

**ACALANES HIGH SCHOOL  
CALIFORNIA SCHOLARSHIP  
MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION  
Chapter #334**

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**CSF Application times: September 1-30 and February 1 -28 each year.** In September, students should refer to the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester grades from the previous academic year. In February, students should refer to the 1<sup>st</sup> semester grades issued in January. If the deadline should fall on a weekend, paper applications should be turned in on the last school day of the application period. Students can email a PDF of a completed application and pay dues on the web store until 11:59 p.m. on the deadline. No late applications or payments are accepted. **CSF Membership is neither automatic nor compulsory.** The student **must** apply for membership during the application period. Membership is based on semester grades from the prior semester. **Students who are members for at least 4 semesters using grades earned in 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades will be awarded Life Membership (Seal-bearer) status.** To qualify for CSF, the guidelines below must be followed:

1. Based on the previous semester grades, applicants must earn a minimum of 10 points from the CSF approved lists (See the reverse side of this page.)
  - a. The first 4 points must be from List I.
  - b. The first 7 points (including the four points described above) must be from List I or II.
  - c. The remaining points may come from any Lists (I, II, or III).
2. Applicants may **use no more than 5 courses** to qualify for CSF membership.
3. No CSF points are given for physical education, subjects repeated to improve a grade, student assistant, or office assistant positions.
4. CSF points are granted as follows:
  - a. A grade of A = 3 CSF points.
  - b. A grade of B = 1 CSF point  
One additional point shall be granted for a grade of A or B in an AP or Honors course, up to a maximum of two such points per semester.
  - c. A grade of C = 0 points.
  - d. A grade of D or F in any course makes a student ineligible for that semester.
5. Application for membership must be submitted each semester a student is eligible. Membership Application forms are accepted **ONLY** during the current registration period. No late or retro-active applications will be accepted.
6. Requirements for becoming a Life Member (Seal-bearer) are as follows:
  - a. CSF membership in at least 4 semesters starting with grades earned in **sophomore** year
  - b. One of these semesters must be from grades earned your **senior** year. (Note: Grades from 2<sup>nd</sup> semester senior year can be used as the 4<sup>th</sup> semester for Life membership, but verifying grades for eligibility may delay the award being issued)
  - c. Freshman year **does not count** toward Life Membership.

#### **CSF FAQ**

**What is CSF?** CSF is a statewide organization to honor outstanding high school students for their academic achievements.

**Do I get a scholarship for being in CSF?** Being in CSF does not guarantee that you will get a monetary scholarship, but membership is something that you can put on your list of awards and activities and those who have met the requirements for Life Membership (Seal-bearer) status will be recognized at graduation. If our club has money left over, we may offer a scholarship.

**Why do we pay membership dues?** The dues also cover the cost of awards given to seniors who are Seal-Bearers. And our chapter has to pay dues to be an affiliate of the CSF state-wide organization. If we have money left over we will use it for a scholarship for an Acalanes senior.

**What happens if the deadline is on a weekend?** If the deadline should fall on a weekend, paper applications should be turned in on the last school day of the application period. Students can email a PDF of a completed application to the advisor and pay dues on the web store until 11:59 p.m. on the deadline.

The following excerpts were taken from the CSF website, [www.csf-cjsf.org](http://www.csf-cjsf.org):

**What happens if I miss the membership deadline?** Membership is neither automatic nor compulsory. The By-Laws (Article IV, Section 2) and every chapter's mandatory Standing Rules (Article III, Section 3) require that the eligible student actually apply for membership, and **retroactive membership (after the deadline) is prohibited. Excuses such as forgetting to apply, inability to find one's report card in a timely fashion, failing to heed school announcements about the application period, absence on the last day of the application period, and other mundane excuses are not acceptable.**

**What is a lifetime member and what kind of awards may I get?** The requirements for Life Member (also called "Seal-bearer") are stated above. The REQUIRED awards for Life Members are the pin and a gold seal on the diploma. Additional items, such as a stole to wear with graduation robes may be given, depending on funds available.

**List I:**  
**English**  
 English 1, 2, 3  
 English 4: Mysterious  
 English 4: Rebels  
 English 4  
 English 3 AP Lang  
 English 4 AP Lit  
**World Language**  
 French 1, 2, and 3  
 French 4 Honors  
 French 5 AP  
 Mandarin 1, 2, 3  
 Mandarin 4 Honors  
 Mandarin 5 AP  
 Spanish 1, 2, and 3  
 Spanish 4 Honors  
 Spanish 5 AP  
**Math**  
 Algebra 1  
 Algebra 2  
 Geometry  
 Geometry Advanced  
 Algebra 2 Advanced  
 Alg 2/Precalc honors  
 Pre-Calculus Honors  
 Math Analysis  
 Calculus AB AP

Calculus BC AP  
 Statistics  
 Statistics AP  
**Science**  
 Living Earth  
 AP Biology  
 Chemistry of the earth  
 AP Chemistry  
 Physics in the universe  
 AP Physics 1,2  
 Human anatomy/Physiology  
 AP Environmental Science  
**Social Studies**  
 World History/ Geography  
 U.S. History  
 AP U.S. History  
 AP European History  
 U.S. Government  
 AP Comparative Gov.  
 Economics

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**List II:**  
**English**  
 Journalism 1,2,3  
 Creative Writing/Public  
 Speaking  
 ELD 3  
**Math**

AP Computer Sci Principles  
 AP Computer Science A  
 Intro Computer Science  
 Algebra A, B  
**Science**  
 Biotechnology  
 Engin& applied physics Hon  
 Earth and Space Science  
**Social Studies**  
 Contemporary Issues  
 Psychology  
**Art**  
 AP Music Theory  
**Interdepartmental**  
 Human Social development  
 Intro to Ethnic Studies  
 Sports Med.  
 Sports Med Adv.

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**List III:**  
**Interdepartmental**  
 Leadership  
 Publications  
 Adv. publications  
**Arts**  
 Photo/Digital Design  
 Adv Photo  
 Digital Design 1, 2

Art 1, 2  
 Advanced Art Honors  
 Independent Art Portfolio  
 AP Studio Art  
 3D Art 1  
 Drama 1, 2  
 Advanced Drama  
 Stagecraft  
 Concert Band  
 Symphonic Band  
 Wind ensemble  
 Jazz Ensemble  
 Orchestra  
 Concert Choir  
 Chorale  
 Video production. 1, 2,3  
**Tech ed**  
 Auto Tech.  
 Auto Tech. Adv.  
 Design and Fabrication

**Other:**  
 ELD 1,2  
 Math applications  
 Learning Skills

**Application periods: September 1-30 and February 1-28**

Your first and last name (PRINT CLEARLY): \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Year: 20\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

From the lists above, record up to five final grades from the last semester.

A = 3 CSF points; B = 1 CSF point; 10 Points total to qualify.

One additional point for a grade of A or B in an AP or Honors course, up to a maximum of two such points per semester.

The Counseling Office will verify Grades/Eligibility.

Course Title	Semester Grade	Points	List
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			