Name of Club: Academic Decathlon

**Qualifications needed:** 9-12; all GPAs welcome

**Club Mission Statement:** To expand knowledge beyond the high school curriculum based upon the guidelines of the National Academic Decathlon. The curriculum is based on a changing theme, determined at a national level each year.

Activities: competitions at scrimmages, Conference, and Regionals, may qualify for State and National levels

**Number of Members: 20** 

**Time of year to join:** May or Sept.

**Time Commitment:** After school two days a week from Sept. – Jan., Feb – April meetings contingent upon

team success. Additional after school practices TBD

Name of Club: Ambassador Club

Qualifications needed: 9-12; all GPAs Welcome (Administration/Teacher Approval)

**Club Mission Statement:** Student ambassadors will act as liaisons for peers who need social skills support. Teachers and administration will select ambassadors by their history of exhibiting appropriate and inclusive behaviors. Ambassadors must also demonstrate a high level of empathy and patience.

**Activities:** The main task(s) of all ambassadors is to assist their peers with building new connections, increasing social skills, and exploring interests. Ambassadors will play games, initiate conversations, and lead social lessons.

**Number of Members: 40** 

Time of vear to join: May or August

**Time Commitment:** The ambassadors will be assigned with one or two target peers and meet a minimum of two times per week each for 20 minutes (before/after school, study hall, T.A. and/or lunch) from Sept. – May.

Name of Club: Art Club

**Qualifications needed:** Any student with an interest in the Fine Arts (drawing, painting, ceramics, graphic design).

**Club Mission Statement:** The Art Club's goal is to provide extra opportunity for students to pursue their interests in the Fine Arts outside of the regular classroom day.

**Activities:** Students will participate in community-based projects as well as be provided with ample time for them to work on their own projects. Fundraising, volunteer projects and trips to local museums will be other activities.

Number of Members: 20-40

Time of year to join: anytime

**Time Commitment:** Monthly lock-ins that last about 3 hours with additional meetings and lock-ins as an asneeded basis.

Name of Club: Book Club

**Qualifications needed:** A love for reading and willingness to read and share book experiences in a group setting

**Club Mission Statement:** Share a joy and love for reading.

**Activities:** We meet monthly at 7:30 am to share our thoughts on the month's book. Some other activities we have done in the past include: attending movies, and ice skating.

**Number of Members: 15-25** 

Time of year to join: Anytime

**Time Commitment:** Enough time to complete the book-of-the-month.

## Name of Organization: Cheerleading

**Qualifications needed:** Grades 9-12; member of Pep Club previous year, must have passed 4 semester hours previous and current semester (Excluding incoming freshmen)

**Club Mission Statement**: The purpose of the cheerleading squad is to support Varsity athletics and strengthen and support school pride and spirit among students, faculty, and community.

**Activities**: cheer at varsity games (home and away); conduct cheerleading camp for elementary students; decorate lockers, halls.

**Time of year to join:** Spring – competitive tryout

**Time Commitment:** Two practices a week; plus games (approx. 6-7 times a month), summer practices to be determined, summer camp 3-4 days, State Competition in mid-February.

### Name of Organization: Dance Team

**Qualifications needed:** Grades 9-12; competitive tryouts are held in the spring to select dance team for the next school year

**Club Mission Statement:** The EDT squad exists to promote school spirit through dance performances at athletic events and competitions.

**Activities:** Summer camps; performances at pep rallies, football and basketball games; competitions throughout the fall and winter

**Number of Members:** 9-14, depending on the natural break

Time of year to join: Spring

**Time Commitment:** Attendance at all home varsity football games, home varsity boys and girls basketball games; practice at school two times a week for 1 ½ hours each time, and a three-day summer camp.

Name of Club: Debate

Qualifications needed: Interest in politics and educated discussion

**Club Mission Statement:** The mission of the EHS debate is to develop active listeners who are able to engage in discourse, argument, and critical thinking while in a competitive setting.

**Activities:** Weekend tournaments (Friday nights - Saturday), October-March

**Number of Members:** varies

**Time of Year to Join:** Anytime throughout the year

**Time Commitment:** Practice twice a week in the evenings after sports activities, tournaments, time on your

own to write cases and prepare briefs.

