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**Academic Games:** Each year a team of four high school students compete at the DODEA Academic Games in Germany. Students are selected based on their performance at bi-weekly practices held during high school lunch.

**Band and Chorus:** These curricular programs develop musical talents in our students. The band and chorus present at least two concerts annually and the band provides lively pep music at some athletic events.

**Creative Connections:** Creativity, which is explored and expressed by students thinking "outside" the box. Selected students participate with other schools in Germany.

**Drama:** This year-long, foundational class, designed for students with little or no theatre experience, promotes enjoyment and appreciation for all aspects of theatre. Classwork focuses on the exploration of theatre literature, performance, historical and cultural connections, and technical requirements. Improvisation, creative dramatics, and beginning scene work are used to introduce students to acting and character development. Incorporation of other art forms in theatre also helps students gain appreciation for other art forms, such as music, dance, and visual art. Theatre, at any level, provides opportunities for students to develop skills in critical listening and thinking, as well as stage presence, ensemble work, and aesthetic awareness culminating in periodic classroom and/or public performances. Students’ also have the opportunity to develop fundamental group- and self- assessment skills, problem-solving skills; the ability to connect the literature being studied to a variety of cultures, history, and other content areas; and development of 21st-century skills that will help students be successful after high school graduation.

**Future Educators of America (FEA):** The SHAPE Future Educators' Association is a club dedicated to all students who are interested in leadership and professional skills. The club is affiliated with the DoDDS Europe FEA and the American national FEA. Dues are $8 annually for all three. The SHAPE FEA will focus on Community Service, Educational Events, Chapter Building, and Fundraising with various activities throughout the year chosen and directed by the FEA student leaders. The annual conference takes place at the end of January in Garmisch, Germany, and students who choose to participate, network with FEA student and teacher leaders from other DoDDS Europe schools. The conference has activities, contests, and sessions to help students hone their skills as future leaders and professionals, no matter what career field is chosen in their lives. FEA has something for everyone!

**Homework Club:** The goal of homework club is to instill good work habits, organization skills and a sense of accomplishments by improving homework completion to enhance academic success. A quiet, supervised, minimally distracting area is provided conducive to studying. Tutors are provided by ROTC and NJHS. Students are encouraged
to track their grades. A light snack is provided. You don't have to be a member to attend, just show up on Tues, Wed. or Thurs. of every week from 3:30-5:00pm in the library. Keep Calm and come to Homework Club!!

**Honors Music Festival:** The Honors Music program offers 68 student instrumentalists and 80 vocalists the opportunity to gather together for 5 days to study a variety of band and choral music. After a period of intensive rehearsals conducted by two of America's finest conductors, the students present a concert with a combined band and choral finale. The concert is performed in the Wiesbaden area. The large audience consists of Americans and Germans from the local communities. Students apply through their local high school by submitting a recorded audition. A committee composed of music teachers from DoDDS-Europe schools selects participants.

**International Student Council:** The SHAPE International School Student Council is comprised of members from each of the three secondary sections. These students select their own officers, who then represent their respective constituencies. The major focus of this group is to provide special functions and activities for all the students from the combined international school secondary population. Students enjoy such activities as volleyball games, dances, and field trips.

**JROTC Drill Team:** All students enrolled in JROTC classes are eligible to be considered for this activity.

**JROTC Honor Guard:** All students enrolled in JROTC classes are eligible to be considered for this activity.

**Model NATO:** Model NATO provides students in grades 9-12 with opportunities to participate in simulated activities and issues, all currently part of the real NATO scene. This is particularly beneficial for students from the SHAPE area who have direct access to NATO personnel for special assistance.

**Model United Nations:** SHAPE American High School participates in The International Model United Nations (THIMUN). This activity includes students working on specific U.N. committees (e.g., Security Council, General Assembly, Economic and Social Council, etc.). SHAPE usually represents three different countries, combining efforts with students from the German Secondary Section.

**Model United States Senate (MUSS):** Students from DoDDS-E High Schools throughout Europe are given an opportunity to represent a U.S. Senator, member of a special interest group, or a member of the executive branch in a simulation of the Senate legislative process. A teacher board and an appointed student board organize MUSS cooperatively, which is a collective representation of high schools throughout DoDDS-E.

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**Odyssey of the Mind**: Odyssey of the Mind is an international educational program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students. Team members apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literary classics. They then bring their solutions to competition in Europe and the United States. Thousands of teams from throughout the U.S. and from about 25 other countries participate in the program and SHAPE has been an active participant for many years.

**Philosophy Group**: Students meet every Tuesday, informally during lunch, to discuss self-chosen philosophical topics. The topics range from societal to political to environmental—whatever the group chooses to discuss and or debate. It is based on the Socratic method of questioning, which means discussion starts from a focused question and finishes with more questions, within a different area or topic. Listening to other viewpoints is crucial, thus a greater perspective is reached through the discussions. All are welcome!

**Photography**: A weekly activity offered in the Spring for anyone interested in grades 9-12 in learning about the basic functions of a camera, how to create beautiful compositions, and post-processing techniques. You will learn how to go from being a "snapshot" taker to a "great shot" specialist!

**SHOWCASE**: Showcase Illuminations is an online searchable DoDEA literary anthology that features poetry, prose and now music. Each student has an opportunity to submit his or her best written work—poetry or prose. Students may also submit MP3 files of electronic music. These creative pieces are then judged by a team at the high school level then submitted to the district level for final selection. When a work is selected for publication to the site, each student will be notified and given a password to navigate the site. Each student will be honored with a certificate for his or her excellent creative effort at the spring Scholarship Assembly.

**S2S**: student2student, also known as s2s is a program providing support to students as they transition in and out of SHAPE American HS. s2s members serve as same-grade sponsors to incoming students on request. When they leave SHAPE every student receives a farewell gift from s2s. Anyone can join s2s at any time in the school year—contact the s2s advisor for more information on joining.