

# Christian Heritage School National Honor Society Parent and Student Information

## Selection of Members

1. To be eligible for membership, the candidate must be a member of the sophomore, junior, or senior class, and must have at least two semester's grades at CHS.
2. Candidates must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.50.
3. Candidates are then invited to submit a form listing their accomplishments in the areas of leadership, character, and service.
4. The upper school faculty will be given a list of the interested students, and will be asked to submit an evaluation of their EFFORT, LEADERSHIP, CHARACTER, and SERVICE. This evaluation will be based on a 5-point scale.
5. The selection shall be by a majority vote of the faculty council.
6. A description of the selection procedure shall be available in the Parent/Student Handbook.
7. The National Council and the NASSP shall not review the judgment of the faculty council regarding selection of members.
8. Induction will be held in the spring of the students' freshman, sophomore, or junior year. All new members are admitted as provisional members.

## Dismissal

1. The procedure for dismissal shall consist of a written warning by the chapter advisor concerning a member's deficiency. A reasonable amount of time shall be given in order for the member to correct the deficiency. In the case of flagrant violation of school rules or civic law, a member does not have to be warned.
2. If the infraction continues to occur, an interview with the student by the faculty council shall be held. At this point, the faculty council may recommend probation or dismissal.

## Admission to the Society

1. All new members are admitted as provisional members.
2. For full membership, they must:
  - A. Have an active, ongoing, individual service project which involves them in personal service to another person or group for at least 10 hours per quarter. This could include volunteering at a hospital, tutoring, or babysitting (in certain situations). It would not involve anything for which they receive pay or such things as singing in a choir or playing a sport. They will be asked to complete a form each quarter, and will be asked to have the person who is in charge of

this service sign off for each hour of service. (See sample form) The personal service contract is expected to continue throughout their active NHS involvement.

B. Participate in all NHS meetings and activities or projects. They shall not miss more than two meetings or a combination of one meeting and one activity/project in any year.

C. Maintain a GPA at or above 3.50 for each grading period, and not receive a D or F as a semester grade in any class.

D. Not acquire demerits (those caused by willful acts such as gum chewing, uniform violations, disrespect, etc.), any detentions or any suspensions.

E. Display a servant's heart and a willing spirit in all NHS activities.

3. A review of provisional members will take place after one quarter. If the membership requirements have not been satisfied, then the provisional member will be allowed to rectify any deficiencies within an additional quarter. If requirements are not satisfied at the end of this additional quarter, it will be assumed that the provisional member no longer wishes to pursue full membership, and she/he will be dismissed from National Honor Society.
4. The student may not state that he or she is a member of the National Honor Society until the provisional status is lifted.

### Member Obligations

1. Each member is expected to attend all meetings, activities, and projects. A member who misses more than two meetings or a combination of one meeting and one activity/project during a school year will be reviewed by the faculty council. (Excuses may be given to the chapter advisor for consideration.)
2. Each member must have a personal service project, which will obligate him or her to 10 hours of service per quarter. These should reflect his or her personal talents and interests. These may include mission trips taken during the school year (include only the time spent working with others, not sightseeing or sleeping, etc.) teaching Sunday School, tutoring, babysitting (no pay), etc. Group projects may be applied to this total upon the approval of the chapter advisor. It is the member's responsibility to provide appropriate documentation of this project to the chapter advisor each quarter.
3. Each member must continue to maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.50.
4. Each member is expected to adhere to both the intent as well as the "letter of the law" pertaining to school rules and expectations.