

# Selection Procedure

## National Honor Society

### Suring High School Chapter

#### Membership

The National Honor Society establishes rules for membership based upon a student's performance in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

**Scholarship:** Sophomore, junior and senior students who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale meet the scholarship requirement for membership. These students are then eligible for consideration on the basis of service, leadership, and character.

#### Selection

Selection to NHS is a privilege, not a right. Students must provide information to be used by the Faculty Council to support their application for membership. Membership is not automatic based on a student's GPA. A student who meets the scholarship requirement must adhere to the following selection process.

1. Students who are academically eligible are notified by letter of information meetings. Attendance at one of these meetings is mandatory.
2. At the meeting, students will be informed of the application procedure including the Membership Application, Personal Statement, and Character Recommendations. Students will be provided with the necessary forms, and shown where they can access the forms on the school's web site (click on "High School", then "Activities" and then "National Honor Society"). All information must be submitted to the chapter adviser by the designated deadline.
- 3: Completed Membership Applications, Character Recommendations, and any other verifiable information regarding the applicants will be reviewed by the Faculty Council. After careful consideration and review of the information, each member of the Faculty Council will rate each student on their Leadership, Service, and Personal Statement using the Application Rubric. The score for their Character will be averaged from their submitted Character Recommendations. Rubrics will be totaled and scores will be averaged to determine the applicant's score. A score of 13 will serve as a guideline for selection and non-selection, but the final selection must be made by the majority vote of the Faculty Council. Applicants receiving a majority vote of the Faculty Council shall be invited for induction into the chapter. For applicants who do not receive a majority vote, the Faculty Council should document why they did not meet the criteria for membership.
4. Prior to notification of the applicants, the chapter adviser should report the results of the Faculty Council's vote to the principal. All applicants should be notified in writing by the chapter advisor to inform them of their selection or nonselection and the timing of the induction ceremony.