

FORT THOMAS

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

September 2, 2022

Dear Parents and Students:

Welcome to another exciting school year in Fort Thomas! We hope you will find this document simplifies the registration process for after school activities and gives you an overall view of the opportunities available at each of our schools.

Registration Process (**New this year**):

Please read!

- Registration is open to students of Fort Thomas Independent Schools only.
- Registration will be open for a limited time and determined by allocation.
- A **lottery** selection will be in place for extracurriculars where sign ups exceed the amount of available participants. **THIS IS DIFFERENT THIS YEAR.** There will not be a wait list and you are not guaranteed to be on the roster if you are the first to sign up.
- Club registration will be reviewed and any club not meeting the minimum enrollment requirement may be cancelled.
- Once enrollment is determined and you are notified of your confirmation for participation, fees will be due promptly at your **school** office. Confirmed participants must provide payment by Friday, September 16 to the school office. If payment is not received, the slot will be offered to another child.
- Students may register for multiple programs, but are not guaranteed a spot.
- Registrations will be accepted **electronically** on Tuesday, September 6, and you will want to complete the process by Thursday, September 8 by 12pm to be considered in the lottery if a club interest goes over capacity. Any full extracurricular that receives registrations after September 8 at 12pm will NOT be considered for the lottery. Signing up first does not offer any priority during selection. Also, there is nothing that you need to drop off at the school office during the registration.
- Confirmation emails for participation will be sent out electronically on Friday, September 9.
- Make sure to include your email address on the registration form. All notification of enrollment and/or additional information will be made via email.
- Registration link: <https://forms.gle/S8aMJUWdo6mAZ8Rk8>

Sincerely,



Jamee Flaherty,
Assistant Superintendent Student Services

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JOHNSON ELEMENTARY
MOYER ELEMENTARY
WOODFILL ELEMENTARY

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Chess Club

Learn the world's most popular game - Chess! Basics will be covered as well as opening, middle game and end game strategies. Fee is \$10 per student.

Location	Day	Time	Start Date	Grade	Sponsor(s)
Johnson	Wednesday	3:00-4:00	Oct 12	3-5	Katie Huber Amy Opitz
Moyer	Wednesday	3:00-4:00	Sept 21	3-5	Amber McDowell Jillian Hurtt
Woodfill	Thursday	3:00-4:00	Sept 15		David Rockel

Art Club

Art Club is an after-school club for students who are passionate about creating art! Students will explore advanced techniques, media and processes. Art Club classes will develop art-making skills but will vary depending on the instructor. Fee is \$30 per student.

Location	Day	Time	Start Date	Grade	Sponsor(s)
Johnson	Thursday	3:00-4:00	Sept 15-Dec 8	4-5	Jennifer Flynn
Moyer	Tuesday	3:00-4:00	Sept 13-Dec 13	4-5	Nikki Everett
Woodfill	Monday	3:00-4:00	Sept 12-Apr 10	4-5*	Leah Fryman
Woodfill	Monday	3:00-4:00	Sept 26-Apr 24	2-3**	Leah Fryman

*WES Grade 4-5 meet 9/12, 10/3, 11/14, 12/5, 1/9, 2/13, 3/13, 4/10

**WES Grade 2-3 meet 9/26, 10/24, 11/28, 12/12, 1/23, 2/27, 3/27, 4/24

Engineering

Engineering Club will expose students to engineering through activities, hands-on events, lessons and open-ended challenges. Some activities may include bridge building, tower building and aeronautics. Fee is \$30 per student.

Location	Day	Time	Start Date	Grade	Sponsor(s)
Johnson	Thursday	3:00-4:00	Feb 2-May 4	4-5	Jennifer Flynn
Moyer	Every other Tuesday	3:00-4:00	Jan 3-Apr 25	4-5	Nikki Everett
Woodfill	TBD				

Academic Team*

Academic Team is open to all fourth and fifth grade students. This team does require try-outs in late September/early October. Students who make the team will compete in local matches against area schools on Thursday afternoons. More detailed information will be sent home regarding try-outs. Fee is \$25 per student to cover the cost of the NKY Academic League and Governor's Cup.

Location	Day	Time	Start Date	Grade	Sponsor(s)
Johnson	Thursday	3:00-4:00	Oct 13	4-5	Alyssa Brown
Moyer	TBD				
Woodfill	Thursday	3:00-4:00	Oct 13	4-5	Maria Barth

Journalism*

Johnson Journalism club is a great way for future journalists to develop their communication skills. Some activities may include school newspapers, live announcement broadcasts, video news stories, interviews, and podcasts.

Woodfill Journalism club will explore writing breaking news stories around the school, prepare the live weekly news broadcast and create a Woodfill podcast to keep people in the know about the happenings at WES! Applications will be delivered in September, to be completed and returned to school sponsor.

Location	Day	Time	Start Date	Grade	Sponsor(s)
Johnson	1 st & 3 rd Wednesday	3:00-4:00pm	Oct 5	4-5	Marie Zimmerman Jennifer Flynn
Moyer	TBD				
Woodfill	2 nd & 4 th Thursday	3:00-4:15	Sept 22	3-5	Karrie Chajkowski

***Academic Teams and Journalism Clubs have an application and/or tryout process. Please look for more information to come home from your student's school.**

STLP

The Student Technology Leadership Program (STLP™) uses project-based learning to empower students to use technology to learn and achieve. STLP projects, products and services help students gain technology skills. Fee is \$10 per student.

Location	Day	Time	Start Date	Grade	Sponsor(s)
Johnson	2 nd & 4 th Tuesday	3:00-4:00	Sept 27	4-5	Katie Leftin Natalie Woeste
Moyer	TBD				
Woodfill	2 nd & 4 th Wednesday	3:00-3:50	Sept 28	4-5	Alicia Wittmer

Elementary Children's Choir

The Elementary Children's Choir is a school-wide, non-audition choir for elementary students in third, fourth and fifth grades. Practices will be held at the student's home school once a week in the music room (September - December). A concert will be presented in December. There is a \$40 fee. For more information please contact your elementary music teacher.

Location	Day	Time	Start Date	Grade	Sponsor(s)
Johnson	Tuesday	3:05-4:05	Sept 13	3-5	Alyssa Vanderpool
Moyer	Tuesday	3:05-4:00	Sept 13	3-5	Bethany Howard
Woodfill	Tuesday	3:00-4:00	Sept 13	3-5	David Rockel

Northern Kentucky Honor Choir

Northern Kentucky Honor Choir (NKHC) is a regional honor choir for students in fifth grade. The music teacher from each elementary school in the top eight Northern Kentucky counties may send up to five students to participate in this one-day honor choir. The day-long rehearsal with guest conductor (this year is Greg Gilpin) and evening concert is on Friday, October 28th. Students do not have to be a member of the Elementary Children's Choir to be chosen for this Honor Choir, but attendance at the preparation rehearsals is mandatory (each week TBA, approx. 6 weeks prior to the event). There is a small fee to participate (TBA approx. \$30). If interested, please contact your school's music teacher.

Kentucky All State Children's Choir (KCC)

Kentucky All State Children's Choir (KCC) is an audition-based choir that chooses the best 200 singers (grades 5 and 6) from across the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Students do not have to be a member of the Elementary Children's Choir in order to audition. Attendance at pre-audition rehearsals is required, where audition material/techniques will be rehearsed (September/October-days/times TBA). Auditions will occur in late October/early November (either after school/evening or on a Saturday). The recorded audition will be sent to an adjudication committee (slight fee for adjudication will apply - approximately \$8). Results are announced by KCC in early December. If accepted into KCC, a fee and paperwork are required immediately (around \$50). Mandatory rehearsals for preparation of KCC music will occur in January (days/times TBA). On Wednesday, February 8th, students will leave from school (with an adult family chaperone), travel to Louisville for rehearsals and spend the night at the Galt House Hotel. The concert is Thursday, February 9th at the Kentucky Center for the Arts. If interested, please contact your school's music teacher.

Girls on the Run

The mission of Girls on the Run is to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running. Spring session is 10 weeks and begins in mid-February. Scholarship or sliding scale payment available. Your payment includes a shoe fitting from Fleet Feet, a t-shirt, snacks and entry fee for the 5K race. Program is limited to 15 students. More info will be handed out at each school. Payments will be taken at a later date and determined by each school. Woodfill contact: Mary Moore; Johnson contacts: Natalie Woeste and Katie Leftin; Moyer contacts: Katie Hood and Amber McDowell.

Odyssey of the Mind

Odyssey of the Mind is an international, parent-coached K-12 program that gives students the opportunity to explore creative problem-solving methods. Students work throughout the year in small teams on one of several projects outlined by Odyssey of the Mind. By tapping into creativity, and through encouraging imaginative paths to problem solving, students learn skills that will provide them with the ability to solve problems -- great and small -- for a lifetime. Odyssey of the Mind teaches students how to think divergently by providing open ended problems that appeal to a wide range of interests.

Odyssey of the Mind teams form in October; at that time, we will begin recruiting parents to act as coaches. Regional and state competitions (both on a Saturday) are in the spring. More information will be sent home with students in the fall.

Looking for HMS & HHS Clubs? Look at the FTIS Website: www.fortthomas.kyschools.us Choose the school from the school list then go to quick links. For HMS choose HMS Clubs and Activities. For HHS choose Counseling Department then under Important Links/Documents choose 2022-23 HHS Clubs and organizations.

[Highlands Middle School Clubs and Activities Information](#)

[Highlands High School Clubs and Activities Information](#)