

The National Honor Society chapter of Pottstown 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. Students are selected for membership by majority vote of a 5-member Faculty Council, appointed by the principal, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each October.

Students in grades 10, 11, and 12 are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 93% or better. Each fall, those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Candidate Form that provides the Faculty Council with information regarding the candidate's leadership, character, and service. The application will require each student to provide information about any activities, club, jobs, etc. that will demonstrate the other three pillars of service, leadership, and character. A biographical data sheet will serve as the basis for this information, but additional documentation will be accepted and encouraged. Provided the data sheet is submitted on or before the required date, the council will review each application. To reduce unconscious bias, every application and its accompanying data will be anonymous as each student will be issued a candidate number that will be used on all documents.

These Candidate Forms are carefully reviewed by the Faculty Council to determine membership. A majority vote of the Council is necessary for selection. Those students selected will have their names submitted to the high school principal for final approval/denial. Candidates are notified regarding selection or non-selection according to a predetermined schedule.

Following notification, 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 four criteria that led to their selection.