

## WOODINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

This document will outline the requirement and pertinent information for potential members of the National Honor Society (NHS). Please read this information carefully. Many missed deadlines and requirements can be attributed to lapses of attention to the information in this document.

**DEADLINES:** *Do not wait until the last day to sign up or turn in documents to Moodle. There will be absolutely NO exceptions to missed deadlines. Please plan ahead!*

A complete membership application includes the following: Intent to Join Form/Essay Questions, payment of annual dues (you **do not** need to turn a receipt to Ms. Hartinger), and a complete Community Service Hour log(s). Complete applications will be turned into **moodle.nsd.org**. **Instructions regarding how to create an account and/or turn in hours can be found on the Woodinville High School Honor Society website and will be shared at our beginning of year meeting on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

★ **GPA Requirement:** A student is eligible if he/she has a **cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher**. Spring 2019 and previous grades will determine if the student is accepted into Honor Society during the 2019-2020 school year. Fall 2019 semester grades will be reviewed after they are submitted by teachers in February. Any student whose cumulative GPA drops below a 3.5 will not be accepted into Honor Society during the 2019-2020 school year. For freshmen, fall 2019 grades will determine eligibility.

★ **Intent to Join Forms:** These forms are due no later than **11:59 p.m. on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. Forms are **only available online** at the WHS NHS webpage or the Woodinville High School Honor Society Moodle page. Essay Questions: Type your responses to the following questions in the **Intent to Join form**. Maximum of 250 words per question.

1. What do you feel is the purpose of Honor Society?
2. Describe three leadership qualities you possess.
3. In what ways do you give back to the community?
4. What are your academic goals for this school year?

★ **Annual Dues:** The dues for the 2019-2020 school year are \$15. This **non-refundable** payment is **due no later than November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. Payments can be made online or at the cashier window located outside the main office. Make checks payable to WHS.

★ **Community Service Requirement:** Hours earned after March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 are eligible for inclusion in the 2019-2020 hours requirement. The standard requirement for all grades is **30 total hours** broken into two designations: 10 hours to the *direct benefit* of WHS (“in-school” hours) and 20 additional in-school or general community service (or some combination of the two). Drives sponsored by the WHS Honor Society are considered in-school hours.

**All Students:** On **November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019**, your first 5 hours are due along with dues, and the intent to join form and essay questions. The final 30 hours are due **March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020**. Multiple Community Service logs may be used to complete this requirement, if necessary. **Please keep a log of the hours you turned in as you will not be able to access the hours previously submitted. All community service forms must include signature and/or email and phone number of the coordinating adult. Applications without signatures/emails will not be accepted.** All students are responsible for scanning any necessary documents to upload to Moodle, and documents must be PDF, JPG, or PNG files. *The library has a scanner that students can use.*

A special announcement to seniors applying to colleges: The NHS is an organization that stresses integrity, and in recent years, many seniors submitted intent to join forms without completing the community service requirement. Thus we stress the following message: *It is unethical to claim membership in Honor Society on a college or scholarship application if you have no intention of completing your community service hours. It is a matter of honor to complete all requirements in the senior year.*