



# ISM National Honor Society

## Membership Criteria

### Grades 10 -12

The National Honor Society is a prestigious honor society, mainly because members must adhere to specific membership criteria. Members who do not meet the criteria are placed on probation and must demonstrate improvement. Members who do not improve are considered for dismissal from the society.

The four qualities held in high esteem by The National Honor Society are:

- **Scholarship**
- **Service**
- **Leadership**
- **Character**

#### **Membership Criteria:**

1. Maintain an academic average of 87 or higher.
  - a. You retain your membership in the Society by maintaining a minimum 87 academic average on your EOY report. If your average falls below 87, you may be placed on "probation" until a subsequent term report card shows that the 87 minimum has been regained. However, while on "probation", you are to continue participating in the work of the society.
2. Maintain positive character (no behavior infractions or participation in illegal activities).
3. Attend NHS chapter meetings (usually no more than once a month).
4. Be required to serve on a committee for ISM Against Hunger or other school wide sponsored event and fully participate. This will fulfill the **fall activity requirement** for all members. Participation verification is due to the NHS Vice-President by the end of term.
5. Be required to donate a minimum of **10 hours** of service in conjunction with ISM's Student Life Organization during term 2. This will fulfill the **winter activity requirement**. Examples can include *peer tutoring, reading buddy, student mentor, shadow teacher, school ambassador, senior prefect, club leader, character education in lower school, or peer mediation*.
6. Be required to donate a minimum of **10 hours** of service in conjunction with ISM's Student Life Organization during term 3. This will fulfill the **spring activity requirement**. Examples can include *peer tutoring, reading buddy, student mentor, shadow teacher, school ambassador, senior prefect, club leader, character education in lower school, or peer mediation*.
7. Be required to donate a minimum of **10 hours** of service outside of the ISM community. These 10 hours can be completed between August-June of each school year. Members are encouraged to use these hours in a manner that reflects their interests and talents. A signed note/letter from an adult other than an ISM parents/guardian is required to verify the volunteer hour completion. This note must be received by the NHS Vice-President by the last day of school in June.
8. Participate in an NHS fundraiser activity.