



Sanford H. Calhoun High School Chapter of the
NATIONAL ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY (NEHS)

Student Checklist

- ✓ Have an 85 overall GPA
 - ✓ Have an 85 GPA English average
 - ✓ **Submit letter of interest and application to Mrs. Boland in room 213 no later than Friday, November 8, 2019.**
 - ✓ Enter a minimum of two (2) writing contests during the year, one will be the NCTE Awards Writing Contest
 - Email NCTE submission to Ms. Serpe (English chairperson) by **Thursday, 1/02/20** at: kserpe@bmchsd.org
 - The *other* writing contest entry must be completed by **Friday, 2/28/20**. Proof of entry must be given to Ms. Boland or Ms. Serpe.
 - Check Calhoun English Department and Library websites for writing contest information or search the internet for contests.
 - ✓ Take part in one (1) of the English Department after school activities.
This includes:
 - A. Calhoun's yearbook, *Pacer*
 - B. Our literary magazine, *Pegasus*
 - C. Our newspaper, *Hoofbeats*
 - D. Book Club
- If not currently a member of *Pegasus* or *Hoofbeats* staff, as proof of participation, you will be required to submit a piece to *Pegasus* (Mr. Perry) or a letter to the editor or contribute an article to *Hoofbeats* (Mr. Boland). If you are a member of Calhoun's Book Club, you will be required to submit a signed note from Ms. Boland or Ms. Elefterion. **Deadline: Monday, 4/06/20**
- ✓ Attend one (1) school or non-school affiliated dramatic or artistic performance and write a one-page reflection paper on the experience (This can be poetry or book reading, a museum exhibit, a concert, a dramatic performance, etc.). The event can take place on campus or off campus. **Deadline: Monday, 4/06/20.**

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On-campus performances include:

- **All On Tour Drama Productions – Evening Performances @ 7:30 pm: Oct. 25, 26, Nov. 1, 2, Dec. 13, Jan. 18, 24, 25, Feb. 7, Mar. 21, 27, 28**
- **Winter Concerts - 12/11, 12/18 @7:00**
- **Poetry Out Loud – 12/10 After school**
- **Talent Show**
- **Art Exhibit**

- ✓ Attend the NEHS Induction Ceremony on **Tuesday, 5/12/20, 2:15 in the library.**
- ✓ As a senior, you must participate in or attend one of the following: 1-Writing contest, 2-Scholarship essay, 3. be published in a school or non-school affiliated paper, magazine or online journal.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding the application and eligibility requirements, please email Mrs. Boland at dboland@bellmore-merrick.k12.ny.us or Ms. Serpe at kserpe@bmchsd.org

Guidelines for Written Reflections:

Your writing must be:

- Typed, double-spaced, 12 point font
- Your original writing
- Grammatically correct and proofread
- Of considerable quality - letter of interest, two writing contest entries, and English department extracurricular/fine arts performance reflections must demonstrate insight, maturity, and thoroughness
- Submitted to Ms. Boland or Ms. Serpe for approval based on the above criteria

Summary of Deadlines:

1. Letter of Interest and Application – Friday, 11/08/19
2. NCTE Awards in Writing Submission – Thursday, 1/02/20
3. Second Writing Contest Submission – Friday, 2/28/20
4. Submission of All Other Materials (department activity and dramatic or artistic performance) – Monday, 4/06/20
5. NEHS Induction Ceremony on Tuesday, 5/12/20, 2:15 in the library

We look forward to your applications.

--The Calhoun English Department

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SIGN-UP FOR REMINDER MESSAGES REGARDING NEHS DEADLINES, YOU CAN TEXT 81010 AND MESSAGE @9a9bgg



Application for National English Honor Society
Sanford H. Calhoun High School



PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION NEATLY AND LEGIBLY.

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Current English Teacher: _____

I. Essay

Please submit a one-page response that articulates your interest in becoming a member of the National English Honor Society.

II. GPA:

Present overall GPA: _____

English GPA (including electives): _____

III. Parental consent giving permission to apply for induction into the Calhoun chapter of the National English Honor Society. This signature acknowledges that the student is required fulfill certain academic and extra-curricular commitments:

(Print Parent's Name)

(Parent's Signature)

IV. Verification by current English teacher as to mastery of English skills:

(Print Teacher's Name)

(Teacher's Signature)

*****Do not write below line*****

NCTE Participation _____

Writing Contest #2 _____

Dramatic Performance Review _____

English Dept. Activity _____