

Requirements for National Honor Society

SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship is a commitment to learning, studying, and understanding the lasting benefits of a cultivated mind.

Requirement: A weighted cumulative grade point average of **3.66** as of the end of your Junior year and this average should be maintained throughout your academic career.

LEADERSHIP / MEMBERSHIP

Student leaders / members are those who are resourceful individuals, good problem solvers, promoters of school activities, contributors of ideas, dependable club or team members, and people who exemplify positive attitudes about life. Leadership experiences must be drawn from school-related activities.

Requirement: A sustained commitment in a minimum of two school-related activities each year (grades 9-12) and a rating of satisfactory from all advisors and coaches.

The student who leads...

- is resourceful in proposing new problems, applying principles and making suggestions to improve the school environment.
- demonstrates leadership in promoting school activities.
- exercises influence on peers in upholding school ideals.
- exemplifies positive behavior.
- contributes ideas that improve the civic life of the school.
- is able to delegate responsibilities.
- demonstrates initiative.
- successfully holds school offices or positions of responsibility, conducts business efficiently and effectively, and is reliable and dependable without adult supervision.
- demonstrates leadership in the classroom and in school activities.

SERVICE

This quality is defined through the voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation and with a positive, courteous, and enthusiastic spirit.

Requirement: 60 hours of verifiable, unpaid community service as follows:

- **20 hours for Freshman year (June/July - June/July) and**
- **20 hours for Sophomore year (June/July – June/July) and**
- **20 hours for Junior Year (June/July – March 1)**

Service must be in a minimum of two (2) school or non-profit community organizations. Twenty (20) hours between at least two different organizations/groups are required. **Sports activities cannot be included for community service.** All out-of-school community service must be verified by a letter on the organization's official letterhead. Parent signatures must be accompanied by that of another adult involved in the community service. Any hours accumulated through a family-related organization must be approved by the advisor prior to submission of the log. Separate letters (on organization's official letterhead) are required for each of the community service activities that you participate in. The number of hours, specific dates, phone numbers, signatures, contact information and the actual duties that you performed must be discussed in the letter. If you have any questions as to whether or not your activity qualifies for community service, please speak to Ms. Georgiou or Ms. Segura. **Incomplete letters/forms will not be accepted. Missing letters/forms can affect your acceptance into the National Honor Society.**

The student who serves...

- puts others before his/her own self-interest.
- participates in activities beyond classroom work, projects, paid employment, or activities in which grades may be involved.
- understands the importance of civic involvement.
- demonstrates mature participation and responsibility.

CHARACTER

Character is the force within each person which distinguishes each National Honor Society applicant from the next, through individuality. The student of character shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others while demonstrating the highest standards of trust, honesty, and integrity.

Requirement: Satisfactory evaluations from faculty members.

The student of character consistently...

- displays honesty and loyalty.
- is cooperative.
- shows a sincere interest in learning.
- shows concern, courtesy, and respect for others.
- brings out the best in himself/herself and others.
- is moral and ethical.
- arrives to class on time.
- has excellent attendance.
- observes teacher instructions and rules.
- complies with school regulations.