



National Honor Society

INFORMATION SESSION

NHS Information Session - Overview

- The name of this Chapter of the National Honor Society is the St. De La Salle Chapter.
- The purpose of this Chapter is to promote the pillars of the society
 - Scholarship
 - Service
 - Leadership
 - Character

NHS Information Session - Scholarship

- Student Matriculation Requirement
 - Complete a minimum of five CBA semesters
- Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement
 - Minimum cumulative GPA of 91.5

NHS Information Session – Service

- CBA Activity Requirements
 - Participation in CBA clubs / activities
 - 2 point activities (list available in CBA Student Handbook)
 - 1 point activities (list available in CBA Student Handbook)
 - Minimum of 10 activity points must be earned
 - Of which 4 activity points must be earned from a two year commitment to a single two point activity

NHS Information Session – Service (cont'd)

- Community Service Activities
 - Acceptable
 - Broad categories of volunteering within the community
 - Examples provided in CBA Student Handbook
 - **NOT** Acceptable
 - Work done for academic credit (e.g. Christian Service) or financial reward (e.g. paid employment),
 - Work done for awards and citations,
 - Participation on CYO or recreational sports teams, or
 - Any unstructured service work (e.g. shoveling snow for neighbors, private tutoring, etc.)

NHS Information Session – Service (cont'd)

- Community Service Hour Requirements
 - Qualified Rising Senior Applicants (Sept consideration): minimum 140 verified and documented hours
 - Qualified Junior Applicants (Jan consideration): minimum 130 verified and documented hours
 - Qualified Senior Applicants: (Jan consideration): minimum 150 verified and documented hours

NHS Information Session – Leadership

- Leadership must be verified by 3rd party signed documentation
- Note that hours recorded as service may **NOT** be counted as leadership (i.e. no 'double dipping')
- Examples of leadership
 - Officer of CBA club
 - Team captain in a CBA varsity or junior varsity sport
 - A project or activity that reflects significant initiatives and/or direction of others
 - Work done for paid employment or for awards and citations (e.g.- Eagle Scout), **is** acceptable as leadership

NHS Information Session - Character

- Input of faculty, administration and staff is sought
- Any reported incidents of academic dishonesty or disciplinary actions may constitute grounds for denial of admission
- Misrepresentations on any part of the application are grounds for denial

NHS Information Session – Documentation Format

Supporting documentation must take one of the below forms:

1. A letter written/typed on the organization's letterhead (or similar document) containing an **original** ink signature of a **3rd party** adult supervisor (i.e. **not** a parent, guardian or other close relative). OR
2. A typed letter with electronic signature or an e-mail from a **3rd party** adult supervisor (i.e. **not** a parent, guardian or other close relative) sent directly from the organization to nhs@cbalincroftnj.org with a copy to the applicant.
[Documentation submitted from CBA faculty/staff typically are sent via email]

*Note that documentation from the CBA Service Website is **NOT** accepted.*

NHS Information Session – Documentation Content

Supporting documentation must

1. detail the time period and number of hours served or for which leadership was performed,
2. fully describe the service / leadership provided and
3. supply the name, e-mail address as well as the phone number of the relevant **3rd party** adult supervisor (i.e. **not** a parent, guardian or other close relative).

NHS Information Session – Documentation

- Keep documentation of service and leadership as they are done
 - Students have limited time to complete applications
 - Attempting to assemble all documentation at once will jeopardize your ability to submit the application on time

NHS Information Session - Miscellaneous

- Only activities, service hours and leadership positions that have already been performed will be considered
 - No credit is given for future plans.
- Applications must be submitted as a pdf file emailed to nhs@cbalincroftnj.org on or before the due date published in the CBA academic calendar (applications received after the deadline will **NOT** be considered).
- For additional information see
 - CBA Student Handbook
 - NHS section of CBA website:
<https://www.cbalincroftnj.org/academics/national-honor-society/>

NHS Information Session - Administration

- Ms. Biloholowski is the NHS adviser and heads an advisory committee comprised of five other members of the faculty
- Proceedings of the committee are strictly confidential
- All questions may be directed to Ms. Biloholowski in person or to her email address, mbiloholowski@cbalincroftnj.org