



November 2011

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for considering National Honor Society for the school year 2011-2012. To be considered as a prospective inductee to the Southwest Chapter of National Honor Society you must complete the attached Activity and Volunteer sections, providing examples of how you have been involved in our school and the community; what activities you have participated in outside of school; and any volunteer/community service work in which you are participating. (This applies to any volunteer activities from middle school through the present time.)

- If for some reason you cannot get a signature from an advisor/coach/employer for an activity, please explain the circumstances to one of the NHS advisors. (see below)
- List activities in order of their importance to you.
- Parents cannot sign for any of your activities.
- A list of those applicants who are accepted will be posted on the NHS bulletin board (near the school main entrance) following winter break.
- The NHS advisors, Mrs. Platikanova and Mr. Rees, will meet later this year with a select group of Southwest teachers to consider applications. Should two or more Southwest faculty members speak against a particular candidate, s/he will not be considered for membership
- You can submit your application to either room 113 or E115.

Selection Process:

- To be eligible to apply to NHS, candidates must have maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better.
- Members of the NHS board will initially review the applications, followed by a decision-making process carried out by members of the Southwest faculty.
- If any part of the application is incomplete (missing signatures, incomplete information, etc.) the application will not be considered.
- The only role GPA plays in the decision-making process is that a 3.5 GPA ensures that an applicant will be considered, not that s/he will be will accepted into NHS.
- There is no appeal process.

The application deadline is due December 23, 2011. There are no extensions or exceptions. The Induction Ceremony will be held 7 PM on January 19, 2012 in the school auditorium.

Thank you for your application. All accepted applicants will receive an acceptance letter between January 11 and January 18, 2012.

Name _____

Part One:

Community Service

Position	Description of Activity	Hours	Coach/Advisor Signature

Extracurricular Activities/Sports

Position	Description of Activity	Hours	Coach/Advisor Signature

Other (e.g. Awards, Formal Recognition, Employment)

Position	Description of Activity	Hours	Coach/Advisor Signature

Part Two:

Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper, as an informal essay. Your response should be no longer than one page (300 words).

- ***Why do you want to be involved in National Honor Society, and what will you contribute to the organization?*** (300 word maximum)

Part Three:

I understand that completing and submitting this application does not guarantee admission to National Honor Society. I have read and understand the application information and selection process. I certify that the information presented here is accurate and complete. If selected, I agree to abide by the standards and guidelines of the chapter and to fulfill all of my membership obligations to the best of my ability.

Student Signature

Date

I have read the information provided by my son/daughter on this form and can verify that it is true, accurate and complete in its presentation.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date