

eHours Program Overview

Students earn eHours throughout their four years within the Distinguished Scholars Academy.

Students are responsible for recording, submitting, and tracking their own eHours.

Students record their eHours on the eHours form and submit the form to their content area teacher for approval

eHour tracking is available online for students to view their progress toward endorsement.

All forms and tracking information are available on the Olathe North Distinguished Scholars website at tinyurl.com/OlatheNorthDS

Students must submit all eHours by April 10 of their senior year to count the eHours toward endorsement.

Endorsement Requirements

**Endorsement
with High Honors
400 eHours**

**Endorsement
with Honors
300 eHours**

**Endorsement
200 eHours**

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Distinguished Scholars Extension Hours



**Extend your learning outside
the classroom and earn eHours
toward your 21st Century
Academy endorsement.**

**All hours and activities are subject to approval by the content area teacher and/or academy facilitators.
Hours earned will be determined based on duration of activity as well as quality of any associated work and/or participation.**

The following opportunities are available to all DS students, grades 9-12:

- ❖ **Curiosity Journals**
Students may complete up to three curiosity journals per academic year and earn up to 20 eHours per journal. Requirements for Curiosity Journals may be found on the DS website.
- ❖ **Club Activities**
Students may submit actual hours spent working with the following academic clubs. Hours may include meetings, practice, and competitions. Check with Ms. Zongker about clubs not listed.
 - Dead Poets Society
 - Faraday Society
 - Scholars Bowl
 - Science Olympiad
 - Debate/Forensics
- ❖ **Olathe North Cultural Fair**
Freshmen may count hours outside the school day spent preparing for the fair.

The following are content-specific eHour opportunities.

Language Arts

- ❖ Author events
- ❖ Performances (non-required)
- ❖ Submissions of original work for publications and/or competitions
- ❖ Olathe North Theater productions
- ❖ Work nights for Mindburst, newspaper, and/or yearbook

Math

- ❖ Participation in Math Team Competitions
- ❖ Participation in Olathe Math Battle
- ❖ Lectures or other presentations (non-required) on math-related topics

Science

- ❖ Linda Hall Library Lectures
- ❖ Science Pioneers Events
- ❖ Summer science camps
- ❖ Research time in labs
- ❖ Visits to science museums and exhibitions
- ❖ Assistance with Scout science badges

Political Science

- ❖ Attendance at city council meetings, school board meetings, county commissioner meetings, etc.
- ❖ Work as a page at the state legislature
- ❖ Submission to various essay contests
- ❖ Participation in a model UN
- ❖ Volunteer to work at polling place on election days
- ❖ Visits to historic sites and museums
- ❖ Attendance at events sponsored by the Dole Institute of Politics, IRC, or similar organizations

Visual Arts

- ❖ Artist events or lectures outside of Olathe North
- ❖ Exhibitions or gallery shows
- ❖ Submission of original artwork for publications, competitions, or exhibitions
- ❖ Participation in community arts events
- ❖ Participation in DSVA portfolio work nights

Other activities not listed may count as eHours subject to prior approval by your content area teacher.