

**ACALANES HIGH SCHOOL
CALIFORNIA SCHOLARSHIP
MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION
Chapter #334**

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CSF Application times: September 1-30 and February 1 -28 each year. In September, students should refer to the 2nd semester grades from the previous academic year. In February, students should refer to the 1st semester grades issued in January. If the deadline should fall on a weekend, paper applications should be turned in on the last school day of the application period. Students can email a PDF of a completed application and pay dues on the web store until 11:59 p.m. on the deadline. No late applications or payments are accepted. **CSF Membership is neither automatic nor compulsory.** The student **must** apply for membership during the application period. Membership is based on semester grades from the prior semester. **Students who are members for at least 4 semesters using grades earned in 10th, 11th and 12th grades will be awarded Life Membership (Seal-bearer) status.** To qualify for CSF, the guidelines below must be followed:

1. Based on the previous semester grades, applicants must earn a minimum of 10 points from the CSF approved lists (See the reverse side of this page.)
 - a. The first 4 points must be from List I.
 - b. The first 7 points (including the four points described above) must be from List I or II.
 - c. The remaining points may come from any Lists (I, II, or III).
2. Applicants may **use no more than 5 courses** to qualify for CSF membership.
3. No CSF points are given for physical education, subjects repeated to improve a grade, student assistant, or office assistant positions.
4. CSF points are granted as follows:
 - a. A grade of A = 3 CSF points.
 - b. A grade of B = 1 CSF point
One additional point shall be granted for a grade of A or B in an AP or Honors course, up to a maximum of two such points per semester.
 - c. A grade of C = 0 points.
 - d. A grade of D or F in any course makes a student ineligible for that semester.
5. Application for membership must be submitted each semester a student is eligible. Membership Application forms are accepted **ONLY** during the current registration period. No late or retro-active applications will be accepted.
6. Requirements for becoming a Life Member (Seal-bearer) are as follows:
 - a. CSF membership in at least 4 semesters starting with grades earned in **sophomore** year
 - b. One of these semesters must be from grades earned your **senior** year. (Note: Grades from 2nd semester senior year can be used as the 4th semester for Life membership, but verifying grades for eligibility may delay the award being issued)
 - c. Freshman year **does not count** toward Life Membership.

CSF FAQ

What is CSF? CSF is a statewide organization to honor outstanding high school students for their academic achievements.

Do I get a scholarship for being in CSF? Being in CSF does not guarantee that you will get a monetary scholarship, but membership is something that you can put on your list of awards and activities and those who have met the requirements for Life Membership (Seal-bearer) status will be recognized at graduation. If our club has money left over, we may offer a scholarship.

Why do we pay membership dues? The dues also cover the cost of awards given to seniors who are Seal-Bearers. And our chapter has to pay dues to be an affiliate of the CSF state-wide organization. If we have money left over we will use it for a scholarship for an Acalanes senior.

What happens if the deadline is on a weekend? If the deadline should fall on a weekend, paper applications should be turned in on the last school day of the application period. Students can email a PDF of a completed application to the advisor and pay dues on the web store until 11:59 p.m. on the deadline.

The following excerpts were taken from the CSF website, www.csf-cjsf.org:

What happens if I miss the membership deadline? Membership is neither automatic nor compulsory. The By-Laws (Article IV, Section 2) and every chapter's mandatory Standing Rules (Article III, Section 3) require that the eligible student actually apply for membership, and **retroactive membership (after the deadline) is prohibited. Excuses such as forgetting to apply, inability to find one's report card in a timely fashion, failing to heed school announcements about the application period, absence on the last day of the application period, and other mundane excuses are not acceptable.**

What is a lifetime member and what kind of awards may I get? The requirements for Life Member (also called "Seal-bearer") are stated above. The REQUIRED awards for Life Members are the pin and a gold seal on the diploma. Additional items, such as a stole to wear with graduation robes may be given, depending on funds available.

List I: English English 1, 2, 3 English 4: Mysterious English 4 English 3 AP Lang English 4 AP Lit World Language French 1, 2, and 3 French 4 Honors French 5 AP Mandarin 1, 2, 3 Mandarin 4 Honors Mandarin 5 AP Spanish 1, 2, and 3 Spanish 4 Honors Spanish 5 AP Math Algebra 1 Algebra 2 Geometry Geometry Advanced Algebra 2 Advanced Alg 2/Precalc honors Pre-Calculus AP Math Analysis Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP	Statistics & Data Science Statistics AP Science Living Earth AP Biology Chemistry of the earth AP Chemistry Physics in the universe AP Physics 1,2 Anatomy/Physiology AP Environmental Science Social Studies World History/ Geography AP European History U.S. History AP U.S. History U.S. Government AP Comparative Gov. Economics	Science Biotechnology Engineering & applied physics Hon Social Studies Contemporary Issues AP African Am. Studies AP Psychology Art AP Music Theory Interdepartmental Human Social development Intro to Ethnic Studies Sports Med. Sports Med Adv.	Digital Design 1, 2 Art 1, 2 Advanced Art Honors Independent Art Portfolio AP Studio Art 3D Art 1 Drama 1, 2 Advanced Drama Stagecraft Concert Band Symphonic Band Wind ensemble Jazz Ensemble Orchestra Concert Choir Chorale Video production. 1, 2,3 Tech ed Auto Tech. Auto Tech. Adv. Design and Fabrication Other: ELD 1,2 Learning Skills
	List II: English Journalism 1,2,3 ELD 3 Math AP Computer Sci Principles AP Computer Science A	List III: Interdepartmental Leadership Publications Adv. Publications Arts Photo/Digital Design Adv Photo	

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Your first and last name (PRINT CLEARLY):_____

Graduation Year: 20____ Today’s date_____

From the lists above, record up to five final grades from the last semester.
A = 3 CSF points; B = 1 CSF point; 10 Points total to qualify.
One additional point for a grade of A or B in an AP or Honors course, up to a maximum of two such points per semester.
The Counseling Office will verify Grades/Eligibility.

Course Title	Semester Grade	Points	List
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2.			
3.			
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