



National Honor Society

Midland Valley High School
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Operating Procedures

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Membership

The Midland Valley High School (MVHS) chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) is open to qualified junior and senior students. The four criteria for admission to the National Honor Society are scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Students will be invited to participate in NHS based on the final GPA calculated at the end of 10th and 11th grade. Invitations to apply for NHS will be distributed in September and an induction ceremony will be held in late October or early November.

GPA

Students must maintain the minimum grade point average (GPA) of 4.25 on the weighted scale. Students who fall below the required minimum GPA will be placed on probation. If the student's GPA meets or exceeds the minimum GPA by the next grading period, he/ she will be removed from academic probation. Students who fail to improve their GPA while on academic probation may be dismissed from the National Honor Society.

Meetings

The Midland Valley High School chapter of the National Honor Society has a mandatory attendance requirement for monthly meetings. Chronic failure to meet the attendance requirement may result in students being denied the privilege of receiving an honor stole at graduation.

Required service

Members are required to participate in a minimum of **10** hours of outside community service PER SEMESTER. Please note that community service occurs IN THE COMMUNITY – not in your home. Additionally, all members are required to attend the induction ceremony. Documentation of hours must be turned in at the end of each semester. Failure to obtain these hours will result in the member being excluded from obtaining an honor stole at graduation.

Dues

Members will pay annual dues of \$25. Dues are used to maintain our membership with National Honor Society through the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP). Dues will be collected in October of each school year. Additionally, senior students will be asked to pay for their honor stoles at the end of the year. Failure to pay dues will result in a student being placed in probationary status. This will make a student ineligible to qualify for an honor stole at graduation.

Discipline

Members who do not maintain the four standards of NHS may be dismissed. In some situations, a limited number of warnings may be appropriate. However, in cases of serious violations of the Code of Student Conduct, school rules, and/ or civil laws, a warning may not be necessary prior to recommending a member for dismissal. Members who are recommended for expulsion from school shall be dismissed from the National Honor Society on the first offense. Students who are suspended in – school or out – of – school may be recommended for dismissal from NHS on the first suspension. If a student is allowed to remain in NHS on a

probationary status following a suspension of a short duration, the student will be recommended for dismissal on any subsequent suspension, in – school or out – of – school. Cheating or any breach of academic integrity will be sufficient to recommend dismissal from the National Honor Society on the first offense.

NHS Account

Upon induction, students should create an account and register with the National Honor Society. This is completed online via www.nhs.us. It is strongly encouraged that you do NOT use your school email so you will still be able to access your account after graduation. Once your account is created, it will be approved by the NHS advisor to make your account active.

Scholarships

Since 1946, more than \$19 million in scholarships have been awarded to outstanding NHS senior members. The scholarship program is supported by the parent organization of NHS, the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP). Eligible senior NHS members must have a verified NHS student account in order to apply for the scholarship. A timeline of important dates will be provided once those dates are made available.

By signing below, you indicate that you have read and understand the operating procedures for the Midland Valley High School chapter of the National Honor Society. Any questions shall be directed to Samantha Luzzatti at sluzzatti@acpsd.net.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Advisor Signature _____ Date _____

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Discipline Check S1 Jr _____ S2 Jr _____ S1 Sr _____ S2 Sr _____

Hours S1 Jr _____ S2 Jr _____ S1 Sr _____ S2 Sr _____

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Meetings Aug____ Sep ____ Oct ____ Nov ____ Dec ____ Jan ____ Feb ____ Mar ____ Apr ____ May ____