

First Colonial National Honor Society Membership Interest Packet

September 3, 2019

Dear Applicant,

The purpose of the National Honor Society is to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, to develop character, and to encourage citizenship. The Independence Chapter at First Colonial High School of the National Honor Society (NHS) promotes appropriate recognition for student who reflect exemplary accomplishments in these areas and determines service projects in which members regularly participate. These service projects are intended to make a positive difference in the lives of individuals and the spirit of both the community and the school.

Membership in this chapter is an honor bestowed upon juniors and seniors. Selection for membership is by the Faculty Advisory Council and is based on the criteria of outstanding scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Once selected, members have the responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities. The minimum cumulative GPA for consideration is a 3.5.

The attached letter of intent affords you the opportunity to provide information about yourself to the NHS Faculty Advisory Board. Using this information, the qualities of leadership, service, character, and scholarship will be evaluated. Candidates for membership will be evaluated in all four areas; therefore, it is important that all sections are completed.

In order for you to be considered for membership, your interest packet must be completed and submitted on time. Be extremely careful to follow all of the general and specific directions on the form. Submission of an incomplete packet or failure to submit your information packet on time (this includes failure to physically hand it to one of the two advisors) will reflect poorly upon consideration by the Faculty Advisory Board.

Good luck in your quest to join the National Honor Society at First Colonial. We hope to be working with you very soon.

Sincerely,

Larry Spruill
Heather Spruill
National Honor Society Advisors

Note: Letter of Intent packets must be turned in to Mrs. Spruill (407) or Mr. Spruill (806) on or before Friday, October 4, 2019, by 2:15 pm. You must physically hand the packet to either Mr. or Mrs. Spruill. Late packets or packets placed in mailboxes or on desks will not be accepted or considered.

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Membership Interest Packet

This packet expresses your interest in the National Honor Society. It represents the first stage of the membership process. Completing this packet only expresses interest in the society, it does not guarantee induction into the society.

Interested students must go through a rigorous five-stage process which includes....

1. Reading, very carefully, the letter of intent and this entire page of directions.
2. Completing and submitting the letter of intent packet on time.
3. Demonstrate leadership and participation in school and community activities.
4. Meeting the required course enrollment.
5. Meeting the required cumulative GPA of 3.5.

The following are directions for completing this packet:

1. Complete all sections, missing signatures will result in disqualification for consideration in the NHS.
2. Completion of this packet does not guarantee selection. Membership is an honor bestowed by the Faculty Advisory Board. The Board is seeking candidates who best exemplify ALL of the required criteria.
3. Complete all required information in your OWN handwriting. Please do not recreate the packet on your computer. Pen is required; packets completed with pencil will not be considered. Neatness is important.
4. Do not abbreviate. Use the complete title of each organization or activity.
5. Do not be modest. All relevant information will be used by the Faculty Advisory Board to assist with the process. If you have more activities than can fit in the space provided, list the activities that best support your nomination and reflect your well-balanced involvement. Do not include additional attachments or documentation.
6. Membership will not be considered on the basis of scholarship or GPA alone. Candidates will also be evaluated of for their leadership, service, and character. All of the criteria must be met! Previous membership in the National Junior Honor Society is not a consideration in the selection process.
7. Parents should review your packet with you to ensure that no information is omitted, especially about activities and honors you have received. Double check for accuracy. You must have your parent/guardian sign the letter of intent, regardless of your age.

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Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Student Cell Phone: _____

Required Classes

Enrolled in or has completed at least four of the following academic courses:

Honors English 10, 11, 12
Foreign Language 3, 4, 5
Chemistry
Physics

Algebra 2/Trigonometry
Math Analysis
Prob. Stat/Discrete Math
Any A.P. Course

Your Schedule For This Year

Block	Subject	Teacher	Room
1A			
2A			
3A			
4A			
1B			
2B			
3B			
4B			

Your Schedule From Last Year

Block	Subject	Teacher
1A		
2A		
3A		
4A		
1B		
2B		
3B		
4B		

School/Community Involvement

Directions: please complete the following chart and chart all grade levels that apply; then approximate how many hours you spend per week in that particular activity.

Category	9	10	11	12	Provide a brief description	Verification
Clubs/Athletics						Coach/Advisor
Leadership Role						Coach/Advisor
Community Service and Significant Projects (Eagle Scout, Gold Awards, etc.)						Hours per Project
Work Experience						Hours per Week

Honor Code: As a potential member of the National Honor Society, my signature below indicates that this letter of intent is a true representation of myself and my performance.

Student's signature

Date

Character, Scholarship, Leadership, and Service

Directions: Use only the space provided to briefly explain how you embody each of the characteristics associated with National Honor Society members.

Character:

Scholarship:

Leadership:

Service:

Discipline/Honor Code Record

Directions: Check the appropriate box below and then, if applicable, explain.

I HAVE NOT had any official discipline or Honor Code offenses since I have been in high school.

I HAVE had one or more discipline or Honor Code offenses since I have been in high school. I will explain below.

Essay

Directions: On a separate piece of paper, please **TYPE** your response to the following prompt:

If you could be any color crayon, what would you be and why?

Your essay should be typed in a 12-pt. font, with one-inch margins, and 250 words.

Submission of Letter of Intent

Directions: When your letter of intent packet is complete and both you and your parent/guardian have reviewed the forms, complete the statement below by filling in your name. You and your parent/guardian must sign in the spaces provided. Remember, this must physically be handed to one of the advisors on or before 2:15 pm on October 4, 2019

I, _____, hereby attest that all of the information on this form is accurate and complete. I am aware that consideration by the Faculty Advisory Board is no guarantee of admission into the National Honor Society. No discussion of any student's selection status by the sponsors will be permitted until after the Induction Ceremony has taken place.

Student's signature

Date

Parent/guardian signature

Date

NHS Advisor Use Only

Date Package Received: _____

Time: _____ Sponsor's Initials: _____