

2024-2025 HONOR SOCIETY OPPORTUNITIES

HIGH SCHOOL EAST / HIGH SCHOOL WEST

SMITHTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 11-12

Department: Schoolwide

HSE Advisor: Ms. Zeitlin HSW Advisors: Ms. Abbott &

Mr. Limoli

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: 3.75 (weighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Recommendation(s): One from a former or current teacher and one from a former or current community sponsor
- Course Requirements: Students must have completed at least one semester at High School East or High School West
- Additional Requirements: Students must complete an application detailing their experiences of leadership, community service, honors and awards, and co-curricular activities. Additionally, students will complete a personal statement as part of their application.

General Timeline

- Application Process Begins: Quarter 1
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: Spring

NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 10-12

Department: Art

HSE Advisor: Mr. Lauto HSW Advisor: Mr. Halem

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: None
- Departmental GPA Requirement: B (3.0) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school art courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): One from a former or current art teacher
- Course Requirements: Students must have completed at least one semester of high school art at High School East or High School West
- Additional Requirements: Students must submit three works of art

- Application Process Begins: September
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: Spring

Department: Business

NYS BUSINESS HONOR SOCIETY HSE Advisors: Mr. Costello &

Mr. Hennings

HSW Advisors: Ms. Massimo &

Ms. Wood

GPA Requirements

Grades 10-12

- Overall GPA Requirement: None
- Departmental GPA Requirement: A- (3.6) for regular and B+ (3.3) average for college level business courses (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school business courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): None
- Course Requirements: Students must have at least three credits in business by the end of the school year they are inducted
- Additional Requirements: Students must have competed in at least one Business Olympics and participate
 in School of Business/Honor Society activities and meetings to be eligible for final acceptance. Students
 must also attend the Business Etiquette Dinner.

General Timeline

- Application Process Begins: September (first semester) and February (second semester)
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: Spring

NATIONAL ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY Grades 10-12

Department: English

HSE Advisors: Ms. Stavrou & Ms. Tokarski
HSW Advisor: Mr. Kirchenko

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: B+ (3.3) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses
- Departmental GPA Requirement: A- (3.6) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school English courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): One from a former or current English teacher
- Course Requirements: Students must have at least two core English credits by the end of the school year they are inducted
- Additional Requirements: Students must have attended High School East or High School West for at least one semester, must not have been referred for serious misconduct or academic dishonesty, and must submit a writing sample with their application.

- Application Process Begins: Quarter 2
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: Quarter 4

NATIONAL MATHEMATICS HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 9-12

Department: Mathematics

HSE Advisor: Ms. Boccio-McComb HSW Advisor: Mr. Robinson

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: B+ (3.3) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses
- Departmental GPA Requirement: A- (3.6) (unweighted)
 - Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing mathematics courses (including those taken in middle school)

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): None
- Course Requirements: Students must have completed Algebra 1, and Geometry or Geometry Honors
- Additional Requirements: Following initial acceptance in the fall, students must participate in honor society activities to be eligible for final acceptance

General Timeline

- Application Process Begins: October
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: Spring

TRI-M MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 9-12

Department: Music

HSE Advisor: Mr. McCoy HSW Advisor: Mr. Cotignola

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: B (3.0) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses
- Departmental GPA Requirement: A (4.0) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school music courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): One from a former or current music teacher
- Course Requirements: Students must be enrolled in at least one music course
- Additional Requirements: Students must perform a Level 6 NYSSMA solo with a score of at least 90 or higher

- Application Process Begins: September and May
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: June

NYS SCIENCE HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 11-12

Department: Science

HSE Advisor: Mr. Bennett HSW Advisors: Ms. Fey & Mr. Warner

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: B+ (3.3) (unweighted)
 - Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses
- Departmental GPA Requirement: A- (3.6) (unweighted)
 - Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing science courses (including those taken in middle school)

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): Two from former or current science teachers
- Course Requirements: Students must have completed at least two credits of Regentslevel science courses or higher
- Additional Requirements: None

