Addison Trail High School
Clubs and Activities

Listed Alphabetically
Academic Bowl Team

Eligibility Requirements
You must be a student of good academic standing

Time Commitment
Multiple monthly practices

Procedure for joining
Contact Mr. Bauers in the Math Department or Mr. Jackson in the Science Department

Description
Academic Team is an IHSA sponsored activity open to all four grades (JV and Varsity teams). Teams are asked questions that cover all areas of curriculum, current events and miscellaneous trivia. Approximately seven conference matches are held during the regular season. If you have a well-rounded knowledge base, this is the club for you!

Activity Time Period
September through March

Location
Room 237

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Mr. Jackson........................................Science
Ms. Bonk........................................Science

Art Club

Eligibility Requirements
Come to the meetings

Time Commitment
Each Monday from 3:15 to 4:30 after school

Procedure for Joining
Attend, sign in, and submit dues. There is no penalty for missing a meeting or joining late. No cuts are ever made – allowances are made for in-season activities.

Description
Art Club is dedicated to students who love to create. Activities include drawing, painting, photography, jewelry making, and crafts. Art Club is responsible for mural requests around the building. Also included is the Blue Fuzzball Comic Club for cartooning enthusiasts.

Activity Time Period
September – May

Location
Art Room 138

Fees
$5 dues

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Mr. Hockensmith........................................Art
As Is Club

Eligibility Requirements
All Addison Trail students are eligible, you do NOT need to be LGBTQQ to join AS IS!

Time Commitment
1 hour 30 minutes every two weeks, plus volunteer opportunities

Procedures for Joining
Come to a meeting or e-mail Mr. Budler

Description of Club
AS IS is the Addison Trail LGBTQQ organization dedicated to addressing topics relevant to the community, and promoting educational initiatives to help the general public better understand the needs of LGBTQQ students. It is a safe place of mutual tolerance and respect. Every meeting addresses a new topic, so that NEW MEMBERS can join at any time.

Activity Time Period
3:15 to 4:30

Location
Room 332

Fees
No Fees

Membership Limit
No Limit

Sponsor
Mr. Budler......................................................English

ATtribute

Eligibility Requirements
Sophomore standing and B average in English; recommendation from English teacher

Time Commitment
One period each day; sometimes after school and on weekends

Procedure for Joining
Tell your counselor when scheduling your classes in the spring

Description
Attribute, Addison Trail’s yearbook, meets daily under the direction of a faculty advisor. The yearbook sells more than 1,400 copies each year and is published in the spring. Using computer technology, students creatively record the story of each school year – socially, athletically, and academically (1/2 credit each semester).

Activity Time Period
School year

Location
English office

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
Class size

Sponsor
Ms. Clark............................................................English
Best Buddies

Eligibility Requirements
You must be a student of good academic standing

Time Commitment
1 Monthly Chapter Meeting/ 1 Event
Peer Buddies require additional commitments.

Procedure for Joining
Come to the informational meeting in the fall. Fill out online application.

Description
The mission of Best Buddies is to enhance the lives of people who have an intellectual disability. Students are paired with a student from special education to participate in social activities on their own and with the club. Everyone benefits from making someone else happy and getting to know someone different from himself or herself.

Activity Time Period
Varies, approximately one activity per month

Location
Varies

Estimated Fees
Varies, but activities are not expensive

Membership Limit
Unlimited

Sponsors
Ms. Sokolowski..........................Special Education
Ms. Hochheimer..........................Special Education

Black Student Union (BSU)

Eligibility Requirements
You must be a student of good academic standing

Time Commitment
Bi-Monthly Meetings

Procedure for Joining
Contact Ms. Ransom in the English Dept.

Description
The Black Student Union (BSU) is a diverse student organization, welcoming anyone and everyone to join their family, act as a voice for the black community and help promote equality and diversity around Addison Trail High School.

