# **QUALIFICATIONS**

Membership in the National Honor Society (NHS) is based on a student's fulfillment of four requirements. Members of the junior and senior class who meet all four requirements and complete an application will be considered for the National Honor Society. The four basic requirements for membership are scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

### 1. SCHOLARSHIP

Students are eligible to apply for NHS membership if they demonstrate academic achievement through their grade point average.

Junior Year Induction GPA Requirement: A cumulative grade point average of 3.5 must be earned during your last academic year.

Senior Year Induction GPA Requirement: A cumulative grade point average of 3.5 must be earned during your last academic year.

Grade point average will not be rounded to meet the minimum requirement.

## 2. LEADERSHIP

According to the National Honor Society standards, the student who exercises leadership:

- \* demonstrates initiative in promoting school activities
- \* exercises influence on peers in upholding school ideals
- \* exemplifies positive attitudes
- \* inspires positive behavior in others
- \* successfully holds school offices or positions of responsibility; conducts business effectively and efficiently; and demonstrates reliability and dependability
- \* is a leader at work and in school or community activities
- \* is thoroughly dependable in any responsibility accepted is willing to uphold scholarship and maintain a loyal school attitude

## 3. SERVICE

The National Honor Society standards require that a student:

- \* volunteers and provides dependable and well organized assistance, is gladly available, and is willing to sacrifice to offer assistance
- \* works well with others and is willing to take on difficult or inconspicuous responsibilities
- \* cheerfully and enthusiastically renders any requested service to the school
- \* participates in some activity outside of school: Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, youth groups affiliated with religious institutions, volunteer services for the aged, poor, or disadvantaged
- \* mentors persons in the community or students at other schools
- \* shows courtesy by assisting visitors, teachers, and students.

### 4. CHARACTER

Each eligible student will be evaluated by the faculty and administration according to the National Honor Society standards for good character, which state the student of character:

- \* takes criticism willingly and accepts recommendations graciously
- \* upholds principles of morality and ethics
- \* demonstrates the highest standards of honesty and reliability
- \* exhibits concentration and sustained attention as shown by perseverance and application to studies
- \* manifests truthfulness in acknowledging obedience to rules, avoiding cheating in written work, and showing unwillingness to profit by the mistakes of others
- \* actively helps rid the school of bad influences or environment