General Timeline

- Application Process Begins: September
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: November

RHO KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 11-12

Department: Social Studies

HSE Advisor: Mr. Minton Ms. Stewart

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: A- (3.6) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses
- Departmental GPA Requirement: B (3.0) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school social studies courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): One from a former or current social studies teacher
- Course Requirements: Students must be enrolled in a core social studies course and completed one AP social studies course and/or two social studies elective courses
- Additional Requirements: Attendance at bi-weekly meetings and maintain required Active Member Credits (Juniors must earn a minimum of 15 Active Member Credits to maintain their enrollment in Rho Kappa for their senior year)

General Timeline

- Application Process Begins: September
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: Fall

HSW Advisors: Ms. McKee &

NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 10-12

Department: Technology

HSE Advisor: Mr. Savage HSW Advisor: Mr. Tomasello

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: None
- Departmental GPA Requirement: B+ (3.3) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school technology courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): One from a former or current technology teacher
- Course Requirements: Students must complete at least 2.5 credits in technology by the end of the school year they are inducted
- Additional Requirements: Students must attend 75% of the honor society meetings and participate in five hours of community service by the time they are inducted

General Timeline

- Application Process Begins: September (first semester) and February (second semester)
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: Spring

NATIONAL FRENCH HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 11-12

Department: World Languages

HSE Advisor: Ms. Romond HSW Advisor: Ms. DiNapoli-lannello

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: B+ (3.3) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses
- Departmental GPA Requirement: A- (3.6) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All middle and high school French courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): None
- Course Requirements: Students must have completed three World Language credits and be enrolled in a World Language course
- Additional Requirements: None

- Application Process Begins: September
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: October/November

NATIONAL GERMAN HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 11-12

Department: World Languages

HSE Advisor: Ms. Specht HSW Advisor: Ms. Culloton

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: B+ (3.3) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses
- Departmental GPA Requirement: A- (3.6) (unweighted)
 - Courses counted in GPA calculation: All middle and high school German courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): None
- Course Requirements: Students must have completed three World Language credits and be enrolled in a World Language course
- Additional Requirements: None

General Timeline

- Application Process Begins: September
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: October/November

NATIONAL ITALIAN HONOR SOCIETY Grades 11-12

Department: World Languages

HSE Advisor: Ms. Rabeno HSW Advisor: Ms. DiNapoli-lannello

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: B+ (3.3) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses
- Departmental GPA Requirement: A- (3.6) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All middle and high school Italian courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): None
- Course Requirements: Students must have completed three World Language credits and be enrolled in a World Language course
- Additional Requirements: None

- Application Process Begins: September
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: October/November

NATIONAL SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY

Grades 11-12

Department: World Languages

HSE Advisors: Ms. Antunes & Ms. Kinnear HSW Advisor: Ms. Farruggio

GPA Requirements

- Overall GPA Requirement: B+ (3.3) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All high school credit bearing courses
- Departmental GPA Requirement: A- (3.6) (unweighted)
 - o Courses counted in GPA calculation: All middle and high school Spanish courses

Eligibility Requirements

- Teacher Recommendation(s): None
- Course Requirements: Students must have completed three World Language credits and be enrolled in a World Language course
- Additional Requirements: None

- Application Process Begins: September
- Induction Ceremony Takes Place: October/November

STUDENT INFORMATION PACKET AND APPLICATION FOR CURRENT JUNIORS

Please **read all** of the information in the attached packet **before** you begin to fill it in. Make sure that you type or neatly print all information. It is imperative that the entire packet be completed and returned to Room 136 no later than 2:10 pm on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 and that you get a receipt.

Any packet submitted after the due date or NOT complete will not be reviewed. Please use the checklist below to verify that you have completed all parts of the Student Information Packet. Again, incomplete or late packets will not be considered.

Completion of this packet does *not* guarantee your selection in the Smithtown East Chapter of the National Honor Society. All packets will remain confidential.

