**Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica**

**Capítulo La Luna, Forestville Central School District**

**Student Application**

You are invited to apply to be a member of the Forestville Chapter of the Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica, a nationally recognized honor society for Spanish.  Before completing the application, please check to make sure you meet the national qualifications listed below.

You must return this form to Mrs. Becker by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be inducted this year.

**Qualifications for Membership**

To be eligible for membership in the SHH, students must meet the following criteria:

Student must be actively enrolled in an upper level Spanish class (Spanish III or higher)

Student must have completed at least three semesters of Spanish.

Transfer students must have spent one full semester in the program at Any High School before eligibility.

Student must have an overall GPA of 85% or higher.

Student must have a cumulative Spanish average of 3.5 or higher from all previous courses.

Student must never have failed a class due to attendance.

Student must have a good behavior record and no discipline issues on record.

**Qualifications for Continued Membership**

**Section 1.** Each year members commit to fulfilling an activity from each of the following categories: Academic Commitment and Community Commitment.

**Section 2.** Academic commitment may be defined in part as: current enrollment in a Spanish class and/or another world language while maintaining an overall GPA of 3.5.

**Section 3.** Community Commitment may be defined as fifteen hours of community service. At least ten of the hours must be either provided by the SHH chapter or related to Spanish. Examples are participation in the following: in an appointed SHH leadership role; in a donation or fundraising drive benefitting a local, national or international Latino community/organization; or working on a special project that serves Spanish-speaking people in the any city area, participating in SHH-sponsored events/fundraisers, preparing for SHH State Conference.

**Section 5.** Students meet monthly at the discretion of the SHH sponsor with a 75% attendance rate with the purpose to discuss, plan, and generate participation for: the initiation ceremony, Spanish tutoring, fundraisers and drives, holiday bake sales, application and preparation for the Junior Travel Award and the Senior Scholarship Award, submissions to *Albricias*, etc.

**Section 6.** Students must continue to demonstrate academic integrity and character: i.e. no recorded incidents of cheating, plagiarism, misconduct, insubordination or intentional dishonesty.

**Section 7.** If a student does not complete the Community Commitment or Academic Commitment, he or she may be placed on probationary status for one semester. If requisites for that semester are not met, the student may be removed from the SHH Chapter.

**Section 8.** If a student does not continue in the study of Spanish, he or she is considered an Associate Member during any year not enrolled in a Spanish class. Associate Members may participate in chapter activities and receive graduation regalia, provided that they meet the Academic and Community Commitment of the chapter. Associate Members may not vote, hold office, or apply for national awards. Some exceptions may be made for seniors who completed the highest level of Spanish offered at Any High School during their junior year.

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**Part 1.  Academic Commitment**

**Name:**

**Grade:**

**Overall GPA:**

**Spanish I Average:**

**Spanish II Average:**

**Spanish III Average:**

**Spanish IV Average:**

**Spanish V Average:**

**Part 2. Behavior**

Please provide 3 teacher references that may be consulted regarding behavior and classroom discipline.

**Part 3.  Community Commitment**

Being inducted into the National Spanish Honor Society is an honor.  As a member you will have the privilege and opportunity to build upon your already distinguished character.  After reading the member requirements in Section 3, please describe (minimum of 100 words) what you are looking to get out of community commitment or what you hope to contribute.

**Part 4.  Leadership and Tolerance**

An additional purpose of the National Spanish Honor Society is to serve as a role model among your peers.  Members are leaders, display tolerance, and value friendship.  Please describe (minimum of 100 words) what it means to you to be a leader among your peers.