

Dear National Honor Society Applicants:

Membership in the National Honor Society is a special honor accorded sophomores and juniors who have earned a 3.5 or higher cumulative grade point average and also demonstrated exceptional qualities of leadership, character, and service to school and community. These criteria are set on a national level and our local chapter must abide by them.

Membership is nationally recognized as an honor because of the strict selection criteria-a procedure similar across the country. Election to membership means that students may list their membership on college and scholarship applications, job applications, and personal resumes now and in the future. It will give them special recognition.

Membership also carries with it the added responsibility of continued service and a willingness to uphold the high standards of the organization. NHS will be planning and carrying out school and community service projects during the school year. NHS members will be responsible for deciding on projects and implementing an action plan. Membership is, of course, optional.

Students who would like to be considered for induction into National Honor Society need to submit evidence of their leadership, service and character. I highly recommend that you read through the application and its instructions very carefully before completing and submitting your application. If you have any questions, please contact me and I will be happy to talk to you about the application. All applications are due to Ms. West no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, March 24, 2017. Absolutely no late applications will be accepted.

A faculty council will evaluate the applications on the basis of leadership, character, service, and scholarship and will make the final selection. Students then will be notified of their selection. New member dues are \$20 for the first year. Please remember that application does not guarantee acceptance into the National Honor Society. Congratulations and Good Luck!

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Directions: Please complete all sections. Do not be modest. Every bit of information can be used by the Faculty Council to assist with the selection process. Completion of this form does not guarantee acceptance.

| Name | Grade: 10 11 |
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| 1st Period Teacher | Room # |
| Email address | Home phone # |
| Parents Name | |

1. School Activities – List all activities in which you have participated during high school. Include clubs, teams, musical groups, etc., and any major accomplishments in each If you participated in any school based service activity within the year, list and describe that as well, along with the number of hours you performed the service. Generally speaking, service activities are those which are done for or on behalf of others (not including immediate family members) for which no compensation (monetary or other) has been given. List the name of the adult supervisor who can verify your participation in each activity.

| School Activity | Ye | ar | | | Accomplishments | Service (if any), | Adult Sponsor |
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2. Leadership Activities – List all elected or appointed leadership positions held in school, community, or work activities. Only those positions in which you were directly responsible for directing or motivating others should be included. This would include, but not be limited to: elected student body, class, or club officer; committee chairperson; team captain; newspaper editor; work area manager; or community leader. Be sure to show year you held the leadership positions.

| Leadership Activity | Ye | ear | | | Position Held | Accomplishments | Adult Sponsor |
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3. Community Activities -- List community organizations in which you have participated and note any major accomplishment in each. These should be any organization/activities outside the school in which you have participated for the betterment of the community. For example: church groups, clubs sponsored outside the school, Boy or Girl Scouts, 4H, Community Theater, etc. If you performed service as a part of the Community Activity, list that as well. Include the number of hours the service was performed. Again, service activities are those which are done for which no compensation has been given.

| Community | Y | ear | | | Accomplishments | Service (if any), | Adult Sponsor |
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National Honor Society Application Essay

Respond to the following question in a 200-300 word essay. Your essay should be typed and double-spaced. The font should be Times New Roman with a size of 12. The essay should be thoughtful, well-planned, and written for a formal, discerning audience. A printed copy of your essay must be turned in with your application by the due date. **Applications returned without essays will not be considered.**

1. Why should you be selected for National Honor Society?

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| ormation presented here is a | ccurate and complete in its pres | entation. |
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| Student Signature | | Date |
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| Parent Signature | | Date |
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| Teacher Recommendation- | 2 required | |
| | exemplifies the pr | inciples of Leadership, |
| Scholarship, Responsibility, a Society. | and Service and will be an asset to | the National Honor |
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