



ACPHS NHS Selection Procedure Description 2025

The **National Honor Society** chapter of **Arizona College Prep HS** is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of the National Honor Society.

Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Students are selected for membership by majority vote of a Faculty Council, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each year. The chapter advisers, Mrs. Klauer and Mrs. Fernandez, facilitate all selection procedures and chapter activities during the year.

Students currently in grades 10 and 11 are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative (weighted) GPA of 3.8 or higher on a 5.0 scale. Those students who meet this criterion are eligible to complete the following:

- Candidate Information Form
- Candidate Application Form
- Two (2) Teacher Recommendations

These forms provide the Faculty Council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. A history of leadership experience and participation in school or community service is also required.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the Faculty Council obtains additional professional input. First, official school disciplinary records are reviewed. Second, members of the faculty are requested to provide their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, citizenship, and leadership. These forms and the Candidate Forms are carefully reviewed by the Faculty Council to determine whether each candidate meets the criteria for membership. **A majority vote of the Council is necessary for selection.** Following a review of the results of the Faculty Council, candidates are notified regarding selection or non-selection according to a predetermined schedule. Please note: The faculty advisers (Mrs. Fernandez and Mrs. Schildgen) are NOT part of the Faculty Council; they consult with the Council, but do not directly evaluate candidates. The Faculty Council determines if candidates are qualified through anonymous applications.

Once the notification process is completed, 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 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(s) and completing the required 10 service hours per semester.

Students or parents who have questions regarding the selection process or membership obligations can contact the chapter advisers:

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