

National Honor Society Information Meeting

Welcome!



What is National Honor Society?

National organization founded in 1921 by the National Association of Secondary School Principals

Principals

- **Four objectives:**
 - **To create enthusiasm for scholarship**
 - **To encourage development of character in the nation's secondary school students**
 - **To promote leadership**
 - **To encourage service**

The Four Elements of NHS

Scholarship

Character

Leadership

Service

Scholarship

The first step toward NHS membership is earning a weighted 3.7 (or higher) G.P.A., and participation in Honors, and Advanced Placement courses, and AP Exams.

Character

Character is who you are
when no one is
watching...

(It's already established!)

How is “Character” Determined?

Teachers or Sponsors complete confidential evaluations of student character.

Evaluations are based on classroom contact, extra-curricular activity participation, social media persona, and personal observation.

Attendance

Discipline records. This includes violations with plagiarism and cheating.

Leadership

Leadership includes being elected or selected to work in a **LEADERSHIP** role.

Club officer

A chairperson for a committee

A representative on a church, parish, or school council

A marching band squad leader

A Scout Patrol leader

A class officer

A concert band section leader

A choir officer

A student council representative

A leadership Camp Youth Staff member

An Athletic team captain

Lead organizer of fundraising event

Service

Service includes volunteer activities for which you DO NOT receive any type of compensation such as a salary or school credit.

Fundraising

Civic activities

Tutoring

Teaching Sunday School

Volunteering at the public library

Church related mission trips

Volunteering at elementary schools

Helping with Eagle Scout/Girl Scout projects

Volunteering at a hospital/nursing home

And now,
on to.....
the NHS
Application

- ▶ Email and attach PDF of application
- ▶ Send to Mrs. Pendergrass
- ▶ Due Date: Friday, October 27, 2023

- ▶ Submit by 3pm

- ▶ Please direct questions to:
- ▶ Mrs. Pendergrass
- ▶ stefanipendergrass@cusd.com
- ▶ Michelle Beakes
- ▶ michellebeakes@cusd.com

Online NHS Application

▶ The Buchanan National Honor Society Application:

- ▶ BHS Website
- ▶ Co-Curricular
- ▶ Academic Clubs
- ▶ NHS
- ▶ Download the packet as a PDF. Don't change the format. (doesn't work well with a MAC)

NHS Application

- ▶ The NHS Student Application gives you the opportunity to document examples of your leadership abilities.
- ▶ Examples of your own service to the school and community.

Tips about the Packet

- ▶ You are one of over 300 eligible students, present yourself in the BEST way possible.
- ▶ Watch for grammatical errors.
- ▶ Do not over report your volunteer hours of service.
- ▶ Review the application before you turn in your spell-checked, well-written, Buchanan NHS Application.
- ▶ Make a copy for your own records!

Packet

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY STUDENT INFORMATION/ACTIVITIES APPLICATION

Incomplete information or failure to follow directions in any way may jeopardize your selection. In addition, if selected as a member, you must understand fully that you are subject to dismissal from NHS if you do not maintain the standards of scholarship, leadership, service, and character that were used as a basis for your selection.

Name Grade
Address
Parent(s)/Guardian(s)
Counselor

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, all information included is accurate and correct, and that I have reviewed and understood the packet information.

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

☐ Check here if you have previously applied to BHS National Honor Society.

☐ I understand that past and or future acts of plagiarism or other Ed. Code violations could result in denial or dismissal of NHS membership.

Due Date: MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023
Application Turn-In: PDF in an email to Mrs. Pendergrass
Please direct any questions regarding NHS to Mrs. Pendergrass:
stefanipendergrass@cusd.com

A Final Note....

- ▶ Membership in the National Honor Society is a privilege, not a right.
- ▶ Members are expected to uphold the four elements of the organization throughout high school and beyond.
- ▶ Failure to uphold these elements based on behavior, attendance, could mean dismissal from NHS.
- ▶ All students will be notified of their status via email. If you are not selected for membership schedule a meeting with Mrs. Pendergrass and Mrs. Beakes to provide feedback as to what areas might need improvement for subsequent years.

Last Reminder...

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