

Congratulations!

You are being considered for membership in the Western Guilford High School Chapter of the National Honor Society due to your excellent unweighted G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher. However, membership is not based on grades alone. Potential members are evaluated by the five-member faculty council on the criteria of scholarship, leadership, service, and character as stipulated by the National Honor Society.

Your G.P.A. makes you eligible to fill out an NHS survey packet. Nevertheless, completion of this packet does not guarantee selection. All complete packets will give the council the necessary information about the potential member's leadership ability, service and character. Members chosen by the faculty council will be inducted into the Western Guilford High School Chapter of National Honor Society in a formal induction in May.

Prerequisites and Selection Process

- Eligible candidates in the 10th and 11th grade must have an unweighted cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
- Candidates must have attended WGHS for at least one semester prior to induction.
- Complete the Candidate Information Survey no later than April 15, 2022.
- Evaluation of candidates' performance in the areas of leadership, service and character (in the classroom) will be done by the faculty. Faculty input forms for each candidate must be received by the NHS advisor no later than April 20, 2022.
- Reference the attached Rubric for NHS Membership for further details on the selection criteria.
- The final selection of members shall be by the majority vote of the Faculty Council consisting of five teachers appointed by the principal. The chapter advisor shall be a nonvoting, ex-officio member of the Faculty Council. The NHS Faculty Council meets and reviews the teachers' input and the students' survey packets. Candidates are subsequently approved or disapproved. All decisions are derived in an objective fashion. Students selected by the Faculty Council are those who demonstrate outstanding performance in all four criteria of scholarship, leadership, service and character.
- NHS Faculty Council decisions are final. There is no right to membership. It is a privilege bestowed upon a student by the faculty of the school.

NO LATE SURVEYS WILL BE ACCEPTED. NO EXCEPTIONS.

We look forward to considering your membership with the WGHS Chapter of the NHS. Please begin working on your application to ensure that you meet all due dates.

Sincerely,

Alec M. Lockhart
WGHS NHS Advisor



NHS Selection Procedure Description

The National Honor Society chapter of [Western Guilford High School](#) is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Students are selected for membership by majority vote of a five-member principal-appointed faculty council, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each [spring](#).

Students in grades [10, 11, and 12](#) are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale. Each [spring semester](#), those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Candidate Form that provides the faculty council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the faculty council uses two forms of input. First, school disciplinary records are reviewed. Second, members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, and leadership. [Candidates must supply the email addresses of their selected faculty members when filling out the online Candidate Information Survey. Be sure to ask your teachers for their consent before listing their contact information on the survey.](#)

Any solicited faculty input and all Candidate Forms are carefully reviewed by the faculty council to determine membership. A majority vote of the council is necessary for selection. Candidates are notified regarding selection or nonselection according to a predetermined schedule.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at the school to recognize all the newly selected members. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all four criteria that led to their selection.

Applications are considered and the induction ceremony is held during May of the current school year.

Rubric for NHS Membership

The Faculty Council will review each candidate, even if the candidate does not complete a Student Activity Information Form. **To be selected, a candidate must accumulate a minimum of 1 point per category and a minimum of 8 points total based on the following rubric.**

Category I: Scholarship (based on unweighted GPA)

Award points as follows based on GPA:

$3.0 \leq x < 3.333\dots$	1 point
$3.333\dots \leq x < 3.666\dots$	2 points
$x \geq 3.666\dots$	3 points

Category II: Character [Teacher Recommendation Forms]

Award points as follows based on average points from teacher recommendations:

$3.75 \leq x < 4.17$	1 point
$4.17 \leq x < 4.59$	2 points
$x \geq 4.59$	3 points

Negative comments on faculty recommendations do not automatically disqualify a nominee; however, nominees receiving negative comments from evaluators will be subject to further review by the Faculty Council. Any student who was suspended from school during either their sophomore, junior, or senior year will also be subject to further review. Any student whose selection to NHS is borderline will also be subject to further review. Students disciplined for cheating after their freshman year are ineligible for membership (this must include an official office referral). Any student under further review will be asked to answer additional questions determined by the Faculty Council to better assess their membership eligibility. The administration will review the decisions of the Faculty Council.

Category III: Leadership (taken from Leadership Section of Application)

1 leadership position	1 point
2 leadership positions	2 points
3 or more leadership positions	3 points

- ❑ The leadership position should be an elected or appointed position. If a student founded their own club and serves as a leader, this also counts.
- ❑ Team captain does not count as leadership unless it is a position held throughout the season. (Being captain for 1 game does not count)
- ❑ Jobs listed as leadership must be accompanied by phone number, signature, and verification of the leadership activity on company letterhead.

Notes:

- ❑ Chorus Section Leaders and Orchestra/Band Positions are appointed by the teacher and ARE leadership positions.
- ❑ Being a peer tutor is service, an officer of peer tutoring is leadership
- ❑ If an email address for the advisor is not provided, no points should be awarded.
- ❑ If documentation from a job or other outside organization is not provided, no points should be awarded.

Category IV: Service (taken from Service Section of Application)

*Maximum of 3 points awarded for this category. List of service vs non-service clubs below.

Students having only non-service related activities in the school setting must show service to the community or no points will be given to this category. Example: Student has 3 points for a variety of sports and non-service school clubs. No service to the community was performed through any of these organizations and the student has no additional community-based service listed. This students' 3 points are nullified and their service score is 0.

