Hello alumni of EDHS National Honor Society and Student Assembly,

We are the current advisers of these two amazing organizations.

Over the course of the last 91 years, our school has seen many changes. I have been with East Detroit High School for 17 years now. Kevin has been with the district for 27 years and the high school for 20 years.

You may be wondering why we are referring this organization as East Detroit and not Eastpointe High. You are graduates of East Detroit High School and we respect your memories and nostalgia.

Throughout all the changes our school has seen, two things have remained constant over the last 5 decades and that is NHS and Student Assembly. I recently dived into our past yearbooks. A form of student council has existed since the 1930s (It was referred to as Student Council. Sometime in the 70s, the name Student Assembly was adopted. NHS was chartered in 1967).

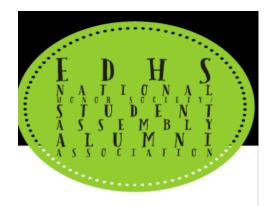
These organizations have played a pivotal role in our school. Members of these groups are still very active in the school and in the community. Those of you familiar with SA, we still organize Homecoming, a canned food drive, countless charity events and volunteer throughout the community. NHS is active in our annual blood drive, Relay for Life and a variety of other charitable events. Students in SA and NHS complete 40 hours of community service a school year. Our students are very active in the betterment of your alma mater and the community.

Over the last five years we have noticed it is getting increasingly difficult for our students to participate in some of our activities due to a myriad of financial issues. In particular, the cost to attend our regular leadership conferences that are held off site is out of reach fro many of our students. The state conference we attend in Grand Rapids costs just over \$200.00 per student. The other conferences run \$30.00 per student.

By joining the NHS/SA Alumni Association you can help defray those costs. The attached flyer explains how you can help and where the money will be spent. Please consider helping out the students of your alma mater.

Stephanie VanHaerents (Serwa) and Kevin Kildea

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Why join?

- 1. Your nostalgia for either of these organizations runs deep.
- 2. You want to help out current students of your alma mater.

How much to join? \$50.00 annual fee.

What do you get if you join?

- 1. Access to the group FB page that includes a lot of old photos, current updates and a place for you all to reminisce.
- 2. A quarterly newsletter from our students detailing their activities.
- 3. A snazzy Alumni headband designed and produced by one of our members (He will receive a portion of the sales)
- 4. One free entry to alumni night at one of the basketball games. (Varsity boys were MAC champs this year!)
- 5. A biennial social event for SA/NHS Alumni.

Where does the money go?

We plan to spend the money on the following:

- 1. Help defray costs for leadership conferences throughout the year. These can cost \$30.00 per student for registration, plus the cost of transportation or \$200.00 per student for the State Conference we attend.
- 2. A \$200.00 annual scholarship from this alumni group will be awarded to a graduating senior from SA or NHS. This scholarship will be awarded through the In House Scholarship Committee.
- 3. Help defray costs for NHS/Student Assembly apparel.
- 4. Assist students in purchasing business attire they may need for these conferences or other field trips where they are expected to dress up.

How do you join?

- 1) Make your donation through our GoFundMe Page.

 https://tinyurl.com/y5k5sdqo OR e-mail me to send a check directly to the school.
- 2) E-mail your contact information to <u>Stephanie.vanhaerents@eastpointeschools.orq</u>.
- 3) You will be given access to the FB page and added to our e-mail list for the quarterly newspaper.

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