

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## NHS MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Thank you for your interest in the National Honor Society, one of the nation's most prestigious academic honoraries. To join, students must meet certain criteria.

1. To be considered for membership in National Honor Society, a student must ...
  - Be a senior, junior, or second-semester sophomore when applying.
  - Have attended Cypress Bay High School for at least one semester before applying.
  - Have a permanent record clear of disciplinary actions.
  - Have a minimum 3.0 cumulative un-weighted grade point average in high school.
  - Have accumulated 60 hours of documented community service since entering high school.
  - Have two examples of leadership experience.
2. Applications are evaluated by a faculty council that does not include the NHS Sponsor. By submitting your application, you agree to accept the decision of the Faculty Council concerning your membership in the National Honor Society. All decisions are final and appeals to the NHS Sponsor will not be considered.
3. Please complete your application carefully before submitting it, reading all instructions. Applications submitted incorrectly will not be returned to students for corrections. Students who submit an incomplete application or one deemed unsubstantial by the Faculty Council will receive a 'Non-acceptance' email. In those cases, all application fees will be returned.
4. Please **TYPE** your application and put your name on the top of each page. Typing facilitates a speedy evaluation of your application.
5. Keep all application pages in order. When you have completed your application, you may remove this directions sheet. Paperclip your application together. **DO NOT** staple your application pages. An NHS officer will staple your pages together after you submit them.
6. Application fees/dues may be paid with cash or a personal check made out to 'Cypress Bay High School.' If a student applies to NHS as a sophomore, dues for BOTH his/her subsequent junior and senior years will be collected at the same time with this application. Students applying as a Junior or Senior pay dues for one year only.
  - If you cannot submit your application and fees in person, you may give them to a trusted friend. Please collect your receipt from him/her as soon as possible. NHS will not be responsible for application fees lost before collection.
  - Annual dues cover the costs of T-shirts and registration for district and national associations. Upon completing their application, new members pay a one-time induction fee:

	<u>Fees for applying Junior/Senior</u>	<u>Fees for applying Sophomore</u>
Annual Fees	\$20.00	\$40.00
One-time Induction Fee	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>
Total:	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$45.00</b>

- Please submit your application WITH A COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT REPORT CARD
- If you do not have a copy of your most recent report card, you may ask the Guidance Office for an updated printout of your grades and service hours. DO NOT print grades or service hours from Virtual Counselor.
- Applications are due to room 431 after school (2:50PM) on **10/13/10**
- There will likely be a crowd when you submit your application, so please be patient. The process will be shorter if you make one orderly line down the 400s hallway.

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**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY APPLICATION COVERSHEET**

**PLEASE TYPE ALL INFORMATION**

APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

Students: Please **DO NOT** check the boxes below. (FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

<input type="checkbox"/> FEES	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>COPY OF LAST REPORT CARD</b>		
- 3.0 Un-weighted GPA	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
- 60 Community Service Hours	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 PROOFS OF LEADERSHIP FORMS	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> SIGNED MEMBER CONTRACT	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> CURRENT CLASS SCHEDULE FORM	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> STUDENT INFORMATION FORM	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

**Sponsor Initials**

\_\_\_\_\_ An NHS officer has checked this membership application for completion.

OFFICER SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR FACULTY COUNCIL COMMENTS ONLY**

I have reviewed the member application and determined it is ...

\_\_\_\_\_ Satisfactory

\_\_\_\_\_ Unsatisfactory (Please provide an explanation below.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Faculty Council Member Signature

COMMENTS:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

PROOF OF LEADERSHIP #1

- Students must have TWO proofs of leadership.
- A *Proof of Leadership* form cannot be signed by a family member, friend, or another student.
- Avoid submitting a letter of recommendation from a teacher or employer.
- A faculty council member will evaluate your application. To improve objectivity, please provide detailed responses to the questions below.

1. Have you held an officer position in a club, athletic team, or extracurricular activity in school.

- Yes (Complete question #2 only.)
- No (Continue to questions #3 and #4.)

2. If you answered 'Yes' to question #1, write...

The name of the officer position: \_\_\_\_\_

The name of the club: \_\_\_\_\_

The name of the CBHS advisor and telephone extension: \_\_\_\_\_

The signature of the advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Have you instead participated in a leadership activity outside of school?

- Yes
- No (I do not have any leadership experience.)

4. If you answered 'Yes' to question #3, please write ...

The name of the organization or activity \_\_\_\_\_

The name of a supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

The signature of a supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Next, give a detailed description of an outside leadership activity. Your description **MUST** ...

- Reflect a significant leadership accomplishment. Your accomplishment must exemplify true leadership rather than simple volunteer participation.
- Indicate the duration of your leadership activity.
- Be written in your own words. (Please do not have a parent or supervisor write your answer.)
- Emphasize how you devised, coordinated, initiated, and/or implemented an activity.
- The following are NOT considered leadership activities by the Faculty Council:
  - Participation in tutoring or a musical ensemble.
  - Participation in (without directing or organizing) a missionary program overseas.
  - Baby-sitting.
  - Making a single public speech.
  - Any activity completed before enrolling in high school.
  - Participating in a leadership workshop.
  - Normal volunteer service.
  - Filing papers or organizing materials for class.
  - Coordinating small group activities within a normal classroom assignment.
  - Serving as an alternate Student Government Representative.
  - Being a member of a varsity athletic team.
  - Completing normal aspects of a job for which you were paid.
  - Working for a family member.

6. Please take pride in your application. Type your responses neatly on a separate sheet paper attached to this page.

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PROOF OF LEADERSHIP #2

- Students must have TWO proofs of leadership.
- A *Proof of Leadership* form cannot be signed by a family member, friend, or another student.
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- No (Continue to questions #3 and #4.)

