



Eta Sigma Alpha

NATIONAL HOMESCHOOL HONOR SOCIETY

Eligibility Criteria (Chi Zeta Chapter – Omaha, Nebraska)

1. **Must be a homeschool student** – Only those students who meet the HSLDA definition of a home schooler are eligible for ESA membership. This rule states that a student must complete 50% of his/her studies at home under the direct supervision of the parent. Co-ops, group classes, and even community college courses are acceptable as long as the 50% rule is followed. Students enrolled in public school programs, charter school programs, full-time college programs, or other programs where more than 50% of the school time is spent in the supervision of a school setting or where the public school receives 50% funding for the student's attendance or where the public school system, umbrella school, on-line school assigns the grades without parent participation, are not eligible for ESA membership. (See HSLDA's webpage at www.hsllda.org for more information.)
2. Must be in grades 9-12 and at least 15 years of age.
3. Seniors must apply by December 31st of their senior year. If you are waiting on a test score, send the application in with a note that the test score is pending.
4. Must have completed one of the following nationally normed standardized achievement tests with the indicated score within the past year:

Old SAT: 1800	PSAT: 1200	Iowa: 90% composite
New SAT: 1200	PSAT 10: 1200	Stanford Achievement: 90% total battery of tests
ACT: 26	PSAT 8/9: 1200	

- The test score must come from one test. Section scores from different tests may not be combined to achieve the required test score for membership. Although some college scholarship applications accept super scoring, we do not. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE FOR ANY ONE!**
- **With the continuing technology changes, online testing is currently being offered more frequently in lieu of hard copy testing. Online testing may be used if given at a testing center or at a private tester's facility. Parents must not have access to the student, computer or test materials while the test is being administered. Students must not have access to other electronic devices which may connect to the internet, email or texting during testing.*
- Test scores should not be more than 1 year old.
- All tests must be administered in a group setting if a parent is helping with the test administration. If a group setting is not possible, a non-family member may administer the test in a one-on-one setting, as long as the parent does not have access to the test. **Parent administered tests are not acceptable.**