



The following information regarding the selection procedure for the Hopewell Chapter of the National Honor Society is being provided in accordance with Article IX, section 4 of the Constitution of the National Honor Society.

I. Scholarship

1. 3.600 GPA or higher
2. Rating: Each student receives a rating equivalent to his/her GPA

II. Character & Behavior

1. Each student receives an automatic 4.0 rating unless any history of behavioral problems exist, including school or police related reports.
2. A deduction of 0.3 will be made for each negative comment up to a maximum of THREE (0.9) negative comments.
3. If a student receives four or more negative comments, he/she will receive a 0.0 for character.
4. Late Applications: 0.1 points will be deducted for each day the application is late.
5. Suspension: 0.2 points per day of suspension will be deducted for in-school suspensions. A student will receive a 0.0 for any out-of-school suspensions.

III. Leadership

1. Each student will receive a 4.0 for holding any combination of two or more offices (or one office and one letter) in a
 - a. Service organization
 - b. Hopewell High School clubs
 - c. Hopewell High School athletic teams
2. Each student will receive a 3.5 for holding one office in a
 - a. Service organization
 - b. Hopewell High School clubs
 - c. (or) the achievement of a Letterman award from any Hopewell High School athletic teams
3. Each student will receive a 3.0 for being a member of two or more of the following for a minimum of two years, but not holding a letter or an office
 - a. Service organization
 - b. Hopewell High School clubs
 - c. Hopewell High School athletic teams
4. Each student will receive a 2.5 for being a member of one of the following for a minimum of two years, but not holding a letter or office
 - a. Service organization
 - b. Hopewell High School clubs
 - c. Hopewell High School athletic teams
5. Each student will receive a 0.0 for no participation as per 1-4.

IV. Service

1. Note: The student may use either school or community service for the Service Requirement; however, ratings from each area are not cumulative.

a. Example: A student receives a 3.4 for school, and a 3.2 for community. The higher rating, in this case a 3.4, will be used for the student's Service rating.

2. Hour Rubric

Total 80 hours+ = 4.0

70-79= 3.8

60-69= 3.6

50-59= 3.4

40-49= 3.2

30-39= 3.0

Less than 30= 0.0

V. Essay

1. Essays will be evaluated based on content, neatness, spelling, grammar, and clarity.

2. Essays will be evaluated by a member of the Faculty Committee.

3. Essays will be scored using a Domain Scoring Rubric on a 4.0 scale

VI. Tally

1. The student's ratings from each section will be added together to maintain a sum total. Each student's sum will then be divided by five (5).

2. An average of no less than a 3.6 will be necessary for admittance into the National Honor Society

3. Note: The committee will examine each application to assure that it was completed in a manner appropriate with the dignity and ideals representative of this organization.

VII. Maintaining Membership upon Admittance

1. Students must MAINTAIN the four qualifications of induction

- a. Character
- b. Scholarship (3.6 GPA)
- c. Service (in-school and community work through extracurricular activities and volunteer work)
- d. Leadership (school organizations, sports, offices and attendance)

2. Attendance at meetings

- a. Attendance is mandatory
- b. Meetings will be called as deemed necessary, and usually last from 2:20-2:45 p.m.
- c. Practices cannot be used as excuses from a meeting
- d. Missing a meeting will result in the requirement of making up 'time'
 - 1. Service of one hour will be assigned
 - 2. A note signed by the director of the facility will indicate the completion of the assigned service
 - 3. If a problem should arise due to health or family matters, contact the sponsor immediately.
 - 4. The sponsor must be notified prior to the meeting if a member is unable to attend any meeting.

VIII. Chapter Obligations

- 1. Members are expected to participate in all Service Projects and fundraising projects as applicable.
- 2. Failure to take part in the projects and fundraising activities could result in suspension or the forfeiting of membership in the organization.

IX. School Regulations

1. Violations of school rules, as listed in the Student Handbook, will be investigated by the Sponsor and Faculty Committee.
2. The Faculty Committee will judge each violation.
 - a. The resulting decisions may involve probation, additional Service Projects, or expulsion from NHS.
3. The student will be notified in writing of the decision of the Faculty Committee and the Principal.

X. Scholarship

1. Members of the National Honor Society are expected to maintain a 3.6 average
 - a. If the average falls below a 3.6, the member will be put on probation for the next nine-week grading period and is expected to reestablish at least a 3.60 GPA
 - b. If the member fails to bring up the GPA, the membership will be forfeited.