

Chatfield High School Minnesota Honor Society Selection Process

The Minnesota Honor Society is based on four pillars: Scholarship, Character, Service, and Leadership. To be chosen for membership, students must demonstrate strength in all four areas. The selection process at Chatfield High School is as follows:

Scholarship Requirement:

After Trimester 2 of each school year, students in grades 10 and 11 with a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher are invited to an informational meeting. This meeting will provide details about the MHS organization, application process, and deadlines.

Community Service and Leadership:

Students report service work and leadership responsibilities on their application.

Character:

After applications are received by the MHS Advisor, a list of students who have completed applications by the deadline is distributed to all teachers of grades 7-12 who will rate student character and provide applicable feedback. The Faculty Council will use these character ratings when reviewing applicants for membership. Character includes, but is not limited to, self-control, respect, responsibility, trustworthiness, fairness, caring, and citizenship.

Faculty Council Review:

The Faculty Council meets once a year to review applications and character ratings from teachers. To be selected, students must show strength in all four pillars. The Faculty Council makes its decision based on a simple majority vote, and their decision is final. There is no appeal process. All applicants will receive a letter stating their acceptance or denial following the Faculty Council Review. Students who are not selected are encouraged to continue striving to uphold the ideals of MHS, which include character, scholarship, leadership, and service, and apply again next year.

Induction and Member Responsibilities:

Students who are selected for MHS will be inducted during a ceremony conducted by current members in September. Members must maintain the qualities that made them eligible for MHS throughout their high school years. This includes maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher and completing at least 15 hours of community service from September to May 1st of each school year. Failure to maintain these minimum standards, MSHSL violations, or other school policy infractions are also cause for dismissal from MHS.

