

National Honor Society

Students in their junior and/or senior year meeting the following criteria may be considered eligible for acceptance into the West Allegheny High School Chapter of the National Honor Society. An eligibility review will be conducted sometime after the first grading period of each school year. Those students meeting the GPA criteria will be invited to apply for National Honor Society membership. Only students who meet all the initial eligibility criteria and successfully complete the application process will be considered for induction into the West Allegheny High School Chapter of the National Honor Society.

Once inducted, West Allegheny High School National Honor Society members are required to maintain the minimum required cumulative grade point average, maintain any required course levels, adhere to the Student Code of Conduct, and complete an additional 30 hours of service plus 5 hours specifically for National Honor Society events and fundraisers.

National Honor Society is based on four pillars: Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character. Both applying and inducted students must demonstrate each of these pillars to an exemplary degree.

NHS Pillar	Initial Eligibility Review	Students with a Cumulative 3.75 or Higher Grade Point Average at Time of Eligibility Review
Scholarship	9 th Grade	Minimum of 2 Honors or ECIHSA level courses
	10 th Grade	Minimum of 2 Honors, AP or ECIHSA, level courses
	11 th Grade	Minimum of 3 Honors, AP or ECIHSA level courses
	12 th Grade	Minimum of 3 Honors, AP or ECIHSA level courses
NHS Pillar	Application Review	All Students Applying
Service & Leadership	Application	<p>Student must have engaged in a minimum of 10 hours of service during their high school years of which half must be of service to the community (<i>outside of the school setting</i>).</p> <p>Student must have participated in a minimum of 2 Activities within two years of seeking membership (at least one activity must be school-related).</p> <p>Student must have taken on a minimum of 1 Leadership role in a school or community related activity within two years of seeking membership.</p>
Scholarship	Academic Recommendation	Letter of recommendation completed by an Honors, AP, or ECIHSA teacher
Character	Personal Recommendations (2)	Two (2) recommendations completed by non-relative community member, coach, employer, religious leader, or any other person who knows the student <i>outside of the school setting</i> . This may include one recommendation from a West Allegheny staff member only if associated with an extracurricular activity.
	Discipline Review	Any violation of the Student Code of Conduct will be reviewed, and student must not have had any action resulting in in-school or out-of-school suspension.
	Attendance Review	All student attendance records will be reviewed, including tardies and early releases. A student's goal should be a 95% or higher attendance rate.

AP – Advanced Placement

ECIHSA – Early College in High School Academy