



Johnson High School National Honor Society Constitution

ARTICLE I

Name and Purpose

Section 1 The name of the chapter shall be the Moe and Gene Johnson High School Chapter of the National Honor Society of Secondary Schools.

Section 2 The purpose of the chapter shall be to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to develop character in the students of Johnson High School.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Section 1 Selection for membership shall be by a faculty council based upon scholarship, character, leadership and service. Once selected, it is the member's responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities.

Section 2 Membership shall be known as active and graduate. A graduate member has no vote. Candidates become active members when inducted at a special ceremony. Active members become graduate members upon graduation.

Section 3 To be eligible for selection to membership, the candidate must have been in attendance for a period equivalent to one semester at Johnson High School.

Section 4 Members of the sophomores (after the fall semester) and junior classes are eligible for selection. Candidates must have a minimum cumulative grade point of 3.7 in Johnson's weighted 4.0 point scale. This scholastic level of achievement shall remain fixed and shall be required minimum scholastic level of achievement for admission to candidacy. All students who rise in scholarship to or above the standard may be admitted to candidacy for selection to memberships. Their eligibility shall then be considered on their character, leadership and service.

Section 5 An active member of the National Honor Society who transfers to this school will automatically be accepted for membership in this chapter, upon receipt of membership acknowledgment from the previous school's principal.



Section 6 Upon request, an active member of this chapter who transfers from this school will be given a letter, signed by the principal, indicating the status of his membership.

ARTICLE III

Selection of Members

Section 1 The selection of members of the National Honor Society shall be by a faculty council. The faculty council shall consist of five voting members appointed annually by the sponsor/principal. The chapter advisor shall be a non-voting, sixth member.

Section 2 Any Johnson student currently in the 10th (after the fall semester) or 11th grade once appointed by the standards of the National Honor Society, may submit an application to the faculty council for membership in the National Honor Society. Discipline reports may be obtained from a student's assistant principal.

Section 3 The membership selection process shall take place during the spring semester to be followed by a formal induction ceremony to become an active member.

Section 4 There will be only one selection period and one formal induction ceremony each school year. Students nominated for induction must be present at the induction ceremony to become an active member.

Section 5 Questions about non-selection may be referred to a student's assistant principal and/or the National Honor Society advisor.

ARTICLE IV

Dismissal

Section 1 A National Honor Society member must maintain the established standards and requirements for membership in order to retain his/her membership. (See National Honor Society handbook.) Any member who fails to maintain the standards and/or requirements shall receive a letter of warning. A member will be allowed only one warning before further consequences. If the warning is a scholastic warning, a member has the next semester of the school year to meet the scholastic standards for membership. A second scholastic warning will result in dismissal. **The faculty council shall pass judgment upon each case. Once a member is dismissed he/she is never again eligible for membership in the National Honor Society.**

Section 2 When a member is dismissed, he/she must be notified in writing and his/her stole and membership card must be returned to the advisor or principal.



ARTICLE V

Officers

Section 1 The officers of the chapter shall be president, senior vice-president, junior vice-president, secretary, treasurer, parliamentarian, and historian(s). All officers are responsible for attending all National Honor Society meetings, officer meetings, the induction ceremony, helping organize all NHS activities, making contacts with community members concerning dates of meetings, service projects, reviewing submitted service project forms, and being available to help with special projects and activities which may arise. Responsibilities will be assigned through individual officer committees.

Section 2 A majority of votes cast by official members of National Honor Society, shall be necessary to elect any officer of the chapter.

Section 3 An application for office must be submitted by the announced due date to be eligible for election.

Section 4 It shall be the duty of the **president** to preside at the meetings of the chapter. Officer committees will be overseen by the president. The president is also responsible for announcements to be submitted to the advisor for approval. In order to run for president of NHS, the candidate must have been a member in good standing of NHS for one year.

