

March 1, 2023

Dear Students,

Lake Catholic is currently accepting applications for the National Honor Society. The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service and character. *Our chapter of the NHS at Lake Catholic requires that you take on additional responsibilities of leadership and service, as explained below.*

You must meet these **requirements** in order to apply for NHS membership:

- You have a **cumulative** GPA of 3.45 or higher.
- You have completed 40 service hours and submitted them to Campus Ministry by March 23, 2023. **You must print this record and submit it with your application.**
- You have a good disciplinary record at Lake Catholic (no suspensions).

Responsibilities of NHS members:

Once you are accepted into the NHS, you must fulfill the following responsibilities in order to maintain your membership in the NHS:

- Attend monthly meetings, which will be held on late start Mondays.
- Maintain a good disciplinary record (no suspensions).
- Maintain a 3.45 GPA or above.

Failure to fulfill these responsibilities will render you ineligible to continue your membership in the NHS for the following school year. Seniors who do not fulfill these requirements will not receive a cord at graduation.

If you would like to apply for membership in the NHS, please print and complete the attached papers, and return all materials to Miss Tedeschi no later than **Thursday March 23, 2023. Late applications and incomplete applications will not be considered.**

- **Page 1:** Complete the identifying information box and sign (indicating that you understand the responsibilities of NHS members and you are willing to assume those responsibilities). A parent must sign also.
- **Page 2:** Ask 2 adults (who are not family members) to recommend you on the basis of character and leadership, and complete the recommendation boxes.
- **Page 3:** Complete the required essay per directions given.
- **Page 4:** Print a copy of your service hours which you have submitted to Campus Ministry.

Applications should be submitted as **PAPER COPIES** (not electronic). I will notify you in early April as to whether or not you have been accepted into the NHS.

Thank you for applying to NHS! If you have any questions, please see Miss Tedeschi in H-16 or email me at stedeschi@lakecatholicapps.org.

Sincerely,
Miss Tedeschi, NHS Moderator
Lake Catholic High School

Application for membership into the National Honor Society Lake Catholic Chapter

Due date: Thursday March 23, 2023 by 3:00pm. You may turn in your application to Miss Tedeschi or the Main Office.

Name: _____ Grade: _____

By applying for membership into the NHS, I agree that I will fulfill the following responsibilities in order to maintain my membership and receive a cord at graduation:

- Attend monthly meetings, which will be held on late start Mondays.
- Maintain a good disciplinary record (no suspensions).
- Maintain a 3.45 GPA or above.

I understand that failing to fulfill these responsibilities will result in a loss of membership in the NHS. Seniors who do not fulfill these requirements will not receive a cord at graduation.

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Please be sure you have attached the following items:

- This page
- Recommendation page
- Application essay
- A print out of the service hours you have submitted to Campus Ministry

Character Recommendation:

The student I am recommending is of good character; upholds principles of morality and ethics; is cooperative; demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability; shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others; and generally maintains a clean disciplinary record. I personally believe the student I am recommending can and will serve as a role model, in terms of character, for the Lake Catholic community. I am not a family member of the student that I am recommending.

Name (Please Print): _____**Signature:** _____**Title:** _____**Relationship to student:** _____**Email or Phone:** _____**Leadership Recommendation (Cannot be the same person as the Character Recommendation):**

Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, and idea contributors. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others. The student I am recommending is someone that I consider to be a leader and role model for his/her peers. I have personally witnessed strong leadership traits in the student I am recommending, and I feel that he/she possesses all of the necessary tools to lead the Lake Catholic community in a positive direction. I am not a family member of the student that I am recommending.

Name (Please Print): _____**Signature:** _____**Title:** _____**Relationship to student:** _____**Email or Phone:** _____

Note: If you have any questions/concerns/reservations concerning the recommendation process, or the student requesting your recommendation, please contact Lake Catholic's NHS moderator

*miss Sherry Tedeschi
stedeschi@lakecatholic.org*

NHS Application Essay

Directions: Reflect on one or more service or leadership experiences that you have participated in, then write an essay about it covering the following points:

- Describe the service or leadership experience, and your role in it.
- How did your service or leadership experience help other people?
- What did you get out of your service or leadership experience? How did it help you to change or grow?

Your essay should be **hand-written** and **fill at least the front of this page**. You can use the back if necessary. Your essay should show evidence of thought and reflection.

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