



# The Master's Academy Chapter of The National Honor Society



## Membership

1. Membership in this local chapter is an honor bestowed upon a student. Selection is based on outstanding scholarship, service, leadership, and character.
2. To be eligible for selection to membership in this chapter, the candidate must have been in attendance for a period of one semester at TMA.
3. Candidates eligible for election to this chapter must be members of the sophomore, junior or senior class. Candidates eligible for election to the chapter shall have a MINIMUM cumulative grade point average of 3.5 (out of 4.0, unweighted grade point average). This scholastic level of achievement shall remain fixed, and shall be the required minimum scholastic level of achievement for admission to candidacy. All students who can rise in scholarship to or above such standard may be admitted to candidacy for selection to membership. Their eligibility shall then be considered on their leadership, character, and a MINIMUM of 15 documented service hours per school year as a TMA student.
4. Candidates become members when inducted at a ceremony.

## Selection of Members

1. The final selection of members to this chapter shall be by a majority vote of the Faculty Council consisting of five faculty members appointed by the Principal. The Chapter Adviser shall be the sixth, non-voting, ex-officio member of the Faculty Council.
2. Prior to the final selection, the following shall occur:
  - a. Student's academic and service records shall be reviewed to determine eligibility.
  - b. Students who are eligible shall be notified and asked to complete the Student Activity Information Form for further consideration for selection.
  - c. The faculty shall be requested to comment on candidates determined to be eligible according to their scholastic and service records.
  - d. The Student Activity Information Form and faculty comments will be reviewed by the Faculty Council.
3. The selection of active members shall be held once a year during the second semester of the school year. (Alternative or additional selection periods may be added.)
4. An active member of the NHS who transfers from this school will be given a letter indicating the status of his/her membership and signed by the Principal.
5. An active member of the NHS who transfers to this school will be automatically accepted for membership in this chapter. This transfer member will attain within one semester a 3.5 semester average which must be maintained in all subsequent

semester, or attain a 3.5 cumulative GPA. In addition to scholarship the transfer member must maintain this Chapter's requirements for leadership, character, and service.

### **Retaining membership & Dismissal**

1. Any member who falls below the standards of scholarship, leadership, character or service may be dismissed from the TMA Chapter of the NHS. A member of the NHS is expected to maintain an active role in service (minimum of 15 documented service hours each year at TMA) and leadership to his/her school and community.
2. If a member's cumulative grade point average falls below the standard in effect when he/she was selected (3.5), he/she will be given written warning. If the cumulative grade point average remains below 3.5 for the next two or any two consecutive quarters, the student may be dismissed from the Chapter.
3. Violation of criminal law or school regulations can result in dismissal of the student. These violations include, but are not limited to, DWI or DUI, stealing, destruction of property, cheating, truancy, or possession, selling, or being under the influence of drugs or alcohol at school or school-related activities.
4. Offenders of the school conduct code (such as use of profanity, failure to comply, unexcused absences, excessive tardiness, etc.) will receive written warning notification. A conference may be requested by either party (Faculty Council or student/parent). If the member is involved in another violation of the school conduct code, the member may be dismissed.
5. Any member whose personal conduct is questionable in accordance with the accepted norms of student behavior may be dismissed by the Faculty Council.