

National Honor Society (NHS) Application



Please complete all sections of the on-line application at <https://forms.office.com/r/wSmmjhUcUT> You will also need to complete the verification form below neatly and legibly in *blue or black ink*. Scan and submit this ENTIRE page to the on-line Application by February 13 at 5:00 pm. **Late applications will not be accepted. Incomplete applications will be rejected. Do not wait until the last minute to get verification signatures.**

Name (please print): _____ Grade: _____

Cobb student Email (please print): _____@students.cobbk12.org

Student Applicant:

- ☐ I have reviewed the NHS contract at the end of this packet and understand all policies outlined for participation in NHS.
- ☐ I am available to attend meetings on the second Wednesday of every month from 7:30 am – 8:15 am or 3:35-4:05 pm.
- ☐ I understand that:
 - ☐ Completing the application does not guarantee acceptance into NHS.
 - ☐ Communication will be through my Cobb County student email, and it is my responsibility to check weekly for messages.
 - ☐ If inducted, I understand that I will have required events and service hours to complete to maintain my membership each semester.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent of Applicant:

My student has permission to apply to Kennesaw Mountain National Honor Society (NHS). I understand that:

- ☐ Completing the application does not guarantee acceptance into NHS.
- ☐ Communication will be to my student through his/her Cobb County student email and not directly to me.
- ☐ If my student is inducted into KMHS NHS,
 - ☐ my student will have event and service hour obligations to complete each semester.
 - ☐ I understand that deadlines will be strictly enforced throughout each semester.
 - ☐ Consequences of my student not completing semester requirements will result in membership being revoked.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Sponsor/Service Verification: Note: The following information MUST match the information entered into the Form link. What two school organizations are you **currently** an **active** member of? List the sponsor(s) for each of these organizations and obtain the sponsor's signature. (The KMHS Magnet program does not count as an organization for this application).

Organization Name	Sponsor Signature (I verify that the above student is an ACTIVE member of my club/organization.)

What two school or community service events have you participated in during your high school years? List the sponsor(s) of each of these events and obtain the sponsor's signature.

Service Event	Sponsor Signature (I verify that the above student ACTIVELY participated in the listed service event.)



Worksheet for the On-line Application Portion

Please be prepared to complete all sections below in the on-line application at <https://forms.office.com/r/wSmmjhUcUT>

Deadline is February 13 at 5:00 pm. Late applications will not be accepted. Incomplete applications will be rejected. Paper submission will NOT be accepted!

Using the CamScanner app, scan the first page of this application. Save this using the following naming convention: LastName_FirstName_NHS2026Application. You will upload this document as a part of your on-line application. Paper submission will NOT be accepted!

Have you read the requirements for NHS membership? ____

Have you read the requirements for NHS member to remain in good standing? ____

What is your KMHS **weighted** GPA as of January 2025? ____

Have you ever had a discipline referral while in high school? ____

Name a school organization in which you are or have been an active member (ex: Mane Line, Soccer Team, Math Team, Science Club, etc.). The organization's activities must take place outside of school hours during your high school years. **Describe your involvement** in detail. (Include the name and contact information of sponsor. This should match the signature from the Sponsor Verification from page 1.)

Name a second school organization in which you are or have been an active member (ex: Mane Line, Soccer Team, Math Team, Science Club, etc.). The organization's activities must take place outside of school hours during your high school years. **Describe your involvement** in detail. (Include the name and contact information of sponsor. This should match the signature from the Sponsor Verification from page 1.)

Describe a school or community service event that **you** have participated in (ex: SWAM, The Dance, volunteered at MUST ministries, volunteered at Mostly Mutts, volunteered for another scout's Eagle project, volunteered at Vacation Bible School, etc.) Time frame must be during your high school years. (Include the name and contact information of sponsor. This should match the signature from the Sponsor Verification from page 1.)

Describe a second school or community service event that **you** have participated in (ex: SWAM, The Dance, volunteered at MUST ministries, volunteered at Mostly Mutts, volunteered for another scout's Eagle project, volunteered at Vacation Bible School, etc.) Time frame must be during your high school years. This cannot be the same event as listed above, even if you participated in two different years. (Include the name and contact information of sponsor. This should match the signature from the Sponsor Verification from page 1.)

Name a community service event that you would like to see NHS implement. **Describe** the event in detail. How would you implement the event? What resources would be required?

Describe a situation in which **you** exhibited leadership skills (outside of the classroom). Time frame must be during your high school years.

