

# **Concord High School**

# EXTRA CURRICULUM ACTIVITIES

Concord High School has a range of extra curriculum activities to engage students beyond the classroom, enrich their talents and creativity, and enhance and improve their learning. These include:

- · After Hours Tutoring
- · Art Club
- Before & After School Sport (BASS)
- · Chess Club
- Debating/Public Speaking
- Drama Club
- Duke of Edinburgh's International Award
- Enviro Club
- · Games Club
- Instrumental Ensembles
- Math's Club
- Peer Support
- · Lego Robotics Club
- Students of United Pride (SOUP) -LGBTQIA+ Support Group
- · Student Leadership
- Student Representative Council (SRC)
- Student Volunteering
- · Symphonia Jubilate



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#### AFTER HOURS TUTORING

Our After-Hours Tutoring Program provides students with the opportunity to access specialist tutoring in the subject areas of English, Mathematics and Science. Students can choose to receive intensive coaching either individually or in groups of 2 to 3. The After-Hours Tutoring Program endeavours to improve student performance at whatever their current level.

Where: CHS Library

When: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 3 – 4pm & 4 – 5pm

Cost: Individual tuition \$55/hour

2 students per session \$42/hour each 3 students per session \$35/hour each

Co-ordinator: Ms V Au

#### **ART CLUB**

The Art Club helps students to increase their skills and knowledge of the arts and provide a forum for them to further explore their creativity. Students from Years 7-10 who display an interest/exceptional practical skills and commitment to achievement in the Visual Arts who want to participate may apply to the Co-ordinator.

Where: Common 11 (Visual Arts)

When: Tuesday 3-4pm Cost: \$50 per year

Co-ordinator: TBA

# **BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL SPORT**

Concord High School offers a wide variety of sporting activities, before and after school hours. Most activities are conducted by qualified specialist coaches. The program emphasises skill development, fitness and fun participation at all levels as well as providing the opportunity for students to excel in their chosen area of sporting interest.

Where: Concord High School

When: Various times, as per sport chosen Cost: Various, as per sport chosen

Co-ordinator: Ms L Bivona

#### **CHESS CLUB**

The Chess Club is a way for students to apply and develop their strategic thinking and logic skills in a fun environment. The highlight of the year is the School Chess Championship where a trophy is awarded to the Junior, Senior and Overall School Champion.

Where: Library

When: Recess and lunchtime

Cost: Nil

Co-ordinator: Mr T Kim

#### **DEBATING/PUBLIC SPEAKING**

Debating and public speaking opportunities are available at Concord High School and are provided to those students who seek to develop and refine their public speaking skills against high calibre opposition. Debating teams are usually formed by the end of Term 1 after the annual Debating Day. Students who wish to engage in the public speaking competitions can nominate themselves for selection with the Debating and Public Speaking Co-ordinator. Details of competitions and opportunities are published in the School Daily Notices and posted up in the English Common.

Where: Common 4 (English)

When: Term 1 Cost: Nil

Co-ordinator: Ms P Toner

# **DRAMA CLUB**

The Drama Club helps Year 7-10 students increase their performance, communication and interpersonal skills through a range of activities based around creativity, improvisation and collaboration. Develop practical drama skills in a fun and inclusive environment.

Where: Theatrette When: Monday 3-4pm

Cost: Nil Co-ordinator: TBA

# The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award - Australia

The Award is a leading structured (non-formal education) youth development program, empowering all young Australians aged 14-24 to explore their full potential and find their purpose, passion, and place in the world, regardless of their location or circumstance. The Award is a fully inclusive program and has no social, political, or religious affiliations.

Where: TAS & https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/concordhighdukeofedinburgh/duke-of-ed

When: Evening and weekend activities supported by school throughout the year

Cost: \$145 for Bronze Medallion (6 months minimum for completion)

Co-ordinator: Mr L Shepherd

#### **ENVIRO CLUB**

Enviro Club's major goals are to create a sustainable environment, and to expand and regenerate the wildlife corridor along Crane St so that native species can travel safely and have a safe and suitable environment to thrive in. Other initiatives include creating a vertical herb garden, rejuvenating frog ponds, hanging pot plants from demountables, participating in community projects and working bees.

