

Glendale High School National Honor Society Eligibility, Obligations, and Privileges

Eligibility

Students may apply to the National Honor Society (NHS) during their sophomore, junior, or senior year. There are application periods in October and February. A 5-member Faculty Selection Committee reviews the applications and rates them on **Leadership** and **Community Service**. The entire staff of GHS rates the applicants on **Character**. Decisions are made on the following criteria:

1. **Scholarship** – Cumulative grade point average of 3.5 on a scale of 4.0 by the end of 9th grade.
2. **Leadership** – Experience as a leader includes motivating others, delegating responsibility, generating ideas, making decisions, and taking ultimate responsibility.
3. **Community Service** – a minimum of 50 hours of volunteer service to organizations that provide services to the community. Some variety must be evident.
4. **Character** – Evidence of academic honesty, good citizenship, and overall integrity. If there is an incident of cheating in the student's discipline file, he/she must wait 12 months before reapplying.

There is no limit on the number of members that can be accepted into NHS. It is the goal of the Faculty Selection Committee to be as inclusive as possible without compromising the integrity of NHS and the high personal qualities required for membership. Students who are not accepted are told the reason(s) for the decision, and applicants can reapply as often as they choose. However, if applicants are offered membership in NHS and they refuse, they may not apply again, and membership will not be offered again.

The Application

Please type the application, and keep responses brief. Bulleted lists are best. Do **not** write long narrative paragraphs. Note – your name goes **ONLY** on the last page.

Obligations

1. Maintain a cumulative 3.5 GPA for sophomore, junior, and senior years.
2. Pay annual membership dues of \$10.
3. Complete 10 hours of community service each semester. Failure to do so adds the hours to the next semester's obligation. Members who are not current by May 15 of their senior year forfeit the right to wear NHS recognition stole and tassel at graduation.
3. Attend all regularly scheduled NHS meetings. Missing two meetings in a semester will add 5 hours to that semester's community service obligation. See #3 above.
4. Maintain high ethical and moral standards of conduct. Offenses serious enough to be entered into a student's discipline file, such as cheating, may be grounds for dismissal.
5. Participate in NHS fundraising

Privileges

1. Eligibility to compete for scholarships by the national office of NHS, or the local chapter.
2. Wearing of NHS recognition stole and tassel at graduation.
3. NHS seal affixed to diploma.
4. Recognition at Senior Awards Night

Keep this information for your records.

ID _____ Grade in school _____

Leadership Positions. 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. For example, elected student body, class or club officer, committee chairperson, Link Crew, team captain, newspaper editor, work area manager, community leader, AVID tutor – if these positions involve responsibility for projects or activities. **Paid jobs do not count.**

1. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12

Describe what your leadership consisted of.

2. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12

Describe what your leadership consisted of.

3. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12

Describe what your leadership consisted of.

4. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12

Describe what your leadership consisted of.

5. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12

Describe what your leadership consisted of.

ID _____

Grade in school _____

Community Service List all community service activities in which you have participated and describe your role, as specifically as you can. These should be activities either in school or outside of school in which you participated for the betterment of the community. For example, religious groups, community clubs, Scouts, volunteer groups, art/music endeavors. **Note** – Link Crew is Leadership, not Community Service. **Paid jobs do not count.**

1. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12 Total Number of Hours _____

Describe the community service activity.

2. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12 Total Number of Hours _____

Describe the community service activity.

3. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12 Total Number of Hours _____

Describe the community service activity.

4. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12 Total Number of Hours _____

Describe the community service activity.

5. Organization _____

Name and phone of adult sponsor _____

Years: ___9 ___10 ___11 ___12 Total Number of Hours _____

Describe the community service activity.

Name (print) _____ ID _____ Grade in school _____

Please write your current class schedule.

Period	Course name	Teacher	Room
0	_____	_____	_____
1	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____
4	_____	_____	_____
5	_____	_____	_____
6	_____	_____	_____
7	_____	_____	_____

I have read the policies regarding eligibility, obligations, and privileges of membership in the National Honor Society. I understand them and I agree to abide by them if I am selected.

Student signature _____ Date _____

Home phone or cell _____

Email _____

Parent signature _____ Date _____