

NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY
MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA
ABILENE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Abilene Independent School District believes that outstanding student effort and achievement should be rewarded and encouraged. Seeking to cultivate the ideals of scholastic excellence, service and leadership in our citizens of tomorrow, the Abilene Independent School District has established the National Technical Honor Society to promote these ideals among its students.

Qualities of NTHS Members

NTHS members should be good, honest, responsible student-citizens who have made a personal commitment to excellence and who agree to uphold the NTHS Standards of Conduct. These standards are:

- To maintain the highest standard of personal and professional conduct at all times;
- To strive for excellence in all aspects of my education and employment;
- To refuse to engage in or condone activities for personal gain at the expense of my fellow students, my school, or my employer;
- To support the intents and purposes of NTHS while working to achieve the objectives and goals of the society; and
- To uphold my obligations as a citizen of my community and my country.

Criteria for Membership in NTHS

Students who qualify for membership in NTHS must be nominated by their career and technology education teacher and must meet the following criteria:

- Be enrolled in their third semester of an approved CTE course of study;*
- Have an overall grade point average of 85 or higher;
- Have a grade point average of at least 85 in their career and technology education program; a GPA of 90 is *recommended* but not required; and
- Be an active member of the appropriate career and technology student organization.

*While membership in NTHS is directed toward junior and senior students, outstanding sophomore students who meet the above criteria may be nominated by the appropriate CTE teacher. Final approval for membership, however, will be the decision of the campus committee.

Upon nomination by the CTE teacher, students must then:

- Complete an application form;
- Submit required documentation, including high school transcript;
- Submit two teacher recommendations—one from the appropriate CTE teacher and one from another teacher; and
- Pay a one-time NTHS dues of \$35 (\$25 nationally and \$10 local).

Upon submission of the required application documents—application form, teacher recommendation, transcript, dues payment—a campus committee of CTE teachers will meet to approve candidates for membership. Nominees for membership that are not approved by the committee will be notified through their CTE teacher, a reason for membership denial will be given, and all application documents and dues payments will be returned.