



NHS Selection Procedure Description

The National Honor Society chapter of Grace Christian School is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Students are selected for membership by majority vote of a five-member principal-appointed faculty council, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each year.

Students in their sophomore year to the first semester of their senior year are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative un-weighted GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale. Each year those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Candidate Form that provides the faculty council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. For the service criterion, a student must average at least one hour a week of documented community service for a minimum of 52 hours. Students must also participate in a minimum of two student activity organizations each year.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the faculty council uses two forms of input. First, school disciplinary records are reviewed. Second, members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, and leadership.

Any solicited faculty input and all Candidate Forms are carefully reviewed by the faculty council to determine membership. A majority vote of the council is necessary for selection. Candidates are notified regarding selection or non-selection according to a predetermined schedule.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at the school to recognize all the newly selected members. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all four criteria that led to their selection.

Students will have approximately two weeks to fill out candidate packets before they are due and the faculty council convenes.

If you have any questions on the Grace Christian School chapter of National Honors Society, please contact Miss Bethany Nelson at bnelson@gcspatriots.com.