

The National Honor Society chapter of Morningside Academy is opening its membership to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: Scholarship, Leadership, Service and Character. Standards of selection are established by the national office of NHS and have been revised to meet our local chapter needs. Students are selected to be members by a Faculty Council, appointed by the principal, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school.

Students in the 10, 11 and 12 grades are eligible for membership. For the scholarship selection a student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale. Those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Student Activity Information Form.

The National Junior Honor Society chapter of Morningside Academy is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is opened to those students who meet the required standards in five areas of evaluation: scholarship, leadership, service, citizenship, and character. Standards for selection are established by the national office of NJHS and have been revised to meet our local chapter needs. Students are selected to be members by a 5-member Faculty Council, appointed by the principal, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each semester.

Students in the second semester of sixth grade or grades seven and eight are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative scholastic average of at least 85 percent. Those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Student Activity Information Form that provides the Faculty Council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. A history of leadership experiences and participation in school or community service is also required.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the Faculty Council uses two forms of input. First, school disciplinary records are reviewed. Second, members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, citizenship, and leadership. These forms and the Student Activity Information 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 nonselection according to a pre-determined schedule.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at the school to recognize all the newly selected members. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all five criteria that led to their selection. This obligation includes regular attendance at chapter meetings held monthly during the school year, and participation in the chapter service projects. Students or parents who have questions regarding the selection process or membership obligations can contact the chapter adviser, Ms. Abby Goodwin, in room E4 or by phone at (772) 335-2096.