

QUILL AND SCROLL

Purpose: Quill and Scroll is an international high school journalism honor society that recognizes and encourages both individual and group achievements in scholastic journalism. Qualification: To be eligible for induction into Quill and Scroll, students must be a junior or senior in the upper third of their class in general scholastic standing, either for the year of their election or for the cumulative total of all high school work who have done superior work in some phase of journalism or school publications work, and have both recommendation of the supervisor/committee governing publications and approval of the Society's Executive Director.

About Quill and Scroll

Quill and Scroll International Honorary Society for High School Journalists was organized April 10, 1926, at the University of Iowa by renowned pollster George H. Gallup and a group of high school advisers for the purpose of encouraging and recognizing individual student achievement in journalism and scholastic publication.

Since its founding, school charters have been granted to more than 14,267 high schools in all 50 states and 44 foreign countries. Media advisers in chartered schools are eligible to recommend outstanding high school journalism students for membership in Quill and Scroll International Honorary Society.

School Charters

To be eligible for a Quill and Scroll charter, your high school must publish a magazine, newspaper, yearbook, literary magazine, broadcast program or a Web site. Also eligible are schools with students who are under the supervision of a local news bureau, radio/television station or publication. Charter applications are provided by the international office upon request. A Quill and Scroll charter is granted for the lifetime of the school and there are no annual dues.

When a charter is granted, the publication adviser automatically becomes a member of Quill and Scroll. Only charter member schools may submit student names for nomination as Quill and Scroll members and several activities are limited to chartered schools only.

Student Membership

Membership is open to all publication staff members in a chartered high school. There are no annual dues. When a candidate is recommended for membership, he or she pays a one-time initiation fee. The Society then provides the initiate with an official membership card, a membership pin and a one-year subscription to Quill & Scroll magazine.

According to the Constitution, members of Quill and Scroll must be chosen from students enrolled in the high school who, at the time of their election, meet the following requirements:

1. They must be of sophomore, junior or senior classification.
2. They must be in the upper third of their class in general scholastic standing, either for the year of their election or for the cumulative total of all high school work.
3. They must have done superior work in some phase of journalism or school media work. They may be staffers of a magazine, newspaper, yearbook, news bureau, online site or radio/television station.
4. They must be recommended by the supervisor or by the committee governing media.
5. They must be approved by the Quill and Scroll Executive Director.