



**NHS Scholarship Program**  
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# NHS Scholarship 2020–21

## Application Overview

The National Honor Society (NHS) Scholarship application for the 2020–21 academic year will open **Thursday, October 1, 2020**. The deadline for applications is **Tuesday, December 1, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. (ET)**.

The application link will be made available on the [NHS Scholarship webpage](#). All active NHS advisers and principals at NHS affiliate schools will be notified directly when the link is available.

### About the NHS Scholarship

In 2020–21, 600 outstanding NHS high school seniors will be granted scholarships in support of college attendance.

1 National Winner: **\$25,000 scholarship**

24 national finalists: **\$5,625 scholarship**

575 national semifinalists: **\$3,200 scholarship**

Total amount of scholarships awarded: **\$2 million**

The scholarship program is supported by the parent organization of NHS, the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

### Eligibility

NHS student members who meet the following criteria are eligible to apply for the NHS Scholarship this year.

Applicant must be:

- A high school senior
- An active NHS member in good standing
- Currently enrolled at a school with an affiliated NHS chapter
- Graduating in spring of 2021
- Planning to enroll at a postsecondary college or university in fall 2021

NHS student membership must be verified by an active NHS adviser at an affiliated NHS chapter (school). Verification occurs online. Please see [www.nhs.us/studentaccount](http://www.nhs.us/studentaccount) for instructions on how student members can be verified. **IMPORTANT:** NHS members who have NOT been verified will not be able to access the online application and should not attempt to log in to the application until their student account has been verified by their NHS adviser.

## Selection

NASSP, the parent organization of NHS, reviews all completed applications with assistance from a national panel of education experts. The pillars of the NHS—scholarship, service, leadership, and character—are the selection criteria for reviewing applications.

The scholarship application provides applicants an opportunity to share their demonstration of the pillars as well as their commitment to the values of NHS in their high school journey.

## The Application

The entire application process must be completed online.

The application has three required components. All components must be completed in their entirety by **5:00 p.m. (ET) on Tuesday, December 1, 2020**, in order for the application to be considered complete and eligible for consideration. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

1. NHS student application.
2. NHS adviser certification
3. One recommendation form (must be completed by an individual who can speak to the applicant's demonstration of and commitment to the pillars of NHS).

## How to Apply

Eligible NHS senior members must first create an account with NHS by going to [www.nhs.us/create-an-account](http://www.nhs.us/create-an-account). When creating an account, each NHS member will be required to confirm their current enrollment at a school with an active NHS chapter.

The NHS adviser will receive an email directing them to verify that the student is a member of the school's NHS chapter. All applicants must be verified by their NHS adviser and the school must have active affiliation with the NHS national office in order to proceed to the NHS Scholarship application.

When the application opens on October 1, NHS Scholarship applicants can access the NHS Scholarship link by going to [www.nhs.us/scholarship](http://www.nhs.us/scholarship). Account holders will be prompted to log in to the scholarship application using their NHS account credentials. Applicants who have not been verified by their NHS adviser will not be able to access the application.

## Additional Resources

NHS Scholarship Student Applicant Guide

NHS Adviser Guide

NHS Scholarship Recommender Guide