NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY CANDIDACY INFORMATION FORM PROCESS 2023-24

The purpose of the National Honor Society is fourfold:
to create enthusiasm for scholarship,
to stimulate a desire to render service,
to promote leadership,
to develop character.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. To qualify a student must be a sophomore or junior and have completed at least one semester at Peters Township High School.
- 2. The cumulative weighted GPA must be a 4.00 according to the Peters Township High School guidelines in level and above-level courses and in compliance with the National Chapter regulations. All high school grades including those from your previous high school(s) will be included.
- 3. The student's official Cumulative Weighted GPA, as noted on their Peters Township High School Transcript, will be utilized to determine qualification.

INDUCTION PROCESS

- 1. Cumulative weighted GPAs will be calculated.
- 2. All sophomores and juniors who meet the 4.00 cumulative weighted GPA will receive a parent/student notification letter informing them that the academic requirement has been met.
- 3. The National Honor Society Candidacy Information Form can be found on the Peters Township High School website under Activities.
- 4. A group meeting will be held for the purpose of informing prospective members of the goals of the National Honor Society and the selection process.
- 5. At this meeting, the process of filling out the form will be discussed. Please download and bring a copy of the form for your reference. Although this meeting is not mandatory, attendance is strongly encouraged because no further formal explanation will be provided.
- 6. The completed application must be <u>submitted by 2:30 pm on Friday March 1, 2024</u>. (See Candidacy Information Form guidelines.)
- 7. The Faculty Council, selected by the principal and under the direction of the National Honor Society Advisor, reviews each candidate relative to service, leadership and character. The faculty council's decision is final.
- 8. A letter is sent to the parents and student notifying them of the selection. All applicants will be notified.
- 9. A mandatory induction ceremony is held on March 27, 2024 at the high school.

MAINTAINING YOUR MEMBERSHIP

The same requirements needed for membership must be continued to retain membership. These include

- maintenance of high academic achievement
- membership in organized activities
- attendance at NHS meetings
- a minimum of 20 NHS preapproved service hours per year of membership
- display good character

Guidelines for Completion of NHS Student Candidacy Information Form:

- Forms must be downloaded from the Peters Township High School website under Activities.
- Forms **must** be typed and all sections must be completed.
- All entries within each section require an adult sponsor's signature and phone number. No relative or peer can be the sponsor. If you are unable to have a sponsor sign your form, you must have them <u>email you</u> verifying the exact number of hours on your form. Bring this email along with your **original** form to Mrs. Kendrick (room 316) or Mrs. Berger (room 318) to sign.
- All entries within each section may begin with the first day of summer after completion of your 8th grade year. No entries prior to that date will be accepted.
- Your name should **ONLY** appear on the cover page of the form. It should not be anywhere else on the form. The cover page must also include the student and parent/guardian signatures.
- Submit a total of 3 completed forms. (**One original completed form** along with 2 photocopies of the completed original form).
- Completion of this form does not guarantee induction into the National Honor Society.
- The completed form must be submitted to the main office by 2:30 pm on March 1st, 2024. No late forms will be accepted.

Any questions regarding the NHS process should be directed to the National Honor Society Sponsors, Mrs. Angela Berger at bergera@pt-sd.org or Mrs. Deborah Kendrick at kendrickd@pt-sd.org. Questions regarding GPA calculations should be directed to student's guidance counselor.