All juniors and seniors who have a cumulative high school GPA of 3.5 or above may apply for admission to the WYNFORD HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY.

Notice of eligibility will be given to those who meet the GPA requirement.

Application forms will be given to each eligible student who has met the GPA requirement. Extra application pages can be picked up from the NHS advisor.

Admission is not automatic. In addition to having the required GPA, applicants must demonstrate significant accomplishment and/or participation in the all areas indicated on the application form. It is necessary to have some accomplishments in each area. Faculty will also evaluate each candidate and will give a rating of 1-5 in a multitude of categories.

All activities, accomplishments, etc. included in the application must have taken place during high school. Do not include anything that occurred before you were in high school. Doing so could jeopardize your chances for admission.

Make sure your application is neat and legible.

Alcohol violations are in breach of National Bylaws, DO NOT APPLY if you have had any alcohol or drug violations.

Your application must be turned into the NHS advisor (Krista Richmond) by September 27th, 2019.

PLEASE NOTE: National Honor Society is a service organization. Membership is a highly sought after honor, but it requires commitment to the ideals of the organization. Your acceptance of membership will indicate your willingness to participate in National Honor Society sponsored activities, service projects, and meetings. To maintain membership in NHS, you must maintain your GPA, fulfill your service hour requirements, be a good leader, show good character and abide by the National Honor Society bylaws. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in dismissal from the National Honor Society. If your behavior in school requires disciplinary action, your membership may be suspended or revoked.

ALL APPLICATION FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED & RETURNED TO THE ADVISOR BY 3:00 P.M. SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2019

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
Your application will be based on the following criteria. Please make sure you include all the information listed on the application. Failure to do so will automatically disqualify you for acceptance into NHS.

**Scholarship:**

Students will need to have a minimum GPA of 3.5 in grades 11-12 to be eligible to apply for NHS membership. You must maintain a 3.5 GPA or you will lose your membership status.

**Service:**

You will be required to have a minimum total of **30 Service Hours (First year-10 hours; Second year-20 hours).** A minimum of 10 hours must be in conjunction with the school and the rest must be a combination of School and Community Service. This requirement for Second year must be completed by April 30 of each year.

Examples of **school service activities:** helping with tournaments that raise money for your school sponsored activity, helping with a community project/benefit representing a school sponsored group (example: FFA helping set up Farm & Home Show or a benefit), cleaning golf course as part of cross country, track or golf, working the concession stand for volleyball, basketball, football, activities organized by a school advisor, etc.

Examples of **community service projects:** helping with benefits, blood drives, food drive, organizing the food pantry, helping with church activities, student initiated cleaning of the park, 4-H sponsored activities, Boy Scouts projects, student lead and organized projects not planned by teacher/advisor, etc.

**Character:**

Character is not based solely on personality nor upon minor incidents unless they are repeated so as to indicate specific pattern of behavior.

- Promptly meets individual pledges and responsibilities.
- Demonstrates the highest standards of honesty, reliability, fairness and civility.
- Adheres to school rules and regulations (i.e., attendance, tardiness, truancy, academic honesty, conduct, etc.)

**Leadership:**

Successfully assumes responsibility and demonstrates constructive initiative in the classroom, at work, and in school or community activities. You have been or currently are an officer for at least one year of an organization such as:

Class Officer, Athletic Captain, FFA, Student Council Rep, 4-H, Scouts, Church Youth Group, etc.
WYNFORD HIGH SCHOOL
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY
APPLICATION

Name:__________________________________________

Year in School (circle one):   JR  SR

Cumulative High School GPA :  _______________

Directions:

Complete all sections as fully as possible. Do not be modest. Every bit of information can be used by the faculty council to assist with the selection process. Completion of this form does not guarantee selection, but without it, you will not be considered for membership.

Please neatly print or type. You may use additional pages as needed. Please see or email Mrs. Richmond if you wish to have a digital copy and/or extra pages.

STUDENT CONSENT:

I UNDERSTAND THAT COMPLETION OF THIS FORM DOES NOT GUARANTEE MEMBERSHIP, BUT THAT I AM BEING CONSIDERED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE WYNFORD HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY. I WILL ACCEPT THE DECISION OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF SELECTING MEMBERS. REASONS FOR NON-SELECTION WILL NOT BE RELEASED. IF I AM ACCEPTED, I WILL BE EXPECTED TO ATTEND GROUP MEETINGS, MAINTAIN MY GPA, AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN GROUP SERVICE PROJECTS.

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Student Printed Name     Student Signature     Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN REVIEW AND CONSENT:

I HAVE REVIEWED MY SON/DAUGHTER’S APPLICATION AND AFFIRM THAT IT IS CORRECT. I GIVE MY CONSENT FOR HIM/HER TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE WYNFORD HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY.

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Parent Printed Name     Parent Signature     Date
V. Personal Statement:

Perhaps the most difficult area to evaluate for selection of members is that of character. The last section of your application is a personal statement which should contain no more than 200 words. Use your personal statement as an opportunity to express your core values and beliefs describing how you display character. Explain how those values support your academic success and service to others. Spelling, grammar, and neatness along with quality of response will be part of the evaluation process. This is to be written/typed only by the applicant.

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I. Co-curricular Activities:

List all the activities in which you have participated during high school. Include clubs, teams, musical groups, etc., and make sure you specifically list the grade levels you participated in those activities as well as major accomplishments within each activity.

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II. Leadership Positions: a person who guides or directs a group

List all elected or appointed leadership positions held in school, community, or work activities. Indicate positions in which you were directly responsible for being charge of guiding others. Examples include – elected class or club officer, committee chairperson, team captain, newspaper editor, work area manager, or community leader.

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III. Community Activities:

List community activities in which you have participated and note any major accomplishments in each. These should be any activities OUTSIDE of school in which you participated for the betterment of your community. Example would include – church groups, clubs/organizations, boy/girl scouts, volunteer groups. Activities NOT sponsored by the Wynford Local Schools.

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