

# 2025-2026

## CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS

### LEADERSHIP/SERVICE

**Future Educators of America (FEA):** FEA has become Educators Rising. Educators Rising is a co-curricular program with Teaching Professions Academy that allows students opportunities to go beyond the classroom to experience various aspects of education. They compete at state and national levels in areas like lesson planning, public speaking, researching learning disabilities, children's literature, and many more. The Ed Rising Conferences, apart from just competitions, provide students with opportunities to network with people all over the state and country and attend breakout sessions on many different topics in education. Students can also run for state and national officer positions and apply for scholarship opportunities. **Advisor: Rebecca Rowe**

**Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA):** The mission of FBLA is to prepare students for careers in business and business-related fields. FBLA provides students with opportunities in career preparation, to receive scholarships, compete in competitive events, and networking events. **Advisor: Kevin Hoover**

**Key Club:** This club is a service organization sponsored by Anderson Hills Kiwanis. Members may choose to become involved with a number of projects such as: helping the elderly, collecting canned goods, volunteering at Beech Acres and St. Rita School for the Deaf Haunted House. Other activities involve Amnesty International and the Red Cross. The opportunities are many and varied. **Advisor: Amy McKiddy/Sarah Wood**

**Link Crew:** Freshman Transition Program. See Mr. Granger or Mr. Loebker for more details about how to be a Link Crew mentor. **Advisors: Brett Granger/Joey Loebker**

**Magnified Giving:** Is a Midwest based, not-for-profit (501 c 3), and educational organization, located in Cincinnati, Ohio. Our mission is to educate, inspire and engage students in philanthropy, and to touch the hearts and minds of teens, lighten the concerns of others, and magnify the impact of philanthropy. **Advisor: Brad Suder**

**National Honor Society (NHS):** Juniors and seniors with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher are eligible to be considered for membership. Students are selected based on scholarship, leadership, character and service. Refer to the Turpin High School Parent/Student Handbook for a complete listing of the criteria and procedure used for NHS Membership selection. **Advisor: Elena Polivka**

**Peer Tutoring:** Following a recommendation from a teacher, students can tutor fellow students who need extra help with their coursework. Students may choose to identify the grade and/or subject preference. **Advisor: Carrie Urshel**

**Student Council:** Students in grades 9 through 12 organize and participate in fundraisers, school dances, and community service projects. Specific events include the Winter Formal, a project with Washington Park Elementary School, Pen Pal programs, exchange days with other high schools and Hamilton County Youth Conference and State Conference for Student Council. Officials are elected but all students are encouraged to join and become involved in activities. Meetings are every other Wednesday. **Advisor: Amelia Mainzer**

## FINE ARTS

**Drama Club/Musical:** Members are involved in a creative production artistically, technically, or in the direction of the performance. Events include plays, musicals, Thespian Society and fundraisers. Meetings and auditions vary so listen for announcements and visit their website [www.turpintheatre.com](http://www.turpintheatre.com). **Advisor: Joey Loebker**

**Jazz Band:** This is for students who are interested in performing the genre of jazz music. We perform many different styles of jazz, as well as learn about the rich history and famous performers in the different jazz eras. The Turpin Jazz Ensemble is treated as an advanced audition group. We start in the fall and continue throughout the rest of the school year, while performing in several concerts, events, and jazz festivals in the Cincinnati area.

**Advisor: Steven Funke**

**Digital Art and Animation Club:** **Advisor: Melissa Sand**

## ACADEMICS

**Academic Quiz Team:** This is a lettered sport activity that participates in regular competition within its own league as well as other contests. The team is eligible to participate in the OAC tournaments in the spring by winning in a tournament of eight or more teams. Turpin hosts an invitational in January. **Advisor: Carmen Venditto**

**Chemistry Club:** **Advisor: Gayle Garza**

**German Club:** **Advisor: Nick Stoller**

**Latin Club:** Students learn about the Latin culture and language. **Advisor: Annamarie Daly**

**Mandarin Club:** Enrichment of Chinese culture within Turpin. **Advisor: Ling Zhang**

**Math Club:** **Advisor: Andrea Cooper**

**Mock Trial:** With the help of a local lawyer, students interested in the law prepare a legal case and compete with students from other area high schools. **Advisor: Sandra Dunstan-Hoover**

**Spanish Club:** Gives students a chance to get together to practice speaking Spanish through other fun activities. **Advisor: Laura Martinez**

**Turpin Robotics Team:** The team designs, builds, and programs a robot based on the VEX V5 Challenge competition. Students also get into computer-aided design, the engineering design process, and game theory. We also have a non-competitive half called the "showcase team." Students a part of that team create activities and challenges that we use when we go to younger schools and local events. **Advisor: Nicole Shin**

## ADDITIONAL CLUBS

**Book Club:** Advisor: Mindy Trujillo

**Chess Club:** To inform and teach students how to play chess. **Advisor: Annamarie Daly**

**Climbing Club:** Advisor: Joey Loebker

**Debate Club:** Advisor: Amelia Mainzer

**Dungeons and Dragons:** Advisor: Lisa Dean/Gayle Garza

**Environmental Awareness Club:** Advisor: Elena Polivka

**ESports:** Advisor: Spitzmueller/Bove/Proffitt

**Fellowship of Christian Athletes:** Develop a community of Christians in Turpin.  
**Advisor: Jake Goetz**

**Frisbee Golf Club:** Advisor: Joey Loebker

**Gardening Club:** Advisor: Christie Merz/Jessica Vennemeyer

**Gender Sexuality Alliance (GSA):** Group aiming to help the school community handle diversity in a respectful manner. Building an understanding of the issues that face those of different backgrounds and orientations. **Advisor: Eric Kenter**

**Klinger Krazies:** Advisor: Tony Hemmelgarn

**Ping Pong Club:** Advisor: Jamie Harloff

**Ski Club:** The ski club goes to Perfect North ski resort and the Turpin students enjoy their time skiing or snowboarding with friends. We take everyone from beginner to expert. All are welcome and go at their own pace and ski level. Lessons are taught if needed by the resort. Register with the ski club and get a 30% discount on tickets. Buses are used to take and pick up for convenience of parents and for safety for those who have their driver's license. Fun had by all who participate. **Advisor: Bryan Bosse**

**Smash Brothers Club:** Smash club is meant to be a start to a new community at Turpin in which fans of the popular Nintendo game "Super Smash Brothers" can come together and play for fun and competition. **Advisor: Ben Schulcz**

**Sources of Strength:** Advisor: Amy McKiddy/Carrie Urshel/Debbie Nimmo/Camey Eberhard

**Spartan Squad:** Advisor: Valerie McKeown

**Sunny Side Up:** We partner with the national Bring Change To Mind (BC2M) organization to empower students to advocate for mental health awareness to help create more empathetic and stigma free school environments. Through monthly meetings, direct support from BC2M staff, and school-wide events and presentations, Sunny Side Up club members increase awareness and education while empowering youth to be leaders of this movement and end stigma around mental illness. **Advisor: Carrie Urshel**

**Yearbook:** Students who enroll in Journalism in addition to learning journalistic writing styles, desktop publishing, design and advertising, also work on publications: The Odyssey (yearbook).  
**Advisor: Melissa Sand**