Where: TBA

When: Various meetings will occur throughout the term.

Cost: Nil Co-ordinator: TBA

# **GAMES CLUB**

Games Club runs every Thursday lunchtime in the library computer room. It is an informal group for students to get together and play all sort of games like Jenga, Monopoly Deal, Exploding Kittens, card games, Lego and more! Games club is a great opportunity to have some fun and make new friends. All students are welcome, no sign up needed.

Where: Library Computer Room When: Thursday Lunchtime

Cost: Nil

Co-ordinator: Ms L Tapner

### **INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES**

#### **Concert Band**

Students will have the opportunity to learn and perform repertoire in preparation for community and school-based performances including the Australian School Band and Orchestra Festival (ASBOF), formal assemblies, primary and secondary school outreach workshops and other community events.

Where: Theatrette

When: Tuesday & Thursday morning 7.40-8.40am

Cost: \$300 per year Co-ordinator: Ms J Wells

# Stage Band

Members of the Concert Band will be invited to audition for the Stage Band. Participants rehearse and perform a complex and entertaining jazz repertoire, having the opportunity to perform regularly at community and school performances. Successful candidates will still need to attend rehearsals and peperformances in the Concert Band.

Where: Theatrette

When: Monday morning 7.40 – 8.40am

Cost: No cost, as it is a secondary band (invitation and audition

Co-ordinator: only) Ms V Cesta

# **String Ensemble**

Students have the opportunity to rehearse and perform a variety of music at a number of events including our annual presentation evening, school assemblies, primary school outreach workshops and community events.

Where: Theatrette

When: Wednesday morning 7.40-8.40am

Cost: \$250 per year Co-ordinator: Mr A Mee

# **Chamber Strings**

Members of String Ensemble will be invited to audition for Chamber Strings. Participants have the opportunity to rehearse and perform complex and challenging repertoire from a variety of musical genres. Successful candidates will still need to attend rehearsals and performances in the String Ensemble.

Where: Common 1 (Music)

When: Friday morning 7.40 – 8.40am

Cost: No cost, as it is a secondary band (invitation and audition

Co-ordinator: only) Mr A Mee

#### **Rock Band**

Participants rehearse and perform an entertaining rock repertoire, having the opportunity to perform regularly at community and school performances.

Where: Common 1 (Music)

When: Wednesday morning 7.40-8.40am

Cost: \$250 per year Co-ordinator: Mr A Mee

### **Vocal Ensemble**

Participants rehearse an entertaining repertoire from various genres. Past performances include presentation night, accompanying HSC music students in final exams and various Arts Unit concerts, including In Concert at the Town Hall.

Where: Common 1 (Music)

When: Wednesday afternoon 3.00 – 4.00pm

Cost: \$250 per year Co-ordinator: Ms B Hsiao

# MATHS CLUB

Maths Club is available to all students 7-12. Students are able to come and seek help from teachers for homework or classwork.

Where: Common 6

When: Week A Wednesday Recess and Lunch, Thursday Recess and Friday Lunch

Cost: Week B Monday Recess, Wednesday Lunch and Friday Recess

Co-ordinator: Nil

Ms K Kalachian

#### PEER SUPPORT

Peer Support aims to support the incoming Year 7 students' transition from primary school to high school. Selected Peer Support leaders in Year 10 act as mentors and work with groups of Year 7 students. The groups work through a program of activities that involve developing skills in resilience, assertiveness, decision-making, problem solving and leadership.

Where: Various locations at school

When: Weekly to start and then fortnightly

Cost: Nil

Co-ordinator: Ms T Saleeb

# **LEGO ROBOTICS CLUB**

Concord High School Robotics Club equips students with the skills to design, construct and program fully functional robots. The culmination of this rewarding and engaging team work is to compete in the Robocup Junior and the FIRST Lego League (FLL) competition. Both competitions require teams to compete against one another with the winning team having the opportunity to compete overseas.

