

NHS SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER



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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Dear NHS members and participants,
Welcome back to a new school year! We appreciate your participation and contribution to Honor Society in these circumstances. Please understand that this school year is going to be 'work in progress'.

As of September, we officially have a OneNote! It contains everything PowerSchool did and will have regular updates. If you are already part of it, start filling out and uploading forms to your personal notebook. If you are a member, but do not see the NHS OneNote, please email us. We are yet to figure out our meetings. Until then, continue volunteering and welcome back to school!

Stay safe,
The NHS board

NEW POLICIES FOR 2020-2021

- Everybody needs to fill out a 'Participation Application' to apply for NHS participation for the 2020-2021 school year, it is a Microsoft Form.
- Meetings will be held remotely. **First meeting on 9/23/2020 at 1 pm**, link in email
- Beginning with the class of 2023, in order for seniors to be gold corded, they must have participated in NHS for three years and must have been inducted for two years
- New policy for supervisor signatures, in OneNote
- Only 24 hours are required for the whole year: 4 chapter sponsored + 20 other hours (no required elementary/ middle school hours)

UPCOMING DRIVES AND UPDATES

- Teacher Appreciation Drive: show your teachers how much they mean to you by giving them a meaningful thank-you message! Each card/video will count for 15 mins.
 - Sign up for a teacher on this Genius form:
 - Create an online card:
 - Record a Flipgrid:
 - Possibility to email teachers directly
- Summer hours due: 9/30/2020
- Update: Remind will start being used to communicate
- Update: OneNote is up! Check regularly for updates, forms, and new policies. Most communication will be on Onenote

SAFE VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

On this page, you will find mostly virtual volunteering opportunities. These opportunities are also posted on the NHS OneNote page, and will also be found on our social media platforms. The OneNote page will be updated every other week, so check there for the most updated list of opportunities! Remember that you need a total of 20 'other hours' by the end of the academic year!

NEW:

- Volunteer for the Humane Society by helping at care centers, serving with their rescue and response teams, or helping out virtually! <https://www.humanesociety.org/volunteer>
- Become a music mentor by helping guide a student's practice session, reinforcing what they've already learned, or teaching them something new. Available to 14+. <https://stress-freeteens.wixsite.com/stressfreeteens/musicmentorpqm>
- Volunteer for Robotics for All for an 8-week session where you will be tutoring, teaching, and assisting K-12 students with various codes. Sign up to be a lead instructor, teacher, or teacher's assistant. Available to 14+. <https://www.roboticsforall.net/overview-of-positions.html>
- Volunteer for JuniorCoachGolf as a mentor/tutor for K-12 students. Along with the multiple subjects to choose from, you can book your own lessons, making it a flexible opportunity. <https://juniorcoachgolf.org/supporting-youth-during-covid-19/>
- Digitally volunteer for the Smithsonian institution in a variety of activities such as transcribing historic documents, organizing an encyclopedia, helping track organisms, or volunteering to be a Smithsonian Wikipedian. <https://www.si.edu/volunteer/DigitalVolunteers>

From the summer (but still available!):

Online opportunities:

- <https://awarenessforhomelessness.weebly.com/how-you-can-help.html>
- <https://www.volunteermatch.org/search/opp3299542.jsp>

In-Person:

- <http://renewalfoodbank.com/get-involved/>
- <https://www.wellspringfs.org/get-involved/volunteer>
- <https://mschelps.org/getinvolved/volunteer/>
- <https://www.mealsonwheelsamerica.org/americaletsdolunch/faqs>

When participating in in-person volunteering, please adhere to the safety regulations set out by Governor Inslee and the CDC to ensure the safety of yourself and those around you!

OFFICIAL NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY CAN SEND YOU NATIONAL NHS NEWS!

Sign up to get information and updates from the national board of NHS:

<https://www.nhs.us/create-an-account/>

This will give you tips, news and other great opportunities for you to continue excelling in NHS and school.

(this information is also on ONENOTE)

<https://engage.nassp.org/email/view/5f30022d30405538241164>



August and September are typically when student chapters plan activities to welcome their fellow students and staff to a new school year. We know that many questions are still unanswered about what the school experience will look like in 2020–21, but there are lots of ways that chapters can make incoming students and staff feel appreciated and included in the school community—whether you see each other in person or only in virtual spaces.

TOP NEWS



New School Year Checklist

Start your school year off on the right foot with these chapter checklist items.

- Make sure your contact information is current with the national office. To make any changes, log into www.nhs.us and click