

# Jefferson High School

## NHS SELECTION PROCEDURES

**PLEASE NOTE:** Students may not apply for membership in the National Honor Society. Membership is an honor **bestowed** upon a select group of students by the Jefferson High School Faculty Council Members, a representative body of the school faculty. Membership is granted only to those students selected by the Jefferson High School Faculty council members. Faculty council selections are based on the following procedures:

1. To be eligible for consideration for the National Honor Society, candidates must:
  - o have a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 or above
  - o be a member of the sophomore, junior, or senior class (**seniors are only eligible in the fall**)
  - o have been in attendance at JHS for at least one semester
2. Students meeting the necessary grade-point average will be notified by letter during the first or second week of February. The letter will contain the following information:
  - o a date and time for an informational meeting about the Jefferson High School National Honor Society
  - o selection criteria and procedures
  - o notification that a Student Activity Information Form can be picked up from Mr. McCauley and must be filled out for the faculty council to review
3. All faculty members are asked to fill out a Teacher Evaluation Form on all eligible candidates. Accompanying each form is a list and description of the four characteristics that the National Honor Society holds in high regard (scholarship, leadership, character, and service). Teachers are asked to evaluate each candidate's qualifications in the areas of scholarship, leadership, character, and service.
4. A candidate may be eliminated from further consideration for the following types of documented conduct (in the case of a sophomore or junior candidate, they may be reconsidered for membership the following year):
  - o Flagrant violation of school rules or civic laws.
  - o The use of tobacco or alcoholic beverages.
  - o The use, possession or buying and selling of drugs.
  - o Disrespect or disobedience toward a staff member or member of the community.
  - o Deliberate damage or destruction of school or community property.
  - o Conduct, at school or in the community, that adversely affects the status of the school or community.
  - o Behavior that deteriorates the morals of the other students.
5. The Student Activity Information Form and Teacher Evaluation Forms are used by the Faculty Council to assist in the evaluation and selection of new members. New members are selected by a majority vote of the Faculty Council based on a student's qualifications in each of the following areas: Leadership, Scholarship, Service, and Character.