



# UNION COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to apply for membership into the **National Honor Society (NHS)** at Union County High School. The NHS is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students. More than just an honor roll, NHS serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character.

You have already achieved the first requirement for selection to apply for membership based on academics (g.p.a.). Next, the application form attached is required to provide evidence that you have gone above and beyond the call of duty and have exhibited excellence in those areas evaluated by NHS. Be proud of your accomplishments and include them in your application so recognition can be given appropriately. Specific guidelines can be found on the back of this letter and also appear in your student handbook. You will also find a copy of this application on our high school website: [www.uc.k12.in.us](http://www.uc.k12.in.us).

Congratulations on your nomination. Please turn in your application on or before **February 10, 2023**, in order to receive consideration by the Faculty Council.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Shannon Hill  
NHS Co-Sponsor

Mrs. Megan Meier  
NHS Co-Sponsor

## National Honor Society to Select Inductees

It is once again time to begin the selection process for new NHS inductees. The requirements for consideration go beyond scholarship. A **3.5 GPA** is just the first step in meeting NHS requirements.

As described in the Student Handbook, eligibility begins with academic excellence, but a student is further evaluated on service leadership, involvement, and character. Guidelines:

**Service:** Each student must have been involved in at least three (3) **service projects**. Both in-school and out-of-school projects are considered.

**Leadership:** Each student must have held at least one (1) **elected or appointed officer position** in a school or similarly youth-focused organization.

**Involvement:** Each student must belong to two (2) or more **school or similarly youth-focused organizations**. Athletic team participation counts as an organization.

**Character:** Each student must display the signs of appropriate character as evidenced by:

- **Integrity** – No recorded incidents of cheating or intentional dishonesty (check at main office).
- **Positive Behavior** – No recorded incidents of skipping classes or of knowingly violating school regulations (checked at main office). No recorded civil/criminal offenses within the community per signed application from student and co-signed by parent(s) or guardian(s).
- **Cooperative** – Displays a willingness to assist classmates, faculty members, and others within the school environment.
- **Ethical** – Displays behavior consistent with the goals of fairness and openness with others in all situations.

All students meeting the GPA requirements will receive a candidacy information/application that must be filled out by the student and his or her parent or guardian. The form is returned to a NHS sponsor for evaluation and final approval by the Faculty Council. We urge candidates to read the chapter bylaws (posted on UCHS website) prior to continuing the selection process to make sure that students are fully aware of the requirements and responsibilities of NHS membership.

See Mrs. Hill or Mrs. Meier if you have any questions.