

OFFICIAL CATALOGUE CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

FALL 2023

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRINCIPAL



Greetings, Poly family,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! Poly is a wonderful place to grow as a student and prepare for collegiate study.

JOIN THE TEAM



View our website at polytechtalk.com!

Founded by two students of Baltimore Polytechnic Institute,
PolyTechTalk hopes to become a reliable source of school news by
assembling a broad network of motivated student-creators.
We have several available positions in journalism, web design, and
photography/media. If you are interested, please email
contact@polytechtalk.com or use the contact form on our website!

POLYTECHTALK

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CO-FOUNDER



I'm Brandon, a senior at the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute.

As you enter your first year at Poly, joining a club is one of the best ways to explore your interests and meet new people.

If you have any questions about anything on this catalogue, please reach out to me by email at: brandon@polytechtalk.com.



Ecology, aquaculture, food production
Thursdays after school in the Aquaponics Lab
Advisor:

The Baltimore Polytechnic Institute Aquaponics Club combines fish farming (aquaculture) with soil-less plant cultivation (hydroponics). By creating a symbiotic environment where fish waste fertilizes plants and plants purify water, the club explores sustainable agriculture.

AQUAPONICS

IG@bpi_aquaponics



Computer science, programming, game design.

Meets at predetermined times at Parrot Time and After School.

Advisor: Mr. Massey

We aim to help BCPSS students develop skills that are necessary to succeed in the computer science field while also developing the skills that students already generate from standard curriculum. Through participating in computer science competitions called "hackathons," our team builds cooperation and camaraderie through extracurricular development.

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Philosophy, team discussion, moral argument. Mondays in Room 251. Advisor: Mr. Pappas

Ethics is a club where students discuss modern issues through the lens of philosophy to prepare for the national high school ethics bowl. Students go over NHSEB's 15 regional cases throughout the year and discuss them with students from across the DMV. Ethics teaches philosophy, moral thinking, discussion skills, and teamwork.

ETHICS BOWL

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Theatre arts, acting, production design. Tuesdays and Thursdays in Room 006. Advisor: Mr. Charleston

The Undisputed Theatre Club conduct student-led productions, ranging in genre from comedy to tragedy. Plays in the fall semester provide student actors with an intimate space in the blackbox to familiarize themselves with the acting process, while the spring production in the Poly auditorium acts as a celebration of the fine arts at Poly.

UNDISPUTED THEATRE

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Advocacy, environmental science, green energy.

Meets at predetermined times at Parrot Time and After School.

Advisor Ms. Mathew

The Green Team is a collection of the environmental advocacy clubs at Poly, who all take various stances to address a systematic issue at the campus. The Environmental Club begins initiatives designed for the community, and ISAMR researches global environmental changes.

THE GREEN TEAM

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Gardening, design, environmental science, food First B-day of every week during Parrot Time, in Room 163 Advisor: Ms. Viel & Ms. Mathew

The Gardening Club has several ongoing projects including tending to the garden in the courtyard, planning and constructing a greenhouse to continue growing plants into the winter, and other projects that include working with fungi and possibly insects.

Gardening Club

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Academic, scholarship, service Meets at some place and some time. Advisor: Ms. Tittle

National Honor Society membership has been the true mark of student achievement for over 100 years, but it goes far beyond a report card. By empowering, championing, and recognizing well-rounded students, NHS provides students with a values-based framework to elevate a culture of scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

National Honors Society

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Safe space, affinity, support, Ingenuity Monthly at Predetermined times Advisor: Ms. Ortiz

SQUAD is open to all POC in Ingenuity. We meet monthly during parrot time. We're a safe space to offer support, affinity, and open conversation for POC. Students can gain mentorship, make friends, and find a community within their track.

Ingenuity SQUAD

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Journalism, newspaper, photography Meets in the Library after school Advisor: Dr. O'Neill

The Poly Press publishes a quarterly newspaper that documents the major events of the previous quarter at Poly. Interested student journalists should contact Dr. O'Neill.

POLY PRESS

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Dungeons & Dragons, Pathfinder, tabletop roleplaying games, 3:00-4:00 on Fridays in Room 320 or the Library Advisor: Mr. Mabry

We play tabletop roleplaying games like Dungeons & Dragons, Pathfinder, and more. Members have fun playing games with friends, solving problems in creative ways, and going on fantasy adventures. No experience is required, and we're happy to teach people how to play.

