



Teacher Cadet National Honor Society Membership Guidelines



Eligibility:

In order to be considered for membership in the **Teacher Cadet National Honor Society** (TCNHS), a student must be a junior or senior with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.5 (unweighted) on the state grading scale. A teacher leadership committee will select from all qualifying applicants those who excel in scholarship, character, leadership, and service.

Application Process:

The application for entry into the Teacher Cadet National Honor Society should be completed online at www.teachercadets.com. Ensure you meet the eligibility criteria noted above, and carefully review the membership guidelines.

No late applications will be accepted; the application window opens November 1 and closes February 1, annually. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed or scored.

Notes:

1. Acceptance into the TCNHS is a privilege. Notice the definitions for each aspect of achievement that would deem you worthy of membership.
2. **DO NOT** send TCNHS dues at this time. Those accepted into the TCNHS will be notified when to submit their dues of \$25.00.

TCNHS Pillars:

- I. **Scholarship:** Requirement of 3.5 (unweighted) on the South Carolina 4.0 grading scale
- II. **Character**—The student who demonstrates strong character:
 - Demonstrates the highest standards of honesty and reliability;
 - Shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others;
 - Observes instructions and rules, punctuality, and faithfulness both inside and outside of the classroom;
 - Perseverance within the educational setting; and
 - Demonstrates a positive attitude and makes decisions that better themselves and those around them.

III. **Leadership**—The student who exercises leadership:

- Is resourceful in proposing new challenges, applying principles, and making suggestions;
- Demonstrates leadership in promoting school activities;
- Contributes ideas that improve the civic life of the school;
- Is able to delegate responsibilities;
- Exemplifies a positive attitude;
- Inspires positive behavior in others;
- Demonstrates academic initiative;
- Demonstrates leadership in the classroom, at work, and in school or community activities;
- If holding school offices, successfully conducts business efficiently, effectively, and without prodding;
- Is thoroughly dependable in any responsibility accepted;
- Demonstrates reliability and dependability; and
- Strives to create a positive culture in school, work, and extra-curricular activities.

IV. **Service**—The student who serves:

- Serves through his or her school and community;
- Is willing to uphold scholarship and maintain a loyal attitude;
- Participates in some outside activity: Girl Scouts; Boy Scouts; church groups; volunteer services for the aged, poor, or disadvantaged; family duties;
- Is a well-organized and dependable volunteer, is gladly available, and is willing to offer assistance;
- Works well with others and is willing to take on challenging responsibilities;
- Enthusiastically serves the school when presented with opportunities;
- Willingness to act as a representative for his or her school;
- Does committee and staff work willingly; and
- Shows courtesy by assisting visitors, teachers, and students.

Virtual Induction Ceremony:

All students accepted for membership will be formally inducted into the TCNHS by attending a virtual induction ceremony on March 16, 2024. There will only be one statewide induction ceremony. Details regarding the virtual ceremony will be included in your acceptance letter.