

MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Membership in this chapter is an honor bestowed upon deserving students by the faculty and shall be based on the criteria of scholarship, service, leadership, and character as determined by the faculty council.

SECTION 2. Membership in this chapter shall be known as active, honorary, and alumni. Active members become alumni members at graduation. Honorary members are selected at the discretion of the faculty council. Alumni and honorary members have no voice or vote in chapter affairs.

SECTION 3. ELIGIBILITY:

- a. Candidates eligible for selection to this chapter must be current members of the sophomore, junior, or senior class.
- b. To be eligible for selection to membership in this chapter, the candidate must have been enrolled for a period equivalent to one semester at Escuela Americana.
- c. Candidates eligible for election to the chapter shall have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.7 on a 4.0 scale. That translates 90+ in Escuela Americana's simple GPA scale.
- d. Upon meeting the grade level, enrollment, and GPA standards, candidates shall then be considered based on their service, leadership, and character.

SELECTION OF MEMBERS

Selection procedures will be published and available as required by Article IX, Section 4 of the National Constitution. The selection procedure exists as a shorter, separate document.

SECTION 1. The selection of members to this chapter shall be by a majority vote of the faculty council, which consists of five faculty members appointed by the principal. The chapter adviser shall be the sixth, nonvoting, ex officio member of the faculty council.

SECTION 2. The selection of active members shall be held once a year during the second semester of the school year. Only current members of the 10th, 11th, and 12th grade level class will be eligible.

SECTION 3. Prior to the final selection, the following shall occur:

- a. Students' academic records shall be reviewed to determine scholastic eligibility.
- b. All students who are eligible scholastically (i.e., candidates) shall be notified and asked to complete and submit the candidate information form for further consideration.
- c. The faculty shall be requested to evaluate candidates determined to be scholastically eligible using the official input form provided by the chapter adviser.
- d. The faculty council shall review the candidate information forms, faculty input, peer interviews, and other relevant information to determine those who fully meet the selection criteria for membership.

SECTION 4. Candidates become members when inducted at a special ceremony.

SECTION 5. An active member of the National Honor Society who transfers from this school will be given an official letter indicating the status of his/her membership.

SECTION 6. An active member of the National Honor Society who transfers to this school will be automatically accepted for membership in this chapter. The faculty council shall grant to the transferring member one semester to attain the membership requirements and, thereafter, this member must maintain those requirements for this chapter in order to retain his/her membership.

SECTION 7. School policy must not be abridge under the NHS constitution. School policy will prevail under circumstances of discrepancy.

SECTION 8. Students with major infractions are not considered for membership, as school policy prohibits eligibility for leadership positions.

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