NHS Selection Procedure Description

The **National Honor Society** chapter of **TASIS Dorado** 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, Laura Burgos, is also appointed by the principal and facilitates all selection procedures and chapter activities during the year.

Students in 10th, 11th, and 12th grade are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.85 or better on a 4.0 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 experiences and participation in school or community service is also required.

All candidates must have a minimum of one activity for leadership and the service criteria. Also, a minimum of 10 hours of documented school or community service.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the Faculty Council obtains additional professional input. The official school disciplinary records are reviewed. 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 the newly selected members. After induction, members are expected to maintain or exceed the standards that led to their selection. This includes attending chapter meetings held on E days during the school year, active participation in chapter service projects and school activities, paying dues, completing an individual community service project, and submitting an end-of-year report. Members must also complete 15 hours of community service.

Students or parents who have questions regarding the selection process or membership obligations can contact the chapter adviser, Laura Burgos, via email at burgos.l@tasisdorado.com.