



National Honor Society at Irondequoit High School

An active service organization, NHS meets twice a month to discuss programs and plan functions.

NHS Tutoring Center

Arranges for members to work one-on-one with their peers in need of academic assistance.

NHS Service Committee

Organizes school and community service projects, which members carry out.

NHS Induction Committee

Plans, sets up and carries out the induction ceremonies for new members.

NHS Social Committee

Plans get-togethers and outings for members.

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CHARACTER
SCHOLARSHIP
LEADERSHIP
SERVICE

IRONDEQUOIT HIGH SCHOOL

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY PLEDGE

*I pledge to maintain my high scholastic standing,
To hold as fundamental and worthy
An untarnished character,
To endeavor intelligently and courageously
To be a leader,
And to give of myself freely in service to others.
In so doing, I shall prove myself worthy
Of a place in the National Honor Society.*

West Irondequoit Central School District

NHS is more than just an honor society.

National Honor Society was founded in 1921 based on the development and recognition of four key traits in high school students:

- Character
- Leadership
- Scholarship
- Service

Irondequoit High School juniors are selected for National Honor Society based on four criteria:

- Academic performance
- Character, integrity and work ethic
- Leadership and activities
- Service to the community

Any junior with an academic average of 92% or above, after five semesters of high school, is eligible to be nominated for National Honor Society.

Selection is made by a rigorous & confidential selection process.

Nominations of eligible candidates are brought forward in February of a student's junior year. Nominations go to a faculty committee and undergo a rigorous review process, including faculty feedback, based on established rubrics defined by and aligned with NHS standards. Eligibility for NHS does not guarantee induction.

NHS membership challenges students to further develop involvement in school & community.

In addition to academic excellence, candidates must exhibit strength of character by being actively involved in extra-curricular pursuits that give something back to the community. These types of activities should demonstrate discipline, self-sacrifice and generosity of spirit. The selection committee will also review feedback from teachers and other adults regarding the candidate's character, citizenship and leadership. Students will be required to complete an application to their counselor, as well as a letter of recommendation from an adult who can attest to the student's commitment to service.

Any sustained activity adds value to the candidate, such as:

- Volunteering
- Athletics
- Drama productions or music
- A leadership role in a church/community organization

The achievement of honors and awards are also important factors in presenting a strong and outstanding student profile.

Once inducted, members are required to attend all meetings, to perform community service and adhere to the Irondequoit High School Code of Conduct as a requirement to maintain their membership. Students are subject to review according to the NHS disciplinary policy.