# Name of Club: DECA (An Association of Marketing Students)

Qualifications needed: All students are welcome to join

Club Mission Statement: DECA is a co-curricular organization designed to enhance marketing education, increase social involvement in the community, develop leadership skills, enhance vocational understanding, and cultivate civic responsibility.

Activities: Leadership Conference - Fall Leadership Conference in Omaha, Central Region Leadership Conference location TBD; Educational Competitions - Metro Development Conference in Omaha, State Career Development Conference in Lincoln, International Career Development Conference location TBD; Community Outreach-Organize school wide can food drive and toy drive, and other volunteer opportunities around the community; Other Activities -Students are responsible for day-to-day operation of Antler Pride School Store

Number of members: 70+

Time of Year to Join: September

**Time Commitment**: Meet once a month, during TA, before or after school

### Name of Club: Drama Club

**Qualifications needed:** Interest in any part of theatre

**Club Mission Statement**: Drama club is an organization with the joys of speech and theatre with less commitment and competition.

**Activities:** Weekly meetings, opportunities to see play productions, host EHS talent show.

**Number of Members: 25** 

**Time of year to join:** Fall, but can join any time.

**Time Commitment:** 1 hour/week

## Name of Organization: Electric Vehicle Team – (Power Drive)

**Qualifications needed:** All students who have a strong desire to work with their hands and minds to solve realistic problems in a team environment.

**Club Mission Statement**: Through teamwork, dedication, leadership, and innovation, members strive to build competitive and innovative electric vehicles while preparing for the real world.

**Activities**: Team members engineer, fabricate, document, test, and race one-person light electric vehicles against area schools. Skills that are practiced and acquired include teamwork, driving, safety, metalworking, electrical wiring, bodywork, multimedia, business, science, math, and English.

**Number of Members: 25** 

**Time of year to join**: Students may join anytime. Beginning of each school year is preferred.

**Time Commitment**: EEVT meets throughout the school year for one after school and one evening meeting per week. Additional meetings may be required for finishing and testing vehicles. From late March through early May the club attends weekend competitions.

A letter can be earned from this activity.

## Name of Club: FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)

**Qualifications needed:** All students grades 9 - 12 are welcome to join.

**Club Mission Statement:** Education, cooperation, preparation for useful occupation, working toward improving social, political, community and family life. All people have the right to earn a living which should not be denied because of race, color, creed, sex or handicap and members promise to use their abilities to make the world a better place for everyone.

**Activities:** Business Competition-Local, State and National; Leadership Training-Officer Summer Workshop; Fund Raising; Data Match, Stock Market Game, Community Service Projects, and Social events.

**Number of Members**: 80

**Time of year to join**: Beginning of School year; students who move in after the start of the school year may join second semester until Feb. 1

Time Commitment: Once a month; club meetings during TA, before or after school and an occasional Evening meeting

## Name of Club: FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America)

**Qualifications needed:** Taken a Family and Consumer Science class; all high school students qualify due to classes taken at Middle School

**Club Mission Statement:** FCCLA is youth-centered Career and Technical Student Organization that focuses on the family, community service, and leadership development. CCLA is affiliated with the Family and Consumer Science Department so workshops and career event topics may include Nutrition, Food Preparation, Education and Children, Design, and Family Challenges.

**Activities:** Leadership Conferences at district, state, and national level; variety of community service projects, often serving children; membership parties at the start of the year, holiday time, and end of year

**Number of Members:** 50-70

Time of year to join: Fall

Time Commitment: meet during TA, days and nights of extra activities vary

Name of Club: Japanese Club

Qualifications needed: Interest in Japanese Language and Culture

Club Mission Statement: To explore and experience the Japanese culture and gain an appreciation of it.

Activities: Maintain the Japanese Garden, cook Japanese food, participate in Foreign Language Fair, share the Japanese

culture with others, concession stands, movie nights

**Number of Members: 30** 

Time of year to join: September

Time Commitment: Varies

Name of Club: Letter-Club

**Qualifications needed:** Letter winner from a Varsity sport the previous school year.

Club Mission Statement: The coaching staff at EHS believes that participation in athletics is an integral part of

a student's educational experience.