Activity Time Period
August – May

Location
To be announced

Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Ms. Ransom .................................English
Blazer Ambassadors

Eligibility Requirements
Must be a sophomore, junior, or senior

Time Commitment
Minimum of three summer meetings, freshman orientation and registration days, monthly meetings during the school year

Procedure for Joining
Attend meetings in the spring

Description
This group of upper classmen act as role models for the incoming freshmen. They help with freshman orientation and registration, and help answer any and all questions they might have about high school. A positive attitude and high energy level is a must to be in this group!

Activity Time Period
Year-round, most work done in the summer and fall

Location
ATHS

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Ms. Miller...........................................English
Ms. Sutton.........................................English
Ms. Wojcik...........................................Math
Ms. Niewinski.................................Administration

Blazettes (Poms)

Eligibility Requirements
Must be passing four major subjects with a “C” average and physical education in order to try out and remain eligible for performances

Time Commitment
Practices are held three times a week; performances include home athletic contests (soccer, football, basketball) and competition. The squad also works on fundraising and promotional activities for the school.

Procedure for Joining
Tryouts are held in the spring and winter

Description
The Blazettes are the poms squad at Addison Trail. These students perform at home football, soccer and basketball games, and also perform at a major competition during the school year. The Blazettes are also involved in various community events.

Activity Time Period
August – March

Location
Varies

Estimated Fees
TBA

Membership Limit
The number on the squad is flexible.

Sponsors
Ms. Irvin............................................Principal’s Office
Ms. Morales (Fall)..............................Special Education
Ms. Spilotro (Winter).........................World Language
Book Club

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
Monthly Meetings

Procedure for Joining
Sign up at a meeting

Description
Book Club is a group of students who meet once a month to discuss a book they've all read. Club members vote on which books will be read at the beginning of the year. One book is read each month, and then the club meets to talk about what they've read. In addition to our monthly discussions, we also have movie nights and we volunteer at the library for story hour. We welcome all Addison Trail students who love to read!

Activity Time Period
September through May

Location
Room TBA

Estimated Fees
None, but everyone must participate in fundraising

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Ms. Phillips.........................................Literacy

Business Professionals of America (BPA)

Eligibility Requirements
Student must be enrolled in an elective Business class for at least one semester of the current school year.

Time Commitment
Meetings are held before or after school at least once a month. Individual contest preparation meetings are held on a contest specific basis – approximately twice per month per contest.

Procedure for Joining
Ask a CTE--Business Education teacher in the fall. Membership dues are due to the national and state organization by November 1 and must be paid by the student member in mid October.

Description
Student members of BPA participate in area, state, and national business related contests. Contest examples include some of the following: Accounting (Fundamental, Payroll), Banking & Finance, Speeches, Interviewing, and Technology related (programming, Microsoft Word, Excel, Access), Graphic Design, Entrepreneurship, etc. They organize the school-wide Toys for Tots Holiday Charity Drive. Members elect local, area, and state officers to represent the organization. Social activities include but are not limited to an end-of-the-year picnic and trip to a baseball game. Charity projects include Special Olympics, Toys for Tots, and others.

Activity Time Period
Most meetings are held in the morning or after school. Area, state, and national activities require time beyond the school day.

Estimated Fees
Membership dues are approximately $35 to cover Area, State, and National organization membership

Membership Limit
Membership is limited to students enrolled in at least one semester of a business course.

Sponsors
Mr. Laschinski.......................................CTE – Business
Mr. Mahoney...........................................CTE – Business
**Cheerleading**

**Eligibility Requirements**
Same as athletic eligibility, must maintain a C average

**Time Commitment**
Approximately 3 practices and 1-2 games per week (total = approx. 14 hours a week)

**Procedure for Joining**
Tryouts are held in the spring for the following school year

**Description**
The cheerleaders are perhaps the most highly visible organization in the school since they are tied so closely into promoting school spirit. In addition to supporting all school athletic teams, the cheerleaders are also involved in school and community functions as well as competition.

