NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY - SELECTION/DISMISSAL PROCESS

- 1. Membership in our local chapter is an honor bestowed upon a student. Selection for membership is by faculty council and is based on outstanding scholarship, character, leadership and service. Once selected, members have the responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities. A minimum GPA of 3.5 is required for membership in the Alleman Chapter of the National Honor Society.
- 2. Each year at the end of the first semester, sophomores, juniors, and seniors with the minimum GPA will be invited to be members in NHS. Eligible students will be sent an invitation to attend an informational meeting. Students desiring membership will be given an Activity Packet from the NHS Advisor. The Packet must be completed and returned to the NHS Advisor by the date indicated on the Packet to be considered for membership.
- 3. After reviewing the Activity Packet and the Faculty/Staff Evaluations, the NHS Faculty Council will decide each student's membership status. Students will be notified in writing of the outcome of the vote. Sophomores and Juniors selected will be considered Provisional Candidates for one year, while Seniors selected will be inducted during a ceremony in the Spring.
- 4. To be considered for NHS membership students <u>must</u> meet minimum Activity Packet requirements. Those requirements are as follows: (a) involvement in four co-curricular and community activities; (b) one leadership position or leadership demonstrated through involvement in a group or committee.
- 5. All members are expected to earn between 40 to 50 Activity Points each semester. (One hour of work or service earn four points). Required activities for all members include the Senior Citizen's Dinner in the first semester and the Sadie Hawkins Dance in the second semester.
- 6. At the end of the first semester, after reviewing Faculty/Staff evaluations and Activity Points, the NHS Faculty Council will vote whether provisional candidates will become active members, and also whether present active members will continue membership in NHS.
- 7. Active members not receiving a majority vote will be placed on probation for one semester. Notice on the probation will be in writing. Provisional members not receiving a majority vote will not be inducted as active members and must reapply for provisional membership the following year.
- 8. At evaluation time any active member who has been on probation for a semester and who does not receive a majority vote by the NHS Faculty Council is liable for dismissal. A student who is liable for dismissal may address the Council in his/her behalf before a decision to dismiss is made. Parents may be present, but the primary focus of the meeting is to allow the member to present his/her case.
 - A dismissed member, his/her parents, and the principal will receive written notice of a dismissal. The member must surrender the NHS pin and membership card. The dismissed member may appeal the decision of the Faculty Council to the Principal.
- 9. If the GPA falls below 3.5 there is a semester of probation (see #7). To become a graduate member of NHS, a senior must graduate with an absolute minimum cumulative GPA of 3.500. The 3.5 GPA must be maintained through the eighth semester.
- 10. A member who commits a flagrant violation of school rules or civil laws in or out of school is not entitled to a warning or time of probation before his/her dismissal. The student, parents, and the principal will receive notice of the dismissal.