

# Center High School National Honor Society

The National Honor Society chapter of Center High School is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Standards for selection are established by the national office of NHS and have been revised to meet our local chapter needs. Students are selected to be members by a five-member Faculty Council, appointed by the principal, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each November. Students in the 11th and 12th grades who have attended Center High School for at least one semester are eligible for membership.

For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. Those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Student Activity Information Form that provides the Faculty Council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. A history of leadership experiences and participation in school or community service is also required and such experiences are verified by the signature of the teacher or adult in charge of the activities.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the Faculty Council uses two forms of input. First, school disciplinary records are reviewed. Second, members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, and leadership. These forms and the Student Activity Information Forms are carefully reviewed by the Faculty Council to determine membership. A majority vote of the Council is necessary for selection. Candidates are notified regarding selection or non-selection according to a predetermined schedule.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at Center High 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 four criteria that led to their selection. This obligation includes attendance at chapter meetings held during the school year, and participation in the chapter service project: The National Honor Society Center High School Community Blood Drive. Students or parents who have questions regarding the selection process or membership obligations can contact the chapter adviser, Mrs. Chirpich in Room 207 or by phone at 816 349-3349 or by email [kchirpich@center.k1.mo.us](mailto:kchirpich@center.k1.mo.us).