



On behalf of the William W. Shearer Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS), we congratulate you for meeting the initial requirement for NHS membership - outstanding scholarship. Students in grades 10-12 with a minimum weighted grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0-point scale are invited to apply for membership into our Society. Membership in the NHS is one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a high school student. Our chapter has worked hard to bring the accomplishments of outstanding students to the attention of parents, teachers, peers, and the community.

Our chapter strives to give practical meaning to the Society's standards of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. These four ideals are considered as the basis for selection. No student is inducted simply because of a high academic average. The National Honor Society strives to recognize the total student, the one who excels in all of these areas. Standards required for our chapter's membership include:

- **Scholarship:** Minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale
- **Service*:** Minimum of 30 community services hours, from 9th grade to present
- **Leadership*:** Participation in four school or community clubs/organizations
- **Character*:** Faculty Council evaluation of discipline records.

Please remember, membership is more than an honor. It is an ongoing responsibility and an obligation to continue to demonstrate those outstanding qualities that result in a student's selection. Membership also carries a responsibility to the chapter. If our NHS chapter is to be effective and meaningful, each member must become involved.

To maintain membership in our Society, you must complete the following each year:

- a. Maintain a cumulative 3.5 GPA (verified at the end of each marking period)
- b. Attend NHS meetings regularly.
- c. Participated in both Individual and Group Service Projects.
- d. Participated in the annual induction ceremony.
- e. Serve as role models through word and action.
- f. Payment of annual membership dues.
- g. Participate in fundraising events.

Applicant Initials: _____



**Application for National Honor Society Membership
Fannett-Metal High School**

Directions:

Please complete all sections. Read all directions and fill out each section carefully. Incomplete applications (including those with missing signatures) will not be accepted.

The Faculty Council will review all requested items as part of the evaluation process.

Please be sure to include your name or initials on all included documents.

Part 1: Administrative Information

Full Name:

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Student Signature:

I understand that completing this form does not guarantee selection into the National Honor Society and affirm that the information submitted within this application is accurate. I also understand that the criteria presented for selection are the same criteria that I would be expected to maintain as a member of the National Honor Society. If selected, I agree to abide by the standards and guidelines of the chapter and to fulfill all my membership obligations to the best of my ability.

Student Signature Date

Parent Signature:

I have reviewed the application and give permission for my child to apply to the Fannett-Metal High School chapter of the National Honor Society.

Parent Signature Date

Applicant Initials: _____



Part 2: Service Activities

Requirement: A minimum of 30 volunteer hours is required for induction into the FMHS Chapter of the National Honor Society. Community service includes those actions undertaken by the student that are done with, or on behalf of others, without any direct financial or material compensation to the individual performing the service. Community service does not include activities provided for immediate family members.

Directions: Please describe your community service below and list the hours that you completed in each grade level.

Description of Community Service Activity (Include your responsibilities)	List Hours Provided In Each Grade				Supervisor's Name	Supervisor's Contact Information (Can include phone or email)
	9	10	11	12		

* Supervisor signatures are not required; however, the faculty committee reserves the right to contact supervisors to verify that service was provided as stated.

** If you need additional space, please attach another page.

Applicant Initials: _____



Part 3: Leadership

Requirement: To meet the leadership criterion for **NHS**, a student must identify four clubs or community organizations in which they are currently involved and describe their involvement.

Directions: Please list & describe your club/organization involvement below. Check if you are involved as a general member or leader and in which grades you participated. Provide a brief summary of your personal obligations, responsibilities, and/or accomplishments in the group. If a leadership role is held, you must describe your involvement as a leader and how this differs from the obligations of general members.

Check		Club/Organization Include your responsibilities	Check Grades when Involved				Supervisor's Name	Supervisor's Contact Information (phone or email)
Member	Leader		9	10	11	12		

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Part 4: Character

Requirement: Students must exhibit outstanding character. A person of character demonstrates the following six qualities: trustworthiness, respectfulness, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. Students of impeccable character demonstrate a willingness to assist classmates, faculty members, and administration.

During the Faculty Council review, discipline forms will be reviewed. This includes review for, but not limited to:

- Recorded incident of cheating or intentional dishonesty
 - Incident of skipping class, excessive tardiness, or dismissals
 - Willing violations of school policies and regulations
 - Disrespect towards school faculty or others
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- All faculty members are made aware of any student who is academically eligible for consideration. Faculty members may share in a professional manner any concerns they have with regards to a candidate. All concerns must have been shared with parents prior to this process and be able to be substantiated. The concerns must be an event of the current school year. Faculty members must be willing to submit their concerns in writing and sign them. These concerns will be shared with the Faculty Council to be considered when voting.
 - If the candidate has served 2 "after school detention" or "in school suspension" the candidate will not be eligible for that school year.
 - If the candidate has served 4 or more of either "after school detention" or "in school suspension," he/she will not be eligible for membership in NHS during their high school career. Any student who has served out of school suspension or who has been expelled for any reason during his/her high school career is ineligible for membership in NHS.

In addition to the discipline review, the Faculty Council believes it is appropriate for the candidate to be able to provide self-reflection and feedback regarding his/her personal character.

****ESSAY****

Directions: Provide a short essay describing your personal character and why you feel you would make a positive addition to FMHS's National Honor Society. Requirements for the essay are as follows:

1. Must be **typed, double spaced, and be 250-300** words in length. Provide the final word count at the end.
2. Use size 12, Times New Roman Font, with 1-inch margins.
3. Type the essay on a separate piece of paper and attach it to your application.
4. Proofread your essay for spelling and grammatical errors.

We look forward to your responses and how you feel you uphold the values of scholarship, service, leadership and character.