## **Rho Kappa (Social Studies Honor Society)**

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## **Requirements for Admission**

Candidates for membership must:

- 1. Students must be a student at North Shore High School for at least one semester prior to being considered.
- 2. Students must have completed two years of courses in the field of social studies and be prepared to complete a third year
- 3. Students must have taken at least one AP or IB course in social studies or be prepared to complete in their senior year
- 4. Students must have a minimum grade-point average of 3.0 (unweighted) in the social studies
- 5. Students must be approved for membership by current social studies teacher.
- 6. Students must provide evidence of community service

## **Application Process:**

Applications are distributed to all junior and senior students the end of September in commons. Students who believe there are eligible must apply by mid-October. Students are notified of their acceptance by the end of October.

Students must complete an application that includes:

- 1. two adult references
- 2. the following written response: A 300 (minimum)-400 (maximum) word response to one of the following topics:
  - o Discuss a political or historical issue of importance to you and explain how you are making a difference or would if you could.
  - o Propose an idea for a project that could impact our community, nation, or the international community and how students in Rho Kappa can work to accomplish this.

## **Conditions for Membership:**

- Rho Kappa, students must perform 20 hours of service, there are various opportunities within the community and the school.
- Rho Kappa, students must maintain a 3.0 average in their Social Studies classes until graduation
- Rho Kappa, students must attend at least three meetings a semester.