Notes:

- ❑ Being a MEMBER of a service club does not award any points; students must PERFORM A SERVICE in the club.
- ❑ MEMBERS of a WGHS sports team, or other WGHS team that competes with other schools or performs, will receive ½ point for membership.
- ❑ If a student is a team member and performs service with that team, they may earn 1 point for service but not an additional ½ point for membership.
 - ❑ Ex: Baseball player participates in the Miracle League for High Point, earns maximum 1 point for service (½ for service project(s) and ½ for being a team member).
 - ❑ If this baseball player is the captain, they earn 1 point for leadership AND earn maximum 1 point for service (½ for service project(s) and ½ for being a team member).
 - ❑ If the baseball player is the captain and did **not** participate in the Miracle League for High Point (or other service project), they earn 1 point for leadership AND ½ point for service (this ½ point is for being a team member).
 - ❑ Similarly, if a student is a leader for a club and also performs service with that club, they earn 1 point for leadership AND maximum 1 point for service.
- ❑ Being a peer tutor is service, an officer of peer tutoring is leadership.
- ❑ If no email address is provided for the advisor or coach, no points should be awarded.

School:**Service-Oriented Clubs:**

- ❑ Email address of adult sponsor required
- ❑ ½ point per service activity, with a maximum of 1 point for any one organization.
- ❑ The service activity must be sufficiently specified on the application.

Non-Service Clubs/Teams:

- ❑ Email address of adult sponsor required
- ❑ ½ point for membership on a school-sponsored team or non-service club that competes or performs representing WGHS (provides service to school culture)

Community:

- ❑ Phone number and signature of adult supervisor required to document the service.
- ❑ ½ point per service activity, with a maximum of 1 point for any one organization.
- ❑ The specific service activity must be specified on the form.

NON-SERVICE CLUBS

The following clubs have a team-like make-up and participate in competitions with other schools. This is not an exhaustive list. Therefore, they will be given the same consideration as membership on a sports team. They will receive ½ point for active membership in that club, BUT will have to demonstrate service to the community elsewhere.

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| ❑ Any WGHS Sports Team | ❑ DECA |
| ❑ Science Olympiad | ❑ FCCLA (competes & performs service) |
| ❑ Drama Club / International Thespian Society | ❑ Quiz Bowl |
| ❑ Band/Orchestra | ❑ Poetry Club |
| ❑ Chorus / Venom & Sting (Acapella) | ❑ FBLA |

SERVICE CLUBS

The following clubs traditionally perform some form of community service. This is not an exhaustive list. Students should describe the service that they performed as members of this club (½ point per service activity with a maximum of 1 point per organization). THERE ARE NO POINTS AWARDED FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THESE CLUBS – THEY MUST DEMONSTRATE SERVICE.

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| ❑ STUCO | ❑ Ladies of Value and Excellence (LOVE) |
| ❑ Hornets Tutors | ❑ Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) |
| ❑ Key Club | ❑ Service Learning Ambassadors |
| ❑ Beta Club | ❑ Future Teachers of America |

NHS Membership Expectations—How to Maintain an Active Membership

Article IV: Membership

Section 1: All members of the junior and senior classes shall be prospective members of the Western Guilford High School's National Honor Society.

Section 2: To become a member of the Western Guilford High School National Honor Society, a student must have a 4.0 cumulative grade point average.

Section 3: Automatic dismissal (dismissal without probation) of members occurs for the following reasons:

- a) Cheating
- b) Moral or disciplinary reasons that are deemed to be sufficient by the principal
- c) Suspension from school because of a criminal act.
- d) A total of five days unexcused absences from school in one year.

Section 4: Probation occurs for one or more of the following reasons:

- a) A grade-point average below 4.0 in any one nine week grading period.
- b) Disciplinary action initiated as a result of unacceptable behavior--ISS
- c) **Failure to participate in club activities including meetings and projects. Members should participate in at least 75% of the club activities and meetings and take a leadership role in at least one project.**
- d) Probation lasts for one grading period. If, at the end of one probationary period, a member is still on probation for the same reason, he is dismissed from the club.
- e) A member will be dismissed if on probation for any reasons three consecutive grading periods.
- f) Failure to pay dues by the specified date.

Section 5: Appeals concerning probation or dismissal are to be made to the Faculty via the Principal.

Section 6: Dues

Each new member will pay \$50.00 to the sponsor. This amount covers the Honor Society dues, the cost of the certificate of membership, identification, and stola, and cords. These dues should be paid within two weeks of the induction.



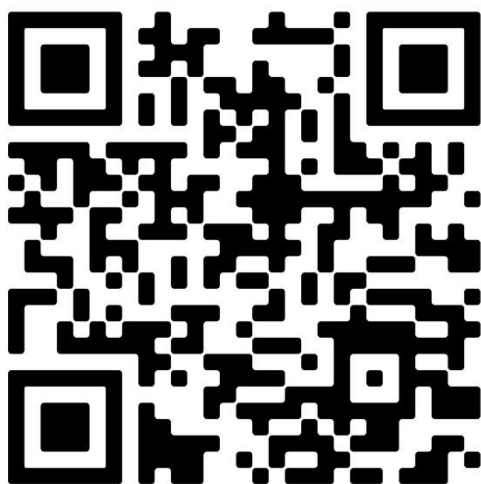
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