

2017/18 ALGONAC HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY APPLICATION



NHS Sponsor – Ms. Karen Blair (School Counselor) Return all forms to Ms. Blair.
Questions can be emailed to kblair@acsk12.us or texted to (810) 278-6197

Deadline: September 29, 2017

NHS Induction Ceremony will take place Wednesday, Oct 18, 2017 at 7 PM in the Algonac Jr/Sr High School Lecture Hall. You will be notified as to whether or not you have been accepted as a new member by Ms. Blair on Wednesday, Oct 4, 2017. All NHS members must attend the induction ceremony.

The Four (4) Pillars of NHS are: Scholarship, Character, Leadership and Service.

- Scholarship – you must attach a copy of your transcript to this application. You must have a 3.5 or higher cumulative grade point average.
- Character – complete that portion of this application & give teacher recommendation forms to two (2) teachers to complete and return to me regarding your character.
- Leadership – complete that portion of this application
- Service – complete that portion of this application. You must complete 12 hours of community service a year as an NHS member.

Directions: Please complete the following application requirements and staple them to this form.

I understand that completing and submitting this application does not guarantee admission into Algonac High School National Honor Society. I further verify that the information presented here is true and accurate.

Student signature

Date

I have read the information provided by my son/daughter in this application and can verify that it is true, accurate and complete in its presentation.

Parent signature

Date

CHARACTER

You will demonstrate the qualities of good character by completing the following three things:

Character Essay

Please write an essay on what character means to you. The essay should be typed, printed out, and approximately one page in length (~350 words). You may use the following quotes to focus your writing, or choose a theme of your own. Attach your essay to the back of this packet.

“Character is much easier kept than recovered.” -Thomas Paine

“The best index of a person’s character is how he treats people who can’t do him any good, and how he treats people who can’t fight back.” -Abigail VanBuren

“Without discipline, there is no life at all.” -Katherine Hepburn

“Responsibility is the price every man must pay for freedom.” -Thomas Paine

“The willingness to accept responsibility for one’s own life is the source from which self-respect springs.” -Joan Didion

Teacher Recommendation Forms

Please choose two teachers who have had you in class and know you well. Give them the two (2) teacher recommendation forms at the back of this packet and ask each teacher if they will fill it out for you. Your teacher will return the forms to me. THANK them for taking the time to do this for you. Remind them that the application deadline is Friday, September 29, 2017. Tell them they can simply put those completed teacher recommendation forms in my mailbox.

Service Information

Service: Assisting others willingly and readily, without compensation. Fill in any service activities you have participated in (there are four (4) spots to fill out, fill out as many as you have done since you have started high school). If you do not have any service information, leave this blank. Please be aware that NHS is a service organization and you must complete at least 12 hours of community service each year you are an active member of NHS.

<u>Description of activity</u>	1. Describe the activity 2. Explain who benefited from your actions 3. What sacrifices did you make for others?	Supervisor/Contact person's name and phone number
	total hours of commitment: _____	
	total hours of commitment: _____	
	total hours of commitment: _____	
	total hours of commitment: _____	

Leadership Information

Leadership: The ability to effectively move a group toward a common goal. Fill in any leadership activities you have participated in (there are 4 spots to fill out, fill out as many as you have done). If you do not have any experience in leadership roles, leave this blank.

<u>Title/Description of activity</u>	1. What was the goal of the group? 2. What were your actions as a leader in organizing, planning and delegating in order to accomplish the goal? 3. What was the outcome?	Supervisor/Contact person's name and phone number
	total hours of commitment: _____	
	total hours of commitment: _____	
	total hours of commitment: _____	
	total hours of commitment: _____	

Attach essay and transcript to this packet and return to Ms. Blair no later than Friday, September 29, 2017.