#### **Our Motto**

## "Gelast Sceal Mid Are"

The NEHS motto, "gelast sceal mid are," is Old English for "duty goes with honor."

The motto represents one of the earliest forms of our language — it affirms and celebrates an obligation to use one's gifts in service to others. Service to peers, school, and community are part and parcel of the NEHS mission — and indeed, in the grammatical structure of the Old English phrase, "duty" actually preceeds "honor."

Pronunciation

yuh-lahst' shal mid ahr-uh

## Our Flower Carnation

White carnations are marks of distinction and symbolic of pure truth.

## Our Colors Blue and Gold

The deep richness of royal blue represents creativity and inspiration, while the bright fullness of gold reflects excellence and nobility of spirit.



## Centurion Chapter of the National English Honor Society



# Honoring Excellence In High School English



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## **Membership Requirements**

- ☐ 3.0 (85%) GPA in English class
- 3.0 (85%) cumulative GPA
- No referrals due to serious infractions
- Must be currently enrolled in an English class at Blessed John Paul II High School

Media

Writing





Reading

Language

#### What is the

## National English Honor Society

The National English Honor Society (NEHS) was founded on 25 March 2004 by Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honor Society, as an outreach to high school students to promote their continuing interest in the English language arts. The NEHS is the only high school honor society exclusively for students of English, and membership is an honor bestowed on students selected for their accomplishments in the field of English and in overall academic achievement.

The Society's primary goals are:

- to recognize on the national level those who merit special note for past and current accomplishments in the discipline of English;
- □ to nurture members to futher develop their abilities in the fields of English; and
- to encourage members to use their talents in the service of others

## The NEHS

### **Centurion Chapter**

The Centurion chapter of the NEHS was founded on 23 April 2013, the day of the Bard. The chapter:

- is a co-curricular organization dedicated to building a culture of literacy at Blessed John Paul II High School and the wider Corpus Christi community
- offers students opportunities for engaging in community-wide discussions and activities in reading, writing, langauge, and media

#### Membership Advantages

- National recognition for outstanding achievements
- Scholarships
- ☐ Enlightened involvement in the English experience, especially through non-classroom participation
- Distinction on college and job applications
- Opportunities to develop leadership skills
- Publication opportunities
- □ A means to link with other students, locally and nationally, who share similar interests

