

**National Honor Society
Wichita High School South Chapter
Member Responsibilities 2019-2020**

National Honor Society (NHS) is a national organization, the membership of which is based upon scholarship, leadership, character and service. As a member, you are representing not only the South High Chapter, but also the National Organization. Once a member, you assume the responsibilities of membership at ALL times wherever you are. In order for our Chapter to maintain the high standards of the National Honor Society, the following demerit system will be enforced:

Missed meeting/Induction Ceremony	1 demerit
Failure to complete and turn in 20 community service hours each semester on time	2 demerits
Failure to participate in a chapter service project	1 demerit
Failure to participate in a chapter fundraising event/Turn in dues on time	1 demerit
TAC	1 demerit
Suspension	2 demerits
Character/Behavior incidences	1 demerit

All absences will count as a demerit, unless the member has received **prior** permission from the Faculty Advisor to be absent. Requests to miss an Induction Ceremony or semester service project must be submitted in writing.

If inducted as a Junior, you will be dismissed from NHS if you receive 5 or more demerits.

If inducted as a Senior, you will be dismissed from NHS if you receive 3 or more demerits.

Once the student receives a written notice of dismissal due to demerits, the student may appear before the Executive Council and the Faculty Advisory Board to retain membership. Only by appearing before the Executive Council and Faculty Advisory Board within the allotted time will retention of membership be considered.

Failure to maintain a GPA of 3.5 will result in a semester of academic probation. At the end of this semester, if the member's GPA has not risen above 3.5, his or her membership will be terminated. GPA requirements are completely separate from the demerit system and cannot be appealed through the Executive Council and the Faculty Advisory Board.

Students are required to complete 20 hours of community service, including one group project, each semester and turn in their signature forms no later than the last meeting of the semester.

Students will pay dues one time in the amount of \$20.00. The amount paid in dues will cover the cost of things such as induction ceremony expenses, National dues, and cords for graduation. The use of dues is not limited to the previously mentioned items. If a student is not able to pay their dues by the set date, he or she must make alternate arrangements with the faculty advisor prior to the date that the money is due.

If a member of the Executive Board is on academic probation, misses 2 or more meetings/projects during their term without prior approval, or receives 3 or more demerits total, he or she will be made to step down from the board and a replacement officer will be elected.

Attendance in monthly NHS meetings is mandatory. All meetings will be held during Titan Time.

The dates for the required events are as follows:

Fall Semester:

Meeting	September 13 th	Welcome Back
Meeting	October 11 th	Community Service Project/ Induction Ceremony
Semester Service Project	October 12 th	Neighborhood Clean Up
Induction Ceremony	October 22 nd @ 7:00pm	
Meeting	November 8 th	Meet New Members
Meeting	December 13 th	Design T-Shirts

Spring Semester:

Meeting	January 17 th	T-Shirt Orders
Meeting	February 13 th	Dues Due (for new members)
Meeting	March 27 th	Group Photo & Nominations
Meeting	April 9 th	2020-2021 Executive Council Vote
Semester Service Project	TBA	

The above guidelines have been adopted to ensure that all members exhibit characteristics that are worthy of membership in NHS. If you have any questions, you may email sgrandstaff@usd259.net or come see Mrs. Grandstaff in D-13 or Mrs. Vredevoogd in D-14.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sarah Grandstaff
NHS Faculty Co-Advisor

Mrs. Courtney Vredevoogd
NHS Faculty Co-Advisor

Signature of NHS Member

Printed Name

Date

Signature of NHS Member's
Parent/Guardian

Printed Name

Date