Skyline Science National Honor Society

**Article I: Name**

Henceforth, this club will be known as Science National Honor Society (SNHS).

**Article II: Purpose**

Skyline’s SNHS chapter will engender a new group of young thinkers who will be the future of industry, research, and scientific exploration for America.

We pledge to:

1. Encourage and recognize scientific and intellectual thought
2. Advance our knowledge of science
3. Communicate with the scientific community
4. Aid the civic community with its comprehension of science
5. Participate in community service and in turn, encourage a dedication to the pursuit of scientific knowledge that benefits all humankind
6. Uphold the standards of the nationally recognized SNHS Organization

**Article III: Membership**

**A. New Member Selection Process**

New members must meet the eligibility requirements and fill out the required Skyline SNHS application to be considered. Applications will open after the school year has commenced. After the applications are submitted, Skyline’s SNHS Executive Board will review the applications and select those who meet the eligibility requirements to become members. The selection process will be completely anonymous. New members will be notified and inducted into SNHS within a week after the application deadline has passed.

**B. Eligibility Requirements**

1. Candidate must be a junior or senior at Skyline High School.
2. Candidate must have a cumulative 3.5 GPA and a 3.7 GPA in science courses out of a 4.0 scale.
3. Candidate must have a clear disciplinary record.
4. Candidate must have taken at least one science class and plan to take or have taken an IB science class.

**C. Membership Requirements**

 **Section 1: Academic Requirements**

Active Skyline SNHS members must maintain a 3.5 GPA and a 3.7 GPA in science courses.

 **Section 2: Service/Educational Requirements**

Active SNHS members must complete a minimum of 5 hours of community service, which is recommended to be in one of the three categories stated below to remain members.

**Science Hours** -Defined as any activity where the student actively works to participate in or serve the scientific community. (Examples: Volunteering at a hospital, going on a nature walk, etc.)

**Science Teacher Help** -Defined as any activity where the student aids a science teacher at Skyline in preparing for a lab or grading or taking inventory. These count as two of the required 25 hours of community service.

**Other Volunteer Hours**- Defined as any activity where the student actively works to serve the community.

**Hours used for SNHS may not be used for NHS.**

 **Section 3: Attendance Requirements**

### Members must attend each monthly meeting. Those unable to attend must email snhs.skylinehighschool@gmail.com with a valid reason prior to the meeting.

**Article IV: Club Officers**

 After the first year that the SNHS at Skyline is in existence, officers will be elected at the end of the second semester of each year and will serve for a term of one year. Officers will be elected by a majority vote of the members present. If more than 2 candidates are running for a position, and the first vote does not yield a clear majority, a second vote shall be taken with the top two candidates running**.**

The Director of Communications/Webmaster will be an appointed position.

**President:** The President will conduct all meetings, plan what must be done at each meeting with the other club officers, and manage the operations of Skyline SNHS including staying in contact with the advisor and ensuring that the other club officers have completed their tasks.

**Vice President:** The Vice President will assume the responsibilities of the President as needed, and coordinate the operations of Skyline SNHS.

**Secretary:** The Secretary will take detailed minutes and attendance at every meeting. The Secretary will also send the minutes and attendance to ASB within 24 hours of every meeting.

**Treasurer:** The treasurer will work with the ASB bookkeeper to maintain a balanced budget, keep records of all club transactions, and collect dues.

**Director of Communications:** The Director of Communications serves as a public relations officer for the Skyline SNHS, and is responsible for raising publicity about Skyline SNHS through the website and social media and ensuring that members are aware of the meeting schedule. It is the Director of Communications’ job to stay in contact with the club members and President.

**Article V: Probation and Dismissal**

**Section 1: Probation**

 Any member of Skyline SNHS who falls below the requirements for maintaining membership listed in Article III will be placed on probation for one semester. At this point, the member will be reviewed by the club officers to determine whether he or she is eligible to be reinstated to active membership. Members on probation who want to continue their membership must meet all membership criteria listed in Article IV upon review of the Executive Council by the end of the semester. Any member on probation who fails to meet all the criteria listed in Article IV upon review will be dismissed.

**Section 2: Dismissal**

 Any member who fails to uphold the Skyline SNHS membership requirements receive a written letter of dismissal from SNHS, and will not be allowed to return.

**Article VI: Amendments to the Constitution**

 The constitution and its bylaws are intended to best serve the needs of the Skyline SNHS members in the time they were written. The constitution may be amended to better serve the needs of the club as a whole. A proposal must be made citing the specific article and section to be removed, added, or changed. A proponent must present these changes to the club officers of Skyline SNHS and must be passed by a majority vote.