Section 5 The **senior vice-president** shall fill the chair of the president in his absence. The vice-president maintains attendance records, and announcements corresponding to the president. In order to run for senior vice-president of NHS, the candidate must have been a member in good standing of NHS for one year. The **junior vice-president** shall work alongside the senior vice-president in maintaining attendance.

Section 6 The chapter **secretary** shall keep the minutes of meetings, a record of all business and all records of file. The secretary writes necessary correspondence for past and future meetings. The secretary will also chair the Events committee to oversee the induction ceremony, plan field trips, and organize the annual banquet.

Section 7 The **treasurer** shall receive all funds of the chapter and shall keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements in accordance with school regulations. The treasurer will also chair the Fundraising committee and plan one formal fundraiser each semester, plus any other “donation” fundraisers.

Section 8 The **parliamentarian** shall maintain order during meetings. The parliamentarian serves as chairperson of the service project committee, which maintains spreadsheet file of members’ service project records. The Service committee will also prepare two community service projects each semester and conduct one campus service project for the year.



Section 9 The **historian(s)** shall serve as chairpersons for recording events from the committee and organize visual records of completion. The historian will also chair the Publicity committee which will promote projects and events, plus update the website, yearbook page, and order annual t-shirts.

ARTICLE VI

Meetings

Section 1 The meetings of the chapter shall be held on days designated by the officers.

Section 2 All meetings shall be open meetings and shall be held under the sponsorship of the advisor, or some faculty member selected by the principal.

Section 3 Members are required to attend each monthly meeting and any mandatory meetings approved by the president or advisor. If a member fails to attend a meeting without giving prior written notice to the sponsor, the member will lose one NHS participation point. If a member misses three meetings in a row, disciplinary actions will result.

Section 4 The chapter shall conduct its meetings according to Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised in all points not expressly provided for in the constitution.

ARTICLE VII

Activities

Section 1 The officers shall develop two or more service projects per year. The projects are to be publicized by the Publicity committee.

Section 2 All members shall regularly participate in the chapter's service projects. To be eligible to wear the NHS stole at graduation, service project hours must be up-to-date. Service project hours must be completed 3 weeks before a member's graduation day.

Section 3. These projects shall have the following characteristics: fulfill a need within the school or community; have the support of the administration and the faculty; be appropriate and educationally defensible; and be well planned, organized, and executed.

Section 4. Each member shall have the responsibility for choosing and participating in an individual service project which reflects his or her particular talents and interests and as approved by the chapter adviser. This is in addition to the chapter projects to which all members contribute.

Section 5. The chapter shall publicize and promote its projects in a positive manner.



ARTICLE VIII

Dues

Section 1 The annual dues for each member is \$25. Dues will include an annual NHS t-shirt.

Section 2 Dues must be paid to be in good standing with the organization and to be eligible to wear the stole at graduation.

ARTICLE IX

Eligibility for wearing the NHS stole at graduation

Section 1 Each member must document 20 service hours to be completed per year. While members may use service hours completed from non-NHS sponsored events to fulfill the 20-hour requirement, members must also participate in the NHS events specified by the NHS Officers.

Section 2 Members must provide documentation of their service hours completed outside of NHS by submitting an *NHS service project information form*. Hours that are considered eligible for credit are those that benefit the school or the community at large.

Section 3 Only those hours earned through NHS will be considered for the NHS scholarship awards.

Section 4 Each eligible member of the chapter shall be entitled to wear the stole adopted by the National Honor Society of Secondary Schools.

Section 5 Any member who is under a letter of warning at the time of graduation, will not be entitled to an NHS seal on his/her diploma. Any member who withdraws or is dismissed from the chapter will return his emblem.

ARTICLE X

Amendments

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the chapter provided the proposed amendment has been approved by the majority vote of the faculty council of the chapter. Notice to members will be given at least one week prior to the meeting at which it is voted upon.

Approved on [April 9, 2026](#)

Signatures/Names of the Chapter President, Secretary, Adviser, and Principal.

