

Bellport High School



Honor Society Informational Guide

This guide includes information about the Honor Societies available to join at Bellport High School. We encourage all students to apply their energies and talents to the school community. Being involved in extracurricular activities is a vital part of being a well-rounded student. Joining an honor society shows you have a talent, passion and interest in that subject area. We encourage all students to consider applying for these groups to showcase their abilities.

Please see below for information on how you may be eligible to join each honor society. Please contact the appropriate advisor for any further questions you may have.

THE NATIONAL SENIOR HONOR SOCIETY

The National Senior Honor Society signifies excellence in all phases of personal development. Each year outstanding members of the sophomore, junior and senior classes are inducted after a careful screening process that includes faculty approval. Once inducted, they must uphold high standards of community service as well as academic performance. Any interested student should plan on maintaining stellar academic performance and participation in extra-curricular activities which are two of the pillars required for membership.

Advisor(s)	Mrs. Danae Paniagua - Dpaniagua@southcountry.org Mrs. Suzanne Hines - Shines@southcountry.org
Qualifications	-90 or higher cumulative GPA (includes regents level classes taken in the middle school) -6 hours of community service due at the time of application. -2 teacher recommendation letters.
When the student can apply and be inducted	First quarter of sophomore, junior or senior year. Applications are due mid-September.
Application process	Eligible students (sophomores/juniors/seniors) will receive a letter during the summer inviting them to apply. They must explain leadership roles they have had. They must submit at least 6 hours of community service with their application, 12 hours total community service per year. They must have 2 teacher recommendation letters for them to apply. Once the applications are reviewed by the Faculty Council, they will receive a letter indicating whether they were accepted or not. If accepted, attendance at the induction ceremony rehearsal and induction ceremony is mandatory. The Induction ceremony takes place in November. There is only one application period per school year.

MATH HONOR SOCIETY

This state-sponsored organization provides recognition of achievement in mathematics, enhances knowledge and understanding of mathematics, and encourages talented students to help others develop and interest and achievement in mathematics.

Advisor(s)	Mr. Andrew Dunbar - ADunbar@southcountry.org Ms. Laraine Morano - LMorano@southcountry.org
Qualifications	Members The national requirements for individual membership in a local chapter are as follows. 1. Members must be high school students in grades 9 through 12.

	- Members must be registered with organization at the school at which their permanent records reside. - Members must have completed the equivalent of two years of college preparatory mathematics, including algebra and/or geometry, and have completed or are enrolled in a third year of college preparatory mathematics. - Member must have a weighted average of over 85 in all courses. - Members must have over an 85 average in AP/Honors and over a 90 in Regents Math Classes.
When the student can apply and be inducted	9-11
Application process	Applications come out at the end of third quarter

SCIENCE HONOR SOCIETY

This is an honor organization for advanced Science students. Members participate in field trips and coordinate fundraising activities. Students who apply must demonstrate academic performance in Science.

Advisor(s)	Mr. Romashko - jromashko@southcountry.org
Qualifications	Membership is based on science, scholarship, service and character. The requirements are; - Exemplary character and citizenship (no suspensions in school and proper attendance) - Successful completion of a minimum of two semesters of Regents or AP level science - A minimum science average of 85 - Must have 85 or higher on science regents test grades. - All averages need to be 90 or higher
When the student can apply and be inducted	9-12
Application process	Complete application for Science Honor Society. Applications are available at the beginning of March and are due by the first week in May.

TRI-M MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY

The purpose of this organization is to recognize the talents and achievements of student musicians. Students are selected for membership in the society on the basis of musicianship, scholarship, character, cooperation, leadership and service to school and community. Applications are accepted each year following the NYSSMA Solo and Ensemble Festival. Selected students participate in performance and service-related activities throughout the school year.

Advisor(s)	Mrs. Angelina Wasson – awasson@southcountry.org
Qualifications	1. Students must have performed a NYSSMA level 5 or 6 in the previous school year 2. Must continue performing level 5/6 solos at NYSSMA in the 10th and 11th grade 3. Participate in Band/Orchestra/Chorus full time 4. Complete 9 hours of community service 5. Maintain a weighted GPA of at least a 90% in all music classes 6. No referrals in the department 7. All Tri-M students must participate in all chamber concerts 8. Must receive a recommendation from his/her ensemble teacher; 9. Must attend all All-County, LISFA, and All-State festivals that the student is nominated and selected for
When the student can apply and be inducted	Induction is by nomination only for 10th-12th grade music students
Application process	Students will be nominated by the advisor in the fall and then inducted (retroactively) in the spring if they met all requirements.

