



DATES TO REMEMBER FOR THE SPRING

See officer toolkit, book 1

***The dates represent the very last day that the event can be completed and reported**

Event / Dates and STAR Requirements / Dates and Points Earned

Eligible Member Information turned into the national office from registrar /

April 5th for B; March 30th for S or G /

Jan 30th = 75pts; Feb 15th = 50pts; March 15th = 25pts; March 30th = 15pts.

Chapter Vote cast in NLC election /

March 17th-20th for GD Standing, B, S, or G /

N/A

National Youth Service Day /

April 20-22, counts toward community service /

April 20-22 = 5pts.

March to College Day held /

Should be in March, but have until June 1st to report, counts toward PFCS component /

March = 5pts.

Officer elections held and reported /

April 15th for GD Standing, B, S, or G /

April 15th = 25pts.

Officer transition forms submitted to SA /

April 30th for GD Standing, B, S, or G /

N/A

Officer transition meeting /

Counts as officer meeting

May 1st = 10 pts.

Officer retreat conducted /

Counts as officer meeting

June 1st = 7pts.

Induction convocation scheduled for 2007-2008 school year with confirmation sent to SA /

May 15th for GD standing, B, S, or G

May 15th = 25pts.

Outstanding member nomination submitted /

June 1st for S, or G

N/A

Distinguished member nomination submitted /

June 1st for B, S, or G

N/A

Have officer(s) registered for the 2007 National Leadership Summit /

June 1st—1 officer for B, 2 for S or G

N/A

G=Gold, S=Silver, B=Bronze



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DEADLINES TO SHARE WITH MEMBERS

*Please Visit the NSCS website and check out the member benefits

Scholar Ambassador Experience

Application available online January 12th

Application closes January 16th

Required Interview Weekend April 13-15th

National Leadership Council

Application available online February 2nd

Application closes March 2nd

Elections March 17-30th

Faculty of the Year Award

Applications available online now

Applications close March 31st

Spring Break Trips

Registration available online now

Registration is open until all spots are filled

Distinguished Scholars Program

Applications available now and are reviewed on a rolling basis until all spots are filled

Scholarship application is at the end of the DSP application

Scholar At Sea Scholarship

Applications available online now

Applications close March 15th

Scholar Abroad Scholarship (for summer 2007)

Applications available online now

Applications close March 15th

Graduate Study Scholarships

Applications available February 1st

Applications close May 1st

Rewards Points

All activities are reported online unless otherwise indicated.

	Due Dates	Points	Frequency	Max Points
Minimum Chapter Operating Standards				
Invitation Letter Approval and Essential Chapter Information Form				
Return all information to the national office.* This paperwork submission is complete only if it includes proof of your chapter's registration on campus. E-mail or hard-copy proof of registration is acceptable.	Sep. 30, 2006	60		60
	Oct. 15, 2006	30		30
	Nov. 1, 2006	15		15
Eligible Student Information				
Information must be returned directly to the national office.*	Jan. 30, 2007	75		75
	Feb. 15, 2007	50		50
	Mar 15, 2007	25		25
	Mar 30, 2007	15		15
Officer Elections & Transitions				
Election and transition information reported to the national office.	Apr. 15, 2007	25	1	25
Transition meeting between outgoing and incoming officers.	June 1, 2007	10	1	10
Conduct officer retreat. It is recommended that you hold one per term.	June 1, 2007	7	2	14
Inductions				
Induction scheduled.*	May 15, 2007	25	1	25
Distinguished Member nominations submitted to the national office.	June 1, 2007	2	5	10
Outstanding Member nominations submitted to the national office. No more than three members (not officers) should be nominated and nominations must be based on specific criteria.	June 1, 2007	1	3	3
NSCS Meetings				
Officer planning session minutes submitted; planning sessions may be in person, by e-mail, IM or phone.	June 1, 2007	1	15	15
Chapter meeting minutes submitted. General chapter meetings must take place in person.	June 1, 2007	1	15	15
Officer meeting with chapter advisor. Suggested three per academic year.	June 1, 2007	1	3	3
NSCS Activities				
NSCS sponsored & organized activity around Scholarship, Leadership, Service or Integrity.	June 1, 2007	5	15	75
NSCS sponsored social event.	June 1, 2007	2	10	20
Regional Conference attendance; last weekend in January/first weekend in February.	Jan. 31, 2007	10	1	10
Campus Officials Outreach				
Take a Campus Leader to Lunch. Have lunch or dinner with your chapter officers & advisor and a key official(s) on campus to discuss the great things your chapter does each term: Dean, Provost, President, Chancellor, Honors Program Director, Director of Student Activities, etc.	June 1, 2007	15	2	30

* This information must be submitted directly to the national office and cannot be reported online.

