



# National Honor Society

## BRONX ACADEMY OF HEALTH CAREERS

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### NHS Selection Procedure Description

The **National Honor Society** chapter of **Bronx Academy of Health Careers** is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of the National Honor Society.

Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Students are selected for membership by majority vote of a 5-member Faculty Council, appointed annually by the principal, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each year. The chapter adviser, **Paulo Seminario** is also appointed by the principal and facilitates all selection procedures and chapter activities during the year.

Students in **10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>** are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 85 or better on a 100 scale. Those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a **Candidate Form** that provides the Faculty Council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. A history of leadership experience and participation in school or community service is also required.

*Part of Candidates requirements for leadership or service, is to participate in at least two student activity organizations each year" & "10 hours of documented school or community service." This specific requirement is based on the rubric/guidelines used by the selection committee in reaching their decisions.*

To evaluate a candidate's character, the Faculty Council obtains additional professional input. **First**, official school disciplinary records are reviewed. **Second**, members of the faculty are requested to provide their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, citizenship, leadership, all work should be original, and not something that used **AI generated material**. ***[Note: These evaluations from the faculty are not required and are options for chapters at the local level. Chapter may substitute teacher/adult recommendations in lieu of a total-staff evaluation system.]*** These forms and the Candidate Forms are carefully reviewed by the Faculty Council to determine whether each candidate meets the criteria for membership. A majority vote of the Council is necessary for selection. Following a review of the results of the Faculty Council voting by the principal, candidates are notified regarding selection or non-selection according to a predetermined schedule.

Once the notification process is completed, a formal induction ceremony is held at the school to recognize all the newly selected members. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all criteria that led to their selection. This obligation includes regular attendance at chapter meetings held **"Bi-Weekly" during the school year 2024-2025**, and participation in the chapter service projects(s). ***A full list of member obligations is provided to all candidates and is available from the chapter adviser upon request.*** Students or parents who have questions regarding the selection process or membership obligations can contact the chapter adviser, **Paulo Seminario in room 355** or by phone at **718-696-3340 ext.3551** or via email: **pseminario@schools.nyc.gov**