

# NHS FAQs

1. I am in the retreat leadership class, yearbook class, journalism, or ministry service & leadership class. Can I include these as leadership activities?

*You may include your participation in the retreat leadership class and ministry, service & leadership because you are involved in planning and leading activities for large groups. You may include yearbook only if you are one of the yearbook editors. You may include journalism only if you are an editor.*

2. I have completed a lot of community service hours. All of them are on file in Campus Ministry. How can I reflect this on the community service portion of my application?

*You need the following number of community service hours to apply for NHS:*

<i>Sophomores:</i>	<i>30 hours</i>
<i>Juniors:</i>	<i>60 hours</i>
<i>Seniors:</i>	<i>90 hours</i>

*You may include service that reflect hours ABOVE the number needed to apply. **Example #1:** You are currently a sophomore. You were a volunteer camp counselor and completed 30 hours. You also volunteer every week at a soup kitchen and have earned 70 hours. You may include these hours because they are over and above what you needed in order to apply.*

***Example #2:** You are a senior. You have completed 100 hours. You may only include 10 of these hours in the community service section because you needed the other 90 in order to apply.*

*It is up to you to make us aware, in the activities section, of any service you did above the number of hours needed to apply. Even though you will turn in a record of your hours, we will not go through it to see what you have done. We want the record only to make sure you have the required number of hours.*

***REMEMBER...You need to turn in a Campus Ministry print out of your hours in order to apply. DO NOT wait until the last minute to request this or you will pay a fee.***

3. I don't want to seem like I am bragging about myself. Should I only highlight a few of my accomplishments and involvement in things on the application?

*This is the time to brag! We want to know about all of your accomplishments and involvement, so far, in high school. We are especially looking for leadership roles you have taken. Please be honest. Being in NHS is an honor and your application should reflect the integrity that is part of being a leader.*

**Do you have more questions?  
Email Mr. Santos ~ msantos@ndhsb.org**

**Good Luck!  
We look forward to reading your application!**

## INTERESTED IN THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY?

### *Membership is based on the following criteria:*

**Scholarship:** Current Sophomore, Juniors, and Seniors who have a cumulative 3.5 grade point average, meet the scholarship requirement for membership.

**Leadership:** Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, promoters of school activities, idea contributors, dependable, and persons who exemplify positive attitudes about life. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities, working with or for others.

**Service:** This quality is defined through the voluntary contributions made by a student to the school and community, done without compensation and with a positive, courteous, and enthusiastic spirit. Applicants must have a minimum of 30 (sophomore), 60 (junior), or 90 (senior) service hours on file with Campus Ministry.

**Character:** The student of good character upholds principles of morality and ethics, is cooperative, demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability, shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others, and generally maintains a good and clean lifestyle.

***If this sounds like you, consider applying for  
the Notre Dame High School National Honor Society!***

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### Applicants...

Read all directions carefully. Failure to follow the directions will result in the application **NOT** being considered. All application materials **MUST** be attached to the cover sheet (page 2 of this document) and are due by Friday, Feb. 19 at 3:15 pm to Mr. Santos in Room 121. Late applications will **NOT** be accepted. All applicants will be notified of their status, via email, on or before Monday, March 15, 2010.

*Applicants who meet the minimum requirements will be considered for NHS membership. However, meeting the minimum requirements does **NOT** guarantee admission. Applicants will be evaluated by a faculty panel.*

*\* The NHS induction ceremony takes place on Thursday, March 25, 2010 at 7:30 pm in the Notre Dame dining room. All inductees and their parents are required to attend.*

# NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY NOTRE DAME CHAPTER

Application for Admission  
(All information *MUST* be typed.)

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Student's name:

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Grade level:

Advisor/advisory:

Email address:

*Use the checklist below to make sure you turn everything in.*

*Read the directions carefully.*

*Failure to follow the directions will result in the application NOT being considered.*

*All application materials MUST be attached to this cover sheet and are due by Friday, Feb. 19 at 3:15 pm to Mr. Santos in Room 121.*

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## Checklist

\_\_\_\_\_ **Service hours:** A minimum of 30 (sophomore), 60 (junior), or 90 (senior) service hours are needed to apply. *You must attach an official Campus Ministry printout showing completion of your service hours. You must give one week of advance notice to campus ministry to get your printout or you will be charged a fee.*

\_\_\_\_\_ **Character:** 1. Please attach the letter of recommendation form filled out by an adult who knows you well and can attest to your qualifications for NHS. The form **MUST** be in a sealed envelope. The adult may **NOT** be a relative and must be someone who knows you **OUTSIDE** of the classroom. Late letters of recommendation will **NOT** be accepted so make sure you give your recommender plenty of time. 2. Include a list of any awards or honors you have received (see attached form).

\_\_\_\_\_ **Leadership:** Use the attached leadership form to list all leadership positions you have held during your high school career.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Activities:** Use the attached activities form to list all activities (clubs, scouts, youth ministry, etc.) you have been involved in during your high school career.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Parent Permission:** All applicants must have their parents' permission to apply for membership. Have parents read and sign the attached form.

*Please do NOT write below this line. The NHS moderator will fill out the information below.*

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	Completed	
1. Scholarship: 3.5 GPA minimum requirement	yes <input type="checkbox"/>	no <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Minimum service hours – (30 Sophomore; 60 Junior & 90 Senior)	yes <input type="checkbox"/>	no <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Disciplinary record clear	yes <input type="checkbox"/>	no <input type="checkbox"/>







## Parental Permission

I am aware that my daughter is applying for NHS. I understand that applicants will be evaluated based on the materials they submit for review and verification of these materials. I understand that applicants will be evaluated based on their enthusiasm for scholarship, their desire to render service, their leadership positions, and their character. I also understand that applicants who meet the minimum qualifications will be considered but not guaranteed admission to NHS. I understand that this application must be submitted in its entirety on or before **February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010 by 3:15pm** to room 121 (Mr. Santos's classroom)

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* Applicants will be notified of their status, via email, on or before, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**

All inductees and their parents are required to attend the NHS Induction Ceremony on Thursday March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

