

New Student Activity Account Authorization

Appendix D

To: HPS School Committee
From: Matthew Mattos, Principal
Cc: Matthew Ferron, Superintendent of Schools; Michael Perrone, Business Manager
Date: November 16, 2022
Re: New Student Activity Account Authorization

This year, a student from Hanover High School has advocated to form the Esports Club under the leadership of staff member, Steve Henderson, who will serve as the Club Advisor.

This club was approved at the school level by Principal Matthew Mattos.

During the club establishment process, this proposal was submitted by the student and advisor:

We propose an afterschool ESports Club at Hanover High School, a group that supports competitive video gaming and play in the town of Hanover. We will be engaging in a three-season rotation, competing in Winter, Spring, and Fall primarily at UpTime ESports in Hanover. We will also be engaged in fundraising to establish our ESports program as a competitive and cutting-edge team. One of our immediate goals is to try to build an in-house facility for students to practice in. Our club will focus on good sportsmanship and community building through the medium of video games. We recognize that this is one of the fastest growing communities across the nation and the world.

The club meets virtually every Monday at UpTime Esports for practices from 4:00 - 5:00 PM. We have two scrimmages planned for November 14th and November 16th from 4:30 - 6:00 PM, and games will be announced later. We also have in-school meetings to plan events. The largest fundraiser is coming up on November 5th, Saturday, from 4 - 8 PM at UpTime ESports in Hanover. The club will be hosting an Overwatch 2 and Mario Kart tournament. Most of these events are open to all ages, with brackets created to accommodate this.

Tonight, we respectfully request a vote to approve adding the Hanover High School Hawks ESports to the High School Student Activities Account.