The NSCS rewards program allows chapters to accrue points for various activities and by meeting deadlines set by the national office. Points may be redeemed for Leadership Summit registration (where 1 point equals \$5) and NSCS merchandise through the NSCS Scholar Store (where 1 point equals \$1) at thescholarstore.org.

Minimum Chapter Operating Standards	Due Dates	Points	Frequency	Max Points
Campus Officials Outreach (continued)				
Campus Leader/Official Meeting. Schedule time with the Dean, Provost, President, Chancellor, Honors Program Director, Director of Student Activities, etc. Talk to your Scholar Ambassador on ways to make this meeting really count.	June 1, 2007	10	2	20
Member Involvement				
New member orientation activity.	June 1, 2007	5	1	5
Presentation on NSCS Member Benefits and Opportunities. See Officer Tool Kit #2.	June 1, 2007	5	3	15
Member Participation and Attendance Tracking. Report names of members who are part of your program.	June 1, 2007	10	2	20
Member Feedback				
Solicit feedback from members about interests and opportunities. Questions must be written out but can be collected in person or by e-mail.	June 1, 2007	10	2	20
Planning for College Success				
Confirm relationship with school or organization.	June 1, 2007	5	1	5
Social Events for mentors and mentees.	June 1, 2007	1	5	5
Mentor Training & PFCS-specific meetings.	June 1, 2007	2	10	20
Assemblies.	June 1, 2007	15	4	60
School Visits; mentoring, tutoring, coaching.	June 1, 2007	3	25	75
March to College Day.	June 1, 2007	25	1	25
Days of Service				
Make a Difference Day. This event is held Oct. 28, 2006.	Jan. 15, 2007	5	1	5
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service. This event is held Jan. 15, 2007.	June 1, 2007	5	1	5
National Youth Service Day. This event is held April 20-22, 2007.	June 1, 2007	5	1	5
Chapter Promotions				
Campus media. Article in campus newspaper or alumni magazine (submit copy to national office).	June 1, 2007	5	6	30
Local or national coverage. Article or feature in local or national media (newspaper, television, or radio—submit copy to national office).	June 1, 2007	10	2	20
Spirit Activities. Tabling, t-shirt days, pin days, presence at freshman orientation & organizational fairs, placing signs and banners around campus, etc.	June 1, 2007	5	5	25
Partner Participation				
Promoting and/or hosting viewing parties for Road Trip Nation 2006 on PBS, September thru November.	Jan. 15, 2006	2	6	12
Hold special campus wide presentation about Road Trip Nation.	Jan. 15, 2006	10	1	10

Reward points → free trip to the Summit
 points return to zero sometime in July = after the summit

The STAR Program

Requirement	Chapter In Good Standing	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Chapter Structure & Basic Communications				
Full officer board, 5 or more officers plus an advisor, throughout the school year.	★	★	★	★
Officer planning sessions. Can take place in person, by conference call, IM chat or e-mail.	1 per term	3 per term	3 per term	4 per term
General meetings. Meetings must take place in person.	2 total, at least 1 per term	4 total, at least 1 per term	5 total, at least 2 per term	6 total, at least 3 per term
Invitation Letter Approval and Essential Chapter Information Forms				
Invitation Letter Approval and Essential Chapter Information Forms approved and submitted to the national office. No later than Nov. 15, 2006. This includes the 1) invitation checklist 2) signature cards for advisor and president, and 3) proof of campus registration.	★	★	★	★
Completed campus registration. No later than Nov. 15, 2006.	★	★	★	★
Eligible Student Information deadline				
Eligible member information as requested from the registrar must be in by these dates.		Apr. 15, 2007	Mar. 30, 2007	Mar. 30, 2007
Officer Elections & Transitions				
Officer elections held and reported to the national office. No later than Apr. 15, 2007.	★	★	★	★
Officer transition info submitted to national office. No later than April 30, 2007.	★	★	★	★
Induction convocation				
Completed induction convocation. No later than Nov. 15, 2006.	★	★	★	★
Induction Convocation scheduled for 2007–2008 school year. No later than May 15, 2007.	★	★	★	★
Keynote speaker at Induction Convocation.			★	★
Outstanding Member Nomination submitted to the national office. No later than June 1, 2007. New initiative: chapters can submit up to three nominations			★	★
Distinguished Member nomination(s) submitted to the national office. No later than June 1, 2007. This is a change from last year.	0	1	1	1

