### ARTS DEPARTMENT

Play with Us! Musician in the morning, Athlete in the evening. Scientist in the classroom, Actor on the stage. Photographer by day, Scholar by night. Participation in the arts is Preparation for a world of options. We are proud to offer our students a broad range of opportunities in the performing and visual arts, where students learn skills and form lifelong friendships.

The Arts Department at Edgewood High School offers visual, performing arts, and non performance arts learning to provide multiple, rich, community based opportunities to learn, create, and explore our creativity through the arts. All students of all interests, experiences, and curiosities are welcome and will find a home for themselves in our arts community! Whatever you want to do and whatever experience you have you will find a place to enjoy, learn, and grow.



We offer academic courses in music for all voices, instruments, and genres that incorporate individual and ensemble based learning to make music, create, and learn about music.



We offer academic courses in visual arts to investigate a wide range of media and techniques, from both a historical and contemporary perspective, as they engage in the art-making processes and an academic course for students who will publish the EHS Crusader yearbook.



We offer academic courses in theatre for students to explore their personal creativity and to work on skills to learn about theatre and create theatre in a classroom setting.

Additional learning opportunities are offered through courses exploring histories and cultures surrounding the arts and what we can learn from them to connect to our current lives.

## **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

The following co-curriculars have had a consistent following over several years and are anticipated to continue. Students are also encouraged to find others who have shared interests and apply to start a group.

- Black Student Union/BIPOC
- Book Club
- Catholic Crusaders
- Close-Up
- Crusader Yearbook
- Debate Team
- Drama
- Edgetones
- Edgewood Honor Society

- Esports
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Focus Club
- Green Edge Environmental Club
- Inclusivity Club
- Key Club
- Link Crew
- Math Team

- Model United Nations
- Multicultural Club
- Science Olympiad
- Ski Club
- Smile with the Community
- STAR Club (Sisters Taking Active Roles)
- Ultimate Frisbee
- The Wayfarer







# Opportunities to DISCOVER, PARTICIPATE and EXPRESS TALENTS

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LIFE SKILLS
CHALLENGE
ACHIEVEMENT
DISTINCTION
SUPPORT
OPPORTUNITY
GROWTH
VALUES
DIRECTION
COMMUNITY





#### Activities as Part of the Educational Experience

Co-curricular activities are designed to provide opportunities for student growth, challenge, and achievement outside the classroom. They are an integral component of Edgewood's educational program and include a variety of options to appeal to a wide range of interests. About 95% of Edgewood students join a team or club, belong to a society or council, perform in musical ensembles or play an onstage or backstage role in drama. By participating in co-curriculars, students have fun, make new friends, enjoy time with one another, develop and exercise collaborative and leadership skills, increase self-esteem and learn to appreciate the strengths and talents of others. Edgewood also encourages most co-curricular groups to engage in a service project.

#### Co-curriculars for Many Interests

Most co-curricular groups and activities at Edgewood have existed for a number of years. Students who want to form a new co-curricular club or activity are invited to do so by presenting a proposal to the assistant principal six months in advance of the following academic year so it can be reviewed and implemented at the start of school. A faculty member (or several) must agree to serve as the moderator(s) for any student club or activity and some functions may require additional chaperones or security personnel. The school provides every club with a minimal budget. All funds should be spent in the best interest of the school.

# Student Body Leadership CLASS COUNCIL

Each of the four grade levels has a Class Council whose purpose is to unify the class, encourage all class members to become involved in class and school activities, lead the class in spirit and enthusiasm, sponsor service and other projects in which the class can participate and organize and support fund-raising projects.

#### **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

Executive Council is comprised of the president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer of the four grade levels. The council helps coordinate Class Council events that

involve all-school activities and service projects, as well as provides leadership training for students. Homecoming is part of the fall sports season and includes a variety of activities. The Executive Council organizes Homecoming Week, specifically the "Dress Up" days, and in conjunction with the Class Councils, sign painting and door painting. The senior class plans the dance and court, which are announced at the pep rally. The Homecoming Dance is open to all EHS students and is a "semi-formal" event.