**Activity Time Period**
Summer – beginning of March

**Location**
South Gym

**Estimated Fees**
Presented at informational meeting before try-outs

**Membership Limit**
No limit

**Sponsor**
Ms. Gomez.................................Out of Building

**CIMA**

**Eligibility Requirements**
None

**Time Commitment**
Meetings are held once a week for one hour

**Procedure for Joining**
Talk to an adult or student currently involved with CIMA; for formal membership, student must complete an essay.

**Description**
Interactions range from group discussions, one on one discussion with a sponsor, consulting with any party involved with student issues including student, teacher, dean, counselor and parent. Social skills deficits, lack of self-confidence as well as other personal struggles are also addressed by the students participating in open gym and outdoor educational activities.

**Activity Time Period**
School year

**Location**
Meetings are held in room 108

**Estimated Fees**
None

**Membership Limit**
None

**Sponsor**
Mr. Vega............................................ Special Education
Class Officers

Eligibility Requirements
Class officers must be Student Council members.
Must have a 3.0 GPA or better.

Time Commitment
Meetings are held once a month, and/or as needed.

Procedure for Joining
Class officers are elected by their peers. Elections are held around Homecoming week (note: Sophomore class officers are not re-elected as junior/senior class officers – the sophomores will carry over into junior and senior year).

Description
Each class has duties, as listed below, to serve as a leadership team for their class:
Freshmen: Fundraising as needed, community service project
Sophomore: Begin planning prom, fundraising
Junior: Prom planning, fundraising
Senior: Senior Brunch

Activity Time Period
August – May

Location
TBA

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
12 - 15 officers per class

Sponsors
Class of 2020 – Ms. J. Murphy (SpEd), Ms. Severino (SpEd)
Class of 2021 – Ms. Pierropoulos (Literacy)
Class of 2022 – Ms. Kowalski (CTE-FACS), Ms. Zaccaro (SpEd)
Class of 2023 - Ms Woodbury (WL), Ms. Kalic (SpEd)

Debate

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
Meetings are held every week

Procedure for Joining
Attend a meeting

Description
Debate Team is a group of students who participate in mock debates that are modeled after U.S. Congress. Tournaments are scheduled once a month and our team competes against 20-25 schools. In addition, the team participates in fundraisers and supports charitable events.

Activity Time Period
August - April

Location
Meetings in room 306; tournaments vary

Estimated Fees
Snack money, lunch money for tournaments, and expenses for overnight trips.

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Mr. Maaske...........................................CTE-Business
DECA

Eligibility Requirements
Student must be enrolled in an elective Business class for at least one semester of the current school year.

Time Commitment
Meetings are held before school about once a month. Contest preparation meetings are held on a specific basis based on the contest.

Procedure for Joining
Ask a Business Education teacher in the fall. Membership dues are due to the area, state, and national organization by November 1.

Description
DECA is an association of marketing students. Students can attend leadership conferences and participate in area, state, and international contests. DECA’s mission is to enhance the education of students with interests in marketing, management, and entrepreneurship. DECA helps students develop skills and competence for marketing careers, build self-esteem, experience leadership and practice community involvement.

Activity Time Period
Meetings start in September; Competitions are from January to May (Sectionals are in January; State Competition in February or March; Nationals in April or May).

Location
Varies

Estimated Fees
Membership dues are approximately $35 to cover area, state, and national organization membership.

Membership Limit
Membership is limited to students enrolled in at least one semester of a business course.

Sponsors
Mr. Laschinski..............................CTE - Business
Mr. Mahoney.................................CTE - Business

Energy Rush (Dance Club)

Eligibility Requirements
None - This club consists of Males and Females. There are no try-outs.

Time Commitment
Approximately two practices per week from 3:15-4:20 p.m.

Procedure for Joining
Attend a practice

Description
Energy Rush is a hip-hop & reggaeton dance club that performs at various school events during the year.

Activity Time Period
This club is active during the entire school year.

Location
Student Cafeteria/TBA

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None - (Club needs a minimum of 15 in order to run)

Sponsor
Ms. Favela...........................................Guidance Office
Environmental Club
(S.M.I.L.E.)

