



William R. Boone High School

Candidate Information Packet for the National Honor Society

Membership in the National Honor Society is based upon excellence in four areas: scholarship, leadership, service and character. Each category is judged independently. Membership is not guaranteed to anyone. The Faculty Council (a five-member faculty panel appointed by the principal) makes the final decision for membership. The NHS Advisor is a nonvoting member of the panel.

To be eligible for membership, a student must be of at least a junior standing and have a cumulative weighted GPA of at least a 3.5. In addition to the academic requirement, there are standards in leadership, service and character. **Leadership** requirements include demonstration of leadership in school as well as outside of school. **Service** requirements include involvement in service projects since the start of the applicant's high school career. **Character** requirements include integrity, positive behavior, ethics, cooperation, reliability both in and out of school, and classroom maturity. Discipline records will be reviewed by the Faculty Council.

After students become members of the National Honor Society, they are reviewed periodically by the advisor and must maintain a cumulative weighted GPA of at least a 3.5 and live up to the leadership, service, and character ideals of the National Honor Society. All new members must pay dues of \$20 (one time only; some exceptions apply) and complete, document and submit 12.5 community service hours per semester.

HOW TO APPLY:

To be considered for membership in the National Honor Society, you must do the following:

PART 1: Application. Complete the application packet. **Applications will close at 3 p.m. on Monday, September 17th.**

PART 2: Signed Parent Acknowledgement Form (page 2) and community service hours: Juniors are required to document 40 hours and seniors are required to document 60 hours. Any recent undocumented hours should be turned in to guidance immediately so they can be updated and current in the system when reviewing your application. As a precaution, it is recommended that you provide a photocopy of these hours and attach them to the parent acknowledgment form of page 2 of this packet for the council to review.

PART 3: Teacher/Sponsor/Coach Recommendations. **Students will need two teacher recommendations and one club sponsor/coach recommendation.** Teachers/Club sponsors/Coaches will complete the form and put it into a sealed envelope, sign the seal, and return to the applicant. A coach cannot also complete a teacher recommendation. The letter of recommendation must be in a sealed envelope with the teacher/sponsor/coach **signature on the seal** and submitted with your application.

ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR SELECTION.

- The application requests the names of adult sponsors who can verify your involvement in the activities listed. **You must include each adult sponsor's name and contact information if they are not at Boone (email address or phone).**
- Please prioritize your activities, listing those to which you had the greatest commitment first. Avoid documenting involvement in organizations or activities in more than one area on the application.
- **Completed application packets are due to the NHS Cart located in the College and Career suite of guidance no later than Monday, September 17th at 3:00 PM.**

Late Candidate Information Packets will NOT be accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS.



Parent/Student Acknowledgement Form

Did you remember to...

- Complete the online application?
- Submit two teacher and one sponsor/coach recommendation forms in sealed envelopes?
- Submit the signed parent acknowledgement form to Ms. Kushner? Submit any undocumented community service hours with your this form?

Remember that your application will not be considered if you are missing any of the information from the checklist above.

APPLICATION DUE DATE: September 17th, 2017 at 3p.m.

Student and Parent Signatures

By signing this Candidate Information Packet, I acknowledge...

- that I have read the NHS by-laws and agree to abide by the standards and procedures set by the National Honor Society;
- that I have completed the Candidate Information Packet honestly and to the best of my knowledge;
- that the falsification of information will result in immediate disqualification;
- that completing this Candidate Information Packet **does not** guarantee my acceptance in to NHS;
- that, if I am accepted into the National Honor Society, I must maintain my GPA, participate in NHS-sponsored and individual service projects, and exhibit exceptional leadership, character and behavior both at school and in the community.

Print Student Name

Student Signature

Date

By signing this Candidate Information Packet, I acknowledge...

- that I have read the information provided by my child and can verify that it is complete and accurate;
- that this organization is a student organization and all communication will go directly to my child;
- that completing this Candidate Information Packet **does not** guarantee my child's acceptance into NHS;
- that it is my child's responsibility to fulfill his/her obligations to NHS (GPA, service, behavior, etc.);
- that, if my child is accepted into NHS, his/her continued membership is dependent upon his/her GPA, participation in service activities, and behavior at school and in the community.

Printed Parent Name

Parent Signature

Date



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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Student Number: _____ Third Period Teacher: _____

Preferred Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Grade Level: _____ Cumulative Weighted GPA: _____ Number of Community Service Hours: _____

*Note: If you have any undocumented hours, you must submit them to your counselor immediately.

Answer the following questions accurately and honestly:

1. Please list all high school extracurricular activities you are or have been involved in by order of involvement (most time spent to least time spent). Example: 11th grade, NHS, Sponsor- Ms. Kushner, Boone High School.

2. Please list all leadership experience. This may include appointed or elected positions, unofficial positions (service projects you have led that benefited a social need, big sister/brother in community), and team captains. If you are unable to provide evidence of leadership activities, please leave this section blank and see the question below. Example: 11th grade, NHS secretary, Sponsor- Ms. Kushner, Boone High School.

3. Many students are not in elected/appointed leadership positions. In one paragraph, please explain how you are a leader every day in your classrooms, on or off campus. Be sure to include specific examples when possible.

4. Many students might not have a lot of extracurricular activities due to a need to work. Please list any jobs or work experience you might have during high school. *Note: This section is optional.

5. Please list any awards you might have received from your freshman year to current year.

6. If you have received any discipline referrals during high school, please list your grade level at the time of the incident and the reason for the referral. Students who have received a discipline referral for academic dishonesty are not eligible for membership.

National Honor Society Teacher Recommendation form

Candidate's name: _____

The student giving you this form wishes to be considered for membership in the William R. Boone High School National Honor Society. Your recommendation is very valuable and appreciated by the selection committee. This form will remain confidential and will NOT be seen by any of the NHS applicants or any other student. Please return to Ms. Kushner (in guidance) *or* have student deliver in envelope sealed with your signature over seal by 3 p.m. on September 17th. Thank you in advance.

For each of the following sections, please assess the student according to the following scale:

0	1	2	3	4	5
Unable to evaluate	Very weak	Weak	Adequate	Very Good	Excellent

Scholarship:

1. Promptly makes up work from absences _____
2. Demonstrates perseverance in class with difficult topics or situations _____
3. Turns in thoughtful and thoroughly completed work _____
4. Participates in class discussions and activities _____
5. Continually challenges self academically _____

Leadership:

1. Demonstrates leadership in promoting school activities _____
2. Upholds school ideals _____
3. Inspires positive behavior in others _____
4. Demonstrates leadership qualities in the classroom and on campus _____

Character:

1. Consistently exemplifies desirable qualities and characteristics _____
2. Upholds school expectations and procedures _____
3. Manifests truthfulness in acknowledging obedience to the rules; avoids cheating in written work and forthcoming with teacher and school administration. _____

Total points: _____

_____ I recommend this student for National Honor Society.

_____ I do not recommend this student for National Honor Society.

Comments: _____

Teacher name: _____ Course: _____

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National Honor Society Club Sponsor/Coach Recommendation form

Candidate's name: _____

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Total points: _____

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Comments: _____

Coach Name: _____ Sport/Team/Club: _____

Best contact number and email: _____