Requirement	Chapter In Good Standing	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Chapter vote cast in 2007 National Leadership Council election, 1 vote per chapter	★	★	★	★
Chapter Activities & Events				
Activities that honor, inspire and engage members in a variety of settings. These are to include, but not limited to: scholarship, leadership, service, integrity and social events. Must represent a variety of categories. Contact your Scholar Ambassador for activity ideas in each area.	1 per term	3 per term	4 per term	6 term
Member Participation and Attendance Tracking Program used by chapter.			★	★
Member Feedback. Must take place within the first month of the school term. New initiative: survey, IM chat, open discussion at member meeting or activity, or e-mail.	1 per year	1 per term	1 per term	1 per term
Promotion and Outreach				
Spirit-related activities. Wearing chapter t-shirts and pins, tabling, display cases, ad in campus newspaper, residence hall presentation, etc.	1 total	2 total, at least 1 per term	3 total, at least 1 per term	4 total, at least 1 per term
Presentation about NSCS Member Benefits and Opportunities. See the Member Opportunities edition of the Officer Tool Kit.	1 total	1 total	2 total, at least 1 per term	3 total, at least 1 per term
Media highlights. Article, picture or radio piece in campus, local, or national media coverage; ad in campus paper.			1 total	2 total
Participation in Take a Campus Leader to Lunch Day or Meeting with a Campus Official. President, Dean, Provost, Vice Provost, Department or Office Director, Honors Program Director, etc. This should be someone who is not currently in touch with the chapter. Ask your Scholar Ambassador for suggestions.		1 total	2 total, at least 1 per term	2 total, at least 1 per term
Planning for College Success. There are three components of PFCS—mentoring, assemblies and March to College Day. For every 5 activities reported in one component, the chapter will get credit for a second component. Ask your Scholar Ambassador for more information.	★	1	1	2
Officers registered for the 2007 Leadership Summit no later than June 1, 2007		1	2	2

Note: activities can count double if they fit more than one category but must be reported twice.



Planning for College Success

Ideas for who you can partner with

Some school districts are very hard to work with due to regulations and background checks. If you have this problem please do not feel like you have to work with a school. There are many other programs and organizations that need volunteers. Below is a list of some, but feel free to see what is available in your community. Keep in mind Planning for College Success is geared toward middle and high school students.

- Local Schools
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- After School Programs such as the YMCA, churches, and other non-profit programs
- Local shelters that have children living in them
- Boys and Girls Club
- Child care facilities
- Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts

Girls Scout / Boy Scout → work w/ troop leaders

ask Ralph Johnson for a ptr

Goal (* starting) : get ppl to think about college
 do 1 assembly per year
 if not a full M 2 College day
 Talk about scholarship if funding is their problem
 Baltimore Scholars (2017)
 affirmative action

March 2 Coll

- 2~4 hrs
- tour of college - w/ many aspects
 - camp
 - eatery
 - sport
 - greek life
 - labs
 - scholarship
 - club activity
 - studying



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If there R other organizations already doing similar things, partner with them, send volunteers

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Spirit Event Ideas:

