



Loris High School

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Loris, SC 29569

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The intent of the National Senior Beta Club is to promote the ideals of academic achievement, character, service, and leadership among secondary students:

ACHIEVEMENT: recognizing and honoring high academic achievement

CHARACTER: preparing young people for life and empowering them to be successful

LEADERSHIP: developing the leaders of tomorrow, and

SERVICE: demonstrating the National Beta motto—*Let Us Lead by Serving Others.*

Eligibility: At Loris High School, we identify the current 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students who exemplify the ideals of the National Beta Club. **Eligible students are notified and invited to apply for membership** in the Loris High School Senior Beta Club. Applicants must successfully comply with the following criteria:

1. Applicants must possess “worthy moral & ethical character; exemplary achievement; and commendable attitude” (Constitution of the National Beta Club).
2. Applicants must be completing a College Preparatory or Honors/AP/Dual Credit course of study. Per the Constitution of the National Beta Club, “all students must be performing at or above grade level in order to be eligible for membership.”
3. Freshman, sophomore, and junior applicants must be taking at least four courses per semester. During their senior year, applicants must be completing a course load approved by the administration.
4. Applicants must meet the following scholastic requirements:
 - a) Ninth graders must have an eighth grade average (eighth grade year only) of 90 or higher in core academic courses (ELA, mathematics, science, & social studies) and be a member in good standing of the Junior Beta Club at the middle school level. [NOTE: The 90 average is determined by adding the final year-end grades for the four academic courses and dividing by four. The minimum average must be 90 with no rounding.]
 - b) Tenth, eleventh, and twelfth graders must have a cumulative 3.5 GPA or higher.
5. Applicants must have demonstrated worthy character which in this case is based on their school discipline record: having had no infractions of any rules that require a student to have repeated in-school-suspensions (no more than one ISS infraction and nothing more than a Level 1 offense within the last twelve months—the current school year for 2015 nominees).

In order to continue membership, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth graders must maintain the above criteria each semester. At the end of the first semester of their freshman year, ninth graders must meet and maintain the same criteria as the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth graders.

Induction: Unless otherwise designated, the annual induction ceremony will be conducted during first semester.

Dues: To be inducted as a member of the Senior Beta Club, the applicant must complete the attached application and pay a one-time induction fee of \$20.00 (\$15.00 National Beta membership fee and \$5.00 annual dues). Thereafter, students need only pay annual dues of \$5.00.

If parents or applicants have questions, please contact me at 843 390-6800 (ext. 62238) or at dmcpherson@horrycountyschools.net.

Sincerely,
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Senior Beta Club sponsor