



TSA TECHNOLOGY HONOR SOCIETY

PREFACE

The TSA Technology Honor Society recognizes TSA members who excel in academics, leadership, and service to their school and community. The TSA Technology Honor Society is

- an opportunity for student members to be recognized for their efforts; and
- designed to recognize TSA members who exemplify the high ideals of academics.

INTRODUCTION

The TSA Technology Honor Society recognizes students for their efforts in academic studies, in leadership, and in service to their school and community.

The goals of the Technology Honor Society are

- *to motivate* TSA members to work to improve and maintain high academic marks;
- *to promote* the undertaking of leadership roles in school and community organizations;
- *to promote* participation in service activities that benefit a school or community; and
- *to recognize* student concern for chapter, school, and community.

RECOMMENDED SELECTION PROCEDURE

There are two levels of the TSA Technology Honor Society – middle school and high school. Middle or junior high school TSA members may be selected in their 6th, 7th, 8th or 9th grade year, and high school TSA members may be selected in their 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th year; the selection procedure and requirements are the same for both levels.

The chapter advisor, with assistance from other selected faculty members, reviews the academic records of TSA members in the chapter. Students who meet the academic requirements are notified that they are eligible for the TSA Technology Honor Society.

These students, if they wish to apply, must complete the TSA Technology Honor Society resume sheet to document the leadership and service activities they feel are important for Honor Society consideration. They also must submit TSA Technology Honor Society recommendation forms from the TSA chapter advisor.

The chapter advisor reviews each student's resume sheets to determine eligibility for the Technology Honor Society. After review, the chapter advisor sends the names and corresponding resume sheets of the eligible chapter members to the state advisor (Dr. Chris Merrill, Illinois State University, Department of Technology, 215 Turner Hall, Normal, Illinois 61790-5100 or via email as an attachment to cpmerri@ilstu.edu). **All applications are due one week before the state conference.**

Students inducted into the Technology Honor Society at the state level automatically become members of the national TSA Technology Honor Society.

Students who are members of the Technology Honor Society at the middle school level do not automatically become members at the high school level. Students must reapply at the high school level. It is not necessary to have been a TSA member at the middle school level in order to be admitted at the high school level.

Chapter advisors and state advisors maintain records of all student resume sheets and a list of names of nominated members. State advisors submit the names of students inducted into the TSA Technology Honor Society, and their inductee fees, to national TSA; resumes and recommendation forms are not submitted to national TSA. **Illinois TSA would pay each national applicant fee; there is no fee for Illinois TSA applicants.**

REQUIREMENTS

For a student member of TSA to be inducted into the TSA Technology Honor Society, s/he must first meet a set of specified standards or requirements. These standards cover three areas: academics, leadership, and service. (Note: items used for the middle school level application may not be used again for the high school level application.) The requirements are as follows:

- **Academics**
 - Maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average (GPA) based on a 4.0 grade point scale, or equivalent.
 - Maintain a 3.0 grade point average (GPA) based on a 4.0 grade point scale or equivalent in technology education classes, if currently enrolled in such classes.

- **Leadership**
 - Hold at least one chapter, state, or national office, sufficiently fulfilling its duties for one full school year.
 - Hold an office in an organization other than TSA.
 - Attend at least one state (attendance at national conference is not required, but suggested).
 - Place within the top three in a state or national TSA competitive event.
 - Be an active member of TSA in a currently affiliated chapter for at least one semester.

- **Service**
 - Participate in a service project that benefits the school.
 - Participate in a service project that benefits the community.
 - Serve on a chapter, state, or national committee.
 - Give a presentation on TSA to an organization outside one's chapter (i.e., PTA school faculty, board of education, etc.).

AWARDS

TSA members inducted into the TSA Technology Honor Society are recognized at the national TSA conference for their achievements. They also receive a TSA Technology Honor Society lapel pin.

FEES

A \$5 fee must be included with the Gold Achievement Award application and the Technology Honor Society award application in order for processing to proceed. These nominations are submitted online by the state TSA advisor. **Illinois TSA would pay each national applicant fee; there is no fee for Illinois TSA applicants.**

TSA TECHNOLOGY HONOR SOCIETY RESUME

Must be typed or word processed

Candidate's name _____ Grade _____

School _____ Chapter Level _____

School address _____

City/state/zip _____

Use additional paper, as necessary.

ACADEMICS

Overall grade point average for the semester _____

Technology education class overall grade point average _____

LEADERSHIP

1. What local, state and/or national office(s) have you held in TSA? (provide the office and the year in which you held the office)

2. What offices have you held in other organization? (provide the office and the year in which you held the office)

3. What TSA conferences (regional, state, and national) have you attended (provide conference location and the year of the conference)

4. List the awards you have earned for TSA competitive events. (provide the year, your ranking and the competition)

5. Have you been a TSA member at the local, state, and national level for at least one full school year?
yes _____ no _____

6. Have you been an active member of TSA in a currently affiliated chapter for at least one semester?
yes _____ no _____

SERVICE

7. Which service projects have you participated in that have benefitted your school? Community? Briefly describe each.

8. List the chapter, state or national committees that you have served on while in TSA.

9. Briefly describe a presentation on TSA that you made to a group other than your chapter.

We certify the candidate has completed all the requirements, and we hold all to be true and accurate.

Student Date Chapter Advisor Date

State President Date School Administrator Date

State Advisor Date