2. If you answered 'Yes' to question #1, write...

The name of the officer position: \_\_\_\_\_

The name of the club: \_\_\_\_\_

The name of the CBHS advisor and telephone extension: \_\_\_\_\_

The signature of the advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Have you instead participated in a leadership activity outside of school?

- Yes
- No (I do not have any leadership experience.)

4. If you answered 'Yes' to question #3, please write ...

The name of the organization or activity \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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OPTIONAL SENATOR APPLICATION (Not For Seniors)

1. If selected, I promise to fulfill the responsibilities of my office and uphold the core principles of the National Honor Society: *Character, Service, Leadership, and Scholarship*.
2. If selected, I promise to ...
  - Actively participate in and coordinate service project activities for my committee and other NHS members.
  - Take notes at all senator meetings.
  - Make routine phone calls and/or emails to committee members notifying them of upcoming meetings, deadlines, and project events.
  - Model appropriate character behavior.
  - Help maintain order at all general meetings.
  - Review and communicate NHS procedures with committee members.
3. By signing this application, you agree (if selected as a senator) to uphold these responsibilities. Failure to comply with them may result in removal from office.
4. Applications must be submitted with a **COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT REPORT CARD** on 10/13/10.



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## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBER CONTRACT

### General Meetings

1. General meetings are held once per month after school in the school's auditorium.
2. A student will receive one blue hour for each entire general meeting he/she attends. A student who does not attend or who leaves early for another extracurricular event will not receive a blue hour.
  - o All students – including those who participate in other extracurricular activities - will receive a calendar of general meeting dates at the beginning of the year. Students are expected to notify their coaches, sponsors, SAT tutors, etc. and secure permission to attend monthly NHS general meetings.
3. A student who misses more than two general meetings (excused or unexcused) in any school year will not receive an NHS cord or mantle at graduation.

### Dues

1. All members are required to pay \$20 annually.
  - o \$10.00 = project support fee
  - o \$10.00 = annual dues
2. Inductees are assessed an additional one-time induction fee of \$5.00.

### Member Obligations

1. Attend general meetings.
2. Maintain an un-weighted 3.0 GPA.
3. Earn a minimum 60 service hours during each year he/she is a member of NHS.
4. Pay annual dues and project fees on time.
5. Exhibit good character and have school records free of disciplinary action.

### Discipline

The NHS Faculty Council has recommended dismissal from the CBHS chapter of the National Honor Society for the following reasons:

1. Failure to complete a minimum total of 20 blue service hours per year.
2. Failure to complete a minimum total of 40 white service hours per year.
3. Failure to maintain a 3.0 un-weighted cumulative GPA.
4. Incidents of disciplinary action including (but not limited to) cheating, suspension, or consistent school rules violations.

Students may petition the Faculty Council for a probationary period instead of dismissal. The Faculty Council may choose among the following probationary consequences:

### Consequences

1. Failure to complete 20 blue and an additional 40 white service hours for each year he/she is a member of the National Honor Society.
  - o Students will have one semester to make-up twice as many additional hours as they lack from the previous year. It is the individual student's responsibility to verify with the NHS sponsor the additional hours have been completed.
2. Failure to maintain an un-weighted 3.0 GPA.
  - o A student who does not maintain an un-weighted 3.0 GPA may continue to participate in club events. However, the student may not earn blue hours until an un-weighted 3.0 GPA is re-established the next semester.
3. Failure to maintain good character.
  - o If a student violates this standard (i.e. documented cheating, suspensions, forging of signatures, referrals, and/or general documented misconduct), he/she must appear before the NHS sponsor and the Faculty Council for disciplinary review. Possible reprimands include: additional mandatory NHS service hours during the next semester/year and/or denial of a cord or mantle at graduation.

NHS members will be notified of their probation via email and post.

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Unresolved Probations

1. The NHS Faculty Council may recommend the following consequences for unresolved probationary violations.
  - A moratorium on participating in club activities and earning NHS service hours.
  - Extra service hours.
  - Loss of honor cord at graduation.
  - Loss of honor mantle at graduation.
  - Dismissal from NHS pending approval by principal.

Graduation Recognition:

1. Honor Cords:

- Senior members in good standing are eligible for an NHS honor cord.
- To receive an honor cord, a student must complete 40 blue and 40 additional white hours for each year he/she is in NHS.
- Honor cords are paid for by the National Honor Society.

2. Honor Mantles:

- Honor mantles are awarded for distinguished service within the chapter.
- To wear a mantle at graduation, a student must be an NHS member for both his/her junior and senior years.
- A student must complete 40 NHS hours and 80 additional community service hours in both his/her junior and senior years.
- Honor cords are paid for by the National Honor Society.

I have read and accept all of the obligations and consequences listed above.

Print Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY  
STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

*Directions:* Please **TYPE** all information requested. Do not leave any spaces blank. If you are unable to provide specific information, please contact the club sponsor.

STUDENT NAME:

Last:

First:

STUDENT NUMBER:

GRADE:

NEXT YEAR

ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER:

E-MAIL:

SUGGESTION: AN EMAIL WITH  
YOUR NAME IN THE ADDRESS IS  
VERY HELPFUL.

EMERGENCY CONTACT:

RELATION TO STUDENT:

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER:

T-SHIRT SIZE:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT CLASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL APPLICANTS

Directions: Please **TYPE** your current second semester class schedule. This is necessary in order to contact you when distributing acceptance letters.

TEACHER	ROOM #
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____

CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_