Summary of Steps:

- 1. Return the entire completed packet to Room 136 no later than 2:10pm on Tuesday, March 18, 2025.
- 2. Initial review for 3.75 GPA requirement as of the conclusion of 2nd guarter of the junior year.
- 3. Faculty Committee convenes to evaluate and recommend students.
- 4. Recommended students' names are submitted to faculty for comments concerning character. If two or more faculty members indicate that an applicant does not meet the standards of character outlined in this packet, and each teacher had addressed his or her concerns with the student and parent, the selection committee can incorporate this information in the selection process.
- 5. Faculty Committee convenes for final recommendations.

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	Completed the Personal Declaration with your signature and the signature of a parent or guardian.
	Completed Leadership and Co-Curricular Activities sections.
	Completed Community Service section (with supervisor letters).
	Completed Honors and Awards section.
	Completed Personal Statement.

Smithtown High School East Attention: Maria Zeitlin, Advisor - National Honor Society 10 School Street, Saint James, New York 11780

Phone: (631) 382-5201 ~ mzeitlin@smithtown.k12.ny.us

Students are notified in writing in a timely fashion regarding the Faculty Committee's recommendation.

National Honor Society Selection Information

MEMBERSHIP

Selection of students for membership in the National Honor Society, one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a high school student, is based on scholarship, leadership, service and character. Membership is not based solely on academic eligibility. Membership is open to qualified juniors and seniors who have been in the school the equivalent of one semester. This period is necessary for students to establish themselves and for the faculty to get to know them.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

Academic eligibility requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.75 at the conclusion of the 2nd quarter of the junior year. Grades are not rounded up. Juniors must have earned a minimum of 10 credits; seniors must have earned a minimum of 15 credits.

LEADERSHIP

To fulfill the leadership requirement the candidate must have demonstrated some of the following and indicate specific examples on the attached form:

- Is resourceful in proposing new problems, applying principles, and making suggestions
- Demonstrates initiative in promoting school activities
- Exercises positive influence on peers in upholding school ideals
- Contributes ideas that improve the civic life of the school
- Is able to delegate responsibilities
- Exemplifies positive attitudes
- Inspires positive behavior in others
- Demonstrates academic initiative
- Successfully holds school offices or positions of responsibility; conducts business effectively and efficiently; demonstrates reliability and dependability
- Is a leader in the classroom, at work, and in other school or community activities
- Is thoroughly dependable in any responsibility accepted
- Is willing to uphold scholarship and maintain a loyal school attitude

SERVICE

To fulfill the service requirement the candidate must have demonstrated some of the following and indicate specific examples on the attached form:

- Volunteers and provides dependable and well organized assistance, is gladly available, and is willing to sacrifice to offer assistance
- Works well with others and is willing to take on difficult or inconspicuous responsibilities
- Cheerfully and enthusiastically renders any requested service to the school
- Is willing to represent the class or school in inter-class and inter-scholastic competition
- Does committee and staff work without complaint
- Participates in some activity outside of school; for example, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, church groups, volunteer services for the elderly, poor or disadvantaged
- Mentors people in the community or students at other schools
- Shows courtesy by assisting visitors, teachers and students

CHARACTER

A person of character demonstrates the following six qualities: respect, responsibility, trustworthiness, fairness, caring, and citizenship. To fulfill the character requirement the candidate must have demonstrated some of the following:

- Takes criticism willingly and accepts recommendations graciously
- Consistently exemplifies desirable qualities of behavior (cheerfulness, friendliness, poise, stability)
- Upholds principles of morality and ethics
- Cooperates by complying with school regulations concerning property, programs, office, halls, etc.
- Demonstrates the highest standards of honesty and reliability
- Regularly shows courtesy, concern and respect for others
- Observes instructions and rules. Is punctual and faithful both inside and outside the classroom
- Has powers of concentration, self-discipline, and sustained attention as shown by perseverance and application to studies
- Manifests truthfulness in acknowledging obedience to rules, avoiding cheating in written work, and showing unwillingness to profit by the mistakes of others
- Actively helps rid the school of bad influences or environment

