

Cumberland Christian School

National Honor Society

Chapter Rules and Policies

I. Purpose:

- A. To honor students who are consistently achieving at a high academic level, exemplifying Christian character, leadership, and service; and participating co-curricular activities.
- B. To record on student transcripts a nationally recognized honor society, an honor which will be a positive indicator to colleges and future employers.

II. Selection:

The following criteria will be used in selection to the National Honor Society. If these criteria are not maintained once the student has been inducted into the National Honor Society, the student would be removed.

- A. Selection will be limited to juniors and seniors. A transfer student would have to be enrolled in CCS for one full semester before becoming eligible for the National Honor Society unless that student was a member of the National Honor Society in his/her former school.
- B. The student must have a minimum cumulative GPA (Grade Point Average) of 92% at the end of his/her 10th grade year. A student who does not have a 92% at the start of his/her junior year may become eligible if his/her cumulative GPA is raised to 92% at the end of his/her junior year.
- C. Upon meeting the GPA requirement, the student will fill out and submit within a specified time frame a selection form in which he/she details his/her school involvement, leadership positions, and service activities. The student will also include his/her salvation & spiritual life testimony with this form. He/She must be able to demonstrate the development of a positive Christian testimony/character and must be approved by the high school principal.
- D. Each student's form will be read by several faculty members to see if the student met the leadership, service, & co-curricular requirements.
- E. All high school faculty will give a response regarding each applicant's character. Three or more faculty members must give evidence of a character issue in a student for the possible exclusion of a student from the National Honor Society.
- F. The student must not be on social probation.

- G. The student must have been satisfactorily involved in two (2) or more school co-curricular activities while in grades 9-12 with at least one activity per year for two years. We allow a student to be currently in one, but one co-curricular activity must have been completed already. Co-curricular activities are non-graded activities such as a varsity sports team; however, activities such as choir, in which grades are given but there is also outside service, are included. Yearbook, drama, and SAO are included.

III. Administration:

- A. The official National Honor Society advisor for CCS is the high school principal or his designee.
- B. A permanent file will be kept containing the name and the date of induction of each student into the National Honor Society. A notation of this achievement will be placed on the student's permanent record.
- C. The induction will take place each year in November. New inductees will receive a certificate as well as the official National Honor Society pin.
- D. Once inducted into the National Honor Society, each student will pay a onetime \$15.00 membership due. This money will be used to help pay for the pin, as well as the honor cord and tassel worn at graduation.
- E. As members of the National Society, these students will be expected to participate in various activities throughout the school year.
- F. Before a student is removed from the National Honor Society, a committee made up of the high school principal, the high school guidance counselor, and the student's homeroom teacher would review the case. If that student is reinstated and at a future time is removed again, it would then become a permanent removal.