Roleplaying Club

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Cooking, food

Wednesdays 3:00-4:00 in the Library

Advisor: Dr. O'Neill

The Culinary Club is a student-centered group focused on exploring the art of cooking and culinary skills. Through hands-on workshops, cooking sessions, and culinary activities, club members have the opportunity to learn about different cooking techniques, food preparation, flavor combinations, and presentation.

CULINARY CLUB

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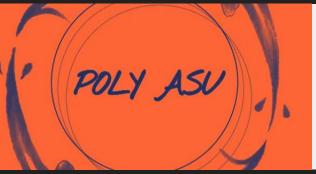


Chess, strategy, games
At predetermined times
Coach: Bill Smith

Members of the BPI Chess Team participate in tournaments and competitions and hold practices at predetermined times.

CHESS CLUB

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Safe space, affinity, support

After school in Ms. No's Room (333) at predetermined times Advisor: Ms. No

The Poly ASU is a safe space for Asian students at Poly. Members are welcome to bring food to share with the group.

ASIAN STUDENT UNION

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Trivia, science, academics

Wednesdays & Thursdays during Parrot Time, Rm 158 Advisor: Ms. Ghosh

The BPI Maryland Science Olympiad seeks to reconnect students and stem through engaging competitions at the regional, state, and national level.

MARYLAND SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

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Safe space, affinity, support

During Parrot Time, meeting times posted on IG and AllTimely

Advisor: Dr. O'Neill

The Poly GSA is the gender and sexuality alliance, a student club that works to create a school community where all students feel welcome and supported, inclusive of their sexual orientation or gender identity.

POLY'S GENDER SEXUALITY ALLIANCE

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Drawing, painting, creative endeavors.

Tuesdays and Thursdays after school in Room 160

Advisor: Ms. Emberson

The art club serves as a place for both independent and collaborative art, whether it be drawing, painting, sewing, or even architecture. The club is student-led and anyone is welcome to join - no need to sign up.

ART CLUB

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Politics, discussion, debate

Tuesdays 2:55pm-3:40pm, in Ms. Sakmar's room (300)

Advisor: Ms. Sakmar

An open floor for discussion and debate over political and social topics.

POLY POLITICAL PARROTS

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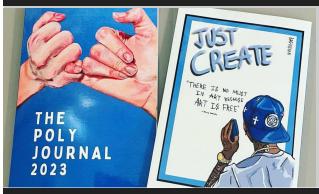
Sexual and reproductive health, advocacy

1-2 times a month with outside activities with the Violet Project Advisor:

The RAY Club is a cohort of JHH's Violet Project. Created by teens, for teens, we seek to create conversations surrounding sexual & reproductive health and break the taboo around said topics. The RAY club aso stocks the bathroom with menstrual hygiene products. Check out their health and wellness website where you can receive menstrual products, condoms, etc. at ZERO COST.

POLY'S RAY/VIOLET CLUB

Violetproject.org IG@ray4poly



Writing, student literary journal, art

Thursdays in Room 223 Advisor: Ms. Serpick

The creative writing club of BPI! A collaborative space for students to write/workshop. The PolyGraphs club creates original poetry, short stories, nonfiction, and artwork. Every year, PolyGraphs publishes the "Poly Journal", which accepts submissions from anyone, even non-club members.

BPI POLYGRAPHS WRITING CLUB

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Innovation, Engineering, Competition Meets at some place and some time. Advisor

We work in teams to build robots using the Vex platform and compete in competitions with other teams. Our members are very supportive and we help newcomers grow and learn.

ROBOTICS CLUB

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Rocketry, space, American Rocketry Competition Every B-day during parrot time in Mr. Powell's Room () Advisor: Mr. Powell

Build rockets! Work together! Compete with schools around the country in the American Rocketry Competition as we aim for the stars!

ASTRONOMICAL PARROTS - POLY'S ROCKETRY CLUB

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Culture, language, inclusivity Room 204 after school Advisor: Sra. O'Neal

"Los Ingenieros" is the Spanish Club at Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, a hub of cultural exploration and language appreciation. Whether a seasoned Spanish speaker or a beginner, everyone is welcome to join and celebrate the richness of Spanish cultures together.

LOS INGENIEROS

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