

## Sprague High School

### *National Honor Society Agreement Statement*

Sprague High School is proud of its NHS program. Our administrators, teachers, staff members, students, and community expect NHS students to model consistent positive behavior.

The guidelines set forth in this administrative policy has been established as a minimum code for Sprague NHS. This policy will be administered by the NHS advisor in conjunction with Sprague's administration.

The following guidelines have been established for student and parent approval before any student can participate in Sprague NHS:

- 1. Sprague's NHS program focuses on excellence in academics, character development, and leadership. Sprague has high expectations for behavior and performance of NHS students.**
- 2. NHS students and their parents/guardians will acknowledge their understanding and agreement with this policy by reading and signing the High School NHS Agreement Statement.**
- 3. Participation, Volunteer Hours and dues:**
  - a. Upon acceptance into NHS, students and parents/guardians are required to sign the High School National Honor Society Agreement Statement. By their signatures, the student and parent/guardian agree that the student shall comply with and abide by the terms and conditions of this policy.
  - b. NHS participants need 10 Sprague Hours (although you may have more) and 30 non Sprague Hours, with only up to 10 hours at each volunteer location.
  - c. All hours earned in a month are due by the end of that month, if they are not turned in at the end of the month they will not be counted towards your total hours.
  - d. All volunteer hours are due on April 30th, and that if I don't have my hours turned in by this time I will not recognized as an NHS member at graduation.
  - e. NHS students are required to pay \$10 to the bookkeeper to be considered a member of NHS by the first week in October.
- 4. Academic Standing:**
  - a. To be eligible for Sprague NHS, the student must maintain a 3.5 GPA on each progress report during the semester in which they are participating.
    - i. Students who fail to abide and comply with the criteria outlined in Section 4.b. of this policy may be deemed ineligible to continue participating in NHS by an advisor or school administrator.
- 5. Attendance:**
  - a. Attendance is required at all NHS meetings unless otherwise arranged with Beckham or Burleson.
  - b. Attendance is also mandatory for me to attend the 2020 NHS Inductions on April 29th from 5- 8 pm.
- 6. Behavior Standards:**
  - a. NHS students must represent their school in a manner worthy of school and community pride. Behavior that results in dishonor to the student, student body, staff, school, or district will not be tolerated and consequences will be administered.
  - b. NHS students are expected to comply with district policies and procedures, school rules and expectations both at and away from school and at all school sponsored activities. Offenses and their consequences are defined in the District's student discipline policy and procedure and include:
    - i. Possession, selling, distribution, buying, use of, or being under the influence of an alcoholic beverage; inhalants, including solvents and other dangerous substances; or any other drug as defined by but not necessarily limited to the Uniform Controlled Substance Act, ORS 475.005; possession of paraphernalia, possession of look-alikes being represented as being a controlled substance(s), and/or misuse of prescription or non-prescription drugs; smoking, possessing, selling, buying, transmitting, distributing, or otherwise using tobacco or tobacco products; physical assault of another person; aggressive behavior; threats (written, verbal, or conduct); harassment; intimidation; bullying; sexual harassment; racism; possessing, transmitting, selling, or displaying a weapon or look-alike weapon; unauthorized absences; any act of attempted act of fire-setting; misuse of computer networks and internet; property damage; theft; and nonpayment of fees, fines, and/or restitution for damaged or lost property.
  - c. NHS students found in violation of the District's student discipline policy and procedure and/or school rules will be held accountable for their actions as per the consequences outlined in the Student discipline policy and procedure. In addition, the adviser or school administrator may determine that the student will have additional consequences outlined in this policy.
  - d. Students who, either in school or away from school, have acted in a manner that constitutes a criminal offense, (excluding minor traffic violations), may be suspended from participation and/or removed from the NHS Program.
  - e. NHS students who find themselves in the presence of persons who are illegally using, possessing, selling, buying, transmitting, distributing, or otherwise using or under the influence of alcohol, inhalants, or any other drug as defined by

the District's student discipline policy and procedure shall immediately remove themselves from the presence of all persons and places involved and immediately contact their parents and notify their adviser within 24 hours.

- f. NHS students are expected to display exemplary character qualities. NHS students who fail to approach their academics and/or behavior with integrity and honesty may be subject to punishment, including suspension and/or removal from the program.

**7. Consequences:**

- a. School administrators will work with the adviser to investigate alleged violations of this policy and when warranted, the adviser or administrator will use the consequences set forth in this policy as the minimum set of consequences for NHS students who violate the behavior standards delineated in this policy.
- b. NHS students who are dishonest or withhold information regarding violations and or investigations of any part of this policy may be removed from the NHS program.
- c. School consequences:
  - i. The accumulation of suspensions, multiple lunch detentions, multiple office referrals, or other consequences that demonstrate a pattern of chronic behavior issues will result in a conference with the adviser and may result in removal of the NHS program.

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*By their signature, the student and parent understand and agree that the student shall comply and abide by the terms and conditions of this administrative policy immediately following the execution of this policy, at all times, throughout the remainder of the student's high school attendance.*

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*STUDENT*

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