<u>Selection</u>

Selection of students for membership is the responsibility of the Faculty Committee, a five-member board made up of volunteer staff members, as well as the National Honor Society advisors who serve as ex officio, non-voting members. Approval is based upon a majority vote by the committee. Selection will be based upon the information submitted by the student on the Student Information Packet as well as the recommendations from the committee and faculty. Students should understand that submission of this document does not automatically guarantee selection. Anyone submitting a Student Information Packet will be notified in writing of the Faculty Committee's decision regarding eligibility.

National Honor Society Applicant Information

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Parent Signature:			Date:	
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Failure to obtain both the student and parent signature VOIDS the application process.

LEADERSHIP

List all the elected or appointed leadership positions held in school and/or community, including those positions in which you were directly responsible for supervising or motivating others. Examples include but are not limited to student council, class or club officer, team captain, newspaper editor, church youth group leader, 1st chair in music.

No paid positions.

Do not list Leadership class, but may list activities in which you had a leadership role.

1	Activity (Ex: Kickline)	Grade 9 10 11 12 	Leadership Position & Responsibilities (Ex: Captain)
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CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (Must be activities exclusively in school such as clubs and sports)

List all activities which you have participated during high school. Include clubs, teams, musical groups, etc., and major accomplishments, recognition, or awards in each.

Activity (e.g. Habitat for Humanity)	Grade 9 10 11 12	Accomplishments/Recognition/Awards (e.g. Site Build.)	Advisor Name
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COMMUNITY SERVICE

List community activities in which you have participated and note any major accomplishments in each along with total hours of participation. These should be any activities, both in and out of school, in which you participated for the betterment of your community. For example: church groups, Boy or Girl Scouts, volunteer groups, or community endeavors. Concert and play performances should be listed in co-curricular. Each activity must have a signature or a letter or email of support signed by an adult supervisor of the activity (not a parent, guardian, or friend). Include a phone number for the supervisor. No paid positions.

Activity

Accomplishments

(e.g. volunteer at Save a Pet)

(e.g. Walked dogs 1x/week)

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HONORS & AWARDS

Briefly describe any other awards or special recognition that you received which supports your application to be selected for membership in NHS. For example, National Merit Semi-Finalist, Scholar Athlete.

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PERSONAL STATEMENT In the space allotted, (with a maximum of 250 words) compose a well written statement that indicates what sets you apart from other applicants. This statement should not include information stated previously in the application. Provide specific examples. **Must be typed on a separate sheet of paper and attached to this application.**

Smithtown High School East ~	National Honor Society	v ∼ Selection Rubric	Last Name:	GPA:
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The following guidelines were created to assist the Faculty Committee in the evaluation and selection of National Honor Society candidates.

LEADERSHIP

Points	Criteria
0	Attempts at leadership are not evident
1	Efforts at leadership are limited: • Sometimes demonstrates leadership behaviors
2	Efforts at leadership are acceptable: • Demonstrates leadership behaviors most of the time
3	Efforts at leadership are exceptional: • Always demonstrates leadership behaviors

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVTIES

Points	Criteria
0	No evidence of participation
1	Evidence of participation in co-curricular activities is limited
2	Evidence of participation in co-curricular activities is acceptable
3	Evidence of participation in co-curricular activities is exceptional

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Points	Criteria
0	No evidence of service
1	Evidence of service is limited: • Less than 25 service hours to the school or community
2	Evidence of service is acceptable: • 25-30 service hours to the school or community
3	Evidence of service is exceptional: • More than 30 service hours to the school or community

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Points	Criteria
0	Left Blank
1	Does not meet requirements
2	Meets requirements

TOTAL

Points	Evaluation
9 or more	Student meets criteria for NHS selection
8 or less	Student does not meet criteria for NHS selection

Student is eligible for National Honor Society	Student is NOT eligible for National Honor Society
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