

MVHS National Honor Society Spring Semester Selection Process 2018-2019

Medina Valley High School: National Honor Society Selection Process

The standard for NHS membership is very high at Medina Valley. We look for students that excel in all the criteria of National Honor Society. These criteria are Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character.

The selection process at Medina Valley is as follows:

1. A list of Sophomores and Juniors with a weighted average of 4.0 or above without rounding is given to the sponsor from the counseling center. This is the main standard admittance.
2. A list of qualifying students is sent to the High School faculty for recommendations.
3. These students are invited to complete a **Student Activity Information Form (SAIF)** for NHS. At this time the sponsor will discuss the selection process and the SAIF with the students explaining the importance of the SAIF and what is required on it. The students may use the following rubric to aid in completing the SAIF. Students are encouraged to include as much information as possible to explain why they meet the criteria. It may be beneficial for applicants to meet with the sponsor when completing the SAIF for additional guidance or clarification.
4. When the SAIF is returned, names are covered, and the form is given a number. Teacher recommendations are attached with a number replacing the student's name. Copies of the SAIF are made and sent to the faculty committee, which consists of 5 teachers. (The sponsor is not part of this committee).
5. The Faculty committee screens the SAIF for those that are outstanding in service, leadership and character. The SAIF must illustrate a balance of school, community, and extracurricular activities. Applicants must provide neat, well written, and detailed information. The committee will use the Selection Process Rubric in their deliberations.

Characteristic	Criteria
Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> Weighted GPA meets the minimum requirement of 4.0
Character	<input type="checkbox"/> Positive Teacher recommendation <input type="checkbox"/> Complies with school regulations <input type="checkbox"/> Demonstrates the highest standards of honesty and reliability <input type="checkbox"/> Consistently exemplifies desirable qualities of behavior <input type="checkbox"/> Awards Received.
Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/> Held office in extra-curricular clubs and organizations and/or demonstrates leadership abilities at work, in the classroom or as a member of an organization, in or out of school. <input type="checkbox"/> Active membership in a variety of extra-curricular activities throughout high school with experience in directing and motivating others. <input type="checkbox"/> Awards received for Leadership. <input type="checkbox"/> Major accomplishments elaborated to indicate leadership duties on Student Activity Information Form. <input type="checkbox"/> Student Activity Information Form presented in professional manner.
Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Variety of Community Service both in and out of school. <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence of hours devoted to bettering the community. <input type="checkbox"/> Description of activities and the candidate's part in it elaborated on the Student Activity Information Form. <input type="checkbox"/> Awards received for Service.

6. The Faculty committee makes their selections as a committee. It takes three no votes for an applicant to be rejected.
7. Those that were not accepted this year will be invited to re-apply next year if their grades continue to meet the standard. The sponsor is available to meet with the students and go over their application and suggest how it could be improved for next year.