



**Eligibility Requirements for Academic Societies*:
National Honor Society (NHS)
California Scholarship Federation (CSF)**

	NHS			CSF
	First-Time Membership	Membership Renewal	Mid-Year Check	Membership Registration
Academic	<u>Using the preceding school year's final grades</u> , minimum unweighted GPA of 3.8 and enrollment in one Honors, AP, or minimum three-unit college course	If already a member, using the preceding school year's final grades, minimum unweighted GPA of 3.8 and enrollment in one Honors, AP, or minimum three-unit college course must be maintained		<u>Using the preceding semester's final grades</u> , you must earn a minimum of 10 points based on the CSF point system
Service**	Total of 30 hours (15 per semester) of service/volunteer work within Samohi or community; must be completed by the membership application deadline	Total of 30 hours (15 per semester) of service/volunteer work within Samohi or community	Verification of 15 hours completed by January	Those who attend a CSF-sponsored event, must complete 10 hours per semester; those who do not attend a CSF-sponsored event, must complete 15 hours per semester
Character & Integrity	Two academic faculty evaluation forms (English, Math, Science, History, World Languages, Visual/Performing Arts subjects only) Must receive a minimum of 14 points in each evaluation form	Two academic faculty evaluation forms (English, Math, Science, History, World Languages, Visual/Performing Arts subjects only) Must receive a minimum of 14 points in each evaluation form		Not Applicable
Extracurricular Activity	Must participate in one extracurricular activity, school-sponsored or outside of school	Must participate in one extracurricular activity, school-sponsored or outside of school		
Application Period	Fall semester only			Fall & Spring semesters



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Other Information

***NHS & CSF are two separate honor societies**, each with it's own membership requirement and application period. Interested students must meet each set of membership requirements and submit a respective application during the application period.

CSF is formerly known as Delians

****2019-2020 school year only:** the Service requirement for both NHS & CSF has been waived;

2020-2021 school year: for NHS, minimum 10 hours must be completed (decreased from 30 hours)

2021-2022 school year: for NHS, minimum 20 hours must be completed (decreased from 30 hours); for CSF: those who attend a CSF-sponsored event, must complete 10 hours per semester; those who do not attend a CSF-sponsored event, must complete 15 hours per semester

Seniors: in order to receive the NHS Cord and/or CSF Stole for graduation, eligibility and verification will also occur during the spring semester of Senior year. The Service/Volunteer Work will be completed by April 30th of Senior year, and final grades will be verified during Senior week.

FAQs

Is there a fee waiver for the Membership Fee? Yes, if you're part of the Free/Reduced Lunch program; email samohiacademichonorsocieties@gmail.com to request a waiver

Will late applications be accepted? No

For NHS, if I have a GPA of 3.79, will it be rounded up to 3.8? No

Does paid work count towards the Volunteer/Service Requirement? No, volunteering means you are not paid

Is an activity outside of Samohi (e.g., Club Basketball) count as a Samohi-sponsored activity? No

If I apply and don't qualify for membership, will I receive a refund for the Membership Fee paid? Yes, information regarding follow up steps is included in your Membership Application Notification sent to your SMMK12 email

I'm in ninth grade, am I able to apply for membership? For CSF, you will be able to apply spring semester of ninth grade, after final grades for the fall semester are established. For NHS, membership is based on the preceding school year's final grades; you will be able to apply the fall semester of tenth grade.

Middle school grades are not considered for neither NHS or CSF.

For NHS' requirement of enrollment in an HP, AP, College Course, what type of course is accepted? Any of Samohi's HP or AP courses are accepted; if you take a college course, it must be a minimum of three-units.