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
Meetings held on a monthly basis

Procedure for Joining
Attend a meeting

Description
Environmental Club is a club designed for students who are interested in caring for the environment. We do various activities, including cleaning up the nature center, helping Addison Trail recycle, taking field trips, making recycled ornaments, sponsoring Green Week (Earth Day) and figuring out ways to be more energy efficient.

Activity Time Period
September - May

Location
TBA, listen for announcements and look for signs

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Mr. Fernandez ...............................................................Science
Ms. Rivera.................................................................Science

FCCLA

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
Meetings twice per month

Procedure for Joining
Sign up at the first meeting

Description
Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America is an effective and dynamic national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work and societal issues through family and consumer sciences education. FCCLA offers students interested in fashion, child development and foods related areas the opportunity to participate in local, regional, and state projects.

Activity Time Period
September – May

Location
Family and Consumer Education Department

Estimated Fees
TBA

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Ms. Marzec............CTE - Family & Consumer Sciences
Flags & Batons

Eligibility Requirements
Open to all Freshmen through Seniors via audition

Time Commitment
Practices: Tuesday and Thursday nights in June and early July; Band Camp during the first week in August; Wednesday nights in August thru October; Monday and Wednesday nights in January and early February.
Performances: Home Football Games, Fine Arts Showcase, Parades, and one home Basketball Game

Procedure for Joining
Tryouts will be held in May for the upcoming school year.

Description
The Flag & Baton Corps is comprised of students who twirl flags and batons with the marching band during marching band performances, home football game, and at halftime of home basketball games. Members of the flag and baton corps practice on Wednesday nights and some Monday nights. Students who audition to be flag & baton members do not need to be in the band.

Activity Time Period
August - October and January - February

Location
Band Room

Estimated Fees
$50 for uniform, shoes, and gloves

Membership Limit
20

Sponsors
Ms. Corey...........................................Music/Out of school
Ms. Murphy.......................................Music/Out of school

German Club

Eligibility Requirements
Open to all Freshman students and German 1-4 takers.

Time Commitment
Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Procedure for Joining
Join us for a meeting.

Description
The German Club offers students the opportunity to enrich their understanding of German culture. The club meets all year, at least once a month, and participates in after school cultural field trips. The German Club also offers students to be part of the GAPP (German American Partnership Program) exchange, which is an adjunct to the German language curriculum and offers students the opportunity to host and visit a student from Helmholtzschule Gymnasium Frankfurt.

Activity Time Period
September - May

Location
305

Estimated Fees
$5

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Ms. Woodbury.................................World Language
Horticulture Club

Eligibility Requirements
This club is an extension of the Horticulture class.

Time Commitment
One period per school day/occasional after school activities

Procedure for Joining
Talk to your counselor in the spring to sign up for the class

Description
Keeping things blooming and green is the responsibility of the Horticulture Club. The club sponsors flower sales throughout the year and attends various flower judging contests sponsored by the Future Farmers of America. The club is an extension of the classroom designed to get more people interested and informed about horticulture.

Activity Time Period
School year

Location
Room 235/greenhouse

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Ms. Grossart.................................Science

Interact

Eligibility Requirements
None – willing to participate and do community service

Time Commitment
At least once a month, twice for PADS Homeless shelter

Procedure for Joining
Talk to sponsors

Description
Interact works with the Addison Rotary and we are committed to work with the community in many different ways. Examples are PADS Homeless shelter, and Salt Creek clean-up.

Activity Time Period
All school year

Location
Meetings in the Blazer Room

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Mr. deLeon...........................................Social Worker
Ms. Sychta.................................Social Studies
International Club

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
One meeting per month

Procedure for Joining
Come to the meetings

Description
Because we live in a pluralistic society, the International Club provides enrichment for students interested in knowing and celebrating their own and other cultures. The club attends field trips, dines in ethnic restaurants, and participates in the week-long International Fest Celebration. Knowledge of a foreign language is NOT required.

