

Process for Applying to NHS

Sophomore and Junior students must have completed the 50 hours of required community service by the end of the first semester of their Sophomore or Junior year. That means the hours have been turned in no later than on the last day of the first semester of their Sophomore or Junior year. The hours will be logged by the community service administrator, Mrs. Nancy Morrison.

Then the advisor of the NHS, Mrs. Bearden, review the GPAs of the students who have completed their community service hours to determine if the students are eligible. Students must have a minimum 3.8 GPA.

A list of possible applicants is sent to the faculty to have them contact the NHS advisers if there is any issue with character.

The students that meet all the criteria - service hours, academic qualification, and good character - will be sent an invitation to apply for the LHS chapter of the NHS. This application must be returned on or before the due date; no late applications will be accepted. Submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance into the NHS.

Completed applications then go to the 5-member Faculty Council who ultimately make the decision as to who is admitted. The applications are blind, so the faculty members do not know the identity of the applicants.

Successful applicants will be notified in early May; induction in LHS NHS will be in June.

Steps in brief:

1. A candidate must have completed all 50 hours of required community service by the due date.
2. The candidate must have a GPA of 3.8 or above (on a 5 point scale)
3. The candidate must have good character - no teacher has complained against the student.
4. The student is invited to apply - 2 weeks to do this, no extensions, must meet the deadline.
5. All applications are sent to the Faculty Council for review - they are blind, no names attached.
6. The Faculty Council meets and approves or not. NHS advisers have no say in the decisions made.
7. Candidates who have been approved will be informed and inducted before the end of the school year, probably in June.
8. Candidates who have not been approved may be asked to re-apply within 3 days or the following year.