Where: Common 6 (Maths)

When: Twice per week at lunchtime

Cost: \$25 per term Co-ordinator: Mr C Breen

# STUDENTS OF UNITED PRIDE (SOUP) - LGBTQIA+ GROUP

Students of United Pride (or SOUP) is Concord High School's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, asexual + lunchtime group. In this group we welcome any students who identify as LGBTQIA+, are questioning and/or are allies - all are welcome! We get together on Friday afternoons to have discussions, play games, do art and craft, and plan for school events like Wear It Purple day. SOUP provides a safe, welcoming space for our rainbow young people to connect, make friends and get involved with celebrating and supporting the LGBTQIA+ community.

Where: Staff Common Room When: Friday lunchtime

Cost: Nil

Co-ordinator: Mr S Morrissey & Ms A Del Duca

#### STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Concord High School is invested in preparing our students to thrive in the future and develop their capabilities to become positive role models and effective leaders in the school and community. We endeavour to provide all year levels with a rich array of opportunities to develop their confidence and skills. As a leader, students will hold a position of responsibility where they will need to act compassionately, fairly and make decisions to suit the needs of the school community. The leadership body at Concord High school will actively listen and inspire others to act in a positive manner and demonstrate positive learning core values: Respect, Responsible and Achieve.

Leadership opportunities include SRC, CAPA Leaders, Technology Leaders, Concordia Class Leaders, Library Monitors, Debating, Sport Leaders, Peer Support, Senior Wellbeing Leaders, House Captains, Prefects and School Captains.

Where: Staff Common Room Fortnightly When: Opportunities throughout the year

Cost: Nil

Co-ordinator: Ms A Peoples

#### **Concordia Class Leader**

Holding an important leadership position within Years 7-10, Concordia Leaders are representatives of their class and year group. Roles and responsibilities throughout their semester of service include supporting peers and teachers, designing/implementing teaching, learning and wellbeing activities and working closely with the Concordia Prefects to promote the school's core PB4L values.

Where: Common 8

When: Fortnightly meeting

Cost: Nil

Co-ordinator: Ms Z Ticehurst

# **Senior Wellbeing Team**

This team is comprised of Year 11 and 12 students who work closely with the Head Teacher Welfare to develop a sense of harmony, acceptance and overall wellbeing for all students. Students develop ideas and work together to implement strategies to build and sustain the wellbeing of the whole school community.

Where: Senior Learning Centre

When: Weekly Cost: Nil

Co-ordinator: Mrs F Milligan

# **Prefect Body**

These students hold a senior leadership position within the student body and are positive role models, having an outstanding history of performance and contribution. Positions include School Captains/ Vice Captains, Sports Prefect, Concordia Prefect, Student Voice Prefect, CAPA Prefect and Enrichment Prefects, Inclusive Community Prefect.

Where: Common 5 When: Fortnightly

Cost: Nil

Co-ordinator: Ms A Peoples

# STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC)

Becoming a member of the Student Representative Council allows students from Years 7-12 to develop skills in leadership, initiative, teamwork and community service. Students are elected into the SRC annually by their peers. The SRC meets weekly to discuss issues of concern from the student body and to organise fundraising.

Where: Common 7
When: Weekly
Cost: Nil
Co-ordinator: Mr T Kim

#### STUDENT VOLUNTEERING

A variety of opportunities are provided for Year 7-12 students, designed to promote strong social networks where students learn the importance of doing things to benefit others such as helping, caring, sharing, donating and volunteering. Students who successfully participate are able to develop an array of experiences which can be used in early entry and scholarship applications in Year 12.

Where: TBA
When: All year
Cost: Nil
Co-ordinator: TBA

# **SYMPHONIA JUBILATE**

Symphonia Jubilate is an outstandingly high-quality orchestral program catering for advanced music students from local public schools, including ours. Concord High is now affiliated with the orchestra so that more of our talented musicians can benefit from this extra-curricular opportunity. Enrolment form details are available from the Music Department.