Activity Time Period
August – May

Location
Room 219

Estimated Fees
Varies

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Ms. Ariano................................................Literacy
Ms. Pierropoulos .........................................LSC

International Dance

Eligibility Requirements
Must fill out athletic eligibility

Time Commitment
After school practice at least once a week; dress and tech rehearsals leading up to the show; a school assembly during two periods; Friday evening performance for the public; occasional community events; fundraising

Procedure for Joining
Come to the first meeting, find five other students to dance with

Description
International Dancers is a group of students of various cultures and ethnic backgrounds that practice and perform dances. Costumes, music, and props add to the experience. This club, which celebrates the rich diversity at Addison Trail, performs in the community and during International Fest.

Activity Time Period
August – May

Location
Cafeteria

Estimated Fees
Fundraising to cover costumes

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Mr. Serrano.................................................Social Studies
Ms. Delgado.................................................District Office
International Thespian Society

Eligibility Requirements
Students must participate in three consecutive productions for a minimum of 10 hours per production. Throughout the year, they must participate for at least 150 hours, 40 of which must be crew.

Time Commitment
Minimum of 150 hours, 40 of which must be crew.

Procedure for Joining
Only students who meet the requirements are invited to this honor society.

Description
The International Thespian Society is the Educational Theatre Association’s student honorary organization. ITS recognizes the achievements of high school theatre students. Since 1929, EdTA has inducted more than 2 million Thespians into ITS. That number continues to grow, with more than 36,000 students from around the country being inducted every year.

Activity Time Period
September – May

Location
Auditorium and Black Box

Estimated Fees
$5 dues

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Ms. McSweeney...........................................English
Mr. Mitchell..................................................Math

Italian Club

Eligibility Requirements
A passion to learn more about the Italian culture and a positive attitude! :)

Time Commitment
Meetings are held once a month

Procedure for Joining
Go to a meeting; sign up throughout the year.

Description
The Italian Club is open to all Addison Trail students. The first meeting in September is our big sign up. We do various activities, including movie nights, fund-raisers, and things that revolve around Italy and the Italian language!

Activity Time Period
September - May

Location
Italian classrooms, 3rd floor

Membership Limit
None – but must be an active member to participate!

Sponsors
Ms. Spilotro..............................................World Language
Ms. Calo....................................................World Language
Eligibility Requirements
A willingness to help others and participate in service projects.

Time Commitment
Varies to when a student can volunteer – students can participate in as many or as few service projects as they want but must complete 10 hours of service every semester. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month.

Procedure for Joining
Students can sign up throughout the year.

Description
The Kiwanis Key Club is part of a worldwide network dedicated to helping people. The club performs service projects both in the school and in the community. School projects include Homecoming Hallway decorations, organizing the school-wide Holiday Food Drive, and assisting with the Senior Luncheon. Community projects include visits to the PADS homeless shelter in Itasca, Giving Tree and Toys for Tots during the holidays, Peanut Day, many projects associated with the Humanitarian Service Project of DuPage County, and volunteering at the Special Olympics in May.

Activity Time Period
August – May

Location
Meetings in the student café

Estimated fees
$20 to join

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Ms. Giertz....................................................... P.E.
Ms. Grady.......................................................Guidance

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
3:15 – 4:15 p.m. bi-weekly

Procedure for Joining
Consistently attend meetings

Description
Objective/Goal: To provide support and on-going motivational clinics in an effort to see that members gain confidence in themselves and realize their true potential. In addition, members will learn how rewarding giving can be. During meetings girls will discuss issues affecting today’s youth and ways to cope with difficult situations

Activity Time Period
August - May

Location
Varies, depending on activity; sign up via “Remind Me” to get updates about meeting locations

Estimated Fees
Minimal costs for field trips, food.

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Ms. Gomez-Moran.....................Achieve Social Worker
Ms. Riopell.........................Achieve Behavior Interventionist
Lettermen’s Club

Eligibility Requirements
Must have a varsity letter

Time Commitment
Participation in club activities

Procedure for Joining
Attend meetings, fundraise

Description
Lettermen’s Club is an honorary organization open to all varsity letter winners. The club assists with various school functions and community service activities. Some highlights include the annual group outing, organizing Pack-the-Place night, Letterman’s Club Spirit Week and organizing Senior Take Over Day.

