Carnahan High School of the Future National Honor Society Selection Procedure

The National Honor Society chapter of Carnahan High School is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Students are selected for membership by majority vote of a five-member principal-appointed faculty council, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each semester.

Juniors and seniors are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. Each semester, those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Candidate Information Form that provides the faculty council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. Invitations will be distributed on Tuesday, April 26th for the Spring 2022 induction cycle.

Due to the ongoing global pandemic, students will not be kept from membership due to lack of previous service. Once selected, members must participate in both NHS and non-NHS sponsored service activities to maintain their membership.

Candidates will be selected based on any leadership positions held as well as their participation in co-curricular activities. Students will be given the option to explain traditional and nontraditional ways they serve as leaders for their peers. Once selected, members must earn points for organizing, contributing to, or participating in NHS service.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the faculty council uses three forms of input:

- 1. School disciplinary records are reviewed.
- 2. Members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, and leadership.
- 3. Students are required to submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach, religious leader, supervisor, cocurricular sponsor, or another individual of equal standing. Letters may not be written by family members. These letters must be submitted to the sponsor with a signature on the flap.

Candidate Information Forms and recommendation letters are due Tuesday, April 26th at 2:15 PM. Materials will not be accepted after this deadline.

Any solicited faculty input, recommendation letters, and Candidate Information Forms are carefully reviewed by the faculty council to determine membership. A majority vote of the council is necessary for selection. Candidates will be notified regarding selection or nonselection by Friday, April 29th.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at Carnahan to recognize all the newly selected members. Selected candidates must attend induction to become members of NHS.

Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all four criteria that led to their selection. When these requirements are met and all obligations of membership are fulfilled, students earn the honor of wearing a cord at their graduation ceremony.

If you have questions about anything related to the Carnahan Chapter of National Honor Society, please contact Ms. Mulderig in person or via email (kelly.mulderig@slps.org).