

**National Honor Society Membership Rubric 2023-24**

The National Honor Society accepts students who **excel** in all four areas:  
**Scholarship, Leadership, Responsibility and Character**

Applicant may **not** be selected if:

1. If any section on the form is left blank (Areas without signatures will not be counted) or scores a zero
2. If they score one point in activities, service and /or essay section
3. If the total points fall below 10 points
4. If the form is **not typed** (including hours), complete, and does not following the form guidelines

The scoring of the National Honor Society form is based upon the following rubric:

**1. Activity**

**Scoring:** Each “Hours per year” block in this section is worth 1 Merit.

Any block over a total of 30 or more hours per year will count as 2 Merits.

Must be outside of school hours cannot include class time. Must represent actual performance/practice time.

**Total Merits:**

<b>21 – over</b>	<b>3 points</b>
<b>11 -20</b>	<b>2 points</b>
<b>1 – 10</b>	<b>1 point</b>

**2. Service Activities**

**Scoring:** Count total service hours.

<b>101 and over</b>	<b>4 points</b>
<b>51 – 100</b>	<b>3 points</b>
<b>26 - 50</b>	<b>2 points</b>
<b>1 - 25</b>	<b>1 point</b>

**3. Leadership**

**Scoring:** Count number of leadership positions held. Must have at least one valid positon.

<b>5 - over</b>	<b>3 points</b>
<b>3 - 4</b>	<b>2 points</b>
<b>1 - 2</b>	<b>1 point</b>

**4. Essay**

**Scoring:** Points determined by rubric below. Grades received between 0 and 4 points.

Please note, off topic essays will receive a zero. (NO EXCEPTIONS)

<b>Category</b>	<b><i>Proficient - 1</i></b>	<b><i>No Credit - 0</i></b>
<b>Focus</b>	<i>States the purpose of the activity. Never diverges from the topic</i>	<i>Does not state or imply the purpose of the activity. Diverges from the topic.</i>
<b>Content</b>	<i>Demonstrates a reflective analysis including a summary of the activity supported by details. Draws a conclusion.</i>	<i>Lacks development and self-reflection. Does not include a summary of the activity or has insufficient details. Does not make a conclusion.</i>
<b>Organization</b>	<i>Presents the essay in a well-organized manner multi-paragraph essay. Attempts to include the following elements: ~ Introduction ~ Transitions ~ Conclusions</i>	<i>Presents the essay in a poorly organized manner. One or more elements are missing that impact understanding: ~ No introduction ~ No transitions ~ No conclusion</i>
<b>Conventions</b>	<i>Uses appropriate language, word choice and sentence structure. Few (1-4) errors in: ~ Grammar ~ Punctuation ~ Mechanics</i>	<i>Uses slang and unsophisticated word choice. Contains language that distracts from the meaning of the essay. Many (5 or more) errors in: ~ Grammar ~ Punctuation ~ Mechanics</i>