Activity Time Period
School Year

Location
Varies

Estimated Fees
None; Fundraising required

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Mr. Andrews……………………District Office
Ms. Kalic…………………………..Special Ed.

Model UN

Eligibility Requirements
Any student interested

Time Commitment
Approximately one weekend and 5-10 meetings after school throughout the year

Procedure for Joining
Attend the first meeting of the year

Description
Model United Nations is a simulation of the United Nations. Students assume the roles of delegates from various countries and try to resolve international problems while representing the views of their assigned country. If you like the challenge of matching wits with other students, Model UN provides an opportunity to meet and work with a wide variety of students from other schools. A three day field trip is an integral part of the program.

Activity Time Period
Runs all school year, depending on the date of the conferences.

Location
School, location of conference

Estimated Fees
Approximately $50 per conference

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Mr. Donaldson……………………..Social Studies
**N.H.S.**
(National Honor Society)

**Eligibility Requirements**
Invitations are extended to junior and senior students with a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

**Time Commitment**
Monthly meetings, 10 hour per semester service hour requirement

**Procedure for Joining**
Juniors and seniors who meet the scholarship criteria will be sent a letter in the fall detailing the formal process for membership consideration. The process involves completing an information sheet that documents evidence of the selection criteria as well as a one-page essay. Admittance is based on approval by a committee which considers student performance in school and community.

**Description**
NHS is the nation’s premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students. We are extremely proud of the quality of the membership we have maintained here at Addison Trail and the contributions they have brought to the school and community. It is important to note that membership in NHS is based on more than scholarship alone. Each chapter establishes criteria for membership that are based on a student’s outstanding performance in scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

**Activity Time Period**
August – June

**Location**
Monthly meetings in the Auditorium

**Estimated Fees**
One time collection of $10

**Membership Limit**
None

**Sponsors**
Ms. Bonk.........................................................Science
Mr. Lindgren.......................................................Science

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**Orchesis**

**Eligibility Requirements**
Any male or female in 9th-12th grade

**Time Commitment**
First semester – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:15-5:45 pm, home football games, and other various community events. Second semester – Monday – Friday, 3:15-6pm and some Saturdays

**Procedure for Joining**
Auditions occur in the spring

**Description**
Orchesis is a year-round club that performs at a number of school and community functions throughout the year. We are a demanding club that expects its members to be responsible, dedicated and enthusiastic to the art of dance and academics. Members learn new modes of dance and participate in a dance production designed by the students. The main show in the spring features jazz, ballet, tap and hip-hop dances, choreographed by the students. Orchesis auditions take place in the spring and are open to any student who is interested in dance.

**Activity Time Period**
Year Round

**Location**
Dance gym or auditorium

**Estimated Fees**
Approximately $200

**Membership Limit**
Determined at time of auditions

**Sponsors**
Ms. Cescolini-Boyer.................................Social Studies
Ms. Shannon Le..................................................Science
Pay It Forward

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
Attend meetings once per week, beginning in October; attend Pay It Forward Event in February.

Procedure for Joining
Attend the first informational meeting

Description
Pay It Forward is a program that helps incoming freshmen learn about life at Addison Trail. Eighth graders are invited to spend the day at Addison Trail doing various leadership activities, hearing and meeting new people. AT students are mentors to the eighth graders and help them learn about what high school is like.

Activity Time Period
October – March

Location
Varies

Estimated Fees
$25 for the day

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Mr. Andrews............................District Office
Mr. deLeon..............................Social Worker

Philosophy Club

Eligibility Requirements
All AT students grades 9-12

Time Commitment
3:15 on alternating Thursdays

Procedure for Joining
Attend meetings

Description
Students learn about introductory philosophy including ethics, epistemology, and logic. Topics are chosen by the students and presented by the student officers in the group. What is the difference between good and evil? What gives meaning to our lives? Come to Philosophy Club and find out!