National Honor Society

National Honor Society (NHS) is a very important organization at Kennesaw Mountain. It is more than just an honor roll. NHS establishes high standards for membership that are based upon a student's outstanding performance in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. These criteria for selection form the foundation upon which the organization and its activities are built. Membership criteria are listed below.



Criteria to Become a Member

Scholarship: Sophomores and Juniors who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.75 or above meet the scholarship requirement for membership. These students are then eligible for consideration on the basis of service, leadership, and character. Applications will be available to all eligible sophomores and juniors in late January or early February. **Maintenance of a 3.75 GPA is mandatory.** Falling to a minimum of 3.6 will place you on academic probation. Falling below that minimum or failure to raise your GPA up to a 3.75 within one semester will result in dismissal.

Note: Only Sophomores and Juniors may apply for admission to the National Honor Society.

Service: This quality is defined through the voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation and with a positive, courteous, and enthusiastic spirit. **To be considered for membership, the student must have performed at least two community service projects and at least two school related service projects during their high school career.**

Leadership: Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, promoters of school activities, original thinkers, dependable, and optimists. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others. **To be considered for membership, a student must have served in a leadership capacity either in a school organization or a community organization. The student must also be a member of at least two school organizations.** Programs of study at KMHS are not extracurricular activities.

Character: The student of good character upholds principles of morality and ethics, cooperates, demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability, shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others, and generally maintains a respectable lifestyle. Discipline records for prospective members and current members are checked periodically to ensure the integrity of NHS. Prospective members guilty of any violation of Cobb County School's discipline policies will not be considered for membership. **Students who have received ISS or OSS during their high school career will not be considered for membership. Once a student is accepted, if they are guilty of any of the following, the student will be dismissed from NHS.** Discipline infractions include but are not limited to:

- a. Skipping homeroom, class, and/or lunch
- b. Cheating
- c. Insubordination
- d. Bullying
- e. Fighting
- f. Possession or use of tobacco, illegal drugs, alcohol, weapons
- g. Stealing/Vandalism
- h. Forgery
- i. Unauthorized possession and or use of school passes, forms, documents or property
- j. Gang related activity
- k. False fire alarm and bomb threats

In summary, **any** violation of Cobb County School's discipline policies is cause for dismissal.

Criteria to Remain a Member in Good Standing

Community Service: Members must participate in a minimum of 3 NHS sponsored events and earn a minimum of 15 service hours per semester. Ten of these hours must be acquired through NHS (in club); the additional hours may be earned individually or through other service groups. No more than 5 hours may be earned for any one activity. Hours or events used to meet NHS requirements cannot also be used to meet requirements for another club.

Hours must be submitted within one week of the activity date. Hours must be signed by a sponsor of the event. Seniors must work diligently second semester as hours must be turned in prior to the final meeting to accommodate for graduation. You are responsible for resolving discrepancies with hour and event accounting. Do not wait until the end of the semester when issues become difficult to resolve.

You must turn in all hour/event slips and resolve any discrepancies by the announced semester deadline.

Attendance: Meetings are held the second Wednesday of every Month, unless otherwise stated. Leadership is expected to arrive at 7:30. The general meeting will begin at 7:40 for the morning session and 3:35 for the afternoon session. You must sign in at each meeting in order to be counted present. Actual dates will be shared at the beginning of each semester and will be posted in CTLS. If a meeting date must be changed, an email will be sent to all members. Failure to meet attendance requirements will result in expulsion from NHS.

Dues: The dues for National Honor Society are \$25.00 for sophomores and juniors and \$40.00 for seniors. This cost includes the stoles for seniors and t-shirts for all club members. Dues must be paid on time to maintain membership. If there is a financial burden please see the sponsor. Dues must be paid by the announced deadline or you will no longer be a member of NHS.

Communication: The primary way that NHS communicates with members is via Cobb student email. Students are responsible for checking their email regularly. Text message reminders are an additional form of communication, but not the primary mode. All events, meetings, etc. are posted in CTLS and students are responsible for reviewing CTLS for at least once a week for updates. Students are responsible for any communication issues regarding NHS. As National Honor Society Members, you accept that you will be held responsible for your actions, and for ensuring that there are no discrepancies in your events, hours or attendance.

Discipline: Any violation of Cobb County Schools Discipline policies or Kennesaw Mountain High School Discipline policies will result in dismissal from NHS.

I have read and understand the above outlined NHS policies. (By completing the on-line application, you acknowledge and agree to this contract.)

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