



National Honor Society Eligibility 2016-2017

**COMPLETED APPLICATION DEADLINE: December 9, 2016 at 3:30 PM
(NO LATE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED)**

RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO: NHS ADVISER – Celeste Robbins

**(Note: the completed application may also be given to the Front Office Staff to place in Celeste Robbins' faculty inbox)
QUESTIONS? Contact NHS Adviser, Celeste Robbins crobbs@saviochs.org**

The St. Dominic Savio Catholic High School Chapter of the National Honor Society was formed to honor those students who are outstanding in scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Selection to the National Honor Society is a privilege, not a right. Students do not apply for membership in the NHS; instead, they provide information to be used by a selection committee (Faculty Council) in determining whether or not a candidate is admitted to the National Honor Society (to support their candidacy) for membership. According to the NHS Constitution, the purpose of the National Honor Society is to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to develop character in the students of American secondary schools.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the St. Dominic Savio NHS Adviser, Celeste Robbins
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First Round of Eligibility

- 1) To be considered, the student must have earned a 96 weighted GPA and be considered in good standing both academically and with regards to discipline (not having served any time on academic probation and not having had any discipline issues)
- 2) Students must have completed one full semester at St. Dominic Savio prior to the invitation date in order to be eligible. If a transfer student was a member of NHS at a former school, eligibility will be reviewed on an individual basis.

Second Round of Eligibility

The Faculty Council will consider the following when reviewing candidates for induction to NHS:

Service:

- Does the candidate have the minimum number of service hours established by the selection process?
25 for Sophomores, 35 for Juniors, 45 for Seniors
- Does the candidate volunteer and provide dependable and well organized assistance with a positive and willing attitude?
- Does the candidate work well with others?
- Is the candidate willing to take on difficult or inconspicuous responsibility in which he/she may not receive outward praise?
- Does the candidate cheerfully and enthusiastically render any requested service to the school?
- Does the candidate mentor persons in the community or students at other schools?
- Does the candidate display courtesy by assisting visitors, teachers, and students?

Character:

- Does the candidate take constructive criticism willingly and accept recommendations graciously?
- Does the candidate consistently exemplify the 'desirable qualities' of behavior and that of a Servant Leader? (Examples of 'desirable qualities' – attentiveness, availability, benevolence, compassion, contentment, decisiveness, dependability, determination, diligence, enthusiasm, faith, forgiveness, generosity, humility, initiative, obedience, patience, resourcefulness, selflessness, sincerity, tolerance, truthfulness)
- Does the candidate uphold the principles of morality and ethics?
- Does the candidate set a positive example to others by being a good steward with regards to our school, school building, hallways, offices, etc...?

Leadership:

- *Does the candidate have at least three previous leadership roles documented on his/her application?*
- *Has at least one leadership role been a school activity?*
- Is the candidate resourceful in proposing new solutions and making suggestions?
- Does the candidate demonstrate initiative in promoting school activities?
- Does the candidate exercise positive influence on peers in upholding school ideals?
- Does the candidate contribute ideas that improve the civic life of the school?
- Is the candidate able to delegate responsibilities?

Application

Sophomore, Junior, or Senior Savio students who have been invited to do so are encouraged to apply for induction to the National Honor Society. The application is available via PDF download from the St. Dominic Savio website. Please note that applications will NOT be accepted after the completed application deadline.

A COMPLETED APPLICATION must include the following to be considered complete:

1. Completed and signed Candidate Application Form
2. Completed and signed Candidate Recommendation Form (in a sealed envelope)
3. Candidate Essay (with your name at top of essay)

Please place items 1, 2, and 3 listed above in ONE large envelope with the following information on the front of the envelope:

- Candidate's First and Last Name
- ATTENTION: NHS Adviser, Celeste Robbins