



University High School National Honor Society Selection Procedure Description

The National Honor Society chapter of University High 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 a 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 Fall semester.

Students in grades 11-12 are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative weighted GPA of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. Each Fall those students who meet this criterion are invited via OCPS email address to complete a Candidate Information Form that provides the faculty council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the faculty council uses multiple forms of input. First, school disciplinary records are reviewed by NHS Sponsors. Students with two or more level three offenses within a calendar year will be removed from consideration for membership. Second, candidates are asked to provide teacher recommendation with the Candidate Information Form. Finally, members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding candidates being evaluated for membership. Faculty professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, and leadership are solicited separate from Candidate Information review by the appointed Faculty Council Members.

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 through their OCPS student email address. After selected candidates have been notified they have until October 9th to accept their selection to prepare for tapping. Selected candidates will be tapped for membership between October 10th and October 16th.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at the school to recognize all the newly selected members. The Induction Ceremony is tentatively scheduled for October 26th at 6pm on University High School Campus. Final details will be shared with selected candidates during tapping. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance in all four criteria that led to their selection.

If further information is needed or possible candidates have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact with NHS sponsor: somer.sutton@ocps.net or chaney.mottin@ocps.net.