Activity Time Period
School year

Location
Room 332

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Mr. Budler......................................English
Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
2-4 hours a month

Procedure for Joining
Talk to the Sponsor

Description
All that is required is an interest in Psychology! We meet on a regular basis, and we ask that you attend those meetings. Various field trips, fundraisers, and activities will be held within the club.

Activity Time Period
Location
Room 350

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Mr. Bazant...........................................Social Studies

Science Club

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
1 and ½ hours every other week

Procedure for Joining
Come to the first meeting of the year

Description
We do various activities that relate to scientific concepts.

Activity Time Period
School year

Location
Science Classrooms

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Ms. Erwin...........................................Science
Mr. Nelson..........................................Science
Science Olympiad

Eligibility Requirements
Must be able to attend Regional Competition

Time Commitment
2 times per week, 1.5 – 2 hours per meeting; competitions

Procedure for Joining
Sign up at a meeting

Description
Prepare to compete in 3 out of 23 science related events. Some involve gaining knowledge about a specific topic like ‘weather’ or ‘cells’, some involve learning some skills like writing directions or chemistry lab skills and some involve building devices like bridges or robots.

Activity Time Period
September - May

Location
Science classrooms

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Ms. Sullivan..................................Science
Mr. Nelson ....................................Science

Shades of Blue

Eligibility Requirements
Advanced voice and sight-reading skills are required. Both men and women are in this ensemble. Must be enrolled in choir.

Time Commitment
After school one day a week 3:00 - 3:45 and concerts and performances around Chicago and vicinity throughout the year

Procedure for Joining
Auditions for this group are held in January

Description
This is an elite choral ensemble made up of the best singers at Addison Trail. Throughout the year, the group focuses on vocal jazz. Singers learn jazz/pop vocal technique and blend, and work on correct microphone technique. Students perform both a capella music and music with the Shades of Blue jazz combo.

Activity Time Period
August – May

Location
Room 178 – Choir Room

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
16 singers, 4 piece combo (piano, drums, guitar, bass)

Sponsor
Mr. Nellessen.................................Music
Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
Meetings are held once a month in August, September, and October. Meetings are then weekly until the written competition in February.

Procedure for Joining
Attend meetings in the fall or see Mr. Santini

Description
Skills USA is a club that focuses on job related skills and competition in the areas of Photography, Automotive, Welding, TV Production, Woodworking, Graphics, and much more. Students take a written test in February to qualify for the state finals in April. The state series is a hands-on competition against the best students in the state. Students can win scholarships, prizes, and industry recognition.

Activity Time Period
August - May

Location
Auto Shop

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Mr. Santini………………….CTE-Industry and Technology

Eligibility Requirements
Students must be enrolled in our Special Education program

Time Commitment
Varies depending season (Winter and Spring)

Procedure for Joining
Sign up at first announced meeting

Description
This club provides athletic opportunities to students within our special education program to participate in various sports at a competitive level both local and state.

Activity Time Period
Varies

Location
Varies, some away games, some home games

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
None

Sponsors
Ms. Sokolowski ..................Special Education
Ms. Morales..........................Special Education
Student Council

Eligibility Requirements
Students must get a petition signed by 25 fellow students, three teacher recommendations, answer a leadership question, and have a 2.5 cumulative GPA.

Time Commitment
Meetings are held once per month; members are required to attend many Student Council-sponsored events throughout the school year.

Procedure for Joining
See eligibility requirements.

Description
Student Council is the student body government that has a major voice in school functions. Members work on various projects throughout the school year. Homecoming, Turnabout, service projects, and Mr. AT are just a few events that Student Council runs.

Activity Time Period
August – May; occasional summer meetings.

Location
Meetings held in the Main Gym.

Estimated Fees
None.

Membership Limit
None.

Sponsors
Ms. D’Ambrose.................................P.E.
Mr. Perusich.................................English.

Theatre Club

Eligibility Requirements
Interest in acting, building, and designing plays and musicals.

Time Commitment
Monthly meetings are the first Tuesday of every month; crew meets 3-4 times a week; rehearsals are after school and Saturdays.

