



## CHRISTIAN HONOR STUDENT ASSOCIATION

### **Induction Ceremony**

It is recommended that the Induction Ceremony be held during a time when parents, family, friends, school staff, students, the pastor, and perhaps church members are available to attend. Recommendations would include a special in-school service or an evening program. The ceremony need not be lengthy, but should be an observance with significance and conducted with formality. The following is a sample format for conducting the ceremony:

#### Sample Ceremony Format

The Pastor, School Principal, and CHSA Advisor/Sponsor may be seated on stage along with the current ORUEF Christian Honor Students at the beginning of the ceremony with empty chairs for the new inductees.

Open the ceremony with praise and worship. While the audience remains standing, the Pastor gives the invocation. Next, have a special music selection, either instrumental or vocal, preferably from a student or staff member of the school. After the special music, the Principal should introduce the ORUEF Christian Honor Student Association program. The Principal should explain that the program was established to encourage Christian character, leadership, high scholarship, and Christian service among Christian secondary students. The Principal should describe how the students are nominated and reviewed by the local CHSA Review Board, and perhaps even introduce the Board members. The Principal may also explain the Theme Project, if the school is choosing to participate.

The next step in the program is the introduction of the new CHSA inductees. The CHSA Advisor or Sponsor introduces each inductee by reading a prewritten brief about the student. This statement outlines a few of the criteria in each of the four areas (Character, Leadership, Scholarship and Service) which qualified the student as an honor student. After reading the brief, the Advisor will ask the student inductee to please come forward. Receive the student with a handshake and direct him/her to one of the empty chairs on stage. Repeat for all new inductees.

The Principal will then ask all the inductees to stand. The Principal will lead the honor students in reciting the Christian Honor Student Pledge (page 9) in unison. The Christian Honor Student Pledge may be printed on the back cover of the ceremony program. This will allow the audience to follow along as the inductees recite the pledge.

After the pledge has been read, the inductees remain standing while the Pastor or Principal displays one of the specially designed CHSA lapel pins, reads one of the CHSA certificates and then calls each new inductee forward to receive his/her certificate and lapel pin.

After all of the honor students have been recognized, the audience is asked to stand for the benediction.

A postlude should be played while the Pastor, Principal, and Advisor lead the honor students out to form a line for congratulations.

Signing the Charter

Signing of the Charter may be incorporated into the Induction Ceremony. Student inductees are required to sign the ORUEF Christian Honor Student Association Charter (FORM E), which must then be submitted to the ORUEF office.

## Supplies

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Roster of Student Participants (FORM D) is required when ordering certificates and lapel pins. Please submit this form at least three weeks prior to your Induction Ceremony.



SAMPLE  
Induction Ceremony Program

# Christian Honor Student Association

## INDUCTION CEREMONY

[ Date ]

Prelude .....	Keyboardist
Praise/Worship* .....	Keyboardist/Band/Choir
Invocation* .....	Pastor
Special Music .....	Student/School Choir
Introduction of Christian Honor Student Association Program .....	Principal
Introduction of Inductees .....	Faculty/CHSA Advisor
Honor Student Pledge .....	Inductees
Presentation of Certificates and Pins .....	Principal
Benediction* .....	Pastor

(Receiving line will follow in the school foyer.)

\* Audience please stand.



### Christian Honor Students

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_____	_____

† New Inductee



## Christian Honor Student Association Pledge

As a Christian Honor Student, I do hereby solemnly and sincerely pledge, in the presence of the witnesses assembled here, to endeavor to reflect the glory of the Lord in my character, leadership, scholarship, and service.

### In Character,

I will seek to stand for righteousness, even when such a stand may be unpopular. I will do my best to demonstrate the fruit of the Spirit, and show courtesy, compassion, and respect for others.

### In Leadership,

I will be an example to others in my word, in conversation, in love, in spirit, in faith, and in purity. I will lead an ethical and moral life and will abstain from all appearance of evil.

### In Scholarship,

I will study to show myself approved unto God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, for I recognize that the beginning of knowledge and wisdom is the fear of the Lord.

### In Service,

I will have a willingness to witness and be the best possible representative for Jesus Christ. I will strive to recognize the needs of others and respond in the spirit of compassion and humility, remembering the words of our Lord that "whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant."

All this I will do with the help and grace of the Holy Spirit, for it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me.