

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY
George Ranch High School Chapter Candidate Form



1. Administrative Information

Please **type or print** your name the way you want it to appear on your certificate.

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Advisory: _____

Phone Number: _____ ID Number: _____

How many discipline referrals have you received during the current school year? _____

Cause

Consequence

Please list the Pre-AP, AP and Dual Credit courses which you have **completed or are currently enrolled**. “Current enrollment” includes any applicable course on your current schedule. You may not include classes where you only completed one semester of the class and then changed to an Advanced Academic section.

| Course | Level | | | Grade | | |
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| | AP | Dual Credit | Pre-AP | 9 th | 10 th | 11 th |
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Teacher Recommendations

Select three George Ranch High School teachers to complete a recommendation. We will send them an electronic evaluation form. **Two of these recommendations must come from core teachers (English, Math, Science, Social Studies or Foreign Language).** Please list the names of the three teachers filling out a recommendation for you. They **must** sign this form in order to be accepted.

Please enter the teacher's names in the survey found at <http://bit.ly/2lWJ3uG> (case sensitive).
Failure to enter names will result in not acquiring teacher recommendations.

| Teacher's Name | Subject | Teacher's Signature |
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2. Leadership

Please list all leadership positions that you have held while in high school. These can include leadership roles in extra-curricular activities, clubs, sports, and community organizations.

| Position | Organization | Grades | | | Sponsor Name and Signature |
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3. Community Service

Please list all volunteer community activities in which you have participated while in high school. These should be any activities outside of school that benefitted your community (please do not include activities which benefited family members or those from which you received monetary compensation). Give the full name of the organization, not just the initials. A signature by an adult sponsor is required. **No points will be given without signature verification.** Please include their address or contact phone number. If an adult sponsor signature cannot be obtained, please attach **copies** (not originals) of certificates, letters, or other forms of verification for proof of participation.

| Community Activity/Organization | Year | | | Approx. Total Hours Volunteered | Signature of Adult Sponsor (Please include phone number) |
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4. Accomplishments

Please list your **top five** accomplishments achieved during your time in high school. These can be accomplishment in and outside of school. For example: academic awards, sports awards, recognition in the community, Eagle Scout, recognition for charitable work. Give the full name of the organization, not just the initials. A signature by an adult sponsor is required. **No points will be given without signature verification.** Please include their address or contact phone number. If an adult sponsor signature cannot be obtained, please attach **copies** (not originals) of certificates, letters, or other forms of verification for proof (i.e. photos, news articles, etc.) of accomplishment.

| Accomplishment | Organization | Date Achieved | Name of Sponsor | Signature |
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5. Extra-curricular Activities

Please list all activities in which you have participated during your time in high school. Include activities both done at school and in the community. (dance, sports, clubs, organizations you participate in, etc.) Give the full name of the club/organization, not just the initials. A signature by an adult sponsor is required in order to receive credit for the activity. **No points will be given without such signature.** If an adult sponsor signature cannot be obtained, please attach **copies** (not originals) of certificates, letters, or other forms of verification for proof (i.e. photos, news articles, etc.) of participation.

| Activity/Club | Year | | | Name of Sponsor | Signature of Adult Sponsor |
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6. Essay

Note: Applications without Essays are Automatically Disqualified.

The foundation pillars of NHS are scholarship, leadership, character, and service. Presuming there was only one open spot for NHS remaining, why should we choose to accept your application and not that of another student? Your essay should address those four characteristics **and** how they are shown in your life.

You must attach your essay to your application **AND submit your essay to turnitin.com.**

Class ID: 16722304 Password: longhorns.

(If you do not know how or can't remember your login information please see the librarian.)

The grading rubric (requirements) for essay include:

- Do not put your name on the front of your essay. Only put your ID number in the top right corner. Essays will be evaluated blindly. (The grader does not know the student's name.)
- 300 words or less. Essays must be typed, 12 pt. font, double-spaced, and all rules of formal composition apply. It must be your original work.
- Mechanical correctness (correct spelling, punctuation, usage, paragraphing, sentence structure, grammar)
- Content (quality of ideas and level of expression)
- Unity (clear thesis statement, transitions, organization)
- Please attach your essay with your completed application.
- Neatness and apparent pride taken in one's work.

Membership Responsibilities:

With membership comes specific responsibilities which have been outlined by the Faculty Council. Please consider them carefully.

General Responsibilities: Members are expected to continue to demonstrate the qualities of scholarship, leadership, service, and character by which they were selected while on-campus and off-campus. Members are expected to respect school rules and civil law at all times and in all settings. This includes on-campus as well as off-campus.

Attendance – Regular attendance is required. Meetings will be held as scheduled by officers. Attendance is required at 80% of the meetings. You may only miss 1 meeting per semester.

Scholarship – Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 100. Students whose GPA falls below a 100 will be placed on probation and will be allowed one semester to bring their GPA into compliance with the scholarship standard or be placed as inactive status.

Service Projects – Under national NHS regulations, each chapter must do a service project in which each member must be actively involved. In addition, each student shall have the responsibility of choosing and participating in at least 24 service hours per year (see by-laws) which reflect his/her own particular talents and interests.

Community and School Service - Students are expected to participate in a minimum of 4 hours of on-campus service per semester, and 8 hours, per semester, of individual service to the community, and an additional 8 hours of either community or school service. This will total 20 hours of service. This can be done all at once or broken up into various activities. A Service Verification form must be turned in to the chapter adviser

Fundraising: Members are expected to participate in fundraising activities for the chapter. The fundraising activities will go toward scholarships and induction ceremonies for future members. Students who choose not to participate in the on-campus fundraising that takes place, will have the option of paying a fee.

Dues: Members are expected to pay yearly dues. This will include membership dues and a NHS t-shirt. Members who cannot meet this requirement should arrange a meeting with the chapter adviser to discuss his or her situation.

I understand that the completion of this form does not guarantee membership in National Honor Society, but that I am being considered for selection. I realize that the decision of the NHS Faculty Council is final.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____
Date application received: _____ Initials: _____