

By-Laws of Pawling Spanish National Honor Society

Induction

- To be academically eligible, a student must be enrolled in level Spanish 3 or higher and be in grades 10-12 with an overall unweighted 3.0 GPA or better (85 according to the College Board) in non-Spanish coursework.
- Students must have completed a minimum of 6 quarters (3 semesters) of Spanish with 90 average or above.
- Students must have successfully passed all Spanish courses.
- Students must have completed a minimum of 3 semesters of Spanish. To clarify: AP Students who have completed Spanish 4 are eligible.
- Students must complete and submit the Spanish Honor Society Application.
- A student must demonstrate leadership, respect, a strong work ethic, responsibility, and character.

To Remain an Active Member

- You **MUST** be present at all of the mandatory meetings, and attend at least 80% of the overall meetings (i.e. if we have 10 meetings, you must attend 8).
- All \$5 dues are to be paid annually and in advance by December 31st of the calendar year, or you will be considered inactive and are so classified in the membership database.
- You must complete at least five hours of community service in the field of Spanish. Participating in charitable and fundraising events can be counted toward this requirement.
- You must be enrolled in level Spanish 3 or higher.
- You must attend the induction ceremony.
- Students who have been inducted and have completed AP Spanish (the highest level), may still be considered as active as long as they meet all other requirements. This includes dues, community service, and attendance at meetings. These students are not required to be currently enrolled in a Spanish class as they will have already completed the highest level offered.

Benefits of Being an Active Member

- As an active member, you will wear a cord at graduation.
- Your involvement in the society is considered an extracurricular activity and can be included on your resume for college, jobs, and scholarships.
- You will be invited to attend the induction luncheon ceremony.
- You will be provided with community service opportunities.

Who is Considered An Inactive Member

- An inactive member is a student who has been inducted into the Spanish National Honor Society, but is no longer enrolled in a Spanish class unless they have completed AP Spanish.
- Inactive members do not have to pay dues.
- Inactive members must still complete community service in the field of Spanish. Participation in fundraising and charitable events will count towards this requirement.
- Inactive members will not attend the induction ceremony.

Benefits of Being An Inactive Member

- As an inactive member, you will wear a cord at graduation.
- Your involvement in the society is considered an extracurricular activity and can be included on your resume for college, jobs, and scholarships.
- You will be provided with community service opportunities.
- If an inactive member fails to meet the above requirements, the privilege of wearing the cord at graduation will be revoked.

Causes of Revoked Membership

- Failure to attend the required meetings, lack of participation in fundraising and Spanish National Honor Society functions
- Disrespecting the code of the Spanish National Honor Society by violating any of the aspects listed above such as: respect, character, leadership, friendliness, and responsibility

Spanish National Honor Society Application

Membership in the Spanish National Honor Society is a significant academic honor as well as a personal achievement. Please read carefully, respond to the following attachment, and return the application promptly to Mrs. Williams. The deadline for the application is _____. **ONLY FORMS RECEIVED BY THIS DATE WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE PAWLING HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER OF SPANISH NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY.**

Thank you.

Mrs. Williams

**Spanish National Honor Society
Membership Application Form**

Please complete all sections. You may type or print. All the information you provide in the application will be considered to determine your eligibility. Please note that completion of the form does not guarantee selection.

Information:

Name: _____

Grade level: _____

To the best of your knowledge, please answer each of the following questions. Offer any explanation you feel appropriate. You may write on another sheet of paper if you need additional space or you may type your response.

I. Assessment of Character

A. What have you done to challenge yourself academically? List all honors and AP course that you have taken in high school.

B. How many quarters have you been enrolled in a Spanish class? _____

C. Have you ever been disciplined by an administrator? _____

D. Have you had a high school detention? ____ If yes, how many? ____

E. Below, list all school sponsored extracurricular activities, dates of participation, and advisor/coach's names:

School Activity	Dates of Participation	Coach/Advisor Name
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F. Have you ever been disciplined by an extracurricular advisor or an athletic coach?

G. List all honors received during high school

The above information is true to the best of our knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Parent/ Guardian Signature