

CSF: California Scholarship Federation

What is CSF and what is its purpose?

CSF is a high school honor society. Its purpose is to recognize academic achievement.

Who is the adviser?

Ms. Baker (Rm 603) and Ms. Wolfe (Rm 505) are the advisers.

What are some of the benefits of membership in CSF?

As a Life Member of CSF, a senior will be able to graduate in a white gown, attend a special recognition breakfast, receive the seal of CSF Lifetime membership on his/her diploma, and be eligible to apply for a CSF scholarship.

What are the requirements for membership?

Semester membership is based on the Fall and Spring report cards. Points are awarded for 'A' and 'B' scholarship grades. A student will be disqualified for membership if he/she has any 'Ds' or 'Fs' in scholarship or citizenship. In general, points are awarded as follows: A = 3, B = 1. An extra point may be added for an AP or Honors course, but the extra point may only be used twice. A student must have a total of 10 points to qualify for membership. Grades only count for the FIRST time the class is taken; summer school makeups *do not* count. There are more specific requirements for points. Please see the CSF application and/or the adviser.

How can I become a Life Member and graduate in white?

Students achieve Life Member status after 4 semesters of CSF membership, providing that at least one of the four semesters is from the senior year. The four semesters *do not* need to be consecutive. The latest a student may begin to apply for Lifetime membership is the first semester of his/her junior year.

Do 9th grade semesters count toward graduating in white?

Ninth graders who meet the requirements for membership are considered Associate Members. Those semesters *do not* count toward Lifetime membership. However, it is a good idea for 9th graders to get into the habit of applying.

When are applications accepted?

The application period for membership based on Fall grades begins the following semester. The application for membership based on Spring grades is at the beginning of the following school year. Consult the student planner each school year for specific dates.

Are there membership dues?

Students must pay dues of \$3 for membership. This money is for the scholarship fund.

What are the dates for application this year?

This year's fall application period is in July/August; the spring application period is January/February.

Where do I get an application?

Applications can be downloaded from the Mar Vista website and any teacher on campus can print a copy.

What do I do if I need help?

See the advisers.