Procedure for Joining
Sign up at a meeting.

Description
This group is the organizational backbone of the school drama program. All students involved in drama productions are urged to participate in Drama Club. Meetings will announce upcoming Theatre events, and create committees for different activities. Occasionally these meetings will also have guest speakers and performances. Students in Drama Club accumulate the hours they participate in each of the three main productions of the year to earn Varsity Numerals and Letters as well as possible membership in our International Thespian Society Troupe 1498, the Theatre Honor Organization.

Activity Time Period
August - May.

Location
Auditorium and Black Box.

Estimated Fees
$5.00 membership dues.

Membership Limit
None.

Sponsors
Ms. McSweeney..................................English.
Mr. Mitchell.....................................Math.
Torch – School Newspaper

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
One class period per day

Procedure for Joining
Talk to your counselor in the spring to sign up for the class

Description
Torch offers students an opportunity to practice the skills of journalism and communication. These skills are necessary for success in life. The paper has received first class ratings from several major scholastic press associations and has received the Silver Crown from Columbia University, New York (1/2 credit per semester).

Activity Time Period
School year

Location
English Classroom

Estimated Fees
None

Membership Limit
TBA

Sponsor
Mr. Bruns.............................................English

Tri-M Music Honor Society

Eligibility Requirements
Must be involved in the music program; see Mr. Corey for details

Time Commitment
Monthly meetings

Procedure for Joining
Students must be involved in the music program for at least one semester and display excellent character, good attitude toward teachers and fellow students and must maintain for the previous semester at least a “B” grade or equivalent in music, with at least a “C” average in other academic subjects. The chapter sponsor shall select candidates for membership, and these candidates shall complete the application process.

Description
Tri-M is a Music Honor Society that connects high school music students all over the nation. By becoming a member, you will have access to scholarships, information and exciting opportunities through the Music Educators National Conference. This kind of recognition is a great asset to have on future college applications and resumes.

Activity Time Period
August – May

Location
Music Wing

Estimated Fees
$20

Sponsor
Ms. Boisse..................................................Music
UNICEF Club

Eligibility Requirements
None

Time Commitment
Monthly meetings

Procedure for Joining
Members can join by attending the first meeting in August.

Description
UNICEF club is an International Organization that aims to advocate, educate, and fund-raise to help children throughout the world. Enrollment in the club is open to all students at Addison Trail High School.

Activity Time Period
August – May

Location
TBA

Estimated Fees
None; members may purchase t-shirts.

Membership Limit
None

Sponsor
Ms. Trapani.............................Social Studies

Youth in Government

Eligibility Requirements
Must be in at least 10th grade

Time Commitment
Several meetings after school; two pre-legislative sessions (one Friday night; one Saturday); three day weekend in March

Procedure for Joining
Turn in forms and first payment by September deadline

Description
This is a simulation of the Illinois General Assembly. Students form bill groups, write proposed legislation, run for elected office, and convince students from other schools to pass their proposals. The activity culminates in sessions in Springfield when students use the actual chambers of the Illinois Senate and House of Representatives.

Activity Time Period
Several meetings and outside work from September through December; one or two meetings from February – March; three day weekend in March

Location
To be announced

Estimated Fees
$300

Membership Limit
Quota system set up by the state office of Youth in Government – probably 20

Sponsor
Ms. Cescolini-Boyer.....................Social Studies
Clubs in Temporary Status

Clubs in temporary status mean that the club is not an official club of Addison Trail High School, but the club’s members are working towards that goal. This is a student run club, and their work with the club sponsor may lead to official status in the AT Clubs registry. Members should be meeting on a consistent basis, and documenting the meeting with official minutes. See the sponsors listed for information on how to join.

Blazers Voice
Mr. Budler ............................................ (English)

ESports Club
Mr. Cole .................................................. (Guidance)

Mock Trial
Mr. Lyons...................................................(Social Studies)

Muslim Student Association
Mr. Hernandez ................................. (Social Studies)