

Pelham Memorial High School English/Math/Science and Social Studies Honor Society Criteria

*All applications for the content area honor societies must be submitted by **3:15 p.m. on December 15, 2023.** An application is required for each honor society a student would like to be considered for. Acceptance into an honor society requires that a student meet the scholarship and character requirements of that society. Students who miss the deadline or submit incomplete applications will not be considered for induction this year.*

CRITERIA:

English:

- Membership is based upon accomplishments in the field of English & overall academic achievement.
- Applicants must have been in attendance at PMHS for the equivalent of **one semester** prior to being considered.
- Applicants must have successfully completed **four semesters** of required core courses in the field of English. **(Applicants MUST be at least JUNIORS)**
- Applicants must be enrolled in an Honors/AP/SUPA/Adelphi English course **and/or** an English elective **and/or** an English sponsored club/activity.
- Applicants must have at least an 85% English GPA (weighted) and an 85% Overall GPA (weighted).
- Applicants must write and submit a personal statement.
- Applicants must submit an activity profile and a copy of an unofficial transcript.
- If you have a question regarding the criteria see Mr. Sirico (room 121) or Dr. Thompson (room 061, x1108).

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Mathematics:

- Membership shall be based upon mathematics scholarship, exemplary character, and service.
- Applicants will be eligible at the beginning of their junior year.
- Applicants must have completed a minimum of **two years of Pelham Memorial High School mathematics courses** and must currently be enrolled in an honors or AP mathematics class *(The only exception is if the applicant completed the Algebra 2 Trigonometry **HONORS** course).
- 90% Mathematics GPA (unweighted).
- 85% Overall GPA (unweighted).
- Recommendations from **two** math faculty members (Nothing is required to submit. The recommendation process will be done during the review of your honor society application).

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Science:

- Membership shall be based upon science scholarship, exemplary character and service.
- Applicants must have successfully completed a minimum of **TWO Honors** High School Science classes and are currently enrolled or have completed an **Advanced Placement or SUNY** Science class. **(Applicants MUST be at least JUNIORS.)**
- Minimum 90% Science GPA (unweighted).
- Minimum 85% Overall GPA (unweighted).
- Applicants must identify TWO Science Instructors who will recommend the applicant for membership in the Science National Honor Society (SNHS).

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Social Studies:

- Membership is based upon accomplishments in the field of soc. st. & overall academic achievement.
- Applicants must have been at PMHS for the equivalent of **one semester** prior to being considered.
- Applicants must have successfully completed **four semesters** of required core courses in the field of social studies and be prepared to complete at least six semesters of core courses.

(Applicants MUST be at least JUNIORS)

- Applicants must be enrolled in an Honors/AP/SUPA/SUNY Social Studies course **and/or** a Social Studies elective **or** a Social Studies sponsored club/activity (e.g. Model UN, Military History Club, etc.)
- Applicants must have at least an 85% Soc. St. GPA (weighted) and an 85% Overall GPA (weighted).
- Applicants must show participation in activities that demonstrate **civic engagement in school or community** (political and nonpolitical - volunteering, activism, etc.) - if you have a question regarding civic engagement please speak to Mr. Sirico or Dr. Thompson x1108. Extenuating circumstances due to the pandemic will be considered.
- Students must receive a written letter of recommendation from **ONE** current faculty member. Ask the teacher to email the recommendation to Mr. Sirico
- Applicants must write and submit a personal statement.
- Applicants must submit an activity profile and a copy of an unofficial transcript.
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If you have questions about the application process, please contact the Honor Society Advisors:

- **English:** Mr. Sirico (Room 121)
- **Math:** Ms. Jacobs (Room 233)
- **Science:** Ms. Gruber (Room 253)
- **Social Studies:** Mr. Sirico (Room 121)

Things to be aware of upon your induction:

ENGLISH:

- Meetings will be held several times a year in Rm. 128 and will require your attendance. Check the announcements for the dates and times on Google Classroom.
- Officers for the Honor Society will be elected each year. Officer positions include: President, Vice-President, and Secretary.
- In order to maintain membership, students must complete a minimum of 5 hours of ELA related service each year.

MATHEMATICS:

- Meetings will be held several times throughout the year in room 233 and your membership in the society will require your attendance. Notifications will be on Google Classroom.
- In order to maintain membership, students must complete a minimum of 10 hours of math related service each year (5 hours for new inductees).
- In order to maintain membership, students must participate in two of the math related events offered throughout the year.

SCIENCE:

- Meetings will be held once a month in room 253 and your membership in the society will require your attendance. Notifications will be on Google Classroom.
- You will be required to participate in various activities throughout the school year in order to be considered an active member of the society. You will complete a set number of hours (5 hours) to maintain SNHS membership for the following year.
- Attendance at 2 science lectures through the SNHS meetings is mandatory.
- You must take an advanced science course (AP, SUNY or SUPA) in your senior year to maintain your SNHS membership.
- You must maintain a minimum of a 90% GPA in science to maintain your SNHS membership.
- During meetings, members will have the opportunity to suggest ideas for activities for the society to participate in. These may include, but are not limited to, community service, tutoring and attending presentations.

SOCIAL STUDIES:

- In order to maintain membership, students must complete a minimum of 15 hours of Social Studies related activities each year. These hours can include clubs.
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