National Honor Society (NHS)

Advisor: Ms. Henry, Room 505

President: Blake Owens

The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nations premier organizations established to recognize outstanding high school students. More than just an honor roll, NHS serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and

Character. These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization since their beginnings in 1921 and 1929. This organization is available to 10th -12th grade students with a 3.5 GPA, teacher recommendations and community service.

P.A.I.N.T.

Advisor: Mr. Hayes

President: Tanya Shahjanian

This club is a non-profit organization that raises money to buy art supplies for underprivileged children.

Pacific American Volunteer Association

Advisor: Mr. Stenzel, Room 511

President: Dan Bisohn, danbisohn@gmail.com

This club helps clean and beautify the community, as well as to help people in need.

Pathfinders Christian Club

Advisor: Mr. McKee, Room 516

President: Soomin Ellie Jung, chowytoby@hotmail.com

The Pathfinders Christian Club provides a place for students to congregate and share their faith with one another. Their goal is to unite as a student organization and serve God through fellowship, prayer, weekly meetings and much more!

Reaching Out Club

Advisor: Mr. McKee, Room 516

President: Tiffany Chiu, coco40827@yahoo.com

The purpose of this club is to help those less fortunate than us both locally and throughout the world, We offer support to victims of disasters and accidents by raising money and other necessities for them, and by letting them know that they aren't forgotten. Our main goal is to make a difference in people's lives.

Safe School Ambassadors

Advisor: Mr. Luxmore, Assistant Principals Office

The Safe School Ambassadors program empowers leaders from the diverse groups and cliques on campus and equips them with nonviolent communication and intervention skills to stop bullying and violence among their peers.

Science Olympiad

Advisor: Ms. Peterson, Room 207

President: James Jung

The purpose of this club is to apply scientific and mathematical knowledge to various fun and challenging tasks that go across the full science spectrum. To compete against others schools in various events from Herpetology to Ecology and Cell Biology. To promote science and learning and to mentor Junior High and Elementary school teams, as well as volunteer at environmental and science-related community events.

Smart Spenders

Advisor: Mr. Stendel

President: Kim Henderson, smartspendersclub@yahoo.com

This club teaches students ways to save money and be a smart spender.

Step / Hip Hop Team

Advisor: Mr. Killinger, Room 814

President: Ouintiara Walker, auintiaraw@yahoo.com

This club is a performance group for people who have a passion for and a background in hip-hop / step dancing.

STRIVE

Advisor: Ms. Redd, Counseling Office

The Goal of STRIVE is to make the Santa Carita Valley a better place by demonstrating how to break social boundaries, and to eliminate stereotypes prejudice and racism. VHS students travel to all the local elementary schools to visit their 6th grade classes to teach students respect, inclusion, values and equality.

Student Task Force

Advisor: Ms. Langdon, Room 934

President: Audrey Abergel, lifeinpinkll@gmail.com

This club works with the Human Rights Organization to help stop global issues involving human rights.

Truth Be Told

Advisor: Mrs. Margrave

President: Kylon Trower, godsbud5@earthlink.net

This club is a Bible discussion group devoted to help students gain a better understanding of the Bible.

Tutoring Club – Open Library

Advisor: Mr. Ferry

President: Jaemin Kim, houndy444@live.com

The Tutor Club works with struggling high school students to help them raise grades, expectations and standards, along with helping students prepare for college.

Young Politicians of America Club

Advisor: Ms. Calnan, Room 519

President: Amanda Sadra

The purpose of this club is to educate the youth in the politics of the world. Those who join will gain a greater perspective of the government and will be helped in developing their own political opinions. The club will serve as a mutual discussion ground for opposing viewpoints as well as a way to discuss with those who share the same viewpoints on controversial topics.

Young Democrats Club

Advisor: Ms. Calnan, Room 519

President: Rachel Miller

The Young Democrats of America (YDA) is the largest youth-led, national, partisan political organization. YDA mobilizes students to participate in the electoral process, influences the ideals of the Democratic Party, and develops the skills of the youth generation to serve as leaders at the local and national level.

Young Republicans Club

Advisor: Mrs. Pollerana

President: Michael Aasted

The purpose of the Young Republicans Club is to provide a positive outlet to discuss conservative issues and promote and maintain the principles of the Republican Party.