

# NEHS — *a partnership with* Quality

The National English Honor Society (NEHS) recognizes the academic accomplishments of America's high school students and promotes their continuing interest in the English language arts. NEHS is the only high school honor society exclusively for students of English. As such, it provides a unique opportunity to engage students, teachers, and local schools in the valuable experience of discipline-related national honor-society participation.

## The mission of NEHS is to:

- confer national distinction upon secondary school students for high achievement in the English language arts;
- build a national community of academic achievers;
- provide, through local chapters, cultural stimulation in high school environments;
- encourage interest in the English language arts; and
- serve society by fostering literacy.

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# NEHS — *start your chapter* Today

Visit the NEHS website: [www.NEHS.us](http://www.NEHS.us) for detailed information about

- student membership criteria
- starting a chapter
- chapter activities
- faculty involvement



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*"High sparks of honour in thee have I seen."*  
— Richard II 5.6.29

## NEHS — a partnership with Schools

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**Chartering a chapter of the National English Honor Society (NEHS) connects schools with a national network of English teachers and students who share a special interest in language, literature, and writing.** Having a chapter at your school provides increased opportunities to:

- involve top students and teachers in academically and culturally enriching experiences;
- acknowledge the achievement of outstanding students;
- expand your school's reputation through affiliation with a national honor society;
- develop student leadership opportunities through student-generated and student-directed activities; and
- increase students' personal growth through service and leadership; and create non-classroom environments that allow student and teacher interaction focused on language arts appreciation and exploration.

### National English Honor Society

*partners with high schools, teachers, and students to honor excellence in English language, literature, and writing.*

## NEHS — a partnership with Teachers

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**Teachers play a special role in the National English Honor Society.** Many caring teachers find that non-classroom experiences with students are where a considerable amount of learning and teaching occur. By connecting with NEHS, you connect with good students—and connect with colleagues locally and nationally to share the English experience. As a teacher, participating with a local chapter provides opportunities to:

- renew the excitement that first drew you into teaching;
- grow professionally by networking with other creative English teachers;
- develop non-classroom experiences that encourage personal growth and creative expression;
- advance understanding, awareness, and appreciation of English studies as enduring and integral human experiences;
- help your students develop greater appreciation for multiple forms of literacy; and
- lead your students and your school into a regional and national forum.

## NEHS — honoring Students

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**The National English Honor Society (NEHS) is about students!** Membership is an honor bestowed on students selected for their accomplishments in the field of English and in overall academic achievement. NEHS provides recognition for past achievement, the nurturing of present interests, and encouragement for future success. NEHS is the organization for students who have experienced the power of literature, the pleasures of good writing, and the excitement of language studies. For these students NEHS provides:

- national recognition for outstanding achievements;
- scholarships;
- enlightened involvement in the English experience, especially through non-classroom participation;
- distinction on college and job applications;
- opportunities to develop leadership skills;
- publishing opportunities; and
- a means to link with other students, locally and nationally, who share similar interests.

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