

CYPRESS PARK CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



National Honor Society is more than just an honor roll. The Honor Society chapter establishes rules for membership that are based upon a student's outstanding performance in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. These criteria for selection form the foundation upon which the organization and its activities are built.

Scholarship: Junior and senior students who have a cumulative grade point average of 5.8 (on a weighted scale) meet the scholarship requirement for membership. These students are then eligible for consideration on the basis of service, leadership, and character.

Service: This quality is defined through the voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation and with a positive, courteous, and enthusiastic spirit.

Leadership: Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, promoters of school activities, idea-contributors, and dependable persons who exemplify positive attitudes about life. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others.

Character: The student of good character upholds principles of morality and ethics, is cooperative, demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability, shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others, and generally maintains a good and clean lifestyle.

CY-FAIR NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY
MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES

Welcome to the Cypress Park chapter of the National Honor Society! It is an honor to have you **APPLY** for membership. To be an active member, there are responsibilities. Please read below for those responsibilities.

- (1) **MEETINGS**: Members will attend meetings. Meetings will be held once a month on the 3rd Tuesday, in C3106 after school. Pay attention to REMIND for important dates and reminders. **You can only miss two meetings per year! Please contact me with extenuating circumstances such as a UIL game/activity etc.**
- (2) **DUES & FORMS**: Members will pay dues once a year. **Dues are \$40.** Dues paid after the designated date (determined by the treasurer) will pay a \$5 penalty. **DUES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE** and paid through School Cash. Service Forms will be turned in using a google form in our NHS group.
- (3) **HOURS**: Service hour sheets will be available online in the Schoology Group. The requirements are:
 - **15 IN-SCHOOL**: activities in a club or organization after 2:30 pm-must be signed by an adult supervisor. Parents or family members are not allowed to sign forms.
 - **15 OUT-OF-SCHOOL**: volunteer work in the community (i.e. church, hospital, nursing home, Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts, community events, hospital, nursing homes, local libraries, etc.) You **MUST** include a letter for these and the hours cannot be part of any Cypress Park club or organization.
 - **1 NHS SERVICE PROJECT**: pay attention to times, dates, and locations for these!
- (4) **GRADES**: Students must maintain a 5.80 GPA and CANNOT receive an F on a report card.
- (5) **PROBATION**: Students who do not complete the required hours will be placed on probation the next semester. They will be expected to make up hours missed. **If a student on probation does not fulfill these requirements, they will be removed from the National Honor Society.**
- (8) **CHARACTER**: Students are expected to demonstrate Tiger R.I.S.E. both in and out of school. Issues with behavior, respect, or integrity may result in removal from the NHS. (Please see NHS Honor Code)
- (7) **REMOVAL**: Students may be removed for the following reasons:
 - A. Being suspended, making a U in conduct, going to ALC, cheating, or any other administrative disciplinary report.
 - B. Not maintaining a 5.80 GPA.
 - C. Being placed on probation and not fulfilling their probation requirements.
 - D. Not paying dues (unless there is a substantial reason).
 - E. Disrespect toward other members, sponsors, teachers, administrators, or the community at any time.
 - F. Missing two meetings without prior approval.
 - G. Failure to turn in required forms, NHS Honor Code, Service Card, Membership Guidelines, etc.
 - H. Any other reason the faculty council deems fit.
- (8) **OFFICER POSITIONS**: Elections for officers will take place in either March or April. Juniors in good standing may apply for an officer position. Officer duties will be detailed before applications are due.