

National Honor Society Information for Students and Parents

Process and Timeline for Selecting Members

- Late winter, packets go out by U.S. Mail to all 10th, 11th, and 12th graders who possess a 4.0, or higher GPA and who are not already in NHS. Information sheets are included in the packet for prospective members to fill out and return to the main office.
- Within two weeks of letters being sent, information sheets are due in the main office. No late information sheets will be accepted.
- A Faculty Council of five (5) staff members will make the decision regarding who will be invited to join NHS. This decision will be based on the information sheets provided by prospective students. Please fill out the information sheets completely and with energy. Information sheets with entire sections left blank usually lead to rejection by the Faculty Council
- In April, letters are sent by U.S. Mail to students who have been accepted into NHS, and to those students who have not been accepted into NHS
- Late April, there will be an evening induction ceremony in the Kickapoo auditorium for all new inductees and their families

Criteria for Selection

The Faculty Council uses the following criteria in the NHS selection process:

- **Scholarship**—all students selected for NHS must possess a 4.0 GPA, or higher
- **Leadership**—the Faculty Council looks for numerous forms of leadership. The most obvious forms are leadership positions in clubs, student council, or class officer positions at Kickapoo High School. Other leadership positions might include mentoring other students, leadership roles in organizations outside of school, coaching, teaching, captain of an athletic team, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Boy Scouts, church activities, etc. The council looks for students who *actively possess leadership roles within an organization, large and/or small, both in school and/or outside school.*
- **Service**—the Faculty Council looks for students who volunteer their time serving others either at school, in the community, or both.
- **Character**—the Faculty Council looks for students who are in good standing both at school and in the community. Referrals for behavior in school, and trouble caused in the community will lead to a student not being accepted into NHS.

National Honor Society selection is a highly competitive process.