

# FALL KICK-OFF CALENDAR *for* SPS CHAPTERS



## Not sure how to start off the semester with your chapter?

Check out this calendar to get an idea for some activities and programs your chapter may wish to do throughout the academic year. This is not an exhaustive list - be creative and have fun!



Beginning of Semester	September	October	November	December
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recruitment! Participate in the activities or club fair your school hosts at the beginning of the semester to grow your numbers and meet first-year students</li> <li>Post SPS posters and meeting announcements to get the word out</li> <li>Request the SPS outreach kit (SOCK)</li> <li>Plan biweekly meetings for the year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kick-off social event for the chapter (Try having a game night or bingo!)</li> <li>Host a fundraiser! Sell books donated by faculty or used textbooks, bumper stickers, chapter-designed T-shirts, raffle tickets, car wash, etc.</li> <li>Look into physics &amp; astronomy conferences to attend - apply for an SPS Travel or Reporter Award!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Host an outside speaker/lecturer</li> <li>Bad physics movie night (Check out The Core or Armageddon!)</li> <li>Register for your SPS Zone Meeting</li> <li>Halloween-themed physics outreach event</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply for any and ALL SPS Fall Awards! Funds for outreach, research, scholarships, and more are available</li> <li>Start your SPS Internship Application</li> <li>Tour a physics/astronomy research laboratory (industrial, government, or academic)</li> <li>Thanksgiving potluck</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business meeting: Nominate a chapter member as a candidate for associate zone councilor</li> <li>Program planning for spring social events (set dates, budget, etc.)</li> <li>Host an end-of-the-semester party or a pre-finals study night</li> <li>Identify a spring tour at a nearby lab or facility</li> </ul>