

Regional School District No. 17
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Instruction

National Honor Society

The Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education endorses the concept of the National Honor Society in its ability to provide special recognition to students who combine scholarship with demonstrated leadership, extensive service and good character. The Principal shall approve all activities and decisions of the chapter. The Principal appoints the society advisor and the members of the faculty council. The administration is directed to develop appropriate regulations regarding honor society procedures.

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Establishment

Honor societies shall be optional at the middle and senior high school level. The building administrator's approval is necessary for the establishment of an honor society. The handbooks of the National Junior Honor Society and the National Honor Society are used as procedural guides for local chapters of these national organizations.

Eligibility

1. Eighth grade students are eligible for membership at the middle school or junior high level; eleventh and twelfth grade students, at the senior high level.
2. All students at eligible grade levels who achieve an overall average of B (equivalent or not less than 3.0 on a 4.0 point scale) in courses taken for credit shall be considered for membership.

Selection of Members

1. In computing scholastic averages, grades in all subjects, including special subjects such as physical education, art, music, industrial education, and home arts, shall be used. Grades from another accredited school are also included in computing the average.
2. In addition to scholarship, service to the school or community organizations and leadership qualities shall be considered in student selection for membership.
3. In computing eligibility for membership, the following procedures apply:
 - (a) In the eighth grade, all seventh grade and first-semester eighth grade marks shall be considered.
 - (b) In the eleventh grade, the final ninth, tenth, and first-semester eleventh grade marks shall be considered.
 - (c) In the fall semester of the twelfth grade, the final ninth, tenth, and eleventh grade marks shall be considered.
 - (d) In the spring semester of the twelfth grade, the final ninth, tenth, and eleventh and the first-semester twelfth grade marks shall be considered.
4. A representative faculty council consisting of no fewer than five members appointed by the building administrator shall make final student selections for honor society membership. The Principal shall determine the length of council membership terms and the basis of representation among the faculty. In student membership selection, faculty members, other than those on the council, may be asked to evaluate any students whom they know well.

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Probation or Dismissal

Honor society members in jeopardy of losing membership because of a serious deficiency in one or more membership criterion or criteria, may be placed on probation or dismissed from membership after a full review by the faculty council. A majority vote of the faculty council shall determine a student's placement on probationary status or dismissal from the honor society.

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