

# HHS NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY & BETA CLUB BY-LAWS 2022-2023

- **ARTICLE I - Time and Place of Meetings**

(A) The time and place of meetings of this chapter of the National Honor Society & National Beta Club shall be decided upon only after consultation with, and upon arrival of, the executive head of the Hahnville High School. The time of the meetings of this chapter of the National Beta Club shall be after school once a month. The place of the meetings of this chapter of the National Beta Club shall be in the cafeteria, auditorium or sponsors classroom.

- **ARTICLE II - Standards of Membership**

(A) The classes from which members may be drawn shall be 10th, 11th, and 12th. At the beginning of each year, members shall be drawn from 10th graders whose average of final 9th grade subjects who meet the requirements below; and 11th graders whose average of final 9th-10th grade subjects meet the requirements below and 12th graders whose average of final 9th-11th grade subjects meets the requirements below.

(B) ***If a potential member does not join during 2022-2023 school year, the potential member cannot join during a subsequent year.***

(C) Standards of membership in the Hahnville High School chapter of the National Honor Society & National Beta Club must conform to the general features as laid down in the National Constitutions; and in all cases must be approved by the executive head of the high school. The scholastic requirement for membership shall be for National Honor Society at 3.75 or above numerical grading scale of 4.0. The scholastic requirement for membership shall be for National Beta Club at 3.0 or above on a numerical grading scale of 4.0

- **ARTICLE III - Initiation and Induction of Members**

(A) The initiation and induction of new members into the membership of this chapter of the National Honor Society & National Beta Club shall be one of dignity appropriate to the ideals of the organization. Any pre-induction initiation activity must be submitted to and approved by the executive head of the Hahnville High School. It must not be of a nature to cause physical pain or mental embarrassment to the initiate.

- **ARTICLE IV - Loss of Membership**

(A) A member of this chapter of the National Honor Society and The National Beta Club may be dropped from membership if his or her scholastic record falls below the above listed average. However, no member may be dropped from membership for scholastic deficiency without being accorded a probationary period of one semester to raise his or her scholastic record above the minimum required for membership.

(B) A member of this chapter of the National Honor Society or Beta Club maybe dropped from membership if he or she has not paid the yearly dues to Hahnville High School and/or one time dues to the National Beta Club (National Beta Club dues are only collected during first year of membership).

(C) A member of this chapter of the Beta Club may be dropped immediately from membership if he or she has not been an active participant in the club. A beta member must complete 10 hours of community service by the end of the school year. For ALL members, half of the service hours need to be completed and turn in before the Christmas Holidays.

(D) Membership can be forfeited if a member is involved in any instances of bullying and/or hazing. The executive head of HHS may drop a member from membership for moral or disciplinary reasons that are deemed by him or her to be sufficient.

(E) If for any reason membership is lost or forfeited, only prepaid senior graduation stole/cord fees will be refunded. National Honor Society graduation cords \$30 (\$20 – NHS Stole & \$10 Beta Cord). Beta graduation cord \$10.

- **ARTICLE V – Graduates**

- (A) Beta Graduates-Upon graduation all members having an overall 3.0 cumulative grade point average of his or her final 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade subjects, shall be awarded a gold/black Beta cord to be worn at graduation ceremonies, a gold seal affixed to his or her diploma, and shall be recognized in the graduation program as a Beta member in good standing. Half of the cost of the Beta cords must be paid by the Beta member before receiving their Beta cords. The cords will be presented at the senior cord ceremony in the spring.
- (B) National Honor Society Graduates-Upon graduation all members having an overall 3.75 cumulative grade point average of his or her final 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade subjects, shall be awarded a white NHS sash and a gold/black Beta cord to be worn at graduation ceremonies, two gold seals affixed to his or her diploma, and shall be recognized in the graduation program as a Beta member in good standing. Half of the cost of the NHS and Beta cords must be paid by the NHS member before receiving their sash and cord. The sash and cord will be presented at the senior cord ceremony in the spring.

- **ARTICLE VI - State Beta Convention**

- (A) Only members in good standing can attend convention. All members wanting to attend must attend all convention meetings. The cost of attending convention must be paid by the member by all set deadlines. The initial \$50.00 deposit is non-refundable. All members attending convention must compete in an on-sit academic or art/craft competition.

- **ARTICLE VII – Officers/Elections**

- (A) All officers must be National Honor Society and/or Beta Club members in good standing. All officers must maintain the above listed GPA and completed the required number of service hours. If an officer does not maintain the above listed GPA, that officer will be removed from office and be replaced by the next officer in line. President – Vice President – Secretary – Treasurer - Parliamentarian
- (B) Students who were previously eligible for National Honor Society and/or Beta but did not join during that year are not eligible to run for office.
- (C) All members who would like to declare intentions for office must turn in paperwork by the deadline set by the sponsors. Only one office listed may be selected. If more than one office is selected or none are selected, the form will be removed from consideration for office.
- (D) Election speeches will submitted electronically through Google Classroom to be viewed by current members during elections. All speeches will be posted on Google Classroom and current members will be allowed one week to vote. If election speeches are not submitted by the set deadline, the candidate will be removed from consideration for office.
- (E) Elections will be held through Google Classroom. Only current NHS/Beta members will be eligible to vote in the election.
- (F) All officers are required to attend all meetings, inductions, ceremonies, and State Beta Convention.
- (G) National Honor Society Officers-The offices available for National Honor Society are President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian. To run for and become President the National Honor Society Member must be a senior. Also, the President may NOT be the Senior Class President.
- (H) Beta Officers-The offices available for Beta are President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian. To run for and become President the Beta Member must be a senior. Also, the President may NOT be the Senior Class President.

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

This is to inform you that your child, along with other students from his/her school, wishes to be part of National Honor Society and/or Beta. As part of an extracurricular National Honor Society and/or Beta, students may participate in activities that are not directly related to the program of studies at the school. We fully support your child's right to be a part of any legal organization; however, a recent change to the District's procedures for student activities requires a parent or guardian to acknowledge that the student is allowed to be a part of National Honor Society and/or Beta.

We hereby ask you to provide your permission allowing the aforementioned student to join National Honor Society and/or Beta and participate in all of their activities and functions.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the parent/guardian of the aforementioned student, grant permission for the above. I hereby acknowledge that I have been informed about my child's participation in National Honor Society and/or Beta and have been allowed to inquire about such details, whether from my child, the school, or the organization itself.

By signing this form, I acknowledge that I have read and agree to follow all the by-laws of the Beta/NHS Club.

This form is due by Friday, September 2, 2022 to Mrs. Rodrigue in A-42.

\_\_\_\_\_ Printed Student Name

\_\_\_\_\_ Signed Student Name

\_\_\_\_\_ Printed Parent Name

\_\_\_\_\_ Signed Parent Name