

National Honor Society
Aidos Chapter
Argo Community High School
Constitution

Article I

Name and Purpose

Section 1. The name of this chapter shall be the Argo Community High School, Aidos Chapter, of the National Honor Society of Secondary Schools, which appears on the charter granted by the National Council of the National Honor Society, duly signed by the members of the National Council.

Section 2. The object of this chapter shall be to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of character in the students of Argo Community High School.

Article II

Membership

Section 1. Membership of this chapter shall be known as active and graduate. The graduate members have no vote.

Section 2. Membership in this chapter shall be based on Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character.

Section 3. (a) Candidates shall have spent at least 1 year in Argo Community High School and shall be members of the Junior or Senior class.

(b) Senior candidates will be considered for membership if they have maintained a 3.50 scholastic grade point average in all high school subjects. Their eligibility shall then be considered based on their service, leadership, and character. This will be accomplished by the application process.

(c) Junior class members shall be elected as in section 3b.

(d) No student shall be considered eligible if his/her average for the period he has been in high school is less than that prescribed in Article II.

(e) The application is considered part of this constitution and may be amended by the advisors with the approval of the Director of Activities.

Section 4 The school year following a member's induction, an active member is expected to attend the NHS induction and practice, participate in any fundraising event, a yearlong service project, and a onetime service project each semester. Failure to do so may result in membership being revoked.

Section 5. All members and candidates are required to register for the National Honor Society on Argo's 8 to 18 website within the time frame announced at the beginning of the year meeting.

Article III

Election of Members

Section 1. The election of the members to this chapter of the National Honor Society shall be by a faculty committee made up of the department chairpersons and supervised by the chapter advisors. The chapter advisors are nonvoting members of this committee.

Section 2. The chapter advisor shall officially determine the academic eligibility of candidates upon examination of official school records.

Section 3. Any active member who falls below the standards which were the basis for his/her election to membership shall be dropped from the chapter by the chapter advisor. Such violations include the following: not maintaining a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA, the use of alcohol, tobacco or other illegal substances, cheating and/or plagiarism or any other behavior that is not becoming of a National Honor Society Member. Once inducted into NHS, Membership in National Honor Society is at the advisor's discretion, and can be revoked if these criteria are not met or other inappropriate behavior is shown.

Section 4. If so dropped, his/her emblem and certificates shall be returned to the advisor of the chapter or the principal of the school. Notice of such action must be reported to the Director of Activities.

Section 5. Membership shall be determined annually during the February Department Chairpersons meeting.

Section 6. Announcement of election to membership shall be made immediately following elections.

Section 7. A candidate must participate in both the induction rehearsal and induction to become a member of this chapter.

Article IV

Officers

Section 1. The officers of this chapter shall be President, Vice-president, attendance secretary, records secretary and historian. If there is interest, a sixth officer may be chosen to assist with any additional work.

Section 2. A majority of votes shall be necessary to elect any officers of this chapter.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at the meetings of this chapter and to be an aide the lead advisor.

Section 4. Vice President shall fill the chair of the President in his/her absence and aide the assistant advisor.

Section 5. The officers of this chapter shall lead all fundraising activities.

Section 6. The historian shall take and collect photos of all community service projects throughout the year.

Section 7. The attendance secretary shall record attendance of every meeting.

Section 8. The records secretary shall keep all official records.

Article V

Meetings

Section 1. The regular meetings of this chapter shall be determined by the advisor.

Section 2. The officers of this chapter shall be elected at either the first or second regular meeting following the annual induction ceremony.

Section 3. All meetings shall be open meetings and shall be held under the sponsorship of the advisor or his/her appointed representative.

ARTICLE VI

Emblem

Section 1. Each member of the chapter shall be entitled to wear the emblem adopted by the National Honor Society of Secondary Schools.

Section 2. Any member who withdraws or is dropped from the chapter shall return the emblem.

Section 3. All insignia must be procured from the national secretary of the National Honor Society, 1201 Sixteenth Street, N.W, Washington, D.C.

ARTICLE VII

Assessments

Section 1. Each active member of this chapter shall contribute annually a sum, not to exceed fifty dollars, to be assessed by the chapter advisor.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments

Section 1. This constitution may be amended by the advisors on an annual basis.