Tips for a Strong Healthy Chapter

Find a co-advisor. Contact us with their name and email so we can add them to our database. A co-advisor is more help for you, and there is a better chance of someone will continue to recognize your students if one of you leaves your school in the future.

Create excitement! Promote your organization. Use your school newspaper, newsletters, and hang posters. Contact our office if you would like more posters. These items are free.

Get the word out. Make sure all students in career and technical programs know what your criteria for candidacy is at you campus. First year college student and high school freshman and sophomores will work hard to achieve membership if they know what they are shooting for.

Hold informational meetings. This is one of the success secrets of our largest chapters. Many more students will join if the benefits have been explained to them. Go to the online advisor help desk for a step by step guide to conducting these quick, but critical meetings.

Elect officers. Students need more opportunities to hone their leadership skills. Officers can also help you in many areas with your chapter. Check out the officer installation script in the advisor help desk and add it to you induction ceremony!

Induct honorary members. This is the best way you can publicly thank local business and industry people in your community. Show your appreciation for their support of your programs and encourage continued support in the future.

Build a bridge! There are so many opportunities for high schools and community colleges to work together through NTHS. Community Colleges can host the high schools' induction, a simple reception, service learning initiatives, even leadership training programs.

Stop the presses! Contact your local media to cover your induction ceremony and any other events your chapter may be involved in. Also don't forget to email pictures and information to the National Office. You may make it on the website.