

Saratoga Central Catholic

NHS and NJHS Candidate Selection Process

To be a member of Saratoga Central Catholic's National Honor Society (NHS) or National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) is more than just being a top academic student. Academics are the **first step** to becoming a member. To make the initial eligibility for consideration at Saratoga Central Catholic High School, student's must have a cumulative average of a 90 or higher and must maintain their GPA of 90 or higher while a member of NHS/NJHS.

Once a student has been selected for consideration for possible induction into Saratoga Central Catholic's NHS/NJHS there are many steps that occur in the selection process for each candidate.

Step 2

Each candidate and a parent need to attend the information session with NHS/NJHS Adviser's and Principal. In this meeting the Candidate form will be given to all candidates and the selection process will be explained.

Step 3

Each candidate will complete the candidate form and turn in to the Adviser by the due date established by Saratoga Central Catholic.

Step 4

A list of all eligible candidates will be distributed to all teachers with a copy of the NHS/NJHS definitions of Leadership, Character and Service to evaluate a yes or no in each category. Teachers can also write comments about the candidates that will be discussed in the Faculty Selection Council.

Step 5

The Adviser of NHS/NJHS will select 5 anonymous teachers for each group (NHS and NJHS) to serve on the Faculty Selection Council. Each teacher will be given a copy of each completed Candidate Form to review before the Faculty Selection Council meeting.

Step 6

The Faculty Selection Council will meet to discuss each candidate individually in one meeting. The teachers will review the Candidate Form, full faculty evaluation and vote yes or no as to whether or not a student is eligible for NHS/NJHS. The committee votes on the eligibility of all candidates individually. A student needs to receive 3 out of 5 votes to be eligible for NHS/NJHS.

Students who the Faculty Selection Committee decide do not meet the criteria for NHS/NJHS will then outline the candidate's Strengths and Areas in Need of Improvement discussed by the committee. The adviser writes both strengths and areas of improvement on selection form that is available for parents and students of a candidate, who do not meet the eligibility.

Step 7

A final list of eligible candidate's is generated, after the committee evaluations and discussions and votes are concluded.

Step 8

Letter's to all parents and students acknowledging either acceptance or non acceptance of NHS/NJHS is mailed to inform parents and students.

Parents and students of Non Acceptance students can meet with the Adviser and Principal to review the Strengths and Areas in Need of Improvement discussion sheet generated from Faculty Selection Committee.

Step 9

All students that are eligible for induction need to attend the induction ceremony to complete their candidacy.