

Character

Scholarship



Leadership

Service

Newberry High School National Honor Society Constitution

- I. **Purpose:** To create enthusiasm for scholarship, stimulate a desire to render service, promote leadership, and develop character.

- II. **Membership:**
 - A. Students are invited to join in October of their sophomore year.
 - B. Students will receive only one invitation during their period in high school.
 - C. Membership Requirements:
 1. Minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA
 2. Enrolled in at least one honors level course
 3. No referrals
 - D. *Dual enrollment students are equally obligated to meet membership requirements.*
 - E. Students who enroll at Newberry High School after the invitation period may request to join the National Honor Society if they meet all criteria and their ability to remain an active member will be negotiated with the sponsor.

- III. **Revocation of Membership:**
 - A. Membership may be revoked for the following:
 1. Failure to maintain an above-average GPA (higher than 3.0)
 2. Failure to participate in activities, including attending meetings
 3. Receiving In-School Detention or Out-of-School Suspension
 - B. Students may receive one written warning with an opportunity to correct the problem.

- IV. **Dues and Disbursements:**
 - A. Dues are \$20.00 each year (to be paid by September 30th) and will be utilized as follows:
 1. Sophomore dues will be used to pay for pins, membership cards, and shirts
 2. Junior dues will be used to support charities (for example: Relay for Life or March of Dimes) and shirts
 3. Senior dues will be used to pay for a graduation tassel and cord

V. Officers and Elections:

- A. Elections will be held each May for the upcoming school year.
- B. Nominees must be members in good standing and take classes at the Newberry High School campus.
- C. Nominations will be taken during the last meeting each April.
- D. The President Nominee must have held a previous office.
- E. Duties:
 - 1. President: Organize and run meetings, oversee club activities
 - 2. Vice President: Assist the president
 - 3. Secretary: Keep minutes and attendance records.
 - 4. Treasurer: Collect dues and maintain financial records.
- F. Officers recognize that their leadership directs the NHS. The more involved the officers, the better the NHS.

VI. Meetings:

- A. One official meeting a month. Officers will meet prior to the meeting to determine the agenda.
- B. The official meeting will be held at 8:15 am with a makeup meeting held at 2:50 pm.
- C. Meetings will be run by the officers. Dues will only be collected during official meeting times; *Dual enrollment students may turn in their dues directly to the bookkeeper or advisor.*
- D. Meetings will occur in the advisor's classroom.

VII. Activities:

- A. All activities will have a Chairperson
- B. The NHS may choose to participate in any or all of the following:
 - 1. Homecoming
 - 2. Induction
 - 3. Book drive
 - 4. Teacher Appreciation
 - 5. March of Dimes
 - 6. Relay for Life
 - 7. Reading to elementary kids
 - 8. Dance Marathon
 - 9. Any other activity voted on and approved
- C. The members will vote in which activities they wish to participate during the first meeting.
- D. Each activity must have a Committee Chair. The Committee Chair organizes the event. Committee Chairs will be determined during the meeting each September.