

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES/OBLIGATIONS 2016-2017

In order to maintain membership in NHS a member must uphold the core principles of the organization: Scholarship, Character, Service, and Leadership. **REQUIRED** chapter meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month.

1. SCHOLARSHIP

- a. Members must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher.

2. CHARACTER

- a. All members are expected to attend the chapter meeting on the first Tuesday of the month. THE first Tuesday is ALWAYS reserved for chapter meetings. Meetings are kept brief to accommodate the schedules of commitments to other clubs and activities. The only way to be excused from a meeting is to contact Mrs. Calvey with a **valid** excuse **24 hours prior** to the meeting. Officers are required to attend every meeting.

3. SERVICE

- a. All members are required to participate in a minimum of two NHS sponsored service activities and two fundraisers.
- b. All members are required to complete 50 hours of community service between March 18, 2016 and March 30, 2017. **Freshman Seminar and required hours completed for other clubs DOES not meet this requirement.** To help you meet these hours the chapter will plan a minimum of one service activity a month. Each member must document his/her hours by completing a service form (found in Student Services). Copies of completed forms should be given to the chapter secretary.

4. LEADERSHIP

- a. Members are expected to serve as leaders in the classroom, in the community and in extracurricular activities.

5. LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP

NHS membership is a privilege and members can lose their membership if the Faculty Council determines a member is not meeting the chapter requirements

- a. Basis for expulsion from NHS includes but is not limited to:
 - i. Cumulative GPA falls below 3.5
 - ii. Cheating
 - iii. Any suspension and/or referral
 - iv. Failure to fulfill the service hour requirement
 - v. Falsifying service hours
 - vi. Repeated attendance issues or a failure to honor the commitments to projects

NHS POLO

NHS members are required to purchase an NHS polo for \$15. The polo will be worn throughout the year at NHS service activities and events. We will order polos no later than Friday, April 1 so we have them for our first event in May. If purchasing a polo is a hardship, please notify Mrs. Calvey so arrangements can be made. Make checks payable to Oswego East.

PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTOM PORTION BY TUESDAY, MARCH 29

My son/daughter, _____, and I have reviewed the above requirements and obligations for members inducted into the Oswego East Chapter of the National Honor Society and agree to abide by them. We understand that if these responsibilities are not met during the course of the year, my membership status will be jeopardized and could possibly result in being placed on probation, or removal from the National Honor Society, but not until the review/appeals process has been exhausted.

Student Name (Printed)

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed)

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Polo size _____ Paid _____

Number of people attending Induction on April 6 at 6 PM _____