Dear Springs Charter School Student,

Are you interested in learning about membership into the National Honors Society? Much more than an honor roll, NHS is a distinctive, multifaceted learning experience that provides a solid and meaningful foundation for life. If you are interested in becoming a member, please complete the following application form NHS Application Form

The purpose of NHS is:

1. To create enthusiasm for scholarship
2. To stimulate a desire to render service
3. To promote leadership
4. To develop character
5. To encourage citizenship

Membership in the National Honors Society is based upon performance in the following four areas:

- Scholarship
- Character
- Leadership
- Service

Membership in the National Honor Society is one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a high school student. Springs Charter School is proud to sponsor a chapter of the National Honor Society, and our chapter is working hard to bring the accomplishments of outstanding students to the attention of parents, teachers, peers, and the community. Our chapter, along with 15,000 chapters in schools across the nation, strive to give practical meaning to society's standards of scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

These four ideals are the basis for selection. National Honor Society strives to recognize the total student; once who excels in all of these areas. By completing the Application Form above, you will have an opportunity to outline your accomplishments in the areas of Service, Character, and Leadership.

Your transcript will also be reviewed in order to determine your eligibility based on scholarship. Candidates eligible for election to the chapter shall have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 or higher. The grade point average is measured on a 4.0 scale; weighted grade point average is based on the previous two semesters of high school enrollment only.

Membership in the National Honor Society is *optional* and more than an honor. It incurs an obligation to demonstrate these outstanding qualities and it also carries a responsibility to the chapter. Membership will include attendance at monthly meetings and participation in a chapter service project and/or an individual service project. The meetings will take place virtually.

Student submission will be reviewed, along with the transcript by the Springs faculty council for your charter, and students determined to meet the requirements for eligibility will be notified. A special induction ceremony for students will be held in the late fall.

The application form link is above. **If you are interested in the opportunity to be selected for membership, please complete and submit the application form by September 23, 2022. No late applications will be accepted.**

The application includes:

- Student activity information
- Required essay
- Letter of recommendation from a non-family person. This can be a community or school staff member.

We request that the application form be submitted by September 23, 2022 to provide the Faculty Council sufficient time to authenticate the information provided by candidates and to seek clarification in preparation for selection meeting. Your cooperation in meeting this deadline is an indication of your responsibility and your commitment to being an effective member of our chapter.

If you have any questions about the application process or about membership in Springs Charter Schools Chapter of National Honors Society, please feel free to contact the chapter advisor, Mrs. Holkeboer at Madeline.holkeboer@springscs.org.

Sincerely,

Madeline Holkeboer