

Student Membership

Any California high school or middle school accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges shall be eligible for affiliation.

Student Membership is based on academic excellence and citizenship only. In order to become a CSF member of a chapter, the student must submit an application each semester the student is eligible.

CSF Life Membership (Sealbearer) is achieved by qualifying for chapter membership for four or more semesters in the last three years of high school. These students earn the CSF Gold Seal on their diplomas, CSF lamp pin and a notation on their transcripts stating CSF Life Member. These students are also eligible to be nominated by the chapter adviser for the Seymour Memorial Award and other awards, as applicable.

CJSF Membership - Seventh and eighth grade students apply based on academic achievement to be eligible to become a CJSF member. Middle school students may become CJSF Honor Members when eligible.

Chapter Membership - New or existing schools may organize a chapter by applying through the CSF/CJS website: csf-cjsf.org.



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"Scholars for Service"
Since 1921



CSF/CJSF, a non-profit organization, emphasizes academic excellence, scholarship and community service among California middle and high school students.

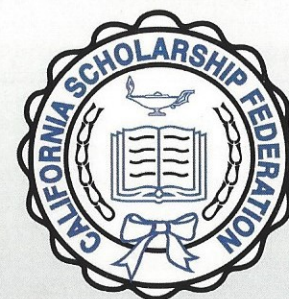
CSF/CJSF encourages service to the school and community while fostering pride in scholastic achievement.

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CSF History

In 1921, Charles F. Seymour established a state-wide honor society for California students. The non-profit organization honors outstanding high school students who have earned academic excellence. In 1967, the CSF Board of Directors founded the California Junior Scholarship Federation to honor outstanding middle school students. CSF and CJSF continue to foster motivation, education and recognition of academically talented students.

Organization

State - CSF/CJSF, an affiliate of Association of California School Administrators, is administered by a State Board of Directors whose members serve in a voluntary capacity. Local chapters, through their advisers, elect officers who form this board and formulate the policies of the organization. The CSF and CJSF Vice-Presidents serve as liaisons between chapter advisers and the state Central Office.

Chapters - There are over 1,500 CSF and 600 CJSF chapters in the public and private schools of California with over 150,000 student members. Member schools must have applied to and been accepted by the CSF or CJSF Registrar, as applicable, to establish a charter. Each chapter exists with the local principal's consent and support. Chapter advisers are appointed by their principals. Advisers work closely with CSF/CJSF students.



Awards

Charles and Marian Seymour Memorial Award

Each spring, five regional committees choose ten outstanding CSF Life Members from each of the five regions throughout the state. These Life Members must be nominated by their CSF Chapter advisers. This process includes an application, essay, letters of recommendation and an interview. The final selection is made on the basis of academic excellence, service, leadership and character. Annually over \$100,000 is awarded to the fifty finalists chosen in this process. The Seymour Memorial Award is regarded as one of the highest academic honors given to secondary school graduates in California.

Michelson Memorial Award

Established in 2012, this annual essay contest is open to all CSF Seniors. A \$1000 award is presented each year.

Outstanding Sealbearer Awards

Established in 2015 to recognize graduating Life Members who demonstrate great effort and motivation, have great potential but are overlooked in other awards, and need financial assistance to achieve. Five students are recognized each year.

Marian Huhn Award

The CJSF Honor Award was renamed in remembrance of Marian Huhn, a former CJSF Registrar. There are 25 Huhn Awards given out yearly to outstanding middle school students who have earned academic excellence and provided community service throughout the state of California.

50th Anniversary DiGiovanna Memorial Award

Established in 2017, this \$500 award celebrates CJSF's 50th Anniversary and honors the recent passing of long time CJSF adviser/CSF-CJSF Board Member Joanna DiGiovanna. This essay contest is open to all CJSF members.

Annual Spring Regional Conferences

Each spring, conferences are held in each of the five regions of the state. The conferences are held on Saturdays and are hosted and organized by chapters. Students and advisers attend meetings and workshops for a day of information sharing and enjoyment. The Seymour and Huhn Awards are presented to students at this time.



Future Plans

CSF/CJSF has taken on an ambitious goal of greatly increasing our annual revenue in order to provide awards to more students and to increase their value.