

**National Honor Society  
Crescenta Valley High School  
Invitation to Apply & Selection Process**

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The National Honor Society (NHS) chapter of Crescenta Valley High School is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in the four areas of evaluation: scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Students are selected for membership by majority vote of a five-member principal-appointed faculty council, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each year.

**Eligibility and Applications**

Students in grades 10-12 are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative Weighted GPA of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. At the beginning of each semester, those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Candidate Form that provides the faculty council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. This invitation serves to inform the student of their eligibility to apply; it does not guarantee NHS membership. **Fall semester applications are available to only seniors and juniors.** Spring Semester applications are available to only juniors and sophomores. Applications can be found on the CVHS NHS school website.

**Application Evaluation and Pillars of NHS**

To evaluate a candidate's character, the faculty council uses two forms of input. First, school disciplinary records are reviewed. Second, members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, leadership, and character. Service involves finding a need and fulfilling it voluntarily without compensation. Leadership is being resourceful, taking action, contributing ideas, and working with others. Additionally, character consists of being cooperative, honest, reliable, and respectful.

Any solicited faculty input and the faculty council determine membership; the faculty council carefully reviews all candidate forms. A majority vote of the council is necessary for selection. Candidates are notified regarding selection or non-selection according to a predetermined schedule.

**Induction**

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at the school to recognize all the newly selected members. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all four criteria that led to their selection.

**Appeal Procedure**

For more information on this process, please email Mrs. Deitch with specific questions ( 5 days or less after final decision) about your application.