**Activities:** varies

**Number of Members:** 50-75

**Time of year to join:** Fall and as students letter they become eligible.

**Time Commitment:** Meet once a month

Name of Club: Mock Trial

Qualifications needed: 9-12 grade; interested in law or acting; must audition for roles as lawyer/witness

Club Mission Statement: To learn the U.S. legal process, build a case for presentations and conduct trials at the Douglas

**County Court House** 

**Activities:** Mock Trial Competition

**Number of Members:** teams of 6 or 7

Time of year to join: August/September

Time Commitment: after school and evening hours to build and polish case

Name of Club: NHS (National Honor Society)

**Qualifications needed:** Grades 11-12; selection based on scholarship (minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5), service, leadership, and character

**Club Mission Statement**: The objective of this chapter is to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of character in all students of Elkhorn High School.

**Activities:** Community service projects, sponsor annual blood drive, peer tutoring of EHS students, Honor's Night, 8th hour tutors

Number of Members: Varies, usually around 80

**Time of year to join:** Selection is in September

**Time Commitment:** Meetings once a month plus willingness to commit to a variety of service activities totaling a minimum of thirty hours during the school year.

## Name of Club: Olympus Club

**Qualifications needed:** Is HALE identified, or is taking, or has taken, HALE Seminar (or SOC), or participates or has participated in Academic Decathlon, Auk Master (KMO), Quiz Bowl, Destination Imagination, History Day, Mock Trial, National Honor Society, or any other academic competition

**Club Mission Statement:** To provide social and altruistic activities

**Activities:** Community service, social activities

**Number of Members:** 80

Time of year to join: August

Time Commitment: Varies

Name of Club: One Act Play

Qualifications needed: Interest in theatre

**Club Mission Statement**: Our main goal is to help young artists present their work and learn how to put a competitive production on its feet from start to finish.

Activities: District, Conference, and State Competition

**Number of Members**: As many as the script calls for plus tech crew

**Time of year to join:** Auditions in late September

**Time Commitment:** Daily rehearsals September - November

Name of Club: Pep Club

Qualifications needed: 9-12 grade students

**Club Mission Statement:** Our goal is to provide support to all teams at the high school

**Activities:** In charge of homecoming, making signs for the hallways, cheering at games

**Number of Members:** 120 (varies)

Time of year to join: Fall

Time Commitment: Minimal

Name of Club: Play Production

Qualifications needed: Interest in theatre, selected from early March audition

**Club Mission Statement**: Our main goal is to help young artists present their work and learn how to put a professional production on its feet from start to finish.

**Number of Members**: number called for in the script, plus tech crew

**Time of year to join:** early March auditions

**Time Commitment:** daily rehearsals early March – May

Name of Club: P.U.M.P.E.D. (People United Motivating Peers to Eliminate Discrimination)

**Qualifications needed:** 9-12 grade students

#### **Club Mission Statement:**

- Learning about and celebrating cultural diversity.
- Promoting tolerance at EHS and in the community
- Promote active citizenship and student leadership

**Activities:** Activities may include multicultural learning events, team and community building activities, discussion forums, holiday celebrations, and philanthropy projects. Members are encouraged to take an active role in planning activities that would best serve our mission. Each year members may participate in a human relations and leadership workshop or retreat facilitated by the Conference for Inclusive Communities.

Number of members: 30-40

**Time of year to join:** Anytime (encouraged to join at the beginning of the year)

**Time commitment:** Monthly meetings and activities

Name of Club: Quiz Bowl

**Qualifications needed:** Interested in quiz bowl type of activities. Interest in gaining knowledge in a variety of subject areas.

**Club Mission Statement:** To promote knowledge and instant recall. To provide local, state, and national competitions for academically talented students.

**Activities:** Quiz bowl competitions

**Number of Members: 30** 

Time of year to join: September preferred but members can join anytime

**Time Commitment**: Lunch periods 2 days a week plus competition times.

Name of Club: Robotics

**Qualifications needed:** interest in math, science, programming, AutoCad, engineering, or design/construction of robots.

