

Eta Sigma Alpha National Home School Honor Society

Alpha Chapter

"The purpose of the Eta Sigma Alpha National Home School Honor Society shall be to recognize and encourage scholarship among home school students. To achieve this purpose, Eta Sigma Alpha National Home School Honor Society shall provide opportunities for the development of leadership and service. Eta Sigma Alpha shall encourage the development of an intellectual climate that will stimulate the exchange of ideas and ideals, foster scholarship, and promote academic excellence. Eta Sigma Alpha shall also advocate homeschooling as a viable and successful educational methodology and act as a liaison for homeschooling to the general public, colleges/universities, and the media."

Sponsored by the Home Education Partnership of Texas, the Alpha Chapter was started in 1999 and is the charter chapter. The Alpha Chapter is available to students who are homeschooled and who meet the academic requirements of the honor society.

Students may apply as early as the end of the spring semester of their 6th grade year. High school seniors' applications will not be accepted after the October of their senior year. Formal induction will be at the annual ESA Banquet held each spring by the Alpha Chapter.

Membership in Eta Sigma Alpha National Home School Honor Society is an opportunity for home school scholars to be rewarded for their academic successes. We hope that you will choose to apply for this honor.

Membership Guidelines Application Requirements

- Student must be homeschooled. 51% of the homeschooling must be supervised by the parent.
- Applications may be submitted at the end of the spring semester of the student's 6th grade year through October of his/her 12th grade year, for membership during 7th – 12th grades.
- Applicant must have a 3.5 grade point average on a 4-point scale and must supply a transcript with his/her application.
- Applicant must provide proof of test scores from one of the following tests: Stanford or IOWA (90% composite score), PSAT 8/9/10/NMSQT (1200), SAT (1200), ACT (26), or CLT (88). Parent may NOT administer the test or be present during the test/on-line test.
- Applicant must submit a short statement about why he/she would like to be a member of Eta Sigma Alpha.
- As a reference for recommendation, an applicant must submit the name and address of the HEP instructor if enrolled in HEP classes.
- Applicant's parents must submit a letter of recommendation for their student/child.
- Applicant must submit a list of three (or four if not an HEP student) additional names and addresses of individuals and would be willing to provide a recommendation on their behalf.
- Applicant must complete and submit an application form.

Commitment

Attend at least 5 meetings per year (membership requirement)

Work together as a team to achieve goals

Actively participate in 10 hours of ESA service projects

Maintain high scholastic and social standards

Actively participate in the functions of the meetings

Communicate with and get to know fellow members

Individually fulfill accepted duties and responsibilities



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Membership Application

Name _____

Address _____

City, St., Zip _____

Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

Email Address _____

Name of Homeschool _____ Current Grade Level _____

HEP Classes: List Home Education Partnership of Texas class currently enrolled in and the instructors' names: _____

Current GPA (3.5 grade point average on a four-point scale required): _____

Please attach a copy of your transcript to this application.

Test Score – one of the following criteria must be met:

90% composite score on the Stanford or IOWA Test in 6th grade year or later; PSAT 8/9/10/NMSQT Score: 1200; SAT Score: 1200; ACT Score: 26; CLT Score: 88. (Test score cannot be more than 1 year old and must be non-parent administered).

I am submitting the following score for consideration: _____ Given by _____

On this date: _____ Please list a contact number of the test administrator unless taken at HEP. Please attach a copy of your test results.

Statement: Please attach a short statement about why you would like to be a member of Eta Sigma Alpha.

Letters of Recommendation: List the names and addresses of individuals who know you personally and would be willing to provide a recommendation on your behalf:

Parents: _____

HEP of Texas Instructor: _____

Three (or four if not an HEP student) other references:

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