

## NEHS Calendar At-a-Glance: Linganore High School Chapter

Linganore High School NEHS Chapter  
Eastern Region: Frederick, Maryland

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### Profile:

1400 students, public suburban high school  
50 - 70 NEHS members  
Monthly activities but no regular monthly meetings.  
Chartered 2007  
Honor society Adviser in place 10+ years

### Basic Requirements for Induction:

3.0 unweighted overall  
Junior/Senior status  
A/B in all English classes and related electives  
Demonstrated enthusiasm for language arts\*  
(As evidenced by student application.)  
One-time induction fee.  
(Includes national individual and charter fees, honor cord, t-shirt,  
small percent for Common Reader Scholarship at local level,  
small percent for activities.)

### Basic Requirements for Maintaining Annual Membership:

6 hours of participation per year. (2 must be tutoring hours.)  
1 writing submission to scholarship or contest  
Maintain A/B average in English.  
Maintain 3.0 gpa overall

### May/June (Set up for following year)

- Log hours/obligations for graduating seniors.
- Distribute cords to seniors at donut party or ice cream party (run by juniors).
- Solicit applications for next year's leadership and select officers.
- Initial officer meeting to review responsibilities and set up target ideas for the following year.
- Distribute information about Common Reader to existing members to encourage them to read over the summer.

### Summer

- Set up applications for next year.
- Modify website if necessary.
- Read Common Reader

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### September (Induction)

- Open window for applications. Notify parents/students through weekly newsletters, contacting teachers to share, morning announcements.
- Meet with new officers to (a) clarify the role of each individual, (b) set up for induction, and (c) current members begin tracking participation.
  - Officers assume responsibility for posting events through Schoology, social media, and individual events.
- Applications close--determine (with faculty committee) students who will be inducted.

### October (Induction)

- Send Induction letters by mail. (And decline letters)
- Meet with officers to set up script for induction and steps to induction.
- Hold induction ceremony with refreshments.
- First book club meeting.

### November (Game Night)

- First event of the year is game night—students bring board games and play with other honor society members (We include Mu Alpha Theta). Good activity for welcoming the new members.

### December (Writer's Week)

- Sponsored by the English Department with NEHS, fun writing and reading activities during study hall each day and after school each day. (Open to all.)
- Lancer Candy Lane. This is a Saturday event where students make Scrabble tile ornaments with children from the community. It is free to all to attend. Costs the club about \$50.
- Books for Families. We partner with our local literacy council to purchase books for two families in need. They select the families and give us a list of the children's interests—they provide \$100 for each family, and we do the shopping (at the Scholastic Book Fair) and deliver the baskets of books.
- Second book club meeting. Common Reader book talks in school and outside of school with local bookstore.

### January (Banned book movie night/Fundraiser/Common Reader Book talks)

- Movie selected by the students. Includes trivia competition about the novel.
- Additional fundraising activities—this year we made greeting cards with blackout poetry and literary themes and then sold them.
- Submit national Common Reader essays.

### February (Spelling Bee)

- Held at the high school. Teams are NEHS, It's Academic, Staff
- Third book club meeting (Black History Theme)

### March (Pen Pals)

- Work with local elementary school to exchange a series of four letters.
- Ends with an optional field trip.
- Announce winners of local Common Reader.

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### **April (Poetry Month)**

- Poetry on the Sidewalk or Poetry on the Windows.
- Literary door competition (teachers decorate doors with help of students to include literature or poetry.
- Videos of teacher delivering favorite poem on morning announcements.
- Poetry activities.
- Fourth Book Club Meeting (Asian American Theme.)

### **May (Confirmation of completion of membership requirements/honor cords)**

#### **Other Activities:**

- Many many virtual activities for students to participate. They are required to write a reflection.