



University High School

BY-LAWS: NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1. The name of this chapter shall be the Alpha Titan Chapter of the National Honor Society of University High School.

Section 2. The purpose of this chapter shall be to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of character in students of University High School.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership in this chapter shall be known as active, honorary, and graduate. Active members become graduate members at graduation. Graduate and honorary members have no vote in chapter affairs.

Section 2. Membership in this chapter is an honor bestowed upon deserving students by the faculty, and shall be based on the criteria of Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character.

Section 3. Membership eligibility is based on the following criteria:

Scholarship- *A standard of excellence as demonstrated by the student in accordance with the chapter's standards.*

- A student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.8 or higher on the weighted scale.
- A student must be enrolled in at least one rigorous core course (honors, AP, AICE, or dual enrollment)

Leadership- *A student is a leader in the classroom, at work, or in other school or community activities and is dependable in any responsibility accepted.*

- Students must demonstrate that they have taken the initiative to lead others, either by directing an activity or program or innovating some idea or concept either in school or within the community while in high school.
- Students must exhibit on-going and consistent leadership.
- Students must demonstrate this from the summer before grade 10 until selection.
- Only Juniors are selected for induction.

Service- *Service is generally considered to be those actions undertaken by the student that are done with or on behalf of others without any direct financial or material compensation.*

- Students must have made a significant and consistent contribution in some activity or organization (on a strictly volunteer basis) which promotes the idea of improving the quality of life for others.
- Students must demonstrate this from the summer before grade 10 until selection.
- Students must have at least 30 service hours on record at the time of selection (September 1st)

Character- *A person of character demonstrates the following six qualities: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship.*

- Students must demonstrate on a consistent basis maturity, sensitivity, high ethical/moral values, good sportsmanship, and above all- honesty.
- Students should be a role model for other students in his/her daily conduct and attitude.

Section 4. Graduation recognition honor cords are bestowed upon seniors after completion of two years as an active member of the Alpha Titan chapter of the National Honor Society. Seniors must also be in good standing as is defined as meeting/maintaining all criteria listed within Article II, Article VII, and Article VIII.

- a. Active members who complete accelerated graduation requirements must still complete 60 in-service hours and turn in proof of participation by the last school day of April.