

Selection to NHS is a privilege. Students do not apply for membership in the National Honor Society; instead, they provide information to be used by the local selection committee to support their candidacy for membership. Membership is granted only to those students selected by the Faculty Council in each school. This is not an election, nor is membership automatically conveyed simply because a student has achieved a specified level of academic performance. Students selected for membership will be notified on or before November 1, 2025.

Candidates for Membership must:

- be current juniors or seniors at Deep Run High School
- have attended Deep Run High School for at least 1 semester
- have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.70 (weighted or unweighted)

To be considered for membership, complete all of the following tasks by **Tuesday September 23rd at 3:55 pm**. This is a firm deadline and no exceptions will be made for late submissions. *All submissions must be submitted by the student while logged in to the Henrico google account. No submissions from parents will be accepted.*

- ☐ **Fill out the Candidate Demographic Information** on this google form: [2025-2026 National Honor Society Candidacy Packet](#).
- ☐ **Complete the [Candidate Activity Form](#)**. This form will be printed and turned in to Mrs. Earle in Room 222 by the deadline above. Forms dropped off at school and given to the main office or placed in Mrs. Earle's mailbox will not be accepted. Forms must be submitted in person by the student to room 222 by the deadline.
- ☐ **Complete 3 Narrative Essays**. Choose 3 activities that you have participated in while in high school that demonstrate your commitment to service in our community and/or how you have demonstrated leadership or leadership characteristics through your involvement. Each essay should reference 1 of the 3 activities you have chosen and can be a maximum of 500 words. [Essays must be typed using this template](#), printed, and turned in with the Candidate Activity Form to Mrs. Earle in room 222 by the deadline.
- ☐ **Submit all completed Community Service Hours** to the school counseling office.

The four criteria that NHS membership is based on are listed below along with a description of how each will be evaluated:

Scholarship

All students who have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.70 or higher (weighted or unweighted) are eligible for membership

Service

Documentation of community service hours completed by each student will be submitted to the school community service coordinator. The number of hours recorded with the coordinator on September 23rd will be part of the student's candidate packet. *It is suggested that if you have hours that have not yet been recorded with the school, that you submit those well in advance of the deadline to make sure they are processed.*

Leadership

Students will show leadership through a written narrative (1500 word maximum).

Character

Members of faculty and staff of Deep Run High School will provide an evaluation of the character for each eligible student based on observations of interactions with peers and adults. The following qualities will be accounted for in the character evaluation: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship.

In addition, character will be evaluated based on the student's record of conduct and behavior with regard to school and community rules, guidelines, and policies and/or the demonstration of sufficient growth and improvement compensating for previous inadequacies.