

ARCHBISHOP JOHN CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL
JOHN CARROLL CHAPTER

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

◆ **Basic Requirements for Eligibility:**

1. A student must have been in attendance at this school for a period equivalent to one semester.
2. Any junior or senior who has a minimum cumulative grade point average of 92, or above, is notified that he/she is **scholastically** eligible and he/she is invited to complete and submit the *Student Activity Information Form* for consideration for selection into the National Honor Society.

◆ **Selection of Students for National Honor Society:**

3. If all basic eligibility requirements are met, a student is **considered** for membership on the basis of character, leadership and service to the school, as determined through faculty and staff input.
4. Additionally, to be considered a student must have the approval of the Principal and the Assistant Principal for Student Services. A student who has accumulated thirty or more demerits for the previous year may be disqualified from consideration.

Scholastically eligible students must be involved in at least **TWO** activities, one of which must be service. The activities are to be cumulative and active throughout the year. If the activity is for a season, then there should be at least three activities. The activity should meet with frequency.

4. Students must complete all application forms and submit them to the moderator by the due date. These will include service activity forms as well as teacher recommendation forms. In addition to these forms, the entire faculty will be solicited for additional comments that will be reviewed by the voting Faculty Council.
5. A Faculty Council of five voting faculty members (the Chapter Adviser is an ex-officio non-voting sixth member) meets to review the Student Activity Information forms, the faculty evaluations, and any other verifiable information about each candidate.
6. Candidates receiving a MAJORITY vote of the Faculty Council will be inducted into the chapter.

“While the academic criterion is important and should be considered first, membership should never be considered on the basis of grades alone . . . Schools that select membership solely on the basis of scholarship are violating the Constitutions and placing their Chapter in jeopardy.” [NHS Handbook]

◆ **Membership Requirements:**

- ⇒ A student must maintain his/her academic standing.
- ⇒ A student must present a verified service sheet indicating at least five hours of service per quarter.
- ⇒ A member must attend regularly scheduled NHS meetings. There will be at least one meeting per month. Attendance at meetings is required.
- ⇒ If a member misses two meetings, he/she will be put on probation. Excused absences are given by the moderator only.
- ⇒ A member must conduct himself/herself in a manner befitting an outstanding member of the student body.
- ⇒ A member must uphold the mission of the school.

◆ **Dismissal from NHS:**

1. A student may be placed on probation or dismissed from the NHS if he/she
 - ◇ Falls below the basic standards of election
 - ◇ Drops significantly in class rank
 - ◇ Accumulates 20 or more demerits
 - ◇ Fails to attend two tutoring sessions to which he/she was assigned
 - ◇ Misses two or more general meetings without excused absence
 - ◇ Fails to comply with school’s policy on **Educational Integrity**
2. All cases of dismissal will be reviewed individually by the NHS moderator and the school Administration.
3. If a student is to be dismissed both the student AND his/her parents will be notified in writing.