



## TUCSON HIGH MAGNET SCHOOL CHAPTER #70 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

### **National Honor Society Selection Criteria**

The National Honor Society is a national organization that promotes four pillars of excellence – character, scholarship, leadership and service. The Tucson High Magnet School chapter of the National Honor Society was chartered on March 30, 1923, making this year its ninety-third year anniversary. Selection to this distinguished group is an honor bestowed by the faculty in accordance with procedures outlined by the constitution on the National Honor Society.

The submitted student applications will be reviewed by a faculty council with the chapter's advisers serving as ex-officio (non-voting) members. Additionally, the entire faculty is polled to gain a better overall picture of the citizenship and character of prospective members. After thorough review of the applications, students who are nominated by this council will be invited to become members of the National Honor Society.

### **Eligibility**

Nomination is open to sophomores and juniors who have attended this school for at least one full semester. Although the basic eligibility is a cumulative scholastic average of at least 3.40 (where "A" = 4.00), nomination for membership is never considered on the basis of grades alone. You are required to complete an application designed to portray your interest in membership, personal character, and activities in service and leadership as well as your academic history. Selection to the National Honor Society is based on all these factors, as well as the faculty's personal knowledge of the student.

### **Application**

If you should choose to complete this application, make sure the finished product is an accurate representation of you and your accomplishments. The packet of materials you submit must include:

1. The completed application (Section I-VI)
2. A recommendation sheet that must be signed by all of your current teachers (Section VII)
3. The essay (Section VIII)
4. Signatures (Section IX)
5. Two recommendations (use the attached form) from teachers at Tucson High, who know you well. These recommendations must be submitted confidentially, which means they must be submitted in a signed, sealed envelope. Please provide envelopes to your teachers in which to seal your recommendations.

*\*Unsealed letters submitted by you or attached to your application will be discarded.*

**The deadline for submitting applications is Friday, February 12, 2016.**

**Directions:** Please complete **all** sections. Type or clearly print all information and submit it by the published deadline. **Do not be modest.** All information will be used by the faculty council to assist with the fair consideration of your candidacy during the selection process. Completion of this form does not guarantee selection. Should you have questions about this form, please contact the NHS advisers, Cynthia Berens or Megan Straube.

**I. Personal Information**

Full Name	Matric #		
Grade level	2 <sup>nd</sup> period teacher name	2 <sup>nd</sup> period room #	
Parent/Guardian Name(s)			
Address	City	State	Zip Code
Phone #	Email address		

**II. Extracurricular Activities.** List all activities in which you have participated during high school. Include clubs, teams, performance groups, and any position of leadership.

Activity	Year (9, 10, 11)	Position
1) _____	_____	_____
2) _____	_____	_____
3) _____	_____	_____
4) _____	_____	_____

**III. Academic History**

List all Honors, Advanced Placement (AP), or dual enrollment courses taken (past or present):

Course	Year (9, 10, 11)	Course	Year (9, 10, 11)

**IV. Recognition, Awards, Honors**

Award	Year (9, 10, 11)
1) _____	_____
2) _____	_____
3) _____	_____



**VIII. Essay.** Your essay must be typed, double-spaced, size 10-12 font and a maximum of 300 words.

**How have you made a positive impact in your community?**

Include how it influenced the development of your personal standards and aspirations.

**IX. Signatures**

I am aware that only the service, activities and honors documented in this application will be considered by the Faculty Council.

I understand that the completion of this form does not guarantee selection into the National Honor Society. If selected, I agree to accept the responsibilities of membership as listed below:

1. I will participate in the formal induction ceremony on April 21, 2016 (tentative).
2. I will complete an Individual Service Project (ISP) and participate in NHS chapter service projects that benefit our school and community.
3. I will maintain a 3.40 GPA each year of membership.
4. I will attend scheduled NHS meetings of the National Honor Society and check my e-mail on a regular basis.
5. I will adhere to Tucson Unified School District's Guidelines for Student Rights and Responsibilities and be a role model for my peers.

I understand that my membership may be revoked or inactivated if I do not meet the above obligations. I attest that the information presented in this application is complete, accurate, and is my own work.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Checklist**

- Application Packet:** completed and signed by you and a parent
- Candidate Essay:** Typed, no more than 300 words
- 2 Confidential Recommendations:** Please ensure that your forms are received by no later than February 12, 2016.
- Willingness to complete service projects:** Please be aware that this is a requirement once accepted into NHS.

**\*\*Submit ALL components to V120 or V312 by 3:30 p.m. FRIDAY, 2/12/16\*\***