FRENCH HONOR SOCIETY

The French Honor Society encourages the intellectual enrichment of its members through language and culture. Members participate in field trips and coordinated fund raising activities. Membership is open to high achieving student who have completed a minimum of three levels of French. Tutoring services are provided by the society. Current and new members participate in an induction ceremony held in late spring.

Advisor(s)	Mrs. Inna Kucheryavenko - ikucheryavenko@southcountry.org
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Qualifications	1. 90 or above every year 2. 90 or above on FLACS exam 3. Dedication to the French program 4. Students must be currently enrolled in French IV or French AP course in order to be considered for French National Honor Society
When the student can apply and be inducted	After completion of French 4

ITALIAN HONOR SOCIETY

The Italian Honor Society celebrates Italian culture. Members participate in trips to the opera and theatre. Membership is open to students who are interested in enriching or sharing their knowledge about Italian culture and language.

Advisor(s)	Suzanne Hines - shines@southcountry.org
Qualifications	1. 90 or above every year 2. 90 or above on FLACS exam 3. Dedication to the Italian program 4. Students must be currently enrolled in Italian IV course or Italian AP in order to be considered for Italian National Honor Society
When the student can apply and be inducted	11 th or 12 th grade
Application process	Complete application in late April (specific due date may change by year). It is recommended that applications are submitted as early as possible.

SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY

The purpose of Bellport High School's Spanish Honor Society is to recognize the academic achievement of our Spanish language students. Membership is open to high achieving students who have completed a minimum of three levels of Spanish. To remain an active member, you must be enrolled in a Spanish course. Students must not only demonstrate academic success in the subject, but an appreciation and interest of the language and culture and plans of sharing that knowledge with others as well. Members may participate in field trips, fundraising activities, community service opportunities, an induction ceremony, etc.

Advisor(s)	Ms. Shannon Rigney- srigney@southcountry.org
Qualifications	1. Completed Spanish 3 2. Enrolled in a Spanish course in the current year 3. Have a minimum of a 90% unweighted average for all Spanish courses (including FLACS) 4. Minimum of 85% unweighted average overall 5. Have a behavioral record free of suspension, academic dishonesty, and/or a pattern of inappropriate behavior
When the student can apply and be inducted	11 th or 12 th grade
Application process	Complete hand written application and submit high school transcript. Specific due date and induction ceremony date may change by year. It is recommended that applications are submitted as early as possible once they are made available by the advisor.

ART HONOR SOCIETY

The National Art Honor Society (NAHS) program was established to inspire and recognize students who have shown an outstanding ability and interest in art. NAHS strives to aid members in attaining the highest standards in art scholarship, character, and service, and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community. Creative thinking is a vital and key component of a student's educational experience and NAHS believes through creative endeavors and art service students can share their artistic skill and passion to better their community. The National Art Honor Society aims to stimulate a lifelong interest in sharing artistic talents to help create a more beautiful world.

Advisor(s)	Devin Auricchio- dauricchio@southcountry.org
Qualifications	1. Complete a formal digital application and submit three digital images of your artwork. 2. Is currently enrolled in or have successfully completed a visual arts course. 3. Obtain 2 recommendations from both an art teacher and a general subject teacher (non-art) 4. Not let one's GPA fall below a B average or 83 percent, and one's class grade must not fall below a B average or 83 percent. Art class GPA must not be below an A- average or 90 percent. 5. Pledge to do 10 hours of arts related community service.

When the student can apply and be inducted	Students may apply and be inducted in 10 th –12 th grade
Application process	Students will complete the application in the Fall and be inducted (retroactively) in the Spring if all requirements are met.

ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY

The Bellport High School chapter of the National English Honor Society (NEHS) is open to secondary students who have demonstrated exceptional ability in such areas as literary analysis, media studies, composition, linguistic study, and creative writing, and who meet the requirements of membership. Members will participate in field trips, community service and fundraising activities.

Advisor(s)	Sarah Emma semma@southcountry.org
Qualifications	1. Members must be enrolled in BHS or have attended for the equivalent of one full semester prior to being considered 2. Exemplary character and citizenship (no suspensions in school and proper attendance) 3. Successful completion of a minimum of two semesters of Regents or AP level English. 4. A minimum English average of 90. 5. A minimum overall average of 90.
When the student can apply and be inducted	Grades 10-12
Application process	Students will be nominated by the advisor and may complete the application during the 3 rd quarter.