

THE ACADEMY FOR THE ARTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY CHAPTER BYLAWS

ARTICLE I: MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

Membership in the Society and the local NTHS Chapter shall be composed of students enrolled in Workforce Education Programs or Majors, and who qualify for membership according to the regulations of the NTHS National Office and the local chapter. Members may be from any and/or all occupational departments, programs or majors within the institution and must have been duly approved by the local chapter advisor or school administration.

Membership selection shall be made, at all times, without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, age, disability, genetic information, political affiliation, veteran's status, or other protected class of the individual candidate for membership.

Individuals under consideration as candidates for the Society, shall meet, at minimum, the following national membership criteria:

Candidate must be a secondary or postsecondary student participating in a CTE pathway, program, major or coursework.

Candidate must meet one of the following GPA criteria:

- A minimum overall 3.0 unweighted GPA
- Additional local membership criteria
- Active CTSO involvement
- Recommendations from major teacher

10 hours of community service: failure to complete the required 10 hours of community service by the specified due date will result in members being placed on probation. If Seniors are on probation at the time they are eligible to purchase cords, you will not be eligible.

Any student that meets the national and local membership criteria may be eligible to maintain membership regardless of their year in school.

ARTICLE II: MEMBER NOMINATION and INDUCTION

NTHS membership nominations shall be distributed at the start of the Fall Semester via Informational Meeting and through the Advisory.

The local chapter will hold an Induction Ceremony for the new NTHS membership annually, unless it is deemed necessary to hold a second induction in the spring. The nature of the induction ceremony shall be respectful and conducted in order to bring maximum recognition to the school's outstanding students.

The NTHS membership induction shall include:

NTHS Mission Statement
Administration of the NTHS Pledge of Membership
Presentation of Membership Certificates

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP DUES

National membership dues are set by the NTHS National Board of Directors and may be adjusted on an annual basis. Members will be required to pay their national dues as well as any local dues which will be set by the local officers each year.

Membership dues will be paid by the student.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP REVOCATION

Members may be placed on probationary status or have their membership revoked for the following reasons:

- GPA falls below 3.0
- Student dropped from CTE program
- Behavior does not meet character requirements
- Student did not meet community service requirements by the designated time
- Excessive school (or meeting) absences without reasonable explanation
- Honor Code violation

If placed on probation, a member will have 1 semester to correct the reason noted for probation before being removed from enrollment.

If a student fails to correct behavior within the time frame the advisor must fill out the NTHS Student Removal Form in order to officially remove the student from their roster.

If a member is removed by the advisor and is later reinstated, the member must be re registered which includes re-payment of the national dues to be paid by that student.

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

Chapter meetings will be held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month during the school year, or as necessary. Proper notice will be provided if meetings are cancelled.

Members are allowed to have only 1 unexcused absence per semester. Students are only eligible for an excused absence if they were out of school for the day using an excused absence, or in attendance of a school activity (which they must provide the Advisor advanced written notification). A member who accumulates more than 1 absence will be placed on

probation. Each probationary member will need to complete 5 extra hours of community service from NTHS activities prior to being eligible for reinstatement. Failure to complete these probation hours shall result in:

- Seniors will NOT be eligible for a chord
- Juniors will continue to have probation carried over to the next school year should they continue to meet the membership requirements. Their required service hours to maintain membership will be raised to 15 hours (10 shared, 5 FROM NTHS)

All meetings should be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised. A quorum is defined as a majority of all chapter members.

All official meetings where attendance is required start in October.

ARTICLE VI: CHAPTER OFFICERS

Officer elections and individual duties will be outlined below by the chapter advisor(s) using the NTHS Engagement Guide as reference.

Officers will be elected by the chapter membership or appointed by the advisor and shall hold office for one year.

Chapter officer elections shall be held in the Fall semester.

Members may only run for president for the next school year if they were an officer the year prior, unless all officers were previously seniors, in this case, any returning member may run for President. The Executive Committee positions are each open to new and returning members.

The officers make up the Executive Committee which will guide the work of the chapter. The officer positions shall be:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer (if the chapter plans to raise funds)
Social Media Manager

ARTICLE VII: AMENDING THE BYLAWS

These bylaws may be amended by a majority of all chapter members. The proposed amendments should be presented at the prior meeting before the voting is to take place..