**PROCEDURE FOR MEMBERSHIP SELECTION**

**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** Juniors and Seniors with a 3.5 or higher cumulative grade point average who also

have outstanding scholarship, leadership, character, and service are eligible. All four

characteristics are evaluated equally.

**2.** **SELECTION FORM:** Download and complete the following information packet from Grimsley Torchlight Chapter National Honor Society website (<https://tinyurl.com/ghsnationalhonorsociety>). Note: Typing your information into the candidate packet is REQUIRED.

* your most outstanding activities in school, community, and religious organizations
* any leadership positions you hold or have held and the dates of office
* any awards and honors you have won
* the number of hours per week/month you spend on volunteer service
* any work experience, dates, and hours per week
* be sure to cite examples in all four areas: scholarship, leadership, character, and service
* be sure signatures are included to verify your grade point average, school and volunteer

work, religious organizations and work experience be sure that you and a parent sign the candidate form (please include a short explanation of any signatures you are unable to obtain and have your parent sign)

* You must also write an essay explaining why you should be a member of Grimsley’s National Honor Society. Be sure to focus your essay on how you exemplify scholarship, leadership, character, and service. You should try to be as specific as possible in your essay. This is your chance to sell yourself to the faculty selection committee and better explain how you demonstrate the characteristics of a National Honor Society member. See the essay’s rubric for the prompt and details of what should be included.
* Please have 2 teachers (at least one from your Junior year) fill out the Recommendation Forms, place them in envelopes you provide, sign and seal them, and return them to you. Please include the completed forms in the sealed envelope in your candidate packet.

1. **DEADLINE**: Return your form to Ms. Allen or Mr. Sharpnack by **January 16, 2025 in a sealed envelope with your first and last name printed clearly.** The National Honor Society Selection Committee will review all materials and notify you of their decision.
2. Scroll down to confirm your application submission by completing the Google Form below. The Google Form is accessible via QR Code.

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Name of English Teacher at *Grimsley* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ First Period Teacher \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

English Period:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL INFORMATION

Weighted GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Counselor’s signature verifying GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been arrested?\*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If so, when and why were you arrested?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever received an Out-of-School suspension (OSS)?\* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If so, when and why did you receive OSS? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever received an In-School Suspension (ISS)?\* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If so, when and why did you receive ISS? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\*If you answered yes to any of the above questions, you must attach a letter explaining each situation in detail.\*

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| Clubs and Activities: | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | Leadership Position/Year | Advisor Signature |
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# VOLUNTEER WORK

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| Community: | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | Leadership Position/Year | Advisor Signature |
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| Religious Organizations: | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | Leadership Position/Year | Advisor Signature |
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| Work Experience: | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | Leadership Position/Year | Advisor Signature |
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# ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS/HONORS

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**I attest that the information I have provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.**

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Recommending Teacher Form

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_has submitted a candidate form for Grimsley's National Honor Society. Please supply the following information.

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

For how long and in what capacity have you known this student? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How would you rate the candidate in terms of their:



Please write a few relevant comments about the above candidate.

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For how long and in what capacity have you known this student? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How would you rate the candidate in terms of their:



Please write a few relevant comments about the above candidate.

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National Honor Society Personal Essay

As part of your application, you will write an ESSAY addressing the following prompt:

**Every organization has specific criteria for membership. Because it is an honor society, NHS invites people for membership who demonstrate outstanding character, scholarship, leadership, and service; all of these qualities are of equally important. You are to construct a well-developed multi-paragraph essay that elaborates on the specific ways in which you demonstrate these four important qualities.**

In addition, your essay must satisfy these requirements.

a. No plagiarism.

b. 400-500 words long [with a word count]

c. Demonstrate the conventions of Standard English grammar.

d. Include a concise thesis, a clear indication of main points to be considered, and specific elaborations to support these main points.

The essay will be read and evaluated using the rubric below.

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| Candidate: | Structure | Mission | Tone |
| \_\_\_EXCEEDS expectations | Candidate must  \_\_\_ have a typed essay of 400 minimum to 500 maximum words WITH a word count written on the essay.  \_\_\_demonstrate excellent, accurate command of the conventions of standard English grammar in an  appropriate register. | Candidate must \_\_\_construct a clear statement, a concise thesis, of intent with specific reasons why he/she should be invited to join NHS  \_\_\_ explain and elaborate upon main points in a well- developed, engaging, multi paragraph essay. | Candidate must \_\_\_demonstrate an authentic, sincere tone without overstating, exaggerating or over sentimentalizing. |
| \_\_\_MEETS expectations | Candidate must  \_\_\_ have a typed essay of 400 minimum to 500 maximum words WITH a word count written on the essay  \_\_\_demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar in an appropriate register. | Candidate must \_\_\_construct a clear statement of intent with reasons why he/she should be invited to join NHS  \_\_\_ explain points in a developed, engaging, multi-paragraph essay. | Candidate must \_\_\_demonstrate an authentic, sincere tone without overstating, exaggerating or over sentimentalizing. |
| \_\_\_DOES NOT MEET expectations at this time | Candidate -has not written an essay of the required length OR -has not demonstrated an acceptable control of standard English in a formal essay OR -Has not demonstrated an appropriate register | Candidate -has not constructed a clear statement with specific reasons OR -has not supported the points he/she has stated, OR -has not developed a multi – paragraph essay | Candidate -has simply written a mechanical essay -has overstated exaggerated OR -has presented a flippant response that ignores the formality of the assignment. |