



The Burrell Chapter of the National Honor Society

The Burrell National Honor Society is a chapter of the national organization who recognizes outstanding students thru the 4 pillars of scholarship, leadership, character and service. A student must have and maintain a 3.5 GPA, display leadership qualities, maintain exemplary character and provide continued volunteer service for their school and community.

Read and follow the instructions below when applying for the Burrell National Honor Society. The requirements include a 3.5 GPA, five character references, two service reports, a listing of activities with leadership qualities and a typed essay supporting the yearly topic chosen. A qualified candidate is a sophomore or junior at Burrell High School in which the Burrell Faculty Council evaluates candidates in the spring of each school year.

Please print a copy of the whole file including two copies of the service report and five copies of the character reference form. Each candidate must complete parts 1-4 with at least one service report and all five character references.

In Part 1, demonstrate the role of leadership you play in school and in your community by:

- a) taking initiative in promoting positive school activities
- b) showing a positive attitude
- c) inspiring positive behaviors in others
- d) holding positions of responsibility
- e) accepting responsibility and showing dependability

Please list all areas of leadership in any variety of activities in school and outside of school. Also, list any elected offices or accomplishments and the depth of the commitment to your school, organization, community or work activities.

In Part 2, show your efforts at volunteering your time and talents to that of your school and community. You must submit a signed statement from an adult attesting to your willingness to perform **UNPAID** services. Neither source may be completed by a relative or employer. Only one source may be school related and only one source may be sports related. Complete the candidates name and required date when disbursing the reports. The completed forms must be turned into the school in a sealed envelope, addressed to the NHS Sponsor, and up to two sources may be submitted. The forms must be submitted or post-marked to the office by the date scheduled.

Please include a stamped, addressed envelope with each report to: NHS Sponsor, Burrell High School, 1021 Puckety Church Road, Lower Burrell, PA 15068.

Part 3 should be a typed essay of 250 words or less answering the required question.

Part 4 will include five character reference forms. Four character references must be completed by staff members of the Burrell School District and should be returned directly to the NHS Sponsor thru internal mail. The fifth reference should be completed by an outside source, not related to the candidate. Please include a stamped addressed envelope to the same address above for the outside source. Complete the candidates name and due date on each form.

All forms must be received or post-marked by the date given in the spring assembly, with no exceptions, and in sealed envelopes where needed. Please turn in Part 1 and Part 3 together by the required date to the NHS Sponsor.

Good luck and best wishes for a productive year at Burrell High School.

Part 1 : Leadership Report for

Candidate name: _____

School Related Activities (High School Activities such as Clubs/Organizations/Sports)

Type an "X" for Each Year

Activity/Organization	9	10	11	12	Offices or Leadership Positions Held

Non-School Related Activities

Type an "X" for Each Year

Activity/Organization	9	10	11	12	Offices or Leadership Positions Held

Part 2: Service Report for

Candidate name: _____ Due Date: _____

I certify that _____, candidate for admission to the Burrell Chapter of the National Honor Society, has performed various **unpaid** service for me or my organization.

Name: _____

Position: _____

Organization: _____

Please describe the nature of the volunteer service that was performed. Give at least one specific example to support the volunteering.

On a scale of 1-10, rate your satisfaction with the quality of service performed by the candidate by circling your response:

Low 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 High

Circle the number of years the service has been performed.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Circle the number of hours performed each year.

1-10 11-20 21-40 Greater than 40 Other _____

Signature: _____

Contact phone number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Please return the completed form in the envelope provided, sealed from an outside source, or use internal mail to the NHS Sponsor if a staff member of Burrell High School.
Thank you for supporting our Burrell students.

Part 3: Essay

Candidate name: _____

Membership in the National Honor Society is one of the highest honors that can be bestowed on a high school student at Burrell High School. Please explain why you should be inducted into the Burrell Chapter of the National Honor Society and what you have to offer the organization. Give a past example of your role in providing leadership, academic talent, character or service to your community. This essay must be typed in 250 words or less.

Part 4: Character Reference Form

Candidate Name: _____ Due Date: _____

Please accept our thanks in filling out this form for a student who is eligible for consideration to membership in the Burrell Chapter of the National Honor Society. The Burrell Faculty Council values your responses about each student and the four qualifications of the NHS: scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Please keep your responses free of judgement and hearsay. No character reference may be a relative of the candidate. Turn the completed form into the NHS Sponsor's mailbox or the included envelope provided if an outside source.

Indicate your response by rating this candidate from 0-5 (**0-Very Poor, 5-Excellent**) in each category.

Demonstrates the highest standards of:	Score	Comments
1. Honesty	_____	_____
2. Fairness	_____	_____
3. Initiative	_____	_____
4. Reliability	_____	_____
5. Citizenship	_____	_____
6. Follows rules and regulations	_____	_____
7. Courteous and respectful toward others	_____	_____
8. Serves as a role model for other students	_____	_____
9. Shows maturity in dealing with criticism	_____	_____
10. Shows maturity in dealing with peer pressure and criticism	_____	_____

Total (possible 50)

_____ Please sign below after you verify your score. Thank you.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of evaluator (printed) _____

Position of evaluator _____

Contact phone no. _____

E-mail address _____

How long have you known this student and in what capacity?

Please include any other important comments.
