

# National Honor Society Requirements for Membership



*Congratulations on your excellent academic record and consideration of membership in National Honor Society (NHS)!*

At West, NHS emphasizes service. During your senior year, members of NHS are expected to attend bi-weekly meetings and be actively involved in service activities sponsored by NHS. In addition to your proven service record and your 3.5 GPA, election to NHS includes leadership and character. A detailed description of these areas can be found in the West High Student Handbook. In order to complete your application to the National Honor Society, you must submit the following to Gary Powell in room 2032:

- 1.) **Service Forms** documenting at least 60 hours of community service (use one form for each service activity)  
No more than 30 hours are counted for a single service activity. These are available in the guidance office, on the West home page and with Mr. Powell, room 2032.
- 2.) **An Essay of Request for Consideration:**
  - Describe your personal qualities of character and leadership.
  - Explain how you will be an asset to West High NHS.
  - Should be no more than one page, double spaced, 12-point font.
  - Include your full name in the upper right hand corner
  - **Have your parent or guardian sign at the bottom of your essay.**

**These documents have a strict deadline, which is communicated in your invitation letter. No late applications will be accepted.**

Letters notifying students of their selection to the National Honor Society will be sent home after second semester. New NHS members will be honored at the Induction Ceremony in the West High Auditorium typically during early Spring.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Powell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Gary Powell

NHS Selection Committee Advisor