**Activities:** Students design, build, program, and drive robots to compete in the annual VEX challenge.

**Number of Members: 16** 

Time of year to join: Fall

**Time Commitment:** After school work sessions and Saturday Competitions

# Name of Club: SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions)

**Qualifications needed:** 9-12 grade, dedicated to making good decisions; students against destructive decisions including alcohol, drugs, violence

**Club Mission Statement:** To have fun without the use of alcohol and drugs! To educate self and others on the dangers of destructive decisions.

**Activities:** Once a month outings; community service, poster making; Red Ribbon Week Coordination; Grim Reaper Day Coordination

**Number of Members:** 250+

Time of year to join: August

**Time Commitment:** once a month meetings; once a month outings in the evenings

Name of Club: Science Club

Qualifications needed: None

**Club Mission Statement:** The science club has three primary goals:

- 1) To give students the opportunity to develop and implement scientific inquiry.
- 2) To give students the opportunity to prepare for and compete in science competitions.
- 3) To provide information on science related careers.

Activities: Informational meetings are held monthly during T.A. Work meetings are scheduled in the evenings as needed.

**Number of Members: 12** 

Time of Year to join: anytime

**Time Commitment:** varies depending on competitions

## Name of Club: Skills USA

Qualifications needed: Grades 9-12. Enrolled in Elkhorn High School or Elkhorn South High School.

**Club Mission Statement: SkillsUSA's mission** is to empower its members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens. **SkillsUSA** improves the quality of America's skilled workforce through a structured program of citizenship, leadership, employability, technical and professional **skills** training.

**Activities:** Monthly meetings, Community Service Activites, State Leadership Conference and Skills Competition, possible qualification for National Conference and Competition.

Number of Members: 15-20

**Time of year to join:** Recruitment drives in May and September. Membership deadline for State Competition is January.

**Time Commitment:** Meetings are generally once a month before school. State Leadership conference is one weekend in Spring.

### Name of Club: Speech Team

Qualifications needed: Freshman English preferred but not required.

**Club Mission Statement:** Students will expand their interpretation skills, enhance public speaking skills, and learn various methods of presentation so as to develop an understanding of performing arts. Members are also members of the National Forensics League. Students will follow the NSAA guidelines for nine different speech events.

**Activities:** Students work with coaches to prepare their material and practice according to the rules for each event. Students compete in a variety of meets throughout the season, which ends with Districts. Students can qualify for a State speech meet

**Number of Members:** no limit on members

**Time of year to join:** Organizational meeting in Sept or Oct, first competition begins in Nov. Season runs through the second to last week in March.

**Time Commitment:** At least once a week practice with coaches, and practice time on their own.

### Name of Club: Student Council

Qualifications Needed: Election held for students entering grades 9-12 in April or May of each school year

**Mission Statement:** Student Council exists to represent the Elkhorn High School student body by welcoming all students to the school, creating a positive environment, and advocating for all students. Our goals are to be the voice of the student body and to promote students leadership.

**Activities:** Homecoming Week, Freshman/New Student Orientation Activities, EPS School Board Representatives, Fundraisers and Community Service Drives, school-wide speakers and other unifying school events

**Number of Members:** 20 (5 from each class)

Time of Year to Join: April/May of the preceding school year

**Time Commitment:** Meetings held during TA. Extra time commitment varies by season, up to a few hours a month.

### Name of Club: Winter Guard/Drumline

Qualifications needed: Current member of band class, or approval of band director

**Club Mission Statement:** To expand student knowledge and skills in colorguard and percussion. Give interested students an outlet to grow and have the opportunity to be competitive with their acquired skills.

**Activities:** Create and practice a show during the winter months, and then perform the show in the community and/ or competitively in late January through early April at several events.

Number of Members: 5-25 per unit

Time of year to join: Late October/early November

Time Commitment: Weekly rehearsals throughout winter season, several Saturday competitions, individual practice

time as needed

### Name of Club: World Language Club

**Qualifications needed:** Student who has an interest in world languages and other cultures.

**Club Mission Statement:** To increase interest and involvement in world cultures and languages.

**Activities:** Seasonal/holiday get-togethers; Discover Language Month activities; relevant volunteer opportunities; fund raising, monthly activities.

**Number of Members: 50** 

**Time of year to join:** Beginning of school year

Time Commitment: about once a month; mostly evening activities