



Bayport-Blue Point High School

A National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

National Honor Society Membership Criteria Adopted January 2018

The criteria for entrance into the National Honor Society is as follows:

- **Scholarship:** Students must have a cumulative, unweighted average of 90. Membership is open to members of the Junior Class.

Unweighted averages are computed by adding all final course grades. Courses in progress will be calculated by the average of the quarters for which grades have been given. The sum of final course grades is then multiplied by the credits for the course. The sum of all courses is then divided by the total credits.

- **Leadership:** A minimum of two leadership experiences is *suggested* for the classes of 2018 and 2019. For the class of 2020 and future graduating classes, this will be a requirement. A student can exhibit leadership in the following ways:
 - They are resourceful and/or dependable and/or responsible in proposing new solutions to problems, and making suggestions for improvement.
 - They demonstrate leadership and positive influences in promoting school activities.
 - They exercise a positive influence on peers in upholding school ideals.
 - They demonstrate leadership in the classroom, at work, and in the school or through community activities.
- **Service:** A minimum of 15 hours of community service prior to membership is *suggested* for the class of 2018 and 2019. For the class of 2020, as well as future graduating classes, this will be a requirement. Service can be individual or group projects done either in or outside of school. Generally, service activities are those that are done for or on behalf of others (not including immediate family members) for which no compensation (monetary or otherwise) has been given.
- **Character:** The student of character:
 - Takes criticism willingly and accepts recommendations.
 - Consistently exemplifies desirable qualities of behavior (cheerfulness, friendliness, poise).
 - Cooperates by complying with school regulations.
 - Upholds principles of ethics.
 - Is truthful.

Selection Process

The principal will select a five member faculty council to review the chapter bylaws, application, and applicants each school year.

Students who have met the scholarship criteria of an unweighted GPA of 90 are invited to apply in March of their junior year.

The application, along with school records and anecdotal faculty feedback, will be reviewed by the faculty council.

The faculty council will select new members by majority vote.

Once the faculty council completes the selection process, students will be notified of their selection or non-selection via letter.

New members will be inducted into the NHS at a formal induction ceremony.