- Events open to the whole campus (blow up bouncers, sumo wrestling, human bowling, comedian nights, study nights)
- Hand out something on campus like candy, coffee, umbrellas, food, etc. Always put an NSCS advertisement on it or hand it out in an NSCS cup!
- NSCS Information Sessions
- Tabling events
- Participate in organization fairs
- Visit classrooms with information (video, power point, flyers)
- NSCS tee-shirt days – reward your members for participating
- Socials and other “bring a friend” events
- Take a campus leader to lunch or just meet with them ✓
- Door to Door Campaigns in residence halls
- Host an Integrity Banner signing
- Give out Stress Balls/Bubble Wrap during at the library especially during midterms or exams
← Michelle said it first!!!!
- Wear your NSCS gear at sporting events
- Host a study break with snacks and information about NSCS
- Utilize school rivalries with other NSCS chapters to create competition
- Giveaways: Nerds and Smarties, NSCS paraphernalia
- Hold a Raffle
- Create a spirit committee/team
- Sponsor an NSCS intramural team
- Help people move into the dorms/Take pictures of families moving into the dorms
- Advertise NSCS Member benefits to members, parents, ANYONE (crossword puzzles, trivia games, at events, word of mouth)
- Themed socials/meetings corresponding to NSCS benefits (spring breaks, scholar at sea, distinguished scholars, etc.)

Publicity Ideas:

- Radio stations (local, school)
- Television stations (school, local: i.e. Comcast Newsmakers on CNN, PBS, etc.)
- Televisions at school that are just used for advertisements
- Chalking (on sidewalks, on chalk boards in classrooms if allowed)
- Flyers (on walls, handouts, in classrooms, by mailboxes) – focus on heavily trafficked areas
- Flyers on cars especially if you are a commuter campus (get permission)
- Screensavers/backgrounds (get permission for school libraries, computer labs, etc.)
- Facebook/Myspace
- Newspapers/Journals (campus, local, national, electronic, alumni, faculty/staff, parent)
- Decorate a school display case
- Make posters to hang in the cafeteria or Student Union
- Put advertisements in shuttle buses around campus
- Put up table tents in the student union and across campus
- Send an e-mail over a school listserv – activities office, honors college, SGA, etc.



Take a Campus Leader to Lunch

Possible officials to meet with

Please do not feel restricted to this list, but do not take a professor or someone you are already in good connection with. The idea is to spread the word about NSCS. Take someone who students will ask about NSCS or who can really help your chapter. Although the program is titled "Take a Campus Leader to Lunch" you do not have to take them to lunch the idea is just to talk with them. Also, keep in mind that NSCS will reimburse you up to \$100 with a picture and receipt from your meal. If you plan to bring someone lunch to their office, keep in mind dietary needs. You want as many people on your campus as possible to know that NSCS is a legitimate organization.

When you plan a meeting with an official please be sure to follow up and confirm with them the day before. Also, take the NSCS FAQ's along with your chapter profile as something to leave with them. If you do not have these documents please contact your Scholar Ambassador. Finally, do not forget to write a hand written thank you after your meeting.

- University or College President
- Provost
- Dean of a College (Honors College)
- Honors College Program Director
- Registrar
- Academic Advisors
- Head of Student Activities or Organizations
- Head of Volunteer services
- Head of Leadership services
- Head of Career services
- Student Government President or members or Student Government
- Vice President for Student Affairs or Student Services
- Dean of Student Life

Chapter Program Fund Application

2006-2007

Please fill out a separate request for each project.

School Name: _____

Date of Request: _____

Project: _____

Date of Project: _____

The following must be answered as *thoroughly as possible* for each request.

1. What is the overview of the project?
 - a. Why did you decide on this particular project?
 - b. Why do you think it will 1) engage members and 2) raise the NSCS profile on campus?
 - c. How many members will be involved?
2. What chapter resources are you committing to this project? (Time and money)
3. Have you/will you do any fundraising to support this activity
 - a. Have you/will you reach out to local business and vendors for financial aid and/or supplies?
4. Are you working with other groups on campus or in the community?
 - a. What financial resources will they bring to the project?
5. What kind of publicity will you generate on campus?
6. How will you notify campus officials?
7. If CPF's were not available would you still undertake this project?

For PFCS and/or March to College Day (in addition to the above):

8. Name of PFCS school or group?
9. How many students, middle school or high school, will participate?



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10. How many volunteers? (NSCS members, campus officials, teachers, parents, others)

11. Are you partnering with other groups?

12. Provide the schedule for the day.

Budgets should reflect a thorough review of items needed and must be detailed on the following page. A separate budget must be submitted for each individual project.

