

## **What are the requirements to apply to the New Dimensions High School Chapter of the National Honor Society?**

It is strongly encouraged that every student and his/her parents attend the mandatory meeting in May (as early as possible after finishing 8th grade) in order to start preparing the portfolio for the requirements into the most prestigious organization that we have at NDHS. You are also always welcome to email Mrs. Mrs. Concepcion, the advisor, with any questions that you may have.

Also, please note that every year, the NDHS NHS 's faculty council has the right to add/change any of the requirements for admission following NHS national guidelines.

- 1) *You must be at least a junior by September of the year that you are applying.*
- 2) *You must have a minimum of 30 volunteer hours from a non- profit organization. You cannot work for a parent nor a family member. There is a list of 40 approved organizations/services on the school NHS website. Please contact your NHS advisor if you have any doubts as to whether or not your volunteer hours will be approved prior to your commitment. These hours can be accrued from the summer before your 9th grade year up to year you are applying to NHS. You will not be able to use any hours before or during 8th grade.*
- 3) *Make sure your volunteer hours are documented on the approved form by NHS which you can always find in room 203 (Mrs. Concepcion's room). You must have a signature and keep track of exact dates and times.*
- 4) *Make sure you participate in at least 2 extra-curricular activities every year. Sports count as an activity. To count as an activity, it must have regularly scheduled monthly meetings and have a designated purpose. NDHS offers a large amount of club and activities for you to participate in.*
- 5) *You must also prove that you have undertaken leadership roles in your life.*
- 6) *You will need two letters of reference that will attest to your character and leadership skills.*
- 7) *No unexcused tardies- no unexcused absences- no disciplinary issues. You are allowed 9 pts-- -an unexcused tardy is 1pt and an unexcused absence is 3pts (this is for all your time at NDHS).*
- 8) *Minimum accumulative weighted GPA of 3.8 (3.79 will not qualify).*
- 9) *You will submit a well-developed essay about yourself.*

*10) Every staff member at New Dimensions will have the opportunity to give every student a rating addressing leadership and character.*

Thank you for your interest in National Honor Society!

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