



National Honor Society

Spring 2019 Application Information Meeting

For membership beginning in 2019-2020

What is National Honor Society?

The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students. More than just an honor roll, NHS serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of **scholarship, leadership, service, and character**. These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization since its beginning in 1921.

These purposes also translate into the criteria used for membership selection in each local chapter.

Why Join National Honor Society?

- **Volunteer in the community**, together as a chapter and as individuals.
- NHS Scholarship available in late fall.
- Do good in the community, especially at places that have trouble finding volunteers.
- Celebrate academic success.
- Have fun at our social events with our like-minded individuals.

Application Criteria

- **GPA** (must be above a 5.3 on a 6.0 scale)
- Exceptional Behavior while at MHS (**No suspensions**)
- **6 Teacher Recommendation** Scores (4 current teachers and 2 other)
- **Essay Score**
- **At School** Involvement: Extra-Curricular Activities, Leadership Roles
- **Outside of School** Involvement: Volunteer Work, Job Experience
- **Honors and Awards**
- Completion of both Application Forms

Activity Form

- Provided in Packet
- Extra Copies on Manvel Website <http://www.alvinisd.net/manvelhs>
- How to fill out form
- In School Activities (Band, sports, clubs)
- Out of School Activities (sports, scouts, Volunteer groups)
- Hours per week / Total Hours are important fields!

Due Dates for Forms

- March 8th 2019 to Mr. Zendt in C133

Essay Dates

- **February: Monday 2/25 or Tuesday 2/26**
- Both session in LGI from 3:00 – 4:15
- Will have an hour to 3 short essays
- No pre-written essays or notes.

- Rubric on website
- Prompts will be announced via the NHS Application Remind.
- Bring a pen or pencil. Paper will be provided.

Teacher recommendations

- How do I ask my teachers to do the recommendation?
- What if you don't have 6 teachers?
- How do I check to see if all my recommendations have been done?
- What if I ask my teacher to fill out recommendation and they haven't done it yet?

When will I know?

- When we are done with grading applications, we will deliver letters stating your evaluation.
- You will see your final score, but not individual teacher evaluations.
- Should be the mid-to-late March.

Induction Ceremony

- We will have the ceremony Wednesday, April 3rd in the auditorium from 6:30-7:30 pm
- Family is encouraged to attend
- Will have cake/drinks in atrium after

I've been inducted, now what?

- **Dues per Year (\$40)**

- Includes NHS Pin, NHS Shirt, covers food for Winter Party and Spring Social
- Does NOT include Senior Graduation Stole (which can be worn at graduation)

- **Participate in NHS Group Volunteering (1 in Fall, 2 in Spring)**

- **Perform Individual Volunteering (15 hr/semester)**

- No ISS

- Attend monthly meetings

- Officers will be elected from the juniors in Spring

Questions?

Join the NHS Application Remind

Text **@MHSNHSA** to **81010** or use the Remind101 app.

That's MHS + NHS + A(pplication